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**LOCAL**

## FUESD finances are improving

**Will Fritz**  
Associate Editor

The Fallbrook Union Elementary School District is in good financial shape, the district's trustees were told at their Dec. 16 meeting.

In a presentation on the first of two certifications of fiscal viability

*see FUESD, page A-6*

**LOCAL**

## NCFPD, North County CERT receive grants

**Joe Naiman**  
Village News Reporter

The Dec. 10 meeting of the San Diego County Board of Supervisors included the allocation of Neighborhood Reinvestment Program grants to the North County Fire Protection District and the North County Community Emergency Response Team.

*see NCFPD, page A-6*

**LOCAL**

## Water district boards move toward detachment

FALLBROOK – The boards of directors of the Rainbow Municipal Water District and Fallbrook Public Utilities District have each adopted Resolutions of Application to detach from the San Diego County Water Authority and annex into the Eastern Municipal Water District, Metropolitan Water District's wholesaler.

*see WATER, page A-6*

# Santa visits seniors too



Chris Assad and Santa Claus share a hug in the spirit of the Christmas season at the Fallbrook Senior Center's holiday luncheon, Dec. 17. See more photos on page A-4.

Village News/Michele Howard phot

# Lucore makes Hall of Fame



Village News/Courtesy photo

Pickleball player Jennifer Lucore is the first female member of the Pickleball Hall of Fame. See story and photo on page D-2.

# Art walk tours downtown



Visitors gather for samplings of food, wine and artwork inside the Doreen Mellen Ceramics Gallery during the Holiday Wine & A Bite Art Walk, Dec. 13. See more photos on page C-1.

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# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## Fallbrook Community Center hosts blood drive

FALLBROOK – Fallbrook Community Center is hosting a blood drive in partnership with the San Diego Blood Bank Thursday, Jan. 2, from 12:30-5:30 p.m. in their parking lot at 341 Heald Lane.

Anyone 17 and older, who weighs at least 114 pounds and is in good health may be eligible to donate blood. A good meal and plenty of fluids are recommended before donation. All donors must show picture identification. Donors are encouraged to schedule an appointment to donate, but walk-ins are welcome.

To schedule an appointment or for more information, visit <http://www.sandiegobloodbank.org> or call (800) 469-7322.

*Submitted by San Diego Blood Bank.*

## Mission Theater to hold fundraiser

FALLBROOK – The Mission Theater at 231 North Main in Fallbrook is hosting a fundraiser for the Election Integrity Project of California, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, non-political organization, showing the movie “Man Of The Year,” starring Robin Williams.

The fundraiser will be held Saturday, Jan. 11, at 6 p.m. Doors open at 5 p.m. Tickets can be purchased at Sun Reality located at 431 South Main in Fallbrook from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday. Ticket costs are \$10 if purchased in advance and \$15 at the door.

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## DeMaio to speak at Fallbrook Republican Women meeting

FALLBROOK – To kick off the New Year the guest speaker for the Jan. 10 meeting of the Fallbrook Republican Women of California will be Carl DeMaio.

DeMaio is best known for his radio show, “The DeMaio Report,” which aired from 3-6 p.m. daily on KOGO AM 600. DeMaio is currently running for the 50th Congressional District.

Judges running for Superior Court will also be introduced.

Monthly meetings are held at the Pala Mesa Resort, 2001 Old Highway 395, from 9:30-11:30 a.m. For reserved seating arrive no later than 9 a.m. The \$25 cost includes the venue, speaker and brunch.

RSVP no later than Jan. 6, 2020, at [republicanwomenofca.fallbrook@gmail.com](mailto:republicanwomenofca.fallbrook@gmail.com) or by calling Sue Jones at (760) 723-1954.

*Submitted by Fallbrook Republican Women of California.*

## North County Aviculturists to hear presentation Jan. 4

VISTA – North County Aviculturists, a club for pet bird owners and breeders, will have the pleasure of a presentation by Jill Thorburn Saturday, Jan. 4. Thorburn is well-versed on the Princess of Wales Parakeets from Australia.

Join in as Thorburn explains the best practices to keep these beautiful, gentle birds happy and thriving. A meal will be provided at the 5:30 p.m. event to be held at the Vista Masonic Center, 761 Eucalyptus Ave. in Vista.

NCA is a 501(c)(7) - Social and Recreation Clubs’ organization.

For more information, visit [www.ncabirdclub.com](http://www.ncabirdclub.com).

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**Jan. 18** – 8:30-10:30 a.m. – The Keeping Fallbrook Litter Free Group Cleanup will be held at Don Dussault Park and surrounding area, 832 Alturas Road. RSVP to Marta Donovan (760) 405-4054.

**Feb. 15** – 8:30-10:30 a.m. – The Keeping Fallbrook Litter Free Group Cleanup will be held at Santa Margarita River Hiking Trail and surrounding area. Directions: DeLuz Rd north to Sandia Creek Drive. Continue on Sandia Creek Drive to the Santa Margarita River and the trailhead is on the right. RSVP to Marta Donovan (760) 405-4054.

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OPINION

Stop wild horse slaughter



Assemblymember Marie Waldron  
AD 75 (R)

This year I was principal co-author with Assemblymember Todd Gloria, D-San Diego, of Assembly Bill 128, which requires any person purchasing a horse at auction, many of which are rounded up on public lands, to sign a sworn statement that the animal won't be sold for slaughter. Since 1971, federal law has required

the Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management to manage wild horses. While the BLM has prohibited the sale of healthy horses to slaughterhouses, the Forest Service has not enforced a similar prohibition. Earlier this year I also signed a letter, along with many of my colleagues, to Sens. Diane Feinstein and Kamala Harris asking that the Senate include language in Interior Appropriations legislation prohibiting the destruction of federally protected wild horses and burros and their sale for slaughter. Fortunately, the House and Senate have just agreed to include that language in their appropriations bill for the coming fiscal year. Few Americans eat horsemeat – the last horse slaughterhouses closed in 2007. California voters weighed in on this issue in 1998 by passing Proposition 6, which bans the sale of horsemeat for human consumption. Nevertheless, horses have continued to be shipped out of the country for slaughter, destined for dinner tables in some Asian and European countries.

In 2018, California's Devil's Garden Plateau, a preserve near the Oregon border, became seriously overcrowded with almost 4,000 wild horses in an area that could only support about 400. Hundreds of mostly younger animals would be available for adoption, but after 30 days, older horses could be sold for as little as \$1 each. Those animals might go to sanctuaries, become ranch or pack horses or sent to slaughter. This outcome was clearly not the voters' intent when Proposition 6 was approved. With passage of AB 128 and recent congressional action, both federal and state governments are moving to finally ban horse slaughter. Assembly Republican Leader Marie Waldron, R-Escondido, represents the 75th Assembly District in the California Legislature, which includes the communities of Bonsall, Escondido, Fallbrook, Hidden Meadows, Pala, Palomar Mountain, Pauma Valley, Rainbow, San Marcos, Temecula, Valley Center and Vista.

Word on the street

Every week a member of the Village News team will be out and about asking residents and visitors to the greater Fallbrook area their opinion on current events. This week's question was, how do you feel about President Donald Trump's impeachment?

Gerard Grenier, a lifelong Republican out walking his dogs Boomer and Harley Quinn in Fallbrook, had this to say about the president's impeachment. "I think it's a good thing. I think everybody should be held accountable for their actions and if you're breaking the law, you're breaking the law." Village News/Shane Gibson



A Busy Year



Jim Desmond  
District 5

The end of the year is a great time to look back and look ahead. While it's been a whirlwind first year as a San Diego County Supervisor, I'm proud of what we've been able to accomplish together! One of my big focuses when taking over the District 5 seat on the board of supervisors was fire safety. We all know fires are inevitable in San Diego, but we can make a difference by being prepared. We haven't seen any major wildfires this year and that's a credit to CALFIRE and all the technologies in place. Our new helitanker, which is positioned in North County during Red Flag Warnings, has been a huge help. Response time for wildfires has been under five minutes, which is simply amazing! Revitalization committees are underway in Borrego Springs, Fallbrook and Valley Center, and

all have been successful thanks to our amazing community members. Each subcommittee has spent hours working with County staff and community members to solve issues. I have been extremely pleased to see the progress throughout the year and look forward to what they achieve in 2020. Also, another effort I'm honored to have been a part of, is our Veterans Moving Forward program. Started in 2013 by Sheriff Bill Gore, the VMF program is a veteran-only, incentive-based housing unit for male inmates who served in a branch of the United States military. This program provides a structured environment for veterans to draw on the positive aspects of their shared military cultures, creates a safe place for healing and rehabilitation, and fosters positive peer connections. Earlier this year we expanded the program and partnered with Palomar College to bring training courses to the inmates and continued support when they leave prison. A few other items I'm proud of... We've been able to add an additional \$28 million to road maintenance in the unincorporated areas. We've connected the east end of San Luis Rey Park from the 76 to I-15 and developed many other parks in District 5. None of this would be possible without you! Your help and willingness to reach out to my office has improved our community. Next week, I'll give you an update on what some goals are until 2020! Until then, Merry Christmas!

Re: 'Pro-Life is a killer' [Village News, Miller Letter, 12/19/19]

In earlier times facts were considered the basis for argument, rather than being dismissed as "crazy." But my real concern is with the so-called Pro-Life movement that has become the Forced Birth movement. The U.S. is unique in the developed world in that our infant mortality and maternal mortality rates lately have been going up, rather than down, "thanks" to Forced-Birth's success in shutting down women's reproductive health care facilities. The subject letter presents a lame argument for adoption versus abortion. To survive in today's economy, the majority of women of child bearing age must work. And for a single woman that often means her paycheck is all that stands between her and homelessness. And the old: "why don't you use contraception?" Who says they don't? No contraceptive is 100% effective. And why do you expect teenagers to use contraception when most sex-ed classes teach abstinence? When hormones rage, "Never!" becomes "Well, just this once." And no contraceptive to be had. Regarding Partial Birth Abortion: 'this method can be

used only when necessary to protect a woman's life or in case of a 'serious risk of substantial and irreversible physical impairment of a major bodily function.'" It constitutes only 1.3% of abortions performed. Remember the key point: performed only when necessary. I was disappointed to see an attempt to revive the disproved myth that abortion leads to mental illness. Google "abortion mental illness" and you'll find numerous articles that rebut that myth, some dating back to 2006. And why do Forced-Birth advocates bring up Margaret Sanger? Fact: Sanger was not a proponent of abortion. What she was a proponent of was the eugenics program that was popular at that time, the one that Hitler modeled his program after. But before casting stones, keep I mind, she was in "good" company, including President Theodore Roosevelt, a staunch supporter and Alexander Graham Bell. Bell was an advocate of compulsory sterilization and served as chairman or president of several eugenics organizations.

John H. Terrell

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# Seniors celebrate holidays with Santa



From left, Angie and Bill Shusten, Santa Claus and Lonnie and Steve Hodgson enjoy their Fallbrook Senior Center Christmas lunch, Dec. 17. Village News/Michele Howard photo



Fallbrook Senior Center executive director Renae Rasmussen enjoys a jolly good hug from Santa Claus at the FSC Congregate Meals Christmas Holiday Luncheon.



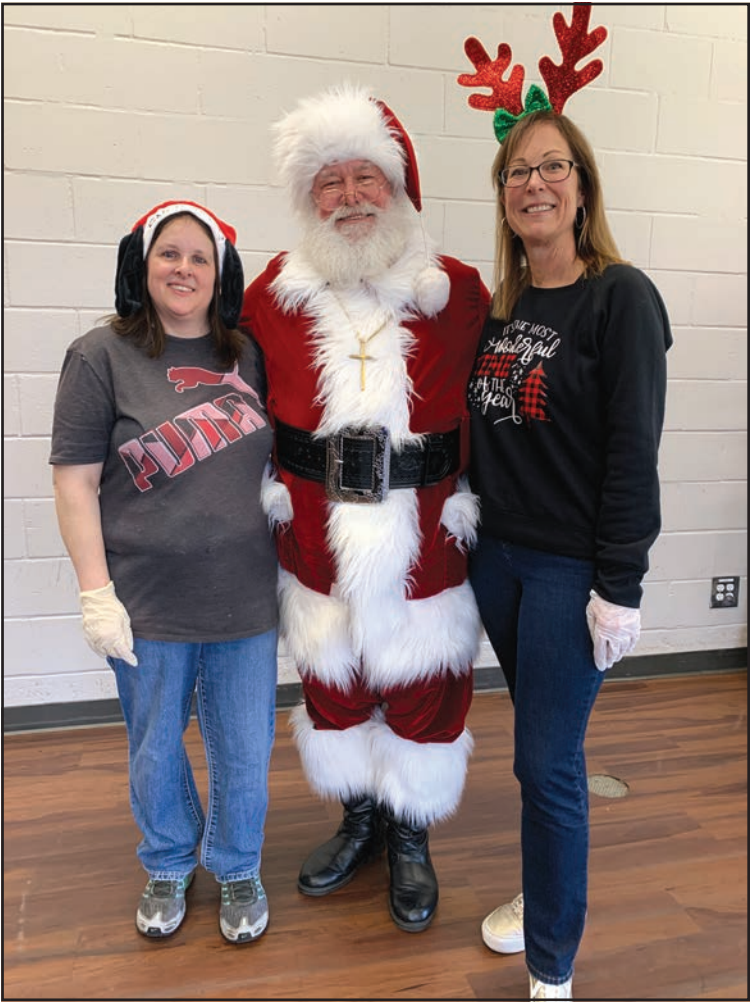
Enjoying the holiday lunch are, from left, Fallbrook Senior Center board of director President Jack Schirner and wife Jeanette, Santa Claus and Frank Ciotti and wife Irma who is the FSC board secretary.



Pat Roybal and Santa Claus wish everyone a merry Christmas during the luncheon



Special project manager Phyllis Sweeney and Santa Claus pose with Phil Leonelli while he plays Christmas music on the piano to entertain the seniors at their Christmas luncheon



FSC server, housekeeper and driver Marci Crocket, left, and volunteer Jessica Holloway, right, wear big smiles for a photo with Santa.

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## FUESD

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required by law each year, FUESD Director of Accounting Cindi Martin told the district’s governing board that the district was shown to be able to meet its financial obligation for this fiscal year and the next two.

The report shows a “snapshot in time” of the district’s finances between July 1, the start of the current fiscal year, and Oct. 31, Martin said. The biggest change,

she said, is that the district’s enrollment has increased for the second year in a row, thus upping the amount of money the district is granted through the state’s Local Control Funding Formula.

Last school year, FUESD had 4,864 students between its five elementary schools, one K-8 school, one junior high school and one alternative school. This year, the district has 5,043 students, according to the California Department of Education statistics – an increase of more than 3%.

The district now anticipates

receiving an increase of about \$1.7 million in LCFF funding for about \$51 million, according to a staff report.

Martin described that increase as “huge, especially when you consider the state, how many districts are declining (in enrollment).”

“We as a district had at least a decade of declining enrollment and this is now our second year of actual growth,” she said.

Because of the increase in enrollment, the district has added 10 new general education teachers

– four at Potter Junior High, three at Mary Fay Pendleton Elementary, two at Live Oak Elementary and one at Maie Ellis Elementary. An additional special education teacher was also hired at Potter. And the district hired 10 more part time and six more full time classified employees.

“It takes more people to teach the kids,” Martin said. “So, more kiddos, more teachers.”

The cost of the new positions, as well as some carry-over expenditures, contributed to an increase of about \$2 million in

expenditures for a projected total of about \$48 million for the entire fiscal year. However, the district expects to take in about \$57 million in total revenue for the year – putting it in the black. The district has for several years been operating with planned deficit spending, but Martin said this year is the first time the district will not have to run a deficit.

Will Fritz can be reached by email at wfritz@reedermedia.com.

## NCFPD

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The supervisors’ 4-0 vote, with Kristin Gaspar absent, allocated \$35,486 to the fire district for firefighter workout equipment and \$15,613 to North County CERT for training materials and equipment.

Each county supervisor has an annual \$2 million discretionary Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget. The Neighborhood Reinvestment Program is intended to provide grants to nonprofit organizations for the furtherance of public purposes at the regional and community levels.

In addition to nonprofit organizations, county supervisors can also fund schools and fire departments, and supervisors

can also use money from their budgets to supplement other county funding for specific county projects such as parks, roads and libraries.

Each of the supervisors recommends the allocation of his or her Neighborhood Reinvestment Program funds, although those allocations must be approved by a majority of the board. The grants to the NCFPD and to North County CERT were from the District Five budget of Supervisor Jim Desmond.

In addition to serving Fallbrook, Bonsall and Rainbow, the North County Fire Protection District has automatic aid agreements with the Deer Springs Fire Protection District, the cities of Oceanside and Vista, and the Camp Pendleton Fire Department. The fire service seeks to optimize the health and wellness of firefighters, and the

North County Fire Protection District has implemented a wellness program which includes nutritional guidelines, workout programs, blood tests, physicals and cancer blood screenings.

The fire district currently often borrows workout equipment since the current equipment at NCFPD stations does not allow for a full body workout or for replicating fire ground movements. The Neighborhood Reinvestment Program money will be used to purchase functional movement workout equipment which will improve firefighters’ ability to suppress fires as well as enable the fire personnel to be as healthy as possible.

“It’s vital that our firefighters are in good physical shape when it comes to doing their job,” Desmond said. “This equipment will aid firefighters in improving

their health and safety.”

More than 600 volunteers from Fallbrook, Bonsall, Rainbow, and DeLuz comprise the North County Community Emergency Response Team. CERT members are trained in emergency response for disasters including fires, floods and terrorist attacks.

The CERT mission is to be prepared and to aid in the reduction of the loss of life and property through hands-on experience and response. Training and drills are scheduled regularly within the community, and regional and countywide exercises are also part of the training.

The Neighborhood Reinvestment Program allocation will provide training materials and equipment including vehicle and generator batteries, automated call and text verification, “one call” software, training manuals, binders, bottled

water and backpacks with helmets, gloves, goggles and vests,

“North County CERT is an excellent organization that provides much-needed support during emergencies,” Desmond said. “This is an extremely important group, especially in the unincorporated area.”

Desmond’s Dec. 10 Neighborhood Reinvestment Program allocations also included \$68,419 to the Valley Center Fire Protection District to purchase and install an automatic gas removal system for two Valley Center fire stations and \$19,638 to the San Diego Regional Fire and Emergency Services Foundation to purchase a “Jaws of Life” rescue device for the Elfin Forest Volunteer Fire Station.

## WATER

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Virtually all of the water used by both agencies comes from MWD’s Skinner Water Treatment Plant in southwest Riverside County via MWD’s aqueduct. RMWD and FPUD are the only two water agencies in San Diego County with direct connections to the MWD aqueduct.

Both districts are able to serve their customers with these connections without using any SDCWA facilities.

Over the last 25 years, SDCWA has made significant investments to construct new storage and

treatment facilities. SDCWA operates and maintains a series of aqueducts, treatment plants and reservoirs located south of the districts.

While these facilities may provide benefits for more urban areas of the county and those further south in the SDCWA system, they provide limited benefit to the more rural agricultural communities served by FPUD and RMWD.

As a result of these investments, the standard treated water rate from SDCWA is over \$400 more expensive than the EMWD rate for customers.

This increased cost of water has had a particularly negative impact on the area’s agriculture-

based economies. The resolutions point out that detachment and annexation is intended not to just save money for the districts’ ratepayers, but it is necessary to help preserve the foundation of the districts’ local economy and the character of their communities.

RMWD board member Miguel Gasca said that reliability has been one of the most foremost things on the mind of the board as noted by the previous action to approve an MOU to enhance RMWD’s reliability by the interfaces with FPUD and U.S. Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton.

Gasca said one of the items the RMWD board has to take into consideration, in addition

to reliability, is the financial aspects of running the district. He mentioned that after analyzing and looking at the entire system, the majority of RMWD’s system is past its design life span of 50 years and pipelines are failing at an increasing rate.

Therefore, from a fiduciary standpoint, the board has to look at the best means for providing reliable service to the customers as well as keep the costs down as much as possible. He said, with over 60% of the water being purchased by agricultural users, just adding another rate on top of RMWD’s current rates to deal with the infrastructure challenges is not the solution.

Gasca said that the detachment allows RMWD to free up money from its ratepayers that now goes to SDCWA which will allow the district to implement a pipeline replacement system program as well as retain or reduce its current rates. He reiterated that the board would be shirking its fiduciary responsibility if they did not try to find out whether the detachment was viable.

The capacity of the districts to serve their customers will neither increase nor decrease as a result of the detachment. Ratepayers will receive the same water they have now with equivalent supply reliability now and in the future.

The change in water wholesalers will not impact other member agencies in SDCWA, apart from a minor financial impact that is well below other financial drivers at SDCWA. In fact, should RMWD and FPUD detach other member agencies will save on the construction of certain planned capital projects in the service areas.

The detachment and annexation process involves both San Diego and Riverside counties. To facilitate the process of managing the applications, San Diego Local

Area Formation Commission has entered into a Memorandum of Understanding with Riverside County LAFCO that allows San Diego LAFCO to handle all aspects of both the detachment and annexation. California State law permits such arrangements in order to simplify the review process.

The San Diego LAFCO review process is expected to take at least six months. When San Diego LAFCO staff determines the application is complete, they will schedule a series of public hearings with the San Diego LAFCO Commission.

Following the public hearings, the commission will vote on the application. At this meeting there will be opportunities for FPUD and RMWD ratepayers to provide public input to the commission who will decide if the process should proceed.

Should the commission approve the application, provisions of the County Water Authority Act that govern key elements of this process, require an election to be held within RMWD’s and FPUD’s service areas.

District residents will be asked to vote on whether they wish to remain part of SDCWA or make the move to EMWD. Residents in the RMWD and FPUD service areas recently received a letter from SDCWA indicating they are looking out for their ratepayer’s interest, but in fact their push for a countywide election would both ignore the law governing these matters and transfer local water supply decisions from FPUD and RMWD ratepayers to the city of San Diego and other urban areas of the county.

This process is anticipated to take a total of about 18 months total to complete.

Submitted by Rainbow Municipal Water District.

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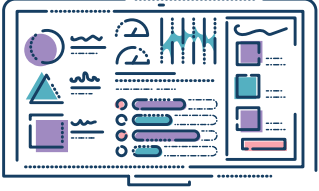

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# The Christmas Story

## The Christmas Story as told by Luke

Luke 2:1-20

<sup>1</sup> In those days Caesar Augustus issued a decree that a census should be taken of the entire Roman world. <sup>2</sup> (This was the first census that took place while Quirinius was governor of Syria.) <sup>3</sup> And everyone went to their own town to register.

<sup>4</sup> So Joseph also went up from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to Bethlehem the town of David, because he belonged to the house and line of David. <sup>5</sup> He went there to register with Mary, who was pledged to be married to him and was expecting a child. <sup>6</sup> While they were there, the time came for the baby to be born, <sup>7</sup> and she gave birth to her firstborn, a son. She wrapped him in cloths and placed him in a manger, because there was no guest room available for them.

<sup>8</sup> And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night. <sup>9</sup> An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. <sup>10</sup> But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people. <sup>11</sup> Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord. <sup>12</sup> This will be a sign to you: You

will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger."

<sup>13</sup> Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying,

<sup>14</sup> "Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests."

<sup>15</sup> When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let's go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has told us about."

<sup>16</sup> So they hurried off and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby, who was lying in the manger. <sup>17</sup> When they had seen him, they spread the word concerning what had been told them about this child, <sup>18</sup> and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds said to them. <sup>19</sup> But Mary treasured up all these things and pondered them in her heart. <sup>20</sup> The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things they had heard and seen, which were just as they had been told.

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# Christmas cheer is brought to seniors in need

FALLBROOK – Fallbrook’s Foundation for Senior Care joined with other nonprofits and businesses to bring Christmas gifts and cheer to 74 needy seniors in the Greater Fallbrook Area this Christmas. The Foundation for Senior Care’s work in the community allows them to identify seniors who might otherwise be overlooked during the holiday season and coordinate gift gifting. Gifts presented to seniors by the senior care advocates are donated

by several organizations and individuals. Home Instead Home Care of Vista provides gifts on a senior’s wish list through the Be a Santa to a Senior program. The PEO Sisterhood Chapter of AZ provides grocery gift cards and individual gifts. Fallbrook Blanket Project contributed crocheted blankets for each senior. Girl Scout Troop 1955 donated handmade lap blankets for clients at “The Club” Fallbrook Adult Day Care Center. And local resident Jamie Chisholm held a sock and hat drive. University of Phoenix Human Services intern Julz Auger-Andrews-Reeves was touch to be a part of the gifting. “The gifts made such an impact and brought so much joy and excitement,” she said. “I am so grateful to be a part of this experience and will never forget the beautiful smiles.” Many of the seniors were overwhelmed and expressed the same sentiment as 88-year-old gift recipient Marilyn, “I am too old to be receiving gifts. What did I do to deserve this? Really what did I do to deserve this kindness?” On Christmas Day, the giving continues as the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 1924 of Fallbrook provides between 200-300 Christmas dinners for seniors in senior apartment complexes and individual homes. Foundation for Senior Care Advocate Darlene Weber said, “It truly is a beautiful thing to see so many working together to make sure no senior is forgotten this Christmas.” Submitted by Foundation for Senior Care.



Senior Care Advocate Darlene Weber presents Village News/Courtesy photo Korean War veteran Mac McLaughlin with Christmas gifts.

Wishing All a Very Merry Christmas & a Happy New Year!



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# County awarded \$2.5 million to house veterans experiencing homelessness

**Katie White**  
County of San Diego  
Communications Office

The County Health and Human Services Agency has been awarded an annual \$2.5 million federal grant to fund housing vouchers for veterans who are experiencing homelessness.

The \$2,520,346 grant from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development will allow the County to issue housing vouchers to 175 unsheltered veterans in San Diego County.

The funds are administered through the Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing program, a collaborative effort between HUD and the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs. VASH provides rental assistance, ongoing VA case management and supportive services, including drug and alcohol counseling and finance education to veterans without a stable home.

“This grant is good news for our unsheltered veteran population,”

said David Estrella, Director of HHSA’s Housing and Community Development Services. “The funds will secure a stable place to live for men and women in our community that have sacrificed so much.”

According to the 2019 Point-In-Time homeless count, about 14% of the local homeless population has served in the military. Veterans are more likely than civilians to be homeless due to higher rates of traumatic brain injuries and Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder.

Strengthening Ongoing Efforts

The \$2.5 million grant supplements federal funding the County has already received under VASH. Overall, the county’s VASH program has assisted more than 1,000 veterans in finding a place to live.

Information on how to apply for these vouchers can be found online, at <https://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/sdhcd/rental-assistance/overview.html> or by calling (877) 478-5478. The county is also actively seeking landlords interested in housing



Courtesy photo

veterans selected for the vouchers. Landlords interested in participating in the rental assistance programs should call 2-1-1 San Diego or visit <https://211sandiego.org/resources/basic-needs/housing-information/help-end-homelessness/>. 2-1-1 San Diego will refer landlords to the proper jurisdiction.

# Chamber donates to D’Vine Path

FALLBROOK – The Fallbrook Chamber of Commerce hosted its annual Charity Golf Tournament Sept. 29, at Pala Mesa Resort. A total of 74 golfers participated to raise money for the chamber and D’Vine Path, a local nonprofit serving the needs of developmentally disabled adults.

The Fallbrook Chamber presented D’Vine Path with a check for \$2,000 at its Christmas of Giving Open House Dec. 11. The chamber staff appreciates everyone who participated in some way – either by playing, sponsoring and or donating. They hope to see everyone out on the course next year.

*Submitted by the Fallbrook Chamber of Commerce.*



Taking part in the donation of proceeds from the chamber golf tournament are, from left, Jennifer Dimuzio and Lenila Batali of D’Vine Path, Jackie Toppin and Lila MacDonald of the Fallbrook Chamber of Commerce, Dec. 11.

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## It is always a **blue** Christmas at one Fallbrook home

**Jeff Pack**  
*Staff Writer*

If you're passing by Carol Hanson's Fallbrook home during the holiday season, you probably wouldn't be able to tell that she has a unique Christmas collection on display inside her home.

"We have just very simple decorations out front and we live on our back patio, except when it's very cold," Hanson said. "I do have a little bit of decoration back there, but mostly it's in the main part of the house."

The "it" Hanson is referring to is the collection of 700 blue Santa Clauses she brings out for the holidays each Christmas.

She has blue Santa figurines as small as two-and-a-half inches tall to a wall-sized blue Santa, and all 700 of them pretty much take over the home she shares with her husband.

"Most of them are different standup figurines," she said. "And I have a white Christmas tree that's full of just blue Santas and blue Santas are all over the rest of my house. When you see it, you'll be sort of surprised."

Now, it's not unusual to find a home that goes way over the top with Christmas displays. It's not even crazy to imagine there are people out there with significant Santa figurine collections.

But, blue Santas only?

"So, I used to work at an antique store and when I worked there, I learned that Santa used to be in every color and I'm talking purple and orange and everything before the turn of the century," Hanson said. "And then Coca-Cola made the red Santas famous. So, after that you pretty much only see red. But in the antique stores,

there's a lot of collectibles and small things that are all different colors. I always liked blue. I'm part Swedish and they decorate a lot in blue. My house at the time when I started doing this was kind of blue. I just picked that as sort of a choice to go with and it took off."

This isn't the first time the local news has picked up Hanson's story. San Diego County TV personality Larry Himmel interviewed Hanson in 2003 when they lived in Mira Mesa.

"I had about 200 fewer Santas than I have now," she said.

Though Hanson said she no longer actively seeks out new blue Santas for her collection, family and friends still gift her new ones every year.

She doesn't give tours of the collection, but she said she hosts several gatherings throughout the holiday season and anybody that wants to come see it is welcome to.

It's a nice payoff for all the work that goes into putting them all on display.

"It's fun, but it's a huge undertaking because I put everything away that is out in my house all year long on all my shelves and cabinets and everywhere and pack them all up," Hanson said. "Then we get these out which are stored in the rafters above my garage and it takes a couple of weeks to get it all done."

One might think her husband might have had enough of the blue Santas, but you would be wrong.

"I think he's pretty jazzed about it too," Hanson said. "I mean it's kind of my baby, but he gets into it and he helps, and I think he's kind of proud that it's just sort of unique."

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Blue Santa-themed decorations and blue lights are displayed on Carol Hanson's mantle at her Fallbrook home.



Carol Hanson's collection includes Russian Babushka dolls painted as blue Santas. Village News/Shane Gibson photos



Carol Hanson hangs a blue Santa Claus ornament on one of two Christmas trees at her Fallbrook home. The white Christmas tree serves as a place to hang her favored blue Santa Claus ornament collection.



Blue candy canes are offered from a blue Santa cup for guests visiting Carol Hanson's Fallbrook home.



A foam Santa Claus with a blue hat hangs on the wall inside Carol Hanson's Fallbrook home. Hanson found the foam Santa at a garage sale for \$3 and painted the hat blue to fit in with her blue Santa Claus collection.



Carol Hanson holds one of her miniature blue Santa decorations. This one includes a blue Santa on a sleigh made of matchsticks.



HEALTH & BEAUTY

The sound of healing

Wendy Hammarstrom  
Special to Village News

My first experience with sound healing was listening to crystal bowls in a yurt in the hills of Aguanga. Lying on the floor, I felt the vibrations and energy of the sounds reach into my body to soothe and heal it. Recently I have heard about crystal bowls played in salt caves, while participants float in hot mineral spring pools.

Nestor Kornblum, founder and director of the Association of Sound Therapy, said he believes that sound has the capacity to change form at the physical, etheric, emotional and spiritual levels, and also at all these levels simultaneously.

Tibetan singing bowls, also called Himalayan bowls, as well as quartz crystal bowls create otherworldly sounds that can induce trance states.

Some healers believe that by using Tibetan singing bowls that are attuned to the various chakras or energy centers in the body, near magical transformations of body, mind and soul can be achieved. Singing bowls are used to aid meditation, religious practice, relaxation and health care.

When my yoga teacher friend recently had cataract surgery with some complications, Mercedes Martine the acupuncturist told her to listen to 432 or 528 hertz solfeggio music with headphones, 10 to 60 minutes per day, for four to six weeks to accelerate the healing. 528 Hz is said to help with sleep, relaxation and healing.

When I was recovering from gallbladder surgery, she told me to go get some headphones and listen, for 10 to 60 minutes a day, for four to six weeks to the same solfeggio tones to encourage incision and soft tissue healing.

As I am writing, I listen to Tibetan singing bowls for body damage care, or healing damaged organs, hoping it will help me heal

from a stomach virus, although this one is only 285 Hz.

The solfeggio frequencies are the original musical scale used in Gregorian chants and their soothing spiritual overtones were believed to infuse great spiritual blessings and transformation when sung in harmony.

In Philadelphia in 1980, my dance company Agape choreographed a piece to Tibetan bells called “Amanita.” We sat cross-legged on the ground at City Hall and circled from the waist, letting the vibrations from the music lead us. When the tones of the bowls stopped, we “toned” or vocalized, letting the sounds emanate from different areas of our bodies. During another performance we “toned” on several warehouse rooftops in Old City Philadelphia, holding candles in the dark.

Toning is another way to use sound for healing. Sounds can come from yourself or from a healer, body worker or shaman to reach the wounded parts. Either way, the vibration of the sound is moving through you to break up energetic blocks and facilitate a free flow of healing energy.

Singing bowls are actually a type of bell known as a “standing bell.” The bowls are played either by rubbing a mallet around the rim, as one might play a crystal glass with their finger, or by striking the side of the bowl with the mallet. The two playing methods produce quite distinctive sounds.

Although much sound healing is not melodic in the western sense, it is healing to our body and minds; some believe down to the cellular level. In addition to helping with many chronic and acute illnesses, some believe that these ancient healing tones can help with trauma and post-traumatic stress disorder.

Animals also respond to healing sounds, tones and vibrations. Although I must warn you, my cat made a fast exit the other day as I listened to 528 Hz solfeggio tones.



As with any healing modality, we must find the correct resonance for the current need.

Tuning forks are also used by sound healers on the physical body to help restore movement and flexibility to joints and to aid in the development of connective tissue. They stimulate the flow of lymph and blood to the area of application thereby speeding up the healing process, as well as promoting deep relaxation, among a myriad other benefits.

For my clients and students facing a physical challenge, along with appropriate allopathic modalities, I encourage them to go to YouTube to listen to what is offered and purchase what they like. Or tune into a local concert or event by the many sound healers in the world or receive an individual sound healing.

When I participated in a crystal bowl class with Elivia Melody of San Marcos, she placed a quartz

bowl on my abdomen to allow the vibrations to heal it. Whether it is a single quartz or brass bowl or a group played together, each bowl has its own resonance. The bowl I purchased is in the note of D and is beneficial for the sacral chakra, the energy center at the bottom of the spine.

Of course, most music can be healing, from church choirs to folk music to jazz to yoga chanting to drumming circles. The dancing that goes along with the many forms of music is also healing.

There is a drumming circle in Fallbrook at the Village Square led by Tom Rondeau of Rainbow Designs. Sound healing is also part of the yoga classes at Sage Yoga in Bonsall and Fallbrook.

I am particularly drawn to Native American flute music, especially music by Carlos Nakai. It is my preferred music for giving massages and teaching yoga. I have been listening to it since

1980 and never tire of it. There is a circular feeling to it, almost like a sound mandala. It is also soothing to animals.

When Sufi dervishes whirl to the sound of a reed pipe, called a Ney, they believe they become one with the divine spirit. When Native Americans dance to drums, they also become one with their deities. All cultures and religions have their form of movement and music to enable them to reach a divine state. Whether it is for Father Sky or Mother Earth, sound can inspire, elevate and heal us.

Wendy Hammarstrom has been practicing, teaching and writing about body work since 1976. Her book, “Circles of Healing: The Complete Guide to Healing with Massage and Yoga for Practitioners, Caregivers, Students and Clients,” is available on Amazon or her website at [www.circlesofhealingbook1.com](http://www.circlesofhealingbook1.com).

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# Kicking It X



Elizabeth Youngman Westphal  
Special to Village News  
“Twas the night before Christmas” and everywhere I look someone is offering cookies, pies, cakes and See’s candy. Holiday

cocktails abound. What’s a good girl to do?  
Actually, here is one idea to keep a reign on the sweet tooth. My favorite dessert is to put a pecan half on half a dried apricot. They’re only 34 calories each.  
Of course, there is always dry popcorn. At 20 calories per cup. Add 1 tablespoon of melted butter and it’s another 100 calories. But really, what else can you eat five cups of for only 200 calories?  
To cut calories at dinner time, my husband came up with a new salad which has become our favorite. One theory is he was cleaning out the vegetable bin; the second, he was having a moment of inspiration. You decide.  
Start with 4 cups of rough chopped green cabbage and add a large chopped carrot, 1 cup of

chopped celery, 1/4 cup of dried cranberries, 1 large chopped apple rinsed with lemon juice, plus 1/4 cup of pecans.  
If you add 2 tablespoons of fat free ranch dressing before serving, one cup of salad is only 68 calories. The salad can be stored without dressing in a sealed container for up to three days, if it lasts that long.  
If you wish to add kick to the salad, sprinkle crumbled blue cheese over the top. While it’s over the moon in taste, the calories jump dramatically since blue cheese will add 55 calories per tablespoon.  
Here is a recipe presented by “America’s Test Kitchen.” It is not a diet dressing since it’s about 220 calories for 2 tablespoons. Yet I think it’s worth the indulgence.

Mix one cup of Best Foods mayonnaise, 1 cup of whole sour cream, 1 cup of crumbled blue cheese, 1 teaspoon garlic powder and a splash of milk. Smash together. If you like it chunky, it’s done. I usually thin it out a bit more to spoon over a salad.  
My perfect meal is blue cheese dressing spooned over a lettuce wedge alongside a medium-rare steak, it is heaven. By the way, we’re talking 4 ounces of lean steak and not a 10 ounce ribeye.  
For the most part, I have started eating either one meal a day or two smaller ones: one midmorning and the other midafternoon. Either way, usually the dishes are done by 5:30 p.m. every day. We do our best not to eat after 7 p.m. If you are still working, that routine may not be an option. Try cooking

enough to have more than one meal from each recipe.  
Up next is New Year’s and resolutions for the upcoming year. Imagine when you were in sixth grade and the thought of still being alive in 2020 was mind boggling. What will you decide to do about your well-being?  
Are you ready to be your best self? As Ralphie’s friend Schwartz said to Flick in “A Christmas Story,” “I triple dog dare you.” And there you have it. I am not daring you to stick your tongue to a flagpole. I am daring you to change your life. Only 74 days left before I head out.  
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## Thinking about Health: Big questions underlie debate about making health care accessible to all

Trudy Lieberman  
Community Health News Service

In recent days, several tweets shared ominous news about the state of health insurance in the country. One woman tweeted she bought an Affordable Care Act policy for a \$1,200 monthly premium and a \$7,500 deductible. By May, she said, she could no longer afford that premium.  
Another tweeted her 59-year-old friend would be paying \$900 a month in premiums with an out-of-pocket maximum of \$8,150. The friend has assets, but the insurance restricts where she can get care, a common policy feature.  
A third tweet said he was disgusted with his job-based coverage, which he told the world was his fifth insurance plan in four years. That’s not an uncommon complaint among workers with employer-based coverage. The man’s daughter has Type 1 diabetes, and the constant switching of doctors and plans was

disruptive and hardly optimum for her health. It’s time to disconnect health insurance from the job, he tweeted.  
The people writing tweets were fed up with the price of coverage and were having trouble either paying for it or accessing care. Millions are in the same pickle. At the crux of their dilemma is the relentless rise in medical prices along with America’s inability or unwillingness to provide health care to all its citizens and to establish a mechanism that can finally put the brakes on relentless price increases.  
As Americans grow more dissatisfied with their insurance arrangements, public discussion about the wisdom of switching to a system sometimes referred to as Medicare for All has grown. There’s more press attention to this topic than I have ever seen. What’s not been discussed, however, is how providing health care for everyone and controlling prices are interrelated.

New U.S. spending data show that the U.S. spent \$1 trillion more on personal health services in 2018 than in 2008. Hospital care accounted for 44% of the increase, physician services 23% and retail prescription drugs only 9%. With increases like those, dissatisfaction is bound to increase.  
But in the current discussion of Medicare for All, which a few columnists are beginning to say should be put aside – one New York Times columnist argued that the moral and political case is now stronger for focusing on issues other than health care – the discussion has focused on why such a change won’t work: how it will harm the big stakeholders; how much it would cost and that Americans are satisfied with their current arrangements.  
It is the fear of controls on prices, which other advanced countries have, that has kept the U.S. from changing its system for decades. If every American were in the system, including the 30 million who have

no health insurance, it might make it easier for federal regulators to control prices, which is what big stakeholders fear. It is the primary reason the idea of Medicare for All, or an equivalent plan, has never advanced very far.  
There’s another question that must be tackled before we can reach the point of providing coverage for everyone: Should America provide health insurance for every citizen?  
The concept of solidarity – which loosely means a unity based on a community of interests, objectives or standards – is the basis for the health systems in most European countries. It also undergirds our own Social Security retirement and disability programs, workers’ compensation and, of course, Medicare.  
When it comes to health care, there is still no universal embrace of the concept of solidarity. But unless Americans agree that every citizen is entitled to medical care and a way to pay for it, this round of discussion about Medicare for All is as likely

to fail as all the previous proposals.  
But what about “Obamacare,” you might be thinking? Remember when the former president told us his health plan would bring “affordable, quality care for all?” The Affordable Care Act established the principle that everyone should be able to buy health insurance regardless of preexisting health conditions, but it did not take the further step of guaranteeing everyone the right to medical care and a way to pay for it.  
“Winning the argument about universal coverage first is really important,” Joel Kutzin who heads the health care financing team at the World Health Organization, said.  
It’s the prerequisite to solving the insurance cost and service problems the three unhappy people on Twitter shared.  
*Should every American have the right to affordable health care? Write to Trudy at [trudy.lieberman@gmail.com](mailto:trudy.lieberman@gmail.com).*

## Gov. Gavin Newsom announces Healthy California for All Commission

SACRAMENTO – Gov. Gavin Newsom announced the launch of the Healthy California for All Commission and appointed health experts in business, philanthropy, academia and labor to serve, Dec. 18.  
The commission will work to develop a plan for advancing progress toward achieving a health care delivery system for California that provides coverage and access through a unified financing system, including, but not limited to a single payer financing system.  
The commission will prepare an initial report to the governor and Legislature by July 2020 with a final report in February 2021. The first meeting will take place Jan. 27, in Sacramento.

The announcement comes on the same day as Covered California, the state’s publicly run insurance exchange, announced that 230,000 new consumers have selected a plan during open enrollment through Dec.16, which is an increase of 16% over this time last year.  
In addition, more than 1.15 million existing consumers have had their plans renewed for the upcoming year. California’s individual market consistently ranks among the healthiest in the nation, helping unsubsidized consumers save about \$1,550 annually in 2018 on their premiums compared to consumers in the federal marketplace.  
“California leads the nation in

enacting progressive health care reforms – taking big steps toward universal coverage and passing first in the nation measures to make health care more affordable for families,” Newsom said. “As our march toward universal coverage continues, I am calling on the brightest minds – from public and private sectors – to serve in the Healthy California for All Commission to improve the health of our state.  
The commission has 13 voting members including Secretary Ghaly, eight gubernatorial appointees and four legislative appointees. There are also five ex-officio, non-voting members.  
“We believe that every Californian should have a right to

affordable health care regardless of wealth, ZIP code, race, disability or gender. Yet, despite many gains in coverage, nearly 3 million Californians lack health care and high costs burden too many families,” Mark Ghaly, secretary of state Health and Human Services, who will chair the commission, said. “The role of the Healthy California for All Commission will be to provide policy recommendations that will set us on the path toward high-quality, affordable universal coverage for all.”  
Throughout his first year in office, the governor and legislature worked to move California closer to universal health care coverage by expanding coverage, increasing Covered California subsidies for middle-income Californians and taking on rising prescription drug prices.

The 2019-2020 budget invests \$1.45 billion over three years to increase Covered California health insurance premium support for low-income Californians – and provides premium support for the first time to qualified middle-income individuals earning up to \$72,000 and families of four earning up to \$150,000, partially funded by restoration of an enforceable individual mandate.  
It expands Medi-Cal coverage to all income-eligible undocumented young adults ages 19 through 25 and includes an increase of \$1 billion, using Proposition 56 funding, to support increased rates to Medi-Cal providers, expanded family planning services and value-based payments that encourage more effective treatment of patients with chronic conditions.  
Submitted by the office of Gov. Gavin Newsom.

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ENTERTAINMENT

Seniors celebrate holidays with Silvergate Fallbrook at Hotel Del



Standing in the Grand Courtyard of the Hotel Del Coronado, soon-to-be-residents of Silvergate Fallbrook are treated to a day trip to the old Grande Dame of Seaside Victorian Hotels in San Diego.



Silvergate Fallbrook residents Allen and Sally Cook join the festivities at Hotel Del Coronado for a gourmet luncheon hosted by their senior living community.

SAN DIEGO – Stories of the celebrities, heads of state and famous guests who have roamed the halls of the 131-year-old Hotel Del Coronado were colorfully shared by a hotel historian with future residents of Silvergate Fallbrook, a senior living community that places a strong focus on lifestyle enrichment for seniors.

Surrounded by the grandeur and beauty of the Hotel Del Coronado at the holiday season, attendees were treated to an hourlong historical overview of the hotel after meandering through an array of giant, snowy “White Christmas” holiday decorations in the grand courtyard during Silvergate’s Hotel Del Coronado excursion, Dec. 10.

While dining in the hotel’s historic Garden Room, Silvergate’s guests were enraptured by the stories imparted by historian and heritage manager, Gina Petrone. In her talk, Petrone recounted the history of the hotel’s colorful owners, including the “Sugar King,” John D. Spreckels in 1888.

She told of the escapades of celebrities like Charlie Chaplin, Marilyn Monroe, Joan Crawford, Thomas Edison and Liberace, who was first discovered at The Del.

Petrone spoke of the many visits by heads of state and dignitaries like President Franklin D. Roosevelt, The Prince of Wales and Ronald Reagan. She also described the unexplainable activity of the hotel’s ghostly inhabitants whose eerie antics are still reported by

guests to this day.

“We have people come from all over the world to enjoy the Hotel Del,” Petrone said, who has led the Hotel’s heritage team for more than nine years. “When senior communities come to visit, they often step off the busses and are given time to walk the hotel and shop the Del Shops, but Silvergate really went all-out by treating their future residents to our world renowned cuisine, like our famous lobster bisque and adding our historical program to their visit. Their guests now walk away with a better understanding of the majesty of this national treasure we all share here on the West Coast.”

The excursion to the Hotel Del Coronado was one of many

enrichment activities and outings offered to residents and those considering a move to Silvergate Fallbrook.

“I wanted to be a part of this outing today because of my memories of how beautiful this old Victorian hotel is at Christmastime,” Sally Cook, a resident of Silvergate Fallbrook said. “The historian who spoke at the luncheon for us today was fascinating, the food was outstanding and to have the whole trip planned and hosted for us by Silvergate was such a special holiday treat.”

“There’s nothing like seeing people, especially seniors, light up with excitement and joy at Christmastime,” Helen Gray, marketing director for Silvergate Fallbrook, said. “The Hotel Del is

such an iconic Southern California destination and visiting it evokes memories of times gone by for so many of our seniors. This unique excursion, like so many others to come, is part of why Silvergate Fallbrook is such a special experience for seniors who have chosen our one-of-a-kind senior living community.”

Those interested in more information about Silvergate Fallbrook can call Gray to arrange a private luncheon and tour of the property at (760) 728-8880. Silvergate Fallbrook is located at 420 Elbrook Drive in Fallbrook.

Submitted by Silvergate Fallbrook.

Pala Casino Spa and Resort presents the Bar-Kays, the original Lakeside and the ladies of Skyy

PALA – Pala Casino Spa and Resort announced that The Bar-kays, the original Lakeside and the ladies of Skyy are bringing an evening of funk, soul, and rhythm and blues to Pala Casino. The performance will be held at the Pala Events Center Saturday, March 14, at 7:30 p.m.

Fire, smoke and vibrant costumes are just part of what’s

in store for audiences these days at a typical stage performance by funk and soul pioneers the Bar-kays. Spontaneity and excitement have been a trademark of the Memphis-based group ever since its inception in the mid-1960s. Today, the Bar-kays have reloaded their high-energy act and are ready to guide whole new generations onto the dance floor with a

reinvigorating lineup.

Lakeside’s “Fantastic Voyage” has entered its fifth decade and the Dayton, Ohio-based funk group is without a doubt one of the most enduring musical forces to ever capture the public’s eclectic fantasy. Reminiscing the exciting earlier years, the group made noise for the first time with the release of their self-titled debut album

and first single on the project “If I Didn’t Have You.”

The original Lakeside band is without question a promoter’s favorite, and followers the world over enjoyed their featured story on the TV series “Unsung.” Lakeside was also honored at The National Museum of African American History and Culture in the nation’s capital.

The ladies of Skyy, Denise, Dolores and Bonné Dunning, are the original female vocalists of the hit rhythm and blues and funk band Skyy. With a musical career that spans more than 40 years, the sisters are more vibrant than ever. Continuing the legacy of Skyy’s music with their dynamic

see SKYY, page B-7

Fallbrook Chorale performs Christmas concert to sold-out crowd



The Fallbrook Chorale directed by Denny Lang performs at SonRise Christian Fellowship Saturday, Dec. 14.



Jack Janzen, bass, is one of the many soloists during the Fallbrook Chorale’s annual Christmas concert.

The Fallbrook Chorale, under the direction of Denny Lang, performed their Christmas concert to a sold-out crowd Saturday, Dec. 14, in the main sanctuary at SonRise Christian Fellowship.

Many traditional carols along with some new songs, accompanied by orchestra, piano and organ, were enjoyed by all. The audience also enjoyed a sing-along accompanied by John Redford on the organ.

The group’s spring fundraiser, entitled “Fallbrook Joe and the

Magic Caboose,” an original story centering around the train car on Main Street, will be held Saturday, March 28, 2020, in the activities center at SonRise Christian Fellowship. Be sure to get your tickets early as the dinner show will most likely sell out quickly!

The Fallbrook Chorale is a 60+ voice choir bringing choral music to the community and a nonprofit Organization.

Submitted by Fallbrook Chorale.

The packed audience enjoy a sing-along with the Fallbrook Chorale and organ at the group’s annual Christmas concert.





EDUCATION

Jr. Wildlife/Steam Art Exhibit opens Jan. 5



Students display their art entries for the Jr. Wildlife/Steam Art Exhibit, including from left, front row, Derek Fountaine, Charley D'Amato, Shelby Derderian, Russell Watson, Angeline Jimenez and Drake Bayles; back row, Cooper Fountaine, Emerson Brown, Wavie Derderian, Adalynn Gilbert, Allie Timmons and Aaron Jimenez.



Students show their art entries for the Jr. Wildlife/Steam Art Exhibit, including from left, front row, Nataly Carapia, Chrystal Carapia and Jackson Daniel; back row, Allison Hoffman, Magdalena Smith, Katelyn Mathewson, Dean Landers and Jessica Early.

FALLBROOK – The Jr. Wildlife/Steam Art Exhibit will be on display from Jan. 5-19, at The Fallbrook Art Center, 103 S. Main Avenue at Alvarado Street. The art center is open daily Mondays through Saturdays, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sundays, from noon to 3 p.m.

Admission is free.

Local public and private schools have been invited to enter artworks from their students in the exhibition. The students in the photographs are students from Marilee Ragland’s classes at The Fallbrook School of the Arts.

There will be an opening reception, Saturday, Jan. 4, from 4:30-6:30 p.m. Award winners will be recognized during a brief ceremony at 5:15 p.m. First, second and third place and Best of Show ribbons will be awarded for each grade division: K-2, 3-5, 6-8 and 9-12. These winners will

receive a 10% discount on classes at the Fallbrook School of the Arts. All others will receive a participant ribbon.

Most of the students pictured will also have an artwork on display in the Homework Center at the Fallbrook Public Library beginning in January.

Ragland’s next session of classes will begin in March. Students in these classes will enter one or more pieces of art in the Creative Youth Exhibit at the San Diego County Fair in Del Mar.

*Submitted by Fallbrook School of the Arts.*

BUSD board considers mission statement

**Will Fritz**  
*Associate Editor*

The Bonsall Unified School District Board of Trustees will vote on whether to adopt a new mission and vision statement at its first meeting next year.

Bonsall Unified Superintendent David Jones presented a newly-drafted mission and vision to the trustees at their meeting Dec. 18.

Jones said making sure the district – which was officially formed in 2014 – has a coherent mission and vision has been one of his priorities since he was hired in 2017.

“What is the mission of the school district?” Jones said he wondered. “Couldn’t find one. What is the vision of the school district? Couldn’t find one. Do we have collective commitments and core values that we adhere to every employee to help us be productive? Don’t have them.”

Jones clarified for the board what he said was the difference between mission and vision.

“In 1969 our mission in the United States was to land on the moon,” Jones said. “That’s your mission, to get to the moon. Your vision is all the things that they needed to do, plan, organize and become in order to get to the moon and accomplish your mission.”

He said the new statement was drafted with the help of a group of 41 classified staff members, certificating teaching staff and leadership, as well as two school board members.

The new mission statement drafted for the district is to “empower all students to achieve their maximum learning potential.”

To that end, the district’s vision

statement includes five goals:

**Comprehensive PK-12 curriculum**

“We will develop and implement guaranteed and viable curriculum within our core subject areas across the district,” an informational sheet on the vision statement given to board members reads. “We will hold high expectations and actively engage students in learning grade-level essential standards. We will provide teachers with core and supplemental curriculum in order to ensure there are options for collaborative teams to deliver rigorous and meaningful targeted lessons. We will develop learning environments, lessons, and activities to improve student learning and to prepare students for college, career and adult life skills.”

**Rigorous instruction and assessment**

“We will be relentless in our pursuit of removing the barriers to learning for all students by providing high-quality instruction that addresses varying academic needs,” according to the sheet. “All students will have the opportunity to access, participate in and progress in an innovative, technology-rich and broadly accessible learning environment. We will recognize the unique needs and challenges of individual students and provide social-emotional intervention and support when there is a need. Students will learn in an empowering environment that is inclusive and supportive of our different cultural and socio-economic backgrounds and perspectives. We will develop and teach high academic and behavioral expectations, and we

will respond with corrective action and support when there is a need.

We will provide evidence to demonstrate the degree to which students have mastered grade-level essential skills. Student learning outcomes will be assessed and monitored through data-driven, collaborative and decision-making protocols that will inform our instruction and drive intervention and enrichment opportunities. Our commitment to the work of continuous improvement in instruction and assessment will be grounded in timely, accurate, and evidence-based formative and summative assessment data that will inform our ongoing effort to improve student achievement outcomes.”

**Collaborative professional learning community**

“We will develop a collaborative culture in each school, collective responsibility for all students, and a dedicated focus on improving student learning,” the vision statement continues. “We will take action based on assessment data to improve our teaching strategies and ensure high levels of learning. We will implement a schoolwide system of interventions to provide students with additional time and support when they don’t learn essential grade-level standards. We will

focus on the following four critical questions to guide collaborative teams and ensure continuous improvement to maximize each student’s learning potential:

1. What do we expect all students to know and be able to do?
2. How will we know when students have learned it?
3. How will we respond when students don’t learn?
4. How will we respond when students already know it?”

**Safe and orderly schools**

“We will provide safe and comprehensive PK-12 school facilities where the needs of students and staff are addressed,” the sheet reads. “To ensure our schools remain safe, we will develop and implement sound policies, rules and procedures. We will engage in activities that promote and reinforce effective practices that ensure student safety. These activities will include clear behavioral expectations for students and staff, the development and implementation of comprehensive school safety plans, and various measures that promote safe and secure facilities. Training will be provided for all staff regularly so they will be able to follow through with fidelity of safety protocols in any emergency situation.”

Engaged family and community involvement

“We will harness and strengthen family and community partnerships of our schools in order to engage all students in the acquisition of knowledge and skills for success in college, career and adult life,” the statement says. “We believe that parents, guardians, and the community are our partners in educating our children. We will strengthen our English Language Advisory Committee (ELAC), District English Language Advisory Committee (DELAC), and School-site Councils (SSC) to include our broader community in the decisions that affect children and families. We encourage participation in and contributions to Parent Teacher Associations (PTA), Parent Information Network Group (PiNG), and the Bonsall Education Foundation (BEF). Parents and guardians are welcome in our schools, and their support, time and donations are encouraged. We will promote regular, two-way, meaningful communication and collaboration between home and school to support the growth and achievement of our students.”

The statement was presented to the board of trustees as an informational item only and will not be voted on until next year.

*Will Fritz can be reached by email at wfritz@redermedia.com.*

Conservation leader Crawford finishes master’s studies

OXFORD, Ohio – Fallbrook resident Stephanie Crawford has been applying the tools of science, education and conservation to become a leader in the conservation community.

In mid-December, Crawford completed her master’s degree in biology from Miami University through Project Dragonfly.

Since joining the Advanced Inquiry Program master’s program in 2017, Crawford has taken courses on the web from Miami University while also participating in on-site and field studies at San Diego Zoo Global.

Crawford works as a trails

committee coordinator at Fallbrook Land Conservancy.

The AIP master’s degree is a web-based master’s degree offered by Miami University with experiential learning and community engagement at affiliated AIP Master Institutions.

Miami University’s Project Dragonfly reaches millions of people each year through inquiry-driven learning media, public exhibits and graduate programs worldwide. Project Dragonfly is based in the department of biology at Miami University, a state university in Oxford, Ohio.

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Registrant first commenced to transact business under the above names as of 01/01/2015  
THIS STATEMENT WAS FILED WITH THE RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK OF SAN DIEGO COUNTY ON 11/25/19  
**LEGAL: 5168**  
**PUBLISHED: December 19, 26, 2019, January 2, 9, 2020**

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number: 2019-9029065  
Name of Business  
**a. BUCK'S DECLUTTERING SERVICE**  
**b. EILERS CONSULTING**  
1924 Cresthaven Dr, Vista, CA 92084  
County: San Diego  
This business is registered by the following:  
a. Steven Matthew Eilers, 1924 Cresthaven Dr, Vista, CA 92084  
b. Marcella Marie Eilers, 1924 Cresthaven Dr, Vista, CA 92084  
This business is conducted by a Married Couple  
THIS STATEMENT WAS FILED WITH THE RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK OF SAN DIEGO COUNTY ON 12/06/19  
**LEGAL: 5169**  
**PUBLISHED: December 19, 26, 2019, January 2, 9, 2020**

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number: 2019-9029199  
Name of Business  
**ENERB**  
3772 Cameo Lane, San Diego, CA 92111  
County: San Diego  
This business is registered by the following:  
a. Fabiola Murillo, 3772 Cameo Lane, San Diego, CA 92111  
b. Adriana Orozco Vega, 3772 Cameo Lane, San Diego, CA 92111  
This business is conducted by a General Partnership  
Registrant first commenced to transact business under the above names as of 12/09/2019  
THIS STATEMENT WAS FILED WITH THE RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK OF SAN DIEGO COUNTY ON 12/09/19  
**LEGAL: 5170**  
**PUBLISHED: December 19, 26, 2019, January 2, 9, 2020**

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number: 2019-9029345  
Name of Business  
**LACOUR'S LIONS DEN BARBERSHOP**  
3753 Mission Ave, Ste 112, Oceanside, CA 92058  
Mailing address: 5345 Gooseberry Way, Oceanside, CA 92057  
County: San Diego  
This business is registered by the following:  
Coby Brazil LaCour, 5345 Gooseberry Way, Oceanside, CA 92057  
This business is conducted by an Individual  
Registrant first commenced to transact business under the above names as of 12/11/19  
THIS STATEMENT WAS FILED WITH THE RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK OF SAN DIEGO COUNTY ON 12/11/19  
**LEGAL: 5171**  
**PUBLISHED: December 19, 26, 2019, January 2, 9, 2020**

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number: 2019-9029499  
Name of Business  
**FLUFF AND FLOSS**  
900 N. Cleveland St. Spc 68, Oceanside, CA 92054  
County: San Diego  
This business is registered by the following:  
Janet Cheryl Acuna, 900 N. Cleveland St. Spc 68, Oceanside, CA 92054  
This business is conducted by an Individual  
THIS STATEMENT WAS FILED WITH THE RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK OF SAN DIEGO COUNTY ON 12/12/19  
**LEGAL: 5172**  
**PUBLISHED: December 19, 26, 2019, January 2, 9, 2020**

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number: 2019-9028853  
Name of Business  
**OASIS LAVENDER FARM**  
3073 Ridge Way, Fallbrook, CA 92028  
County: San Diego  
This business is registered by the following:  
Connie Sue McCollom, 3073 Ridge Way, Fallbrook, CA 92028  
This business is conducted by an Individual  
THIS STATEMENT WAS FILED WITH THE RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK OF SAN DIEGO COUNTY ON 12/04/19  
**LEGAL: 5173**  
**PUBLISHED: December 19, 26, 2019, January 2, 9, 2020**

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number: 2019-9029618  
Name of Business  
**GOTCHA GOPHER**  
2993 Clay Avenue, San Diego, CA 92113  
County: San Diego  
This business is registered by the following:  
a. Maile Elizabeth Soon, 2993 Clay Avenue, San Diego, CA 92113  
b. Eduardo Marmolejo, 2993 Clay Avenue, San Diego, CA 92113  
This business is conducted by a General Partnership  
THIS STATEMENT WAS FILED WITH THE RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK OF SAN DIEGO COUNTY ON 12/14/19  
**LEGAL: 5174**  
**PUBLISHED: December 19, 26, 2019, January 2, 9, 2020**

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number: 2019-9028478  
Name of Business  
**BONSALL RED**  
4582 Valle del Sol, Bonsall, CA 92003  
County: San Diego  
This business is registered by the following:  
Hueltle Inc., 1106 Second Street, #863, Encinitas, CA 92024  
This business is conducted by a Corporation  
This Corporation is located in the state of California  
Registrant first commenced to transact business under the above names as of 9/1/2019  
THIS STATEMENT WAS FILED WITH THE RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK OF SAN DIEGO COUNTY ON 11/26/19  
**LEGAL: 5175**  
**PUBLISHED: December 19, 26, 2019, January 2, 9, 2020**

## Fictitious Business Name

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number: 2019-9028716  
Name of Business  
**a. PLANET ONE SOFTWARE**  
**b. PLANET ONE**  
1624 Yucatan Way, Fallbrook, CA 92028  
County: San Diego  
This business is registered by the following:  
Mark C. Wilson, Inc, 1624 Yucatan Way, Fallbrook, CA 92028  
This business is conducted by a Corporation  
This Corporation is located in the state of Colorado  
THIS STATEMENT WAS FILED WITH THE RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK OF SAN DIEGO COUNTY ON 12/03/19  
**LEGAL: 5162**  
**PUBLISHED: December 12, 19, 26, 2019, January 2, 2020**

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number: 2019-9028759  
Name of Business  
**NOTARIZE IT! MOBILE NOTARY**  
2513 Buena Rosa, Fallbrook, CA 92028  
County: San Diego  
This business is registered by the following:  
Michael John Barry, 2513 Buena Rosa, Fallbrook, CA 92028  
This business is conducted by an Individual  
THIS STATEMENT WAS FILED WITH THE RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK OF SAN DIEGO COUNTY ON 12/03/19  
**LEGAL: 5163**  
**PUBLISHED: December 12, 19, 26, 2019, January 2, 2020**

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number: 2019-9028277  
Name of Business  
**CENTIFY**  
4257 Arcata Bay Way, Oceanside, CA 92058  
County: San Diego  
This business is registered by the following:  
Maria Elisa Dansby, 4257 Arcata Bay Way, Oceanside, CA 92058  
This business is conducted by an Individual  
THIS STATEMENT WAS FILED WITH THE RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK OF SAN DIEGO COUNTY ON 11/22/19  
**LEGAL: 5164**  
**PUBLISHED: December 12, 19, 26, 2019, January 2, 2020**

Trustee Sale No. 18-006014 8758511 APN 222-172-19-03 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 02/01/07. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDINGS AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On 01/17/20 at 9:00 am, Aztec Foreclosure Corporation as the duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to the power of sale contained in that certain Deed of Trust executed by Suzanne M Behnke, an unmarried woman, as Trustor(s), in favor of Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Residential Mortgage Capital, as Beneficiary, Recorded on 02/16/07 in Instrument No. 2007-0109025 of official records in the Office of the county recorder of SAN DIEGO County, California; WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH (payable at time of sale in lawful money of the United States, by cash, a cashier's check drawn by a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association, or savings bank specified in section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state), East County Regional Center, 250 E. Main Street, Entrance of the East County Regional Center, El Cajon, CA 92020, all right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County, California described as: 341 KELLOGG STREET, SAN MARCOS, CA 92078 The property heretofore described is being sold "as is". The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said note(s), advances, if any, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, estimated fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust, to-wit: \$237,065.64 (Estimated) Accrued interest and additional advances, if any, will increase this figure prior to sale. The undersigned caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located and more than three months have elapsed since such recordation. NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call or visit the Internet Web site, using the file number assigned to this case 18-006014. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. [www.Auction.com](http://www.Auction.com) or call (800) 280-2832 Or Aztec Foreclosure Corporation (877) 257-0717 [www.aztectrustee.com](http://www.aztectrustee.com) DATE: 12/11/2019 AZTEC FORECLOSURE CORPORATION Amy Connolly Assistant Secretary / Assistant Vice President Aztec Foreclosure Corporation 3636 N. Central Ave., Suite #400 Phoenix, AZ 85012 Phone: (877) 257-0717 or (877) 257-0717 Fax: (602) 638-5748 [www.aztectrustee.com](http://www.aztectrustee.com) NPP0364957 To: VILLAGE NEWS INC 12/19/2019, 12/26/2019, 01/02/2020

APN: 184-213-09-00 TS No: CA07000880-19-1 TO No: 1119524 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE (The above statement is made pursuant to CA Civil Code Section 2923.3(d)(1). The Summary will be provided to Trustor(s) and/or vested owner(s) only, pursuant to CA Civil Code Section 2923.3(d)(2).) YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED March 9, 2017. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDINGS AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On January 3, 2020 at 09:00 AM, Entrance of the East County Regional Center, East County Regional Center, 250 E. Main Street, El Cajon, CA 92020, MTC Financial Inc. dba Trustee Corps, as the duly Appointed Trustee, under and pursuant to the power of sale contained in that certain Deed of Trust recorded on March 13, 2017 as Instrument No. 2017-0113084, of official records in the Office of the Recorder of San Diego County, California, executed by SIMON CASTILLO, A SINGLE MAN AND RIGOBERTO LIRA, A MARRIED MAN, AS HIS SOLE AND SEPARATE PROPERTY, AS JOINT TENANTS, as Trustor(s), in favor of MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., as Beneficiary, as nominee for SYNERGY ONE LENDING, INC. as Beneficiary, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, that certain property situated in said County, California describing the land therein as: AS MORE FULLY DESCRIBED IN SAID DEED OF TRUST The property heretofore described is being sold "as is". The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 2180 ESPLENDIDO AVE, VISTA, CA 92084 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the Note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said Note(s), advances if any, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, estimated fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligations secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of this Notice of Trustee's Sale is estimated to be \$428,958.77 (Estimated). However, prepayment premiums, accrued interest and advances will increase this figure prior to sale. Beneficiary's bid at said sale may include all or part of said amount. In addition to cash, the Trustee will accept a cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the California Financial Code and authorized to do business in California, or other such funds as may be acceptable to the Trustee. In the event tender other than cash is accepted, the Trustee may withhold the issuance of the Trustee's Deed Upon Sale until funds become available to the payee or endorsee as a matter of right. The property offered for sale excludes all funds held on account by the property receiver, if applicable. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sale and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. Notice to Potential Bidders If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a Trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a Trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same Lender may hold more than one mortgage or Deed of Trust on the property. Notice to Property Owner The sale date shown on this Notice of Sale may be postponed one or more times by the Mortgagee, Beneficiary, Trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about Trustee Sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call Auction.com at 800.280.2832 for information regarding the Trustee's Sale or visit the Internet Web site address [www.Auction.com](http://www.Auction.com) for information regarding the sale of this property, using the file number assigned to this case, CA07000880-19-1. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. Date: 11/27/19 MTC Financial Inc. dba Trustee Corps TS No. CA07000880-19-1 17100 Gillette Ave Irvine, CA 92614 Phone: 949-252-8300 TDD: 866-660-4288 Myron Ravelo, Authorized Signatory SALE INFORMATION CAN BE OBTAINED ONLINE AT [www.Auction.com](http://www.Auction.com) FOR AUTOMATED SALES INFORMATION PLEASE CALL: Auction.com at 800.280.2832 Trustee Corps may be acting as a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained may be used for that purpose. Order Number 66980, Pub Dates: 12/12/2019, 12/19/2019, 12/26/2019, VILLAGE NEWS

### T.S. No.: 180727219

### Notice of Trustee's Sale

Loan No.: 271603 Order No. 05936541 APN: 180-192-67-00 You Are In Default Under A Deed Of Trust Dated 5/23/2017. Unless You Take Action To Protect Your Property, It May Be Sold At A Public Sale. If You Need An Explanation Of The Nature Of The Proceeding Against You, You Should Contact A Lawyer. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, cashier's check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a cashier's check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state will be held by the duly appointed trustee as shown below, of all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by the trustee in the hereinafter described property under and pursuant to a Deed of Trust described below. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. Trustor: Hall Investments, LLC, a California Limited Liability Company Duly Appointed Trustee: Aztec T.D. Service Co. Recorded 6/12/2017 as Instrument No. 2017-0247286 in book, page of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of San Diego County, California, Date of Sale: 1/2/2020 at 10:30 AM Place of Sale: by the state at entrance to East County Regional Center, 250 East Main Street, El Cajon, CA Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$774,472.56 Street Address or other common designation of real property: 1331 Barbara Drive Vista, CA 92084 A.P.N.: 180-192-67-00 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address or other common designation, if any, shown above. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale. Notice To Potential Bidders: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. Notice To Property Owner: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call (877) 440-4460 or visit this Internet Web site [www.mkconsultantsinc.com](http://www.mkconsultantsinc.com), using the file number assigned to this case 180727219. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. Date: 12/6/2019 Aztec T.D. Service Co. by Total Lender Solutions, Inc., its authorized agent 10505 Sorrento Valley Road, Suite 125 San Diego, CA 92121 Phone: (818) 848-8960 Sale Line: (877) 440-4460 By: Rachel Seropian, Trustee Sale Officer, Published: 12/12, 12/19, 12/26



# Sullivan choir provides holiday spirit



The advanced show choir from Sullivan Middle School lines up for a performance at the Grand Tradition Estate and Gardens in Fallbrook. The students were busy entertaining the community over the past few weeks. They helped bring the holiday spirit to the Fallbrook Sheriff's Holiday Luncheon, the Bonsall Rotary Club and the San Diego School Administrators Association. The choir is under the direction of Stacy Pecore and choreographer Taylor Lemaster.

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ORDINANCE NO. 2

ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE FALLBROOK REGIONAL HEALTH DISTRICT INCREASING COMPENSATION OF DIRECTORS

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE FALLBROOK REGIONAL HEALTH DISTRICT ("District") as follows:

Section 1. Health & Safety Code Section 32103(b) provides that the Board of Directors may, by ordinance adopted pursuant to Water Code Section 20200, increase the amount of compensation that may be received by Board members in an amount not to exceed five percent (5%), for each calendar year following the operative date of the last adjustment.

Section 2. Water Code Section 20203 requires that the ordinance increasing compensation must be considered after a public hearing and notice of the hearing shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation pursuant Government Code Section 6066.

Section 3. Notice of the public hearing was published once a week for two successive weeks with at least five days intervening between the respective publication dates with the period of notice commencing on the first day of publication and terminating at the end of the fourteenth day all in accordance with Government Code Section 6066.

Section 4. After the public hearing, the Board determined that each director shall receive compensation of \$105 for attending compensable board meetings in accordance with Policy #3010 of the Meeting Compensation Guidelines in the District Policies and Procedural Manual.

Section 5. This Ordinance shall become effective on January 1, 2020, and shall be published once a week for two (2) successive weeks in accordance with Government Code Section 6066 in a newspaper of general circulation within the District.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the Fallbrook Regional Health District at a regular meeting held on October 8, 2019, by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Directors Salmon, Leach, Mroz & Jeffries

NOES: None

ABSENT: Director Schwartz-Frutes

ABSTAIN: None

Howard Salmon, Chairman

ATTEST:

Bill Leach, Secretary, Board of Directors

PUBLISHED: December 19, 26, 2019

## SHERIFF'S LOG

Dec. 13		
2400 block S. Stage Coach Ln	Arrest: Possession of marijuana on school grounds	
Dec. 15		
3700 block S. Mission Rd	Battery	
Dec. 16		
1000 block E. Mission Rd	Battery	
800 block Tumbleweed Ln	Arrest: Domestic battery	
700 block Convertible Ln	Arrest: Domestic battery	
35800 block Blue Breton Dr	Burglary	
3100 block Via De Todos Santos	Burglary	
5500 block Mission Rd	Arrest: Outstanding misdemeanor warrant	
Dec. 17		
1000 block N. Stage Coach Ln	Petty theft	
1100 block S. Mission Rd	Arrest: Public intoxication	
900 block N. Stage Coach Ln	Vehicle theft	
1500 block Macadamia Dr	Recovered stolen vehicle	
1100 block E. Mission Rd	Death	
600 block De Luz Rd	Vehicle theft	
1000 block Riverview Dr	Fraud	
1000 block Tesla Ln	Grand theft	
Dec. 18		
200 block S. Main Ave	Vehicle vandalism	
2900 block Sumac Rd	Grand theft	
1100 block S. Vine St	Vehicle theft	

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MISC:

Cars & Coffee – Jan 19th from 7am-11am. Check out an array of classic cars in the Pala Mesa Resort Parking Lot!

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Friday January 24

Jesse Cox  
6-9:30pm.  
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Saturday January 25

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# This Wine & a Bite is merry and bright



Watercolor artist Carol Hardy paints inside The Gallery during Fallbrook's Holiday Wine & A Bite Art Walk, Dec. 13.

Village News/Shane Gibson photos



Violinist Richard Conviser performs for guests inside 100 Main during the Downtown Fallbrook holiday event.



Tom Lester plays music on his guitar inside Mimi's Spoiled Avocado Boutique for guests attending the Fallbrook Chamber of Commerce's Holiday Wine & A Bite Art Walk.



David Bean of Purely Pen & Ink Ornaments decorates Christmas ornaments inside The Pink Pineapple Boutique on Main Avenue.



Phil Splendorio of Splendorio Winery serves wine to guests inside the Fallbrook Art Center, one of the stops on the Wine & A Bite Art Walk.



Mason Mathieu serves a glass of wine to Debby Cossart inside the Jewelry Connection during the Fallbrook Holiday Wine & A Bite Art Walk.



Kabobs from Harry's Sports Bar & Grill are served inside Vintage Retail Therapy during the chamber-sponsored event.



Artwork by Taylor Gallegos is displayed inside Murphy & Murphy Southern California Realty during the Wine & A Bite Art Walk.



# REAL ESTATE AND HOME & GARDEN

## 5 tips for designing a home for persons with disabilities

FALLBROOK – Designing a home takes on a new meaning when someone in the family has special needs. Function has to be an important consideration to make it easy for every family member. So, we must ensure that the house provides the support they need to lead a safe, fuss-free and happy life.

Here are things to keep in mind when designing a home for our loved ones with physical disabilities:

**Doorways**

One should easily enter, exit, and move around rooms in the house especially for those with wheelchairs and walkers. A 36"-42" door frame should do the trick. That's why French doors are a popular option. Depending on the home, widening doors may require extensive remodeling. Before removing any door frame completely, consider installing either wide throw hinges or swing clear hinges, both of which can help add space to the doorway.

It is also a good idea to have all handles and locks placed at between 3 and 4 feet from the floor for easier reach, and switching out traditional door knobs for lever-handle pulls.

**Access**

When looking at alternatives to stairs for people with mobility issues, ramps and lifts are the definite go-tos. Ramps are usually less expensive, more reliable, and less prone to maintenance or electrical repairs. If on a stiff budget, or only have a small rise to navigate, a portable ramp will do.

**Disability Friendly Flooring**

Find a material that is durable, smooth, relatively non-porous, and firm that wheelchairs can easily roll on, something that will not be likely to cause slips, trips or falls, and a surface that is easy to clean.

The least expensive and most durable materials are usually either vinyl or laminate flooring. Wood can work as well, but is generally more expensive, and also difficult

to maintain and less resistant to wear. Harder floorings are good for those with vision impairment because they will be better able to hear noises in the home.

**In the Living Room**

Having sturdy furniture is essential, especially those with arms that can be used for assistance when getting up or sitting down. Choose wood over glass-top tables if people will need to lean on the table.

**Bathroom**

Opt for a handheld showerhead that can be manipulated with one hand. Have plenty of room to roll the shower chair in. Make the floor less slippery by using smaller tiles with wider strips of grout in-between them.

Grab bars are essential. The bars must be able to support 250 lbs. of pressure and be attached securely to a stud.

An elevated toilet seat is also recommended. Depending on the household requirements either portable or permanent attachments are available.

**Kitchen**

Make sure everything has the controls on the front, as long as they have child-proof safety locks if there are children around. The ideal height of kitchen cabinets is 30 inches and the minimum clearance should be 40 inches for storing dishes and pans. Pull out drawers make it easier for anyone to load and unload the dishwasher.

Following these tips when preparing a home for a person with disabilities will help to assure that the environment is safe, efficient, and has good vibes for all.

This article first appeared on Broadpoint Properties' website, <https://servingsandiegocounty.com>.

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# I Love A Clean San Diego shows residents how and where to recycle their trees

SAN DIEGO COUNTY – A living or fresh-cut Christmas tree is one of the most environmentally-conscious options. Living trees can be planted after the holidays and can even be rented and returned to continue growing.

If you choose a fresh-cut tree, try to support tree farms within your local area. After the holidays, remember to compost the tree and help close the loop, returning the tree to the earth as mulch. In addition, composting a tree soon after the holidays also prevents the fire danger associated with a dry tree.

**Prevent fire danger**

After the holidays, San Diego County residents are encouraged to recycle their Christmas trees as soon as possible to reduce fire danger and minimize the amount of holiday waste sent to the landfill. Dried-out trees are highly flammable and should not be left in a house, garage or placed against any structure.

“The longer you keep a Christmas tree in your home, the more of a fire hazard it becomes,” Lorraine Carli, vice president of outreach and advocacy for the National Fire Protection Association, said.

The San Diego County Fire Authority also advised residents not put tree branches or needles in a fireplace or wood-burning stove.

**How to compost your tree**

Beyond the fire danger dried-out trees pose, they can also contribute to the increase in waste sent to landfills during the holiday season. According to the Environmental Protection Agency,

organic materials like Christmas trees, food, and green waste are the No. 1 material sent to landfills, composing two-thirds of the solid waste stream. Composting these materials preserves space in local landfills, reduces greenhouse gas generation, creates beneficial compost and mulch and removes a potential fire hazard from your property.

Many local waste haulers offer curbside pickup of Christmas trees and wreaths, in addition to dozens of community drop-off sites. The Christmas trees are ground into mulch, which is then used to improve soil health at public parks, local farms, as well as home and garden landscapes.

**Find pickup, drop-off locations**

The partnership between I Love A Clean San Diego and San Diego County takes the hassle out of recycling a holiday tree by gathering all the tree-cycling options into one list. Most waste haulers pick up Christmas trees in their green waste bins during normal curbside collection days for a few weeks following the holiday. Visit [www.WasteFreeSD.org](http://www.WasteFreeSD.org) or call (877) 713-2784 for more information, to find a local company that offers pickup or to get a complete list of tree recycling locations. In addition to curbside pickup, Christmas tree drop-off sites can be found in Bonsall, Escondido, Oceanside, Ramona, San Marcos, Valley Center and Vista

**Christmas tree-cycling tips**

Before recycling a Christmas tree, review these tips to ensure your tree is recycled properly.

For curbside recycling, trees taller than 4 feet should be cut in half. Most waste haulers will not accept tree pieces larger than 4 feet. Trees do not need to be cut if recycled at an approved drop-off location.

Remove any tinsel, ornaments, garland, lights, nails, tree bags and tree stands made of metal or plastic before recycling.

Don't flock trees or check with the local trash hauler to see if they accept flocked trees covered in fake snow.

Reuse or donate artificial trees that are in good condition.

**Avoid plastic trees**

Artificial Christmas trees are made of non-recyclable plastic and other materials that do not biodegrade. Greenhouse gas emissions from their production, packing and shipping generates more waste and exceeds that of the energy required to grow and/or transport a tree from a tree farm. Whenever possible, shop local for a live or fresh-cut tree and avoid the purchase of a new artificial Christmas trees. If you already own an artificial tree, it's recommended to use the tree for as long as possible and donate any trees in good condition to avoid sending them to the landfill.

I Love A Clean San Diego operates San Diego County's official recycling and household waste database, [www.WasteFreeSD.org](http://www.WasteFreeSD.org). From Christmas trees to food donations and appliances to cooking oil, I Love A Clean San Diego makes waste diversion quick and convenient.

*Submitted by I Love A Clean San Diego.*

# Zoning Administrator approves replacement wireless tower on Palos Verdes Drive

**Joe Naiman**  
*Village News reporter*

The county's Zoning Administrator approved the replacement of a wireless communications tower in southeastern Bonsall.

Eric Lardy, who served as the Zoning Administrator for the Dec. 19 hearing, approved a modification to the previous Minor Use Permit to allow Crown Castle to reconstruct, operate, and maintain the facility in the 31900 block of Palos Verdes Drive.

In addition to replacing the monopole with a false tree, a height exemption to the Zoning Ordinance was granted to accommodate the taller false tree. Lardy's findings included that the previous environmental Negative Declaration is adequate with the addendum which was submitted.

“This will not make the situation worse,” Lardy said.

In 2003, the San Diego County Board of Supervisors adopted an ordinance addressing wireless communications facilities, and that ordinance included a requirement for a Major Use Permit to site a wireless facility on land with residential or agricultural zoning.

However, any facility on such land which had previously been approved with a Minor Use Permit could continue under that lesser permit. A September 1996 Zoning Administrator decision approved a Minor Use Permit for a 40 foot tall monopole and two equipment cabinets.

Two minor deviations were subsequently approved to allow for the installation of new antennas, remote radio units and miscellaneous supporting equipment, and the 2017 minor deviation allowed for an antenna height on top of the monopole to create a structure 43 feet in height.

The 5.59-acre property has a second facility; that 50-foot-tall monopole was authorized by the Zoning Administrator in December 1999 and is approximately 22 feet east of the first facility.

The property has Rural Residential zoning, and the wireless facility ordinance also includes an amortization provision for monopoles and lattice towers. The 43-foot-tall monopole will be replaced with a 45-foot-tall false elm tree, and landscaping consisting of three new trees which will grow up to 40 feet will help camouflage the new structure.

Because the construction will be within the same footprint as the tower to be replaced no trenching or grading will be needed, and no changes will be made to the two existing equipment cabinets which are at the base of the monopole.

“The facility is compatible with the character of the community” said Hunter McDonald, the project manager for the county's Department of Planning and Development Services (PDS). “The required findings can be made.”

Access to the facility is provided by an existing private maintenance access road along the northern portion of the site which connects to Palos Verdes Drive. Palos Verdes Drive, which connects to Old Highway 395, is a private road.

A nearby resident expressed concern in writing about the potential damage to the private road from vehicles working on the new facility or servicing the facility, but any damage to the road will be covered by the applicant. “The permit would be conditioned to assume responsibility,” McDonald said.

The road maintenance costs are also addressed in the permit. “The applicant is responsible on a proportional basis based on the number of trips generated,” McDonald said.

The August 2018 meeting of the Bonsall Community Sponsor Group included a 7-0 vote to recommend approval of the permit modification.

AT&T operates the other facility on the site, and PDS will work with AT&T on the replacement of that monopole. “PDS staff will be reaching out to AT&T,” McDonald said.

# Community parking lot shares renegotiated

**Will Fritz**  
*Associate Editor*

The local owners of the trust that governs the community parking lot adjacent to the Fallbrook Library are planning to spin off the county's portion of the lot.

Don McDougal, owner of Grand Tradition Estate and Gardens and trustee of the Fallbrook Parking Trust, said an agreement has been reached with San Diego County – which purchased three out of nine shares in the trust in order to gain the appropriate amount of parking credits for the new library that opened in 2011 – to have the county forfeit its shares in the trust and allow it to take direct ownership of the portion of the lot directly in front of the library.

The reason, McDougal said, is issues that have arisen over the years regarding coordination on things like events and parking lot improvements between the county and the other parking trust shareholders, the rest of whom are all local Fallbrook business owners.

The parking trust was first formed back in 1959 to ensure adequate parking would be available for shoppers in downtown Fallbrook, according to McDougal. In 1981, the trust was given a 40-year extension, set to expire in December 2021.

Problems arose, though, when the county purchased its three shares in the parking trust – according to McDougal, the county was unwilling to extend the trust past its 2021 expiration date.

If the trust were allowed to expire, each individual shareholder would be able to fence off and restrict their own sections of the lot.

“If it goes away,” McDougal said, “then all of the owners can say, ‘well I want my part. And then they can do whatever they want with it and that's not for the benefit of the community, that's not what we want.”

He said that after some attempts at negotiation, the county agreed to give up its shares in the parking trust and take full ownership of the library's section of the parking lot. That agreement also stipulates the county will be granted an unassigned easement for 10 spaces in the rest of the lot to meet parking requirements for the library.

No money will be exchanged as part of the agreement.

The matter was expected to go before the county Board of Supervisors in December; however, McDougal said, the agreement was pulled from the supervisors' agenda when some trust shareholders expressed a desire to seek greater clarity on the terms of the agreement. It's now expected to go before the Board of Supervisors next month, according to McDougal.

A county official did not respond to requests for comment on the matter by press time.

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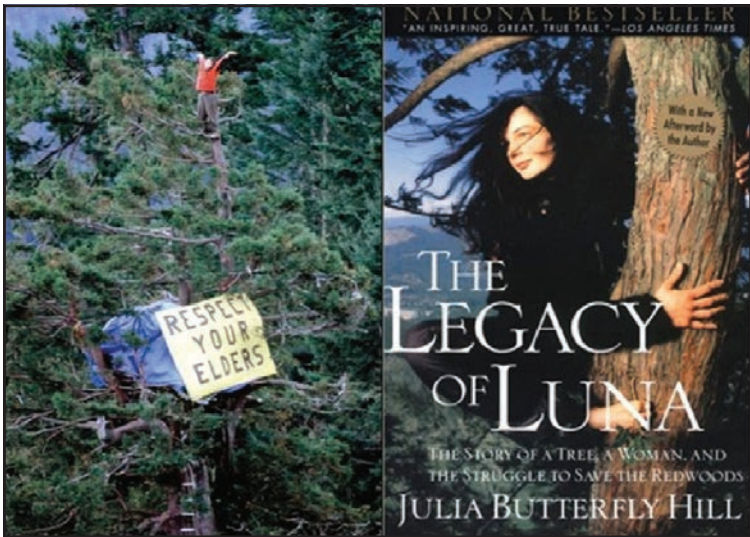



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# She lived in a tree for two years to save her Luna



**Roger Boddaert**  
*Special to Village News*

Her name is Julia Butterfly Hill, and she was born in 1974 in Mount Vernon, Missouri. Her father was a traveling minister, and Hill, with her two brothers and mother, toured the country in a 32-foot camper while her father preached the gospel. She spent many days of her early childhood playing outside, enjoying the woodlands and rivers near towns where her father was preaching.

When she was six, Hill was hiking with her family, and a butterfly landed on her finger and stayed there for the entire hike. She felt touched by this happening and took Butterfly as her middle name.

As she grew up, Hill traveled the country on her own and took various jobs as needed. In 1996, when she was 22 years old, tragedy struck Hill when her car was smashed by a drunken driver and the steering wheel of the car penetrated her skull.

It took a year of intense physical and cognitive therapy before she could walk and talk normally again. This event was life-changing, and it turned her in a new direction to make a positive impact for her future.

In 1997, she ventured out West and found herself in Northern California amongst the giant redwoods. She connected with a group of “tree-sitters,” who were protesting the clear-cut logging of redwoods by the Pacific Lumber Company, which owned the land where this stand of giants grew.

Her group of environmentalists decided the best way to bring attention to the world about clear-cutting entire mountainsides of redwoods was to have a tree-sit up in the trees, and Hill decided she would do it.

Her support group rallied around the idea and experienced tree climbers used block and tackle to climb up an 18-story, 1,000-year-old redwood tree and construct a pair of 6-feet by 6-inch platforms covered with a green tarp at the top. She nicknamed the tree “Luna.”

Hill was dedicated to the cause and lived in Luna for over two years in protest of the devastating redwood logging that was happening in Northern California.

During that time spent up in Luna, Hill battled illness, harassment from overhead helicopters, freezing temperatures and a siege from security guards hired by Pacific Lumber to harass her. She encountered torrential rains and fierce winds from an El Nino winter; snow, hail, sleet, thunder and lightning storms haunted her, but she kept focus on saving Luna and the other redwoods from being cut down.

A ground crew supported her daily with food and supplies that she pulled up to her platform, 180 feet from the forest floor. She heated her meals on a tiny propane stove and tried to keep warm in her sleeping bag day and night which was extremely trying for her, but she gained ecological strength and grew into a force of which is very rare and not to be messed with.

She had a small solar-powered cellphone and made contact with reporters and journalists from both Newsweek and People magazines about her commitment to Luna and her cause in protecting these ancient redwood trees in the future.

With all the negative publicity that the timber company was getting, they finally agreed to a resolution that preserved a 200-foot buffer zone around Luna and other old-growth redwood trees surrounding the beloved tree. A large settlement was made and donated to the Humboldt State University for sustainable forestry research. And after that settlement was reached, Hill descended from Luna to put her feet on the forest

floor once again in December 1999.

Despite this victory, Luna's fate was not intact, and a year after Hill came down, someone vandalized the tree with a chain saw, which left a 32-inch-deep gash across half of the mighty tree's trunk. When this damage was discovered, arborists rushed to stabilize the historic tree with a series of cables and braces to save Luna, and they were successful.

Hill's story really hits home with me. In the 1974 floods, the Eel River was 30 feet above normal, and whole communities were washed away at the river's edge. Highway 101 through redwood country was severely damaged and cut off.

When I saw the devastation of the floods on TV, I packed my Jeep full of canned goods, clothes and supplies and headed north to spend a month working with the Salvation Army flood victims in Garberville.

With this experience, I also became immersed in these giant redwoods and fell in love with the mighty Sequoia sempervirens, which is our state tree.

Hill's experience tree-sitting with Luna was just the beginning of her activism, and she wrote a bestselling book, “The Legacy of Luna,” which is a great read

I was fortunate to hear her speak when she came to San Diego and gave a presentation at San Diego State University, with my wife and some tree friends. When this barefooted lean young lady walked out onto the stage, the air was energized as her story was going to be riveting, and so it was.

That evening's highlight was having her sign her book “The Legacy of Luna” for me, which I cherish dearly. She has shared her tree-sit story with countless nature groups and causes around the world, sharing hope and understanding that our world has many environmental hurdles to overcome.

Back in the 90s, there was another tree-sit conducted by Daryl Hannah of Hollywood fame, who was trying to help save a 14-acre community garden in South Los Angeles. I went and talked with Hannah, who was trying to use her notoriety to hold on to a community food garden that was slated to be bulldozed to make room for a large industrial warehouse.

This garden was the food source for fresh nourishment to hundreds of families for many years in the area, but “big-brother” won in that case. Sad to say, Hannah was handcuffed and removed from the garden, and the food garden was torn down and lost.

There are many stories to tell of what people have done to the earth, and now people are seeing and experiencing some major alterations occurring to this little blue marble floating in space. Be strong and stand up like the young Swede Greta Thunberg and be an earth warrior for our planet.

Please join in, however you can, to rekindle and nourish the earth that we have plagued with so many wrongs. The global ecological time clock is ticking, and it is said that it is ticking faster than predicted from the scientific community and now is the time to act.

We have one earth, and that's our home. Let us be kinder and help make a difference. The Sempervirens Fund, Save the Redwoods, is great group that has saved and dedicated many areas for preservation and protection in the Redwood country of Northern California.

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# Maddock Ranch Nursery to offer bare root trees



Maddock Ranch Nursery offers various fruit trees including peach, plum and nectarine, for the home garden. Village News/Courtesy photo

FALLBROOK – It’s bare root time again and in the community of Fallbrook, residents can grow just about anything they choose.

Thanks to all the rain that’s been falling, plants are flourishing.

With the wide variety of deciduous fruit trees, tropical trees, citrus, avocados and an assortment of blueberries, local gardeners can start propagating their own backyard orchard.

Maddock Ranch Nursery has a selection of potted 4-inch by 4-inch by 9-inch thornless black berries, dwarf Violette De Bordeaux figs, goji berries, dwarf fruiting mulberry bushes, arbequina, manzanillo and Mission olives.



This apple tree is trained to grow as an espalier.

## The holiday season presents increased fire risks, making December a leading month for U.S. home fires

Follow NFPA’s tips and recommendations to ensure a festive, fire-safe season

QUINCY, Mass. – Glittering decorations, holiday meals and treats, enjoying the warmth of home on a wintry day – these are hallmarks of the holiday season. However, these traditions and festivities also present an increased risk of fire, making December a leading month for U.S. home fires. According to the National Fire Protection Association, Christmas Day and Christmas Eve are two of the top three days for home cooking fires and the top two days for home candle fires.

Fortunately, there are several steps people can take to significantly reduce the risk of fire during the holiday season.

“While the threat of fire does increase during the holiday season, there’s no need to let that put a damper on your holiday plans,” Lorraine Carli, NFPA vice president of outreach and advocacy, said. “Once you know where potential hazards exist, taking some simple steps to minimize them can help ensure a festive, fire-safe season.”

Following are NFPA statistics that underscore the increased risk of fire during the holidays.

**Decorations**

Home fires that began when decorations caught fire caused an average of three civilian deaths, 34 civilian fire injuries and \$12 million in direct property damage per year from 2013 to 2017. In 44% of these fires, the decoration was too close to a heat source. Ensure that decorations are kept at least 3 feet away from heat sources, especially candles. Fifty-seven percent of December home decoration fires were started by candles, compared to 32% in January through November. In addition, December is the peak month for candle fires. Sixty percent of home candle fires started because a flammable item was too close to the candle. In 13% of the fires, the candle was left unattended or abandoned.

**Christmas trees**

Christmas tree fires are not as common as fires started by other decorations, but when they do occur, they are much more likely to be serious. An annual average of 160 home fires began with

Christmas trees. On average, one of every 52 reported home Christmas tree fires resulted in a death, compared to an average of one death per 135 total reported home fires. Electrical distribution or lighting equipment was involved in more than two of every five or 44% home Christmas tree fires, with decorative lights the leading type of equipment involved.

**Cooking**

Cooking is the leading cause of U.S. home fires year-round; unattended cooking is the leading cause of these fires, accounting for 31% of home cooking fires. Christmas Day is the second-leading day for home cooking fires, with 69% more fires than the average daily number. Christmas Eve is not far behind, with 58% more fires than the daily average.

**Heating**

Heating equipment is the second-leading cause of U.S. home fires, with nearly half of all home heating fires occurring in December, January and February. The leading factor contributing to home heating fires at 27% was failure to clean, principally from solid-fueled heating equipment, primarily chimneys. Most home heating fire deaths or 86% involved stationary or portable space heaters. In the majority of these deaths, something that could catch fire was too close to the heater.

With these statistics in mind, NFPA offers holiday fire safety tips and information for safely enjoying the holiday season at [www.nfpa.org/holiday](http://www.nfpa.org/holiday).

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BUSINESS

Ameriprise Financial hosts holiday party



FALLBROOK – Steve Rohde, Ameriprise Financial Advisor, had a holiday warming office party located at 1114 South Main Avenue, Dec. 5.

Clients, friends and family attended the event which offered holiday cheer along with food and drink.

Steve Rohde is an Ameriprise Financial Advisor and a franchise owner. Rohde can be reached by calling (760) 645-3735 or by email at [steve.rohde@ampf.com](mailto:steve.rohde@ampf.com).

Submitted by Steve Rohde, Ameriprise Financial Advisor.

Clients, friends and family of Ameriprise Financial enjoy food and drinks at the company’s Fallbrook location during a holiday Open House, Dec. 5.

Village News/Courtesy photo

Year-end is time for some New Year’s financial resolutions



FALLBROOK – Have you thought about your New Year’s resolutions for 2020? When many people make these promises, they focus on ways they can improve some form of their health. They vow to get more physically healthy by going to the gym, or they promise to improve their mental health by learning a new

language or instrument. But it’s also important to think about financial health – so it’s a good idea to develop some appropriate resolutions for this area, too.

What kinds of financial resolutions might you make? Here are a few suggestions:

Increase your retirement plan contributions. One of the best financial moves you can make is to take full advantage of your 401(k) or similar employer-sponsored retirement plan. If you contribute pretax dollars to your plan, the more you put in, the lower your taxable income will be for the year, and your earnings can grow on a tax-deferred basis. So, if your salary goes up in 2020, increase the amount you put into to your plan. Most people don’t come close to reaching the annual contribution limit, which, in 2019, was \$19,000, or \$25,000 for those 50 or older. You might not reach these levels,

either, but it’s certainly worthwhile to invest as much as you can possibly afford.

Use “found” money wisely. During the course of the next year, you may well receive some money outside your normal paychecks, such as a bonus or a tax refund. It can be tempting to spend this money, but you may help yourself in the long run by investing it. You could use it to help fund your individual retirement account for the year or to fill a gap in another investment account.

Don’t overreact to market downturns. You’ve probably heard stories about people who lamented not getting in “on the ground floor” of what is now a mega-company. But a far more common investment mistake is overreacting to temporary market downturns by selling investments at the wrong time – when their prices are down – and staying out

of the market until things calm down – and possibly missing the next rally. The financial markets always fluctuate, but if you can resolve to stay invested and follow a consistent, long-term strategy, you can avoid making some costly errors.

Be financially prepared for the unexpected. Even if you’re diligent about saving and investing for your long-term goals, you can encounter obstacles along the way. And one of these roadblocks could come in the form of large, unexpected expenses, such as the sudden need for a new car or some costly medical bills. If you aren’t prepared for these costs, you might have to dip in to your long-term investments to pay for them. To prevent this need from happening, you may want to keep sufficient cash, or cash equivalents, in your investment accounts. Or you might want to maintain a completely

separate account as an emergency fund, with the money kept in low-risk, liquid vehicles. If possible, try to maintain at least six months’ worth of living expenses in this account.

It will take some effort but following these resolutions could help you move closer to your financial goals in 2020 – and beyond.

Edward Jones financial adviser Brian Schrock is located at 1434 S. Mission Road, Suite B, in Fallbrook. For more information, call (760) 731-3234.

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Palomar College Places Superintendent/President on Leave

SAN MARCOS – At an official meeting Dec. 17, the Board of Trustees of the Palomar Community College District placed Superintendent/President Joi Lin Blake, Ed.D., on paid administrative leave effective immediately pending an investigation.

The Board made it clear that this action is not disciplinary and is being taken as a precautionary measure to protect all parties.

Jack Kahn, Ph.D., has assumed administrative responsibility of the District by the operation of Board Policy 2432. In short, the policy provides for administrative responsibility to reside with specific District administrators when there is an absence of the Superintendent/President and when an Acting Superintendent/President has not been named.

“It is my request that we all respect the privacy of all parties at this time,” Kahn said in a campus wide email. “Doing so will allow us to focus on the important work of the District. Together, we will remain focused on student success, our response to the FCMAT report and building toward a successful spring semester.”

Kahn also serves as the Assistant Superintendent/Vice President of Instruction for the District. The referenced FCMAT report was generated by the Fiscal Crisis Management Assistance Team (FCMAT), which was recently invited to evaluate the fiscal health of the District.

The district is currently examining ways to address the recommendations in the report.

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# Warriors girls soccer prepares for league season

Joe Naiman  
Village News reporter

A 2-0 home loss Dec. 19 against Rancho Buena Vista gave Fallbrook High School's girls soccer team a season record of 0-4 to begin the 2019-20 season.

"We had a rough start," said Fallbrook coach Sergio Garcia.

The power rankings which are the primary factor in CIF playoff selection and seeding include strength of schedule as well as win-loss record, and Garcia believes that the Warriors' pre-league schedule will prepare his players for Valley League and postseason play as well as reflect a higher level of competition. "We want to go in and play strong opponents to get ready for the season," he said.

If weather permits, Escondido will be Fallbrook's first Valley League opponent when league play begins Jan. 14. Fallbrook was the 2018-19 league champion. "Being league champs, everybody comes out a little bit more," Garcia said.

The league standings are based on two points for each win and one point for each tie. Fallbrook posted a 7-1-2 league record in 2018-19 for 16 points. Valley Center was second with a 4-2-4 record worth 12 points. Mission Vista had 11 points and a 5-4-1 record. Ramona was fourth with a 3-4-3 league record and nine points, but the Bulldogs won the CIF Division IV championship and reached the second round of the state playoffs before losing in a penalty kick shootout. "It was close last year," Garcia said.

Ramona is now in Division III for CIF playoff purposes. Fallbrook remains in Division II; the Warriors lost in the first round of the 2019 CIF playoffs to finalize their overall season record at 10-7-4.

Eight of last season's Fallbrook players were seniors including five who received all-league honors. All three of Fallbrook's Valley League first team members for the 2018-19

season have graduated.

"We did lose a handful of departing seniors," Garcia said. "It's kind of a rebuilding year for us."

Tryouts for this season's team were held Nov. 12-14. The Warriors have no novice squad and 38 players sought berths on the varsity and junior varsity teams. Garcia made some cuts and kept 16 players on the varsity and 17 on the junior varsity. Four of the varsity players are seniors. This season's varsity has six returning starters from the 2018-19 Warriors.

"The chemistry is building, I think. They're playing good," Garcia said. "I think it will come together."

Some practices were moved indoors due to rain, although none of the Warriors' games had to be rescheduled.

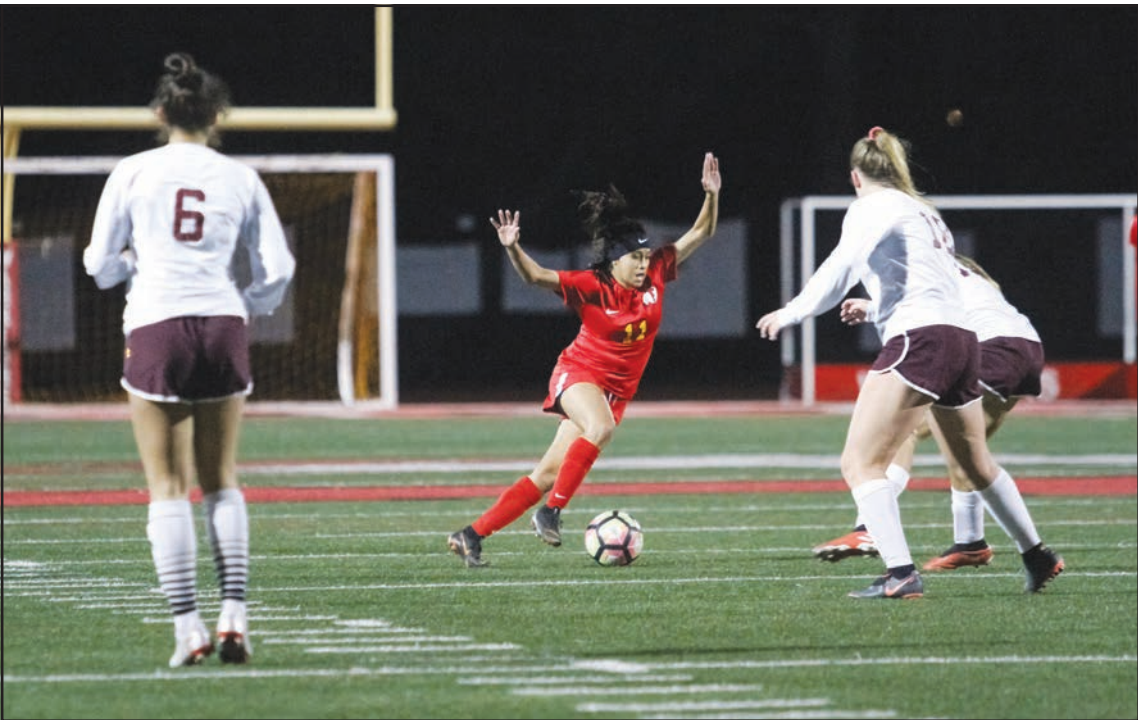
Fallbrook's season began Dec. 10 at Escondido Charter. The White Tigers scored twice in the second half for a 2-0 victory. The Warriors hosted Vista Dec. 14 and the Panthers scored in the second half for a 1-0 win.

The halftime score of Fallbrook's Dec. 17 match at Sage Creek was 1-1 with senior Galilea Medina scoring the Warriors' goal and junior Jade Kennedy providing the assist. The Bobcats scored all three second-half goals for a 4-1 triumph.

"They've been close games," Garcia said.

(The margin of victory or loss may not reflect the closeness of the game since the trailing team will seek to tie the score and use a formation focused more on offense than on defense.)

The SoCal High School Classic tournament begins Dec. 27 in the absence of meteorological obstacles. Fallbrook has a home game that day against Western Christian of Upland while Flintridge Prep of La Canada will face the Warriors in Fallbrook Dec. 28.



Carol Hanson holds one of her miniature blue Santa decorations. This one includes a blue Santa on a sleigh made of matchsticks.



Fallbrook's Panther Espinoza battles for the ball against a Rancho Buena Vista opponent.



Fallbrook's Jade Kennedy makes a pass to a teammate while playing against Rancho Buena Vista.



Lady Warrior Alexis Sanchez kicks the ball to a teammate on Fallbrook's home field. Village News/Shane Gibson photos



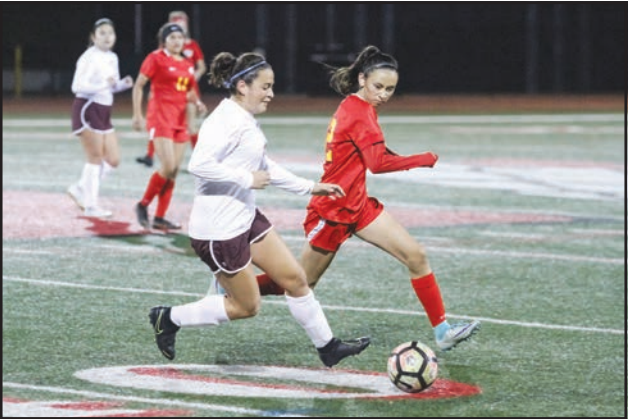
Lady Warrior Mike Humphreys races with the ball into Rancho Buena Vista's territory.



Lady Warrior Porsha Camilli dribbles the ball away from Rancho Buena Vista's defense.



Lady Warrior Alexis Sanchez battles for the ball against Rancho Buena Vista.



Fallbrook's Vanessa Morales races for the ball against a Rancho Buena Vista opponent.



Fallbrook's Ariana Cabrera races with the ball during the varsity girls' soccer game against Rancho Buena Vista.



## SPORTS

# Youth rugby season starts in January



*Carter Sanchez runs the ball up the field, attempting to avoid Lucas Uresti in front and Payton Zigga behind. Cash Day, Leatherman and John Uresti watch the play.*



*Lauren Fitzgerald attempts to tackle Colt Nemo during the rugby clinic, Nov. 16. Village News/Mandy Miller photos*



*Fallbrook Rugby lines up for the Christmas parade, including from left, in bed of truck, Nico Cherevchenko, Natalie Moss, August Wilson, Nathan Moss, Drake Gilliam and Jesse Bidwell; standing in front of truck, Anthony Wilson, Tatum Gilliam, Merrik Klapio, Landon Wilson, Jaxson Day, Cash Day and league president Allen Day.*



*Coach Hernandez teaches the boys how to use the scrum machine.*

Village News/ Mandy Miller photos

**FALLBROOK** – Fallbrook Youth Rugby is underway for the 2019-2020 season. Fallbrook Youth Rugby kicked off the season with a clinic run by the Fallbrook High School Warriors boys' rugby team, Nov. 16, as a league fundraiser.

“The league had a great turnout with many new players excited to learn the sport of rugby, which

is why we hold these clinics, to introduce Fallbrook Rugby to as many athletes as we can," Jen Day said.

Youth between the ages of 7 to 12 are welcome to come out to the next rugby clinic hosted by the Fallbrook High girls' rugby team, Sunday, Jan. 5, at the high school stadium from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Cost is \$25 a child.

with sibling discounts available. For more information, email [fallbrookgirlswarriorrugby@gmail.com](mailto:fallbrookgirlswarriorrugby@gmail.com).

Despite the rainy weather, practices began for most of Fallbrook Youth Rugby the week of Dec. 2 at Potter Junior High School. Games will begin the first weekend in January so coaches are preparing the

athletes to work together and to teach the sport to new players.

Fallbrook Youth Rugby took a break to enjoy the traditional Fallbrook Christmas Parade, Dec. 7, with athletes riding on the league float and walking the route to hand out candy canes. League President Allen Day said, "The kids always love the parade. It's a great way to kick

off the winter season and the players love interacting with the community.”

To follow league action, look up Fallbrook Youth Rugby on Facebook.

*Submitted by Fallbrook Youth Rugby.*

# Fallbrook Niners celebrate 50 years of friendly golf



*Fallbrook Niners celebrate 50 years of fun golf at their annual Christmas lunch at Pala Mesa*



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*Niners President, Leticia Maldonado Stamos, left, presents the 2019 Club Champion trophy to Patti Waterman*



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FALLBROOK – At their Christmas luncheon at Pala Mesa Dec. 12, the Fallbrook Niners celebrated 50 years of golf and camaraderie with Champagne, cake and an awards ceremony.

President Leticia Maldonado Stamos thanked the 20 long-term members for their loyalty and announced the winner of the 2019 Club Championship – Patti Waterman. She in turn recognized the most frequent winner of this annual event, Maureen Mitzner.

An ornament exchange followed, plus donations of

food items to the Fallbrook Food Pantry.

Established in 1969 at the now-closed Fallbrook Golf Club, this fun-loving group of ladies has found a new home at Pala Mesa where they play nine holes every Thursday morning around 10 a.m. – which allows plenty of time to adjourn for lunch and socializing.

The Niners are a group of ladies who enjoy friendly competition and fellowship. New members are welcome.

Several fun competitions are held each year with Niners groups

around San Diego County, as well as an annual Twilight event and Christmas social.

For more information, contact membership chair Sue Thorne at [srthorne@roadrunner.com](mailto:srthorne@roadrunner.com).

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*Submitted by the Fallbrook Niners.*



# Lucore inducted into Pickleball Hall of Fame

FALLBROOK – Before she ever heard of pickleball, Jennifer (Youngren) Lucore grew up in Bonsall and graduated from Fallbrook Union High School in 1984. She played on the varsity tennis team and continued her tennis at Palomar College and onward.

She was recently inducted into the Pickleball Hall of Fame, as the first female athlete and competitor, during the USAPA National Championship in Indian Wells in November.

The Pickleball Hall of Fame was formed in 2017 to recognize individuals who have achieved exceptional results in pickleball play over the course of their career, as well as exceptional contributions to growth, development and leadership of the game. Pickleball Central serves as the initial home of the Pickleball Hall of Fame at its headquarters in Kent, Washington, next to the Pickleball Museum.

One of the sport’s trailblazers, Lucore is also one of pickleball’s most decorated athletes. Among her accomplishments, she is a 17-time gold medal winner at the USAPA Nationals, 11-time Canadian National Champion, 6-time Huntsman World Senior Games Champion, 4-time Tournament of Champions and 6-time International Champion among many other medals and

awards at the sport’s major tournaments.

Lucore first played pickleball over 10 years ago when she was vacationing with her family and met up with her parents, Beverly and Bob Youngren, in Oregon for a local tournament. She said she saw how much fun everyone was having. She attended the very first Nationals in 2009 just to watch her parents compete. She said she was hooked.

The very next year, she started playing and has fully experienced love and passion for the game and the people that play pickleball ever since. She and Carlsbad resident Alex Hamner held the Nationals title in Open Women’s Doubles for the next four years, in a row.

Lucore, a global ambassador and a native Southern California resident, has covered the globe, promoting, teaching and playing in countries like Canada, the Caribbean, Costa Rica, Japan, Mexico, Singapore, Spain, Thailand, The Netherlands and the United Kingdom. In 2020, she will be traveling to Ireland, Scotland, England and Kenya.

Known internationally as one of pickleball’s preeminent bloggers, check her out at [www.allpickleball.com](http://www.allpickleball.com).

Lucore’s expertise can also be found in Pickleball Magazine “Around the Post” column.



Posing with their Pickleball Hall of Fame plaques are, from left, Dan Gabanek, Enrique Ruiz, Jennifer Lucore and Steve Paranto.

Village News/Courtesy photo

Lucore and her mother also recently published the sport’s first ever history book, “History of Pickleball – More Than 50 Years of Fun!” available on Amazon.

It’s an excellent read with 5-star reviews.

Anyone who hasn’t tried the sport yet is encouraged to give it a try as pickleball is played daily

in various locations throughout San Diego County and several countries.

Submitted by Beverly Youngren.

# Warriors win big against Rancho Bernardo



Abbey Savin makes an offload pass during the Fallbrook Warriors Girls Rugby game with Rancho Bernardo Dec. 21, at Ingold Field.

Village News/Jeff Pack photos

**Jeff Pack**  
Staff Writer

The Fallbrook Union High School Girls Rugby team started the league season fast with a win over Rancho Bernardo High School Saturday, Dec. 21, at Ingold Field in Fallbrook.

Sophomores Julia Tippin and Tiahna Padilla got the Warriors off to a quick start with early tries and conversions by Shelby Tippin.

Neveah Rivera Benitez, Padilla, Brianna Beath, Abbey Savin, Jordan Duncan, and Elaine Jimenez all scored tries in the first half with conversions by Savin and

Julia Tippin on each of them.

In the second half, Duncan scored a try and Emily Weber added two more with conversions by the Tippin sisters.

Jeff Pack can be reached by email at [jpack@reedermedia.com](mailto:jpack@reedermedia.com).



Jordan Duncan picks up a loose ball during the Fallbrook Warriors Girls Rugby game with Rancho Bernardo.



Emily Weber receives a kick during the Fallbrook Warriors Girls Rugby game with Rancho Bernardo Saturday.



The Warriors defense gets ready to tackle on a restart during the Fallbrook Warriors Girls Rugby game with Rancho Bernardo.



Brianna Beath makes a tackle during the Fallbrook Warriors Girls Rugby game with Rancho Bernardo at Ingold Field.

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OBITUARIES



**Martha Ann Warner**, known as Marty to her family and friends, passed away peacefully the night of Dec. 16, surrounded by her children.

Born in Chattanooga, Tennessee, the second daughter of Carl and Virginia Ivens, Marty had two sisters. The family moved to Knoxville, Tennessee, and then to Columbus, Ohio. Marty attended high school as well as college on the campus of Ohio State University and graduated with a business degree. She was a proud

Buckeye!

After graduation, she and four friends drove to California for the sunshine. In 1962, she married Wayne Eldon Warner and started a family in Long Beach, California. They raised four daughters in Naples, Long Beach, enjoying frequent boat trips to Catalina.

In 1979, the family moved to the Fallbrook area. With a heart for service, Marty was a lifelong volunteer. She supported her daughters’ schools in the PTA, was a Girl Scout leader and a Bible

study leader. She volunteered with the National Charity League, the Angel Shop and the Fallbrook Food Pantry, where she was a longtime board member.

Marty was preceded in death by her husband, Wayne; her parents and her sisters, Mary and Marilyn. She is survived by her children, Kara, Lisa (Colin), Beth and Megan (Nick), as well as six grandchildren, Jakob, Claire, Gabriella, Caroline, Cash and Luka. Her grandchildren brought Marty great joy – she considered

that role the highlight in her life. Marty’s sweet charm and gracious nature will truly be missed by all.

A memorial service will be held Sunday, Dec. 29, at 2 p.m. at SonRise Christian Fellowship Church, 463 S. Stagecoach Lane, Fallbrook. In lieu of flowers, please consider making a donation in her honor to the Fallbrook Food Pantry.

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**Howard F. Eberly** passed away on Dec. 16, 2019 after 92 years of living life well and joyfully, while doing his best to make the world a better place. Though born in Indiana, he found a home and made his life in Fallbrook.

He moved to Fallbrook in 1968 with his wife Charlene and children Jon and Janice to the property he would spend the rest of his life caring for – a home he nurtured and grew for more than 50 years.

Dad launched his career as a Navy pilot – starting from

Glenview, Illinois, to San Diego, and Southeast Asia, flying planes and later leading a helicopter squadron. His service to the country was a source of great pride to him throughout his life. He celebrated this service by participating in posting colors and attending the US Marine Corp birthday ball with his friends in the Marine Corp.

He was a founding member of Christ the King Lutheran Church in Fallbrook, and took great joy in the church’s subsequent growth and service to the Fallbrook community. He participated actively in purchasing the property and building the original place

of worship. He was loved and appreciated by the community at Christ the King and the feeling was deeply reciprocated .

After the Navy, Dad had a career he loved – flying for United Airlines, retiring in 1987 after 33 years in the friendly skies. After Charlene’s passing, he had the good fortune to meet and marry his wife Betty and they spent many years square dancing and travelling in their bus.

His father Ivan and brother Skip were both lost to us at young ages, but Dad took after his mother, Margaret, who lived to age 104, with grace and a positive outlook.

Dad is survived by his sister Madelon and his children, Jon and Janice, and grandchildren Murielle and Marc, who will miss his enveloping hugs and stories (which brought us smiles and laughter – every time).

There will be a celebration of life at Christ the King Lutheran Church in Fallbrook at 11 a.m., Saturday, Dec. 28 with a reception to follow at the church. The service can be seen online at <http://www.ctlkc-fallbrook.org/>. In lieu of flowers, please make a donation to Christ the King Lutheran Church or to a veteran’s charity of your own choice.

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WINE & DINING

Make the holidays a little sweeter

FALLBROOK – What would the holidays be without platters full of homemade cookies? It's that time of year for pulling out favorite recipes and filling the

house with delicious aromas and delectable treats. This recipe for “Stareos” from “Classic Stars Desserts” (Chronicle Books) by Emily

Luchetti adds a gourmet spin to a popular chocolate sandwich cookie.

Stareos

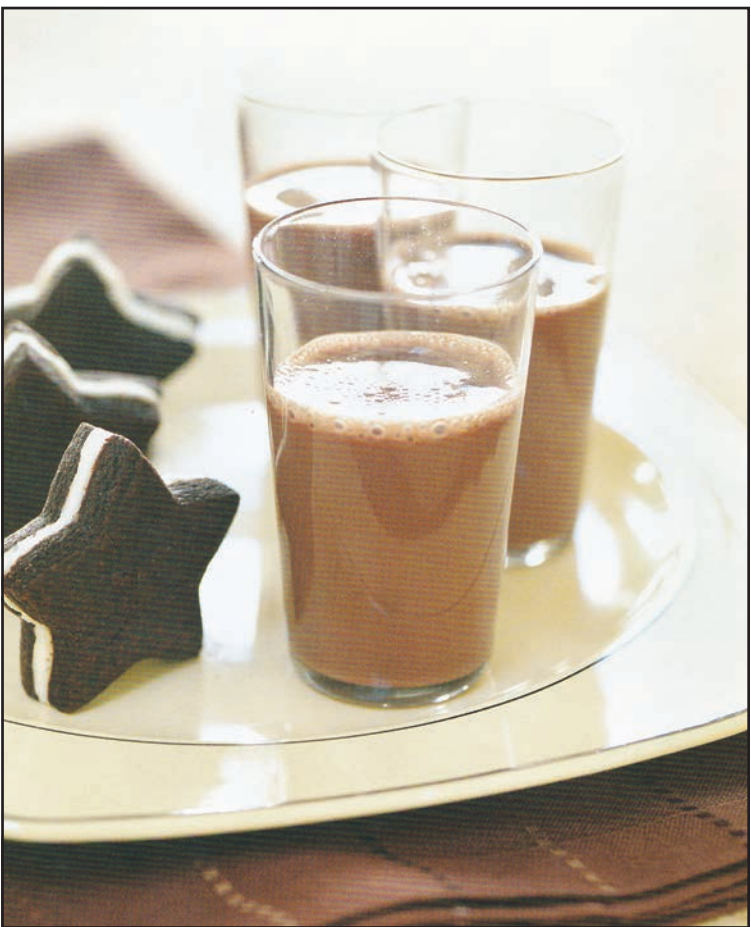
Makes 18 cookies

- Chocolate Shortbread**  
1 1/2 cups all-purpose flour  
Pinch of kosher salt  
1/2 cup unsweetened cocoa powder, sifted  
8 ounces (16 tablespoons) cold unsalted butter, cut into 1 1/2-inch pieces  
1/2 cup granulated sugar  
Flour for dusting
- Filling**  
1 cup mascarpone cheese  
1 tablespoon granulated sugar  
1/4 teaspoon vanilla extract

To make the chocolate shortbread: In a bowl, stir together the flour, salt and cocoa powder and set aside. Combine the butter

and sugar in the bowl of a stand mixer fitted with the paddle attachment and beat on low speed until the butter and sugar begin to incorporate, about 15 seconds. Add the dry ingredients and continue to mix until the dough comes together, about 3 minutes. It will look dry just before it comes together. Line 2 baking sheets with parchment paper. On a lightly floured work surface, roll out the dough 1 1/4 inch thick. Using a 2-inch star cutter, cut out as many cookies as possible. Gather together the scraps, reroll, and continue cutting out cookies until you have 36 cookies. Place the cookies on the prepared baking sheets, spacing them 1 inch apart.

Refrigerate until firm, at least 1 hour. Heat the oven to 300 F. Bake the shortbread until firm, about 35 minutes. At the midway point, switch the baking sheets between the racks and rotate them 180 degrees to ensure even baking. Let cool on the baking sheets to room temperature. To make the filling: In a small bowl, stir together the mascarpone, sugar and vanilla until smooth. Turn 18 of the cookies bottom-side up on a work surface. Using a table knife or a small icing spatula, spread about 1 tablespoon of the filling on the bottom of each cookie. Top with the remaining cookies, bottom-side down.



Snowballs can be made with coconut and popcorn

FALLBROOK – While we usually don't get snow, you can have a snowball fight of a different kind when you offer up treats that even Ebenezer Scrooge would love. Children will need to use

the same kind of pressure to make these coconut flaked sweets as they do to meld snowflakes. But packing popcorn with melted marshmallows and butter is easy and edible. Just be sure to allow the

mixture to cool before handling. Add a candy cane for an extra pop of flavor and to use up leftover holiday sweets. Courtesy of the Popcorn Board.

Coconut Popcorn Snowballs  
Yield: 8 (4-inch) balls

- Ingredients**  
2 cups shredded or flaked sweetened coconut  
3 quarts popped popcorn  
4 tablespoons (1/2 stick) butter or margarine  
3 cups miniature marshmallows  
1 teaspoon coconut or vanilla extract  
8 candy canes or candy cane sticks, about 3-4 inches

- Directions**  
1. Place a large sheet of wax (or parchment) paper over a work surface. Spread coconut onto paper.  
2. Spray a large mixing bowl lightly with cooking spray and place popcorn inside.  
3. In a medium saucepan, melt butter over low heat. Stir in marshmallows and stir until marshmallows are melted and mixture is smooth. Pour over popcorn and mix well until coated.  
4. Spray hands with cooking spray and press firmly to form into balls. Place balls on coconut and roll and press coconut to coat. While holding popcorn ball, gently press a candy cane into each ball.  
5. Serve immediately or wrap individually in plastic wrap for storage. Try this variation for making a popcorn snowman: Popcorn Snowman Makes: 10 balls, 5 snowmen (2 balls each) Ingredients: 10 cups popped popcorn 1 (1-lb.) package large marshmallows 1/4 cup (1/2 stick) butter or margarine 1 teaspoon vanilla Decorations: sprinkles, licorice, gum drops, cinnamon candies, etc. Directions: 1. Melt marshmallows and butter in a large saucepan. 2. Remove from heat and stir in vanilla. 3. Let stand for 5 minutes. 4. Pour over popcorn and stir. 5. Butter hands well and form into balls. 6. Decorate as desired



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Bolero Cellars is nearing completion at Europa Village, and they expect to open it to the public by the end of March 2020.

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**Jeff Pack**  
Staff Writer

According to Leonard Lavyn-Grose, director of winery operations at Europa Village, the winery was always envisioned to be a venue that presented three of the world’s best wine regions.

With the building of Bolero Cellars beginning to take shape in Temecula Wine Country, the vision set forth by founder and chairman Dan Stephenson is starting to become a little more of a reality.

“He and his wife, Beverly, have spent, you know, six, seven years on and off throughout Europe,” Lavyn-Grose said. “The best three European regions that make wine – Italy, France and Spain – he wanted to make three wineries encompassing those countries here. So, that was the initial vision that he had, and he’s always had that vision.”

Stephenson bought the land for the project around 2006, but a market crash slowed the project. Instead of pursuing the original building, they embarked on creating Europa Village first.

“His goal was to get this started, get the clientele base going, get the revenue source generating,” Lavyn-Grose said. “That way, once the economy fully recovered, then we could start. That’s the phase that Bolero is in.”

The sprawling Spanish winery, called Bolero Cellars, will feature a large tasting room, restaurant, dedicated members room, retail shop, outdoor seating areas, conference space, 10 casitas and all the facilities needed for a wedding to be hosted at the facility.

They broke ground in November 2018, and Bolero Cellars should be ready to open by the end of March 2020.

“It will have a tapas-style restaurant, very authentic cuisine, a huge tasting room, wine club tasting room,” Lavyn-Grose said. “It has 10 casitas, so we’re going to go from 10 rooms now to 20 rooms, so we’re excited about that. It has a full-service bar, so we’ll be the only one that has a full-service bar. We’re excited about that. Some beer on draft, Type 47 ABC license, so we can do hard alcohol for weddings and events as well.”

Located nearby is the wine country’s second wine cave, also currently under construction.

With almost 30,000 square feet of space being added to the facility, it will give Bolero Cellars more opportunity to bring in weekday traffic.

“We will be creating some offerings going forward here that we haven’t been able offer yet for lack of space, like a special blending experience class,” tasting room manager Matt Rice said. “A traditional one really, where we’re really talking about traditional Rhone Valley blends or Bordeaux. I’m working on an Italian blending plan as well. There’s a lot of fun stuff that we’re going to be able to do with more space to draw out those weekday corporate groups.

“We have a lovely new conference room is being built and a lot of open space to be able to have a conference upstairs, dinner downstairs, finish with a wine tasting or experience,” he said. “Those are all things that just based on the size location conflict right now that we aren’t able to offer.”

When that project is completed, the next phase of the project will begin. Vienna, located at the top of the hill is the Italian facility, and they are taking funding for the resort project right now.

“The resort at the top of the hill, so 40 guest suites, a 14,000-square-foot spa, pool, Jacuzzi, with cabanas around, a full-service bar up there as well,” Lavyn-Grose said. “I’ll have like a lobby bar when you check into the resort. A full winery, which is the largest of the three wineries. So that’s 37,000 square feet and Bolero sitting at 29,000 square feet. The goal is to start on that, and it is looking like late second quarter of 2020. As soon as Bolero opens, they want to get started with Vienna immediately, and it’s a 24 to 26-month build.”

When that is done, construction on C’est La Vie will begin, adjacent to the current Europa Village facility, which will be raised and replaced with a parking lot, he said.

“It’s a beautiful facility, a ton of authentic charm,” Lavyn-Grose said about the current Europa Village facility. “I mean, we’ve built our brand in this facility here, and we have a lot of members that are really sad that we’re going away from this. But we’ll have it, I’d say, no less than five years that we will stay here.”

When it’s all said and done, the project will be very much like a wine-tasting theme park.

“One of Dan’s visions, he took a key piece from Disneyland,” Lavyn-Grose said. “When you walk in, immediately you transform. Everything is Disney. Every team member that you meet is just a smile on their face, very happy. So, you’re just immersed immediately walking through those doors at Disney.

“Well, he wanted to create a similar thing here,” he said. “So when you go into Bolero, you hear the Spanish music; you see the Spanish attire; you smell the Spanish foods from the tapas restaurant. It’s a very, a true immersion, to where it really makes you feel is that you’re tasting over in Spain. You’re not just here in Temecula; it really kind of transforms you.”



High ceilings with beams are featured throughout the Bolero Cellars facility.



Plenty of outdoor space will be available to guests as they taste wine at Bolero Cellars. In the hills above the facility is where the next phase of the project, the Italian-themed Vienna will be located.



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Rice said he thinks the time is right to capitalize on accolades the valley has been receiving, such as being named to Wine Enthusiast’s Top 10 Wine Destinations.

“The notice is really going out there,” Rice said. “We got written up in the Boston Globe recently. It’s really exciting to see that go out amongst people back East, anywhere that might be looking for a new wine destination.”

With Bolero Cellars coming into focus, Lavyn-Grose said he is getting excited about the opportunities to come.

“My No. 1 is our staff. We have, I’d argue, one of the best staffs in the valley,” he said. “They just do an exceptional job. So we’re actually in ready to do a bunch of where we’ve been in the kind of the thick of the interviewing right now. So, just bringing on a lot of new staff members, making sure that we’re hiring right, we’re training right, so that way, again, we’re elevating that level of service. To make sure that the service level when you open a \$40 million facility is really up to par. And people are like, ‘Wow, this is an amazing experience.’”

“There’s a lot of good wine in the valley for sure, but it really breaks down to ‘How does that guest service element really relate to that experience?’”

For more information on Europa Village, visit [www.europavillage.com](http://www.europavillage.com).

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# Ring in the 20s with roaring fun in Temecula Valley Southern California Wine Country

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Visit Temecula Valley

Plan a New Year’s Eve getaway around one of Southern California’s most exciting countdowns. With celebrations and fun activities in Old Town Temecula, Temecula Valley Wine Country and Pechanga Resort Casino, there are many reasons to book a week in Temecula Valley that are bound to start the new year off right.

**Old Town Temecula**  
Temecula Valley’s custom-crafted, illuminated cluster of grapes will descend 65-feet from the third-story balcony of its Civic Center clock tower on New Year’s Eve, Tuesday, Dec. 31. Temecula Valley’s signature free celebration invites New Year’s Eve revelers to dance to live music, step into the fun zone, enjoy activities and welcome the New Year with two countdowns: East Coast at 9 p.m. and West Coast at midnight, both led by city officials. Fun zone activities include hat making, face painting, carnival games and a giant slide. Live entertainment

includes Jillian Calkins, Jill & Leo Trio, Christ Fast Blues Blast and Mrs. Jones’ Revenge. Outdoor ice skating and food are available for a fee.

Dining options are available on every block in this walking foodie district. Specialty stores feature unique items as well as products made in Temecula Valley such as Temecula Olive Oil Company, Temecula Lavender Company, and Old Town Spice and Tea Merchants. There is also plenty of vintage shopping at antique shops like Granny’s Attic. In the evening, visitors can enjoy a drink at a local brewery or wine tasting room then catch a live performance at The Merc or Old Town Temecula Community Theater.

**Temecula Valley Wine Country**  
Visitors can enjoy wine tasting, live music, horseback riding and outdoor ice skating at Peltzer Family Farm and at IceFest at Galway Downs in Temecula Valley Wine Country. Several wineries will have New Year’s Eve celebrations. For a Gatsby Night – Roaring

20s New Year’s Eve Party, Fazeli Cellars will greet guests with a glass of Champagne, followed by a three-course dinner accompanied with live music, a casino, DJ, dancing and a Champagne toast at midnight.

South Coast Winery Resort and Spa’s New Year’s Eve Ballroom Bash will feature celebratory cocktails, late night taco bar bites and ringing in 2020 at midnight with a Champagne toast. The Sensations Band will provide live entertainment throughout the evening with their eclectic mix of classic rock, dance, jazz, pop, rhythm and blues and oldies. The Vineyard Rose at South Coast Winery Resort and Spa will welcome New Year’s Eve with a four-course dinner and live music.

Wiens Family Cellars will start the night with a complimentary glass of wine followed by live music for dancing with The Killer Dueling Piano Show. There will be snack and dessert stations and as midnight approaches, each guest will receive a complimentary Champagne

toast for the big countdown.

Wilson Creek Winery’s “Let’s Get Our Sparkle On!” will be a four-course wine paired dinner and live entertainment by JD Priest. Guests will enjoy music, dancing, drinks and a dessert bar as they wait for the countdown. There will be a hosted bar throughout the evening.

**Pechanga Resort Casino**  
From live country band jams at Kelsey’s to a high-energy club atmosphere with a Grammy award-winning DJ in the Grand Ballroom and everything in-between, Pechanga Resort Casino will celebrate New Year’s Eve in an upscale, exclusive fashion with five parties. Visitors can choose from Live Country at Kelsey’s, Live Jazz at Kelsey’s Loft, Deejaycyfer at the Ballroom, Dueling Pianos Rockin’ Eve at the Lobby Bar and NYE at Eagle’s Nest.

Visit Temecula Valley invites party goers to stay the rest of the week to experience Temecula Valley’s scenic views, specialty foods and small-town charm. There is a

range of places to stay from wine country inns to comfortable hotels to expansive resorts. Check out their midweek rates.

Laid back, picturesque Temecula Valley Southern California Wine Country welcomes nearly 3 million visitors each year. It is a year-round vacation destination, located 60 minutes from San Diego, Orange County and Palm Springs; 90 minutes from Los Angeles.

Temecula Valley Wine Country is widely recognized for its scenic vineyards, award-winning wines and experiential wineries. The popular boutique destination includes the Temecula Valley American Viticulture Area as well as historic Old Town Temecula and Pechanga Resort Casino. It also was named as a 2019 Wine Enthusiast 10 Best Wine Travel Destination.

Visit Temecula Valley is the region’s official tourism marketing organization and resource for visitors. The Visitors Center is located in Old Town Temecula. For visitor information and assistance, call (888) 363-2852 or visit [www.VisitTemeculaValley.com](http://www.VisitTemeculaValley.com).

## Four grapes to watch in Temecula Valley Southern California Wine Country

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The wine world these days is full of choices. There are literally thousands of wine grape varieties in the world today, and so many different styles of wine to explore. It’s a wine explorer’s paradise out there. But with so many options often comes agonizing indecision. What to try?

Few wine regions represent an abundance of choice more than Temecula Valley, home to dozens of different grape varieties produced in a dizzying array of styles. Want light and crisp? Try a Temecula Valley sauvignon blanc. In the mood for something juicy and rich? Temecula Valley tempranillo may very well fit the bill. What about bubbly? Temecula Valley’s got that too. There are so many choices.

In an effort to help wine lovers narrow down what to try while exploring the region, which was just named one of the Top 10 Wine Getaways in the World by Wine Enthusiast Magazine, here are four shining stars that are worth discovering in Southern California Wine Country.

**Arneis**  
This white grape variety hails from the Piedmont region of Northern Italy. In the region’s local dialect, the name translates to “little rascal,” presumably a moniker earned from the grape’s relative fussiness when it comes to cultivation. In Italy, the grape is naturally low in acidity, producing dry, full-bodied wines when handled well.

In Temecula Valley, arneis seems to offer more acidity than one might expect and is capable of producing bright, fresh wines with notes of juicy pear, citrus, white flower blossoms and hazelnut.

Try Temecula Valley arneis if you like pinot grigio.

Explore Temecula Valley arneis at Cougar Vineyard & Winery, Europa Village and Hart Winery.

Pair it with creamy pasta.

### Vermentino

Vermentino is an aromatic white grape variety most associated with North Western Italy, Sardinia, Corsica and Southern France. Although vermentino is considered a light, fresh wine, it can often boast some depth and unique characteristics such as a hint of bitter almond and a slight briny note that brings to mind picnic lunches by the seaside.

In Temecula Valley, vermentino finds a richness that makes it equally at home by itself or paired with food. It is fleshy and fruity, with aromas of ripe, juicy apple, white peach, pink grapefruit and lime zest. Try Temecula Valley vermentino if you like sauvignon blanc.

Explore Temecula Valley vermentino at Danza Del Sol, Europa Village, Robert Renzoni Vineyards, Thornton Winery and Wiens Family Cellars.

Pair it with seafood.

### Sangiovese

Sangiovese is Italy’s most planted wine grapevine and is particularly common in central Italy where it is the principal grape in Chianti. It has many different clones and is capable of producing easy-drinking, fruity table wines or more complex, premium wines intended for aging, like Brunello di Montalcino and Vino Nobile di Montepulciano, depending on where it is grown and how it is produced.

In Temecula Valley, sangiovese rarely takes on a simple quality. Instead, the wines are rich and full-bodied, displaying ripe fruit and plenty of textures and aromas from oak treatment. The sangiovese grape is truly at home in Temecula Valley, with many visitors even comparing the terrain to the rolling hills of Tuscany.

Try Temecula Valley sangiovese if you like cabernet sauvignon, cabernet franc or nebbiolo.

Explore Temecula Valley sangiovese at Lorimar Winery, Palumbo Family Vineyard and Winery, Ponte Winery, Robert Renzoni Vineyards and Cougar Vineyard & Winery.



Sangiovese grapes hang on the vines at Cougar Vineyard & Winery.

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Pair it with pasta and pizza.

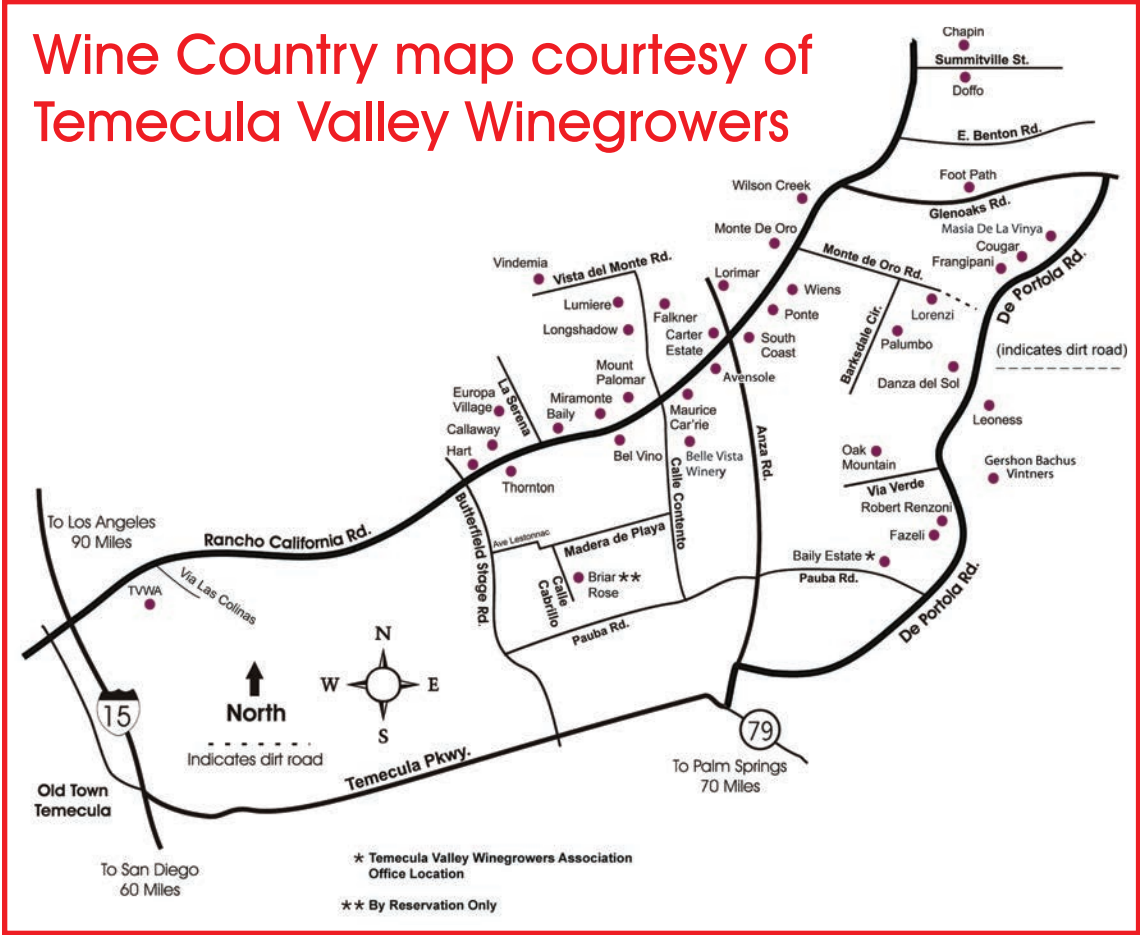
### Syrah

This robust, rather prolific grape is probably most associated with the Rhone Valley and Australia, where it is known as shiraz, but it grows all over the world. Wine icon Jancis Robinson declared syrah, “One of the noblest and most fashionable red wine grapes, if nobility is bestowed by an ability to produce serious red wines capable of aging majestically for decades and if fashionability is measured by the extent to which new cuttings have been going into the ground all over the world.” Syrah finds truly exceptional expression in the warm, Mediterranean climate of Temecula Valley and the best are certainly capable of aging right alongside their prestigious cousins in France. Southern California syrahs are robust and expressive, with gorgeous texture and structure, firm tannins, spice and the signature black pepper note we all know and love in syrah.

Try Temecula Valley syrah if you like malbec, cabernet sauvignon or tempranillo

Explore Temecula Valley syrah at Doffo Winery, Hart Winery, Leones Cellars, Lorenzi Estate Vineyards and Winery and South Coast Winery.

Pair it with a juicy steak, rack of lamb or a mushroom-based risotto.



## Wine Country Events Calendar

FRIDAY, DEC. 27	
11 a.m. to 5 p.m.	Craft Faire, Maurice Car'rie Winery
Noon to 5 p.m.	Ruby Lounge, Fazeli Cellars
1-2:30 p.m.	Behind the Scenes Wine Tour, South Coast Winery
3-5:30 p.m.	Happy Hour, Vineyard Rose, South Coast Winery
5-8 p.m.	Live Music, Brendan Crosskerry, Cougar Vineyard and Winery
5-9 p.m.	Live Music, Karaoke Night with Lillian Thomas, Masia de la Vinya
6-9 p.m.	Live Music, Travis Thomas, Avensole Winery
6-9 p.m.	Live Music, Indica Roots, Miramonte Winery
6-9 p.m.	Live Music, Electric Ash, Lorimar Winery
6-9 p.m.	Live Music, Dustin Jake, Lorimar Winery in Old Town Temecula
6-10 p.m.	Live Music, Divalicious, Bel Vino Winery
SATURDAY, DEC. 28	
11 a.m. to 5 p.m.	Craft Faire, Maurice Car'rie Winery
Noon to 4 p.m.	Live Music, Gin Piston, Bel Vino Winery
Noon to 4 p.m.	Live Music, Alex and Esther, Masia de la Vinya
12:30-3 p.m.	Live Music, Charles Sacayan, Carol's Restaurant at Bailly Winery
1-4 p.m.	Live Music, Shea Givens, Avensole Winery
1-5 p.m.	Live Music, John Rankin, Fazeli Cellars
1-5 p.m.	Live Music, Travis Miller, Danza del Sol Winery
3:30-5:30 p.m.	Happy Hour, Vineyard Rose, South Coast Winery
6-9 p.m.	Live Music, Indica Roots, Miramonte Winery
6-9 p.m.	Live Music, Vince Mendoza, Avensole Winery
6-9 p.m.	Live Music, Fear of Phobias, Lorimar Winery
6-9 p.m.	Live Music, George and Grace, Lorimar Winery in Old Town Temecula
SUNDAY, DEC. 29	
11 a.m. to 2 p.m.	Brunch Specials at Meritage Restaurant, Callaway Winery
11 a.m. to 5 p.m.	Craft Faire, Maurice Car'rie Winery
11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.	Dog Day Sundays, Carol's Restaurant at Bailly Winery
Noon to 4 p.m.	Live Music, Kings of Rhythm, Bel Vino Winery
1-4 p.m.	Live Music, Robert Simon, Europa Village
1-4 p.m.	Live Music, Sam Bybee, Avensole Winery
1-4 p.m.	Live Music, Walk It Down, Lorimar Winery
1-5 p.m.	Live Music, Jillian Calkins, Fazeli Cellars
1-5 p.m.	Live Music, Commotion, Danza del Sol Winery
2-5 p.m.	Live Music, Tim Apple, Cougar Vineyard and Winery
3:30-5:30 p.m.	Happy Hour, South Coast Winery
3-6 p.m.	Live Music, LDR Acoustic Blend, Lorimar Winery in Old Town Temecula
UPCOMING	
Dec. 30-31 sees Fazeli Cellars open their Ruby Lounge from noon to 5 p.m.	
Dec. 31 is Fazeli Cellars' Gatsby Night – Roaring 20s New Years Eve Party from 7 p.m. to 1 a.m.	
Dec. 31 sees Meritage Restaurant at Callaway Winery offer “Cheers to the New Year” dinner.	
Dec. 31 is South Coast Winery's Roaring 20s Ballroom Bash from 9 p.m. to 12:30 a.m.	
Dec. 31 is Wilson Creek's New Year's Eve Party from 8 p.m. to 12:30 a.m.	
Jan. 15-16 is Cougar Winery's fifth annual Cougar meets Italy.	

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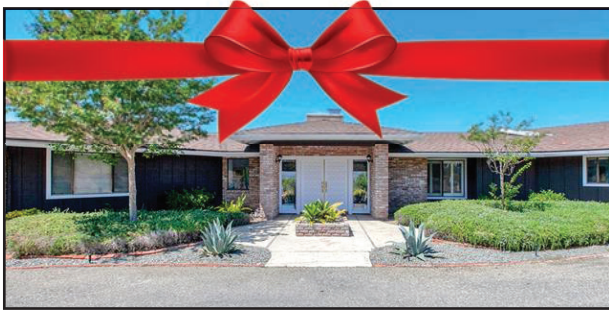
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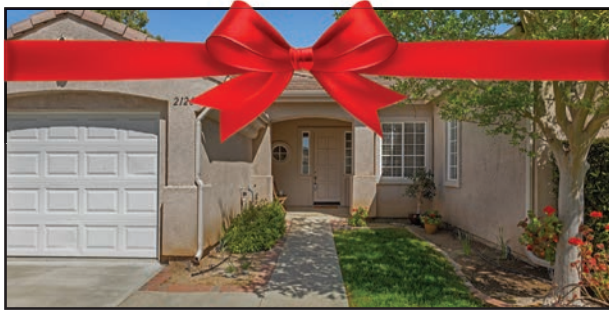
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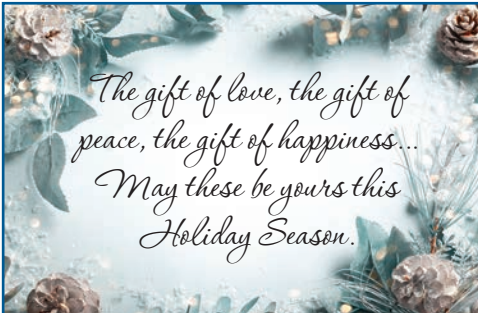


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