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## Planning Commission approves Ocean Breeze Ranch

Joe Naiman  
Village News reporter

The county's Planning Commission approved the Ocean Breeze Ranch project.

The 7-0 Planning Commission vote Dec. 13 approved the tentative map, two major use permits, and a site plan for the 1,403-acre site. Ocean Breeze Ranch is slated to have 396 residential lots, and the tentative map will also recognize the 203-acre private equestrian facility.

The map will also include 39 homeowners' association lots which will be used for parks, stormwater retention and open space. Ocean Breeze Ranch will include seven private and public parks totaling 15.7 acres, approximately 5.1 miles of trails, approximately 4 miles of pedestrian sidewalks, roads and landscaping.

In 2015 Ocean Breeze Ranch, LLC, acquired the 1,400-acre Vessels Ranch from the Vessels family and gave the property its current name..

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## Veterans remembered with wreaths



Guests participating in the Wreaths Across America ceremony, Dec. 14, grab wreaths to place on the gravesites of veterans at the Fallbrook Masonic Cemetery. See more photos on page B-1.

## Planning group reviews River Park proposal, Monserate Winery



Concept A for the proposed Rio Prado Park calls for almost a dozen sports fields. Courtesy of San Diego County Department of Parks and Recreation

Will Fritz  
Associate Editor

The Fallbrook Community Planning Group approved recommendations relating to a portion of the long-planned San Luis Rey River Park and the planned Monserate Winery on Gird Road at its Dec. 16 meeting.

Presented with two potential options for a section of the park planned for an area near the Rancho Monserate Country Club mobile home park, the group voted to endorse the proposal with the least amount of active uses like soccer and baseball fields.

Planning group members also endorsed moving along the Monserate Winery owner's application for a major use permit to the San Diego County Planning Commission, where it's expected to be heard in January.

San Diego County officials have planned to develop San Luis Rey River Park along an eight-and-a-half mile stretch of the river from Oceanside to Interstate 15 since 2005.

Nina Pisano, park project manager with the San Diego County Department of Parks and Recreation, told the Fallbrook Community Planning Group, assembled in the multi-purpose

room of Live Oak Elementary School, which officials are in the final planning stages for Rio Prado Park and Bonsall Community Park, two "parks in a greater park," and expect to request funding for the projects from the county's general fund sometime next year.

Bonsall Community Park is drawn up to be developed in an area near Bonsall Elementary School. Rio Prado Park, the primary subject of Pisano's presentation, straddles the Bonsall/Fallbrook boundary along Dulin Road west of Old Highway 395, about 6 miles east of the Bonsall park.

That park is expected to take up approximately 68 acres, Pisano said. After a community outreach meeting in April, the county returned to the community in October to share Concept A – which would include, among other things, almost a dozen sports fields – and Concept B, which would have a handful of basketball and tennis courts with no sports fields.

Pisano said neither of the concepts represent the final form the project will take; the Parks and Recreation Department simply wanted to gain input from the community as to which concept was closer to what residents would like to see.

"Part of the exercise with plan A

is just to see how much we could fit out there," Pisano said. "Seven soccer fields are a lot but it's a blank canvas, so we just wanted to see how different pieces would fit together and how the community would respond."

Both concepts include a dog park, a community center building, a community garden and a playground.

Planning group member Mark Mervick asked Pisano who the county envisions will use the park, which is several miles from downtown Fallbrook.

Pisano said the county has heard from residents of the nearby Rancho Monserate and Lake Rancho Viejo communities who have expressed a desire for more recreational activities in their area.

"We've had a lot of people from that community come in support, wanting things to do with their kids and wanting more active recreation," Pisano said. "In this side of Fallbrook, and Bonsall especially, there's no fields and courts; there's no active recreation whatsoever, so we're really trying to provide that to this area."

Roy Moosa and other members of the planning group preferred Concept B and its fewer sports uses.

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## Prop A falls short

57% of voters supported authorizing a new \$5 tax to pay for fire district facilities

Will Fritz  
Associate Editor

Voters failed to deliver the two-thirds majority of 'yes' votes required to pass the North County Fire Protection District's Proposition A, according to election results certified by the district's board of directors the afternoon of Dec. 12.

The proposition would have authorized a new tax of \$5 per month, per parcel of owned property for a 20-year period to pay for construction, maintenance and improvements of fire stations in the North County Fire Protection District over the next two decades.

Out of 6,055 votes, 3,383 – or about 57 percent – were in favor, board secretary Loren Stephen-Porter told the board members at a special meeting Dec. 12. The results were not announced until after the Dec. 12 issue of Village News had gone to print.

"I'd like to thank everybody in the public for really supporting us in this matter, and all the firefighters, everybody who contributed all their hard work toward this," North County Fire Board President Fred Luevano said. "Thank you for all of your efforts."

The tax that Proposition A would

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## Sentencing for Merritt delayed until Jan. 17

Jeff Pack  
Staff Writer

James McGee, the lead attorney for Charles "Chase" Merritt, was officially relieved of his duties from the team defending the man convicted of killing all four members of the McStay family of Fallbrook back in 2010 during a Nov. 1 court hearing.

Also during the hearing, Superior Court Judge Michael A. Smith vacated the Friday, Dec. 13, hearing and set a new sentencing date for Merritt for Jan. 17, 2020. The final sentencing date comes after a delay after a Sept. 27 hearing at which McGee notified the court of his intention to withdraw from the case.

Defense attorney Rajan Maline will continue to represent Merritt.

If all goes according to plan, Merritt will be sentenced one year and 10 days after the trial against him began.

On June 24, a jury recommended Merritt be put to death for the murders of Summer McStay and her two young sons, but recommended life in prison without parole for the murder of Joseph McStay. Two weeks earlier, they found him guilty of murdering the McStay family with special circumstances on all counts.

Merritt was found guilty of bludgeoning to death Joseph and Summer McStay and the couple's young sons – 4-year-old Gianni and 3-year-old Joseph Jr. – in 2010 and burying their bodies in a San Bernardino desert.

The family's remains were found buried in shallow graves by a motorcyclist three years later and Merritt was arrested by San Bernardino County Sheriff's Detectives a year later in 2014.

After he was arrested, Merritt said through his attorney that he

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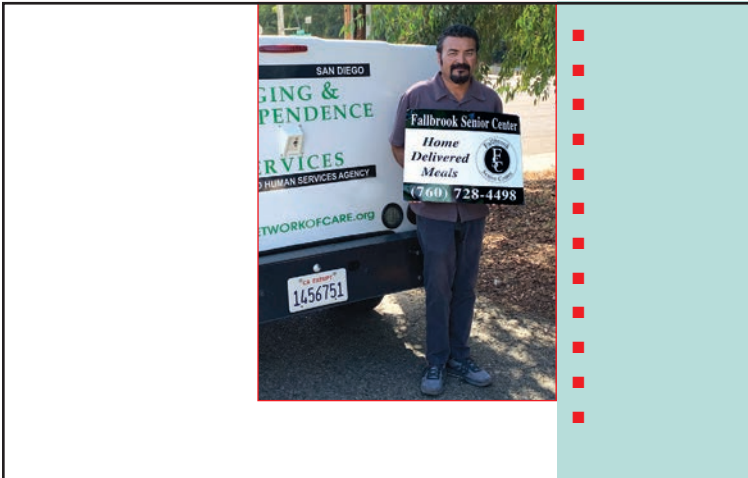




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Re: “Pro-Life’ is a killer’ [Village News, Letter, 12/12/19]

You have got to be kidding me with all the hog-wash nonsense of mortality rates and no limits for abortion on demand. Crazy insane! Pro Life believers range from no abortion whatsoever to very reasonable restrictions.

To be honest I really don’t care if a woman decides to murder her baby for whatever reason she can come up with because she is pregnant with a child she doesn’t want. That sin is between her and God. I place no judgement. I don’t even need to address rape and incest; that decision is still between you and God.

If you decide to give up your figure for nine months so that some childless couple can adopt this baby, then what a beautiful and selfless gift to give that precious baby. You will still need therapy for the trauma you’ve already suffered and I pray God gives you peace with that trauma and not add to it with the murder of the baby.

What I do care about is the abortion on demand even as the child is coming down the birth canal! What I do care about is tax payers paying for the decision she makes in her right to abort her baby. There are plenty of fund raisers out there. Fund these organizations yourself, no tax payers blood money.

What I do care about are the lies being told about women losing their birth control rights when in reality there are so many ways nowadays to keep from getting pregnant in the first place.

You do have to take responsibility for your actions. If you are going to act irresponsibly then why can’t you use any number of birth control methods to keep you from getting pregnant? Why can’t you take the morning after pill? Why can’t you make a decision to abort in the first trimester?

People, look up the meaning of Partial Birth Abortion, but make sure you have a trash can nearby for your vomit. Talk to women who got caught up in the abortion on demand crowd and now suffer with emotional and mental issues, seeking psychiatric help for the rest of their lives with the guilt.

Look up the story about Margaret Sanger who was the poster girl for eugenics and setting up her birth control clinics in poor minority neighborhoods. She had an agenda; she was probably related to Hitler.

I saw a church sign that read something like this: An Unplanned Pregnancy Saved the World.

I’m telling you His name is Jesus and he loves you!

Diana Miller

Fire district still needs help

Proposition A has failed. It received 57% “Yes” votes but not the required two-thirds.

A number of people in the community were very skeptical of the process the fire district chose to conduct the election. I hope that they now realize that the election was conducted in a fair and reasonable manner.

Now what? Some have suggested a “GoFundMe” effort to raise the \$1 million per year required to fund the district’s projects. This idea is a very admirable goal; however, I do not believe it is realistic.

The district will now have to make a number of hard decisions. Will they have to reduce service? Reduce the number of firefighters, close a fire station or maybe contract with a private company for paramedic services?

Will community members, especially those so cynical about Proposition A, step forward to help the district in making these decisions? I hope the community will step forward to help the district provide the services required.

Mike Reardon

Community Benefit Program will care for your community

The landscaped South Mission medians, Vince Ross Village Square and downtown flower pots, the Train Caboose and Railroad Heritage Park, Jackie Heyneman Park (which will reopen soon), 36 pieces of public art which includes the statues around town, the Santa Fe Crossing Main Mural and the Main Street Circa 1920 mural, downtown landscaping, downtown lighting, pocket parks, a more pedestrian friendly downtown,

the downtown Veteran’s Wall and Welcome Home Military tribute, our trails, trees, pathways and preserves throughout Fallbrook, Ingold Sports Park and a Skate Park . . . just to name a few.

If these things mean nothing to you and aren’t worth \$60 a year, which goes a long way to improving overall Fallbrook property values, then vote against the Community Benefit Program.

Jerri Patchett

Our last board meeting

Supervisor Jim Desmond  
5th District

We held our final board meeting for 2019 recently. It seems like just yesterday I was being sworn into office, and now the year is almost over. Despite it being our last meeting, it was very eventful.

The first board letter we passed Wednesday, Dec. 11, was to help the businesses of Poway. Due to the “Boil Water” order that was issued a few weeks ago, businesses and restaurants were

forced to temporarily close in Poway. However, 27 of those restaurants were able to receive temporary permits that cost \$459. Last Wednesday, the board voted unanimously to waive those fees relieving some of the burden for those businesses.

I partnered with Chairwoman Dianne Jacob Wednesday to remove surcharges at our county airports. Currently, all aviation lease agreements included a surcharge for commercial subleases at our airports of 5%. After looking

at similar airports, we decided to get rid of the unnecessary charge. By eliminating the surcharge, we hope to spur additional growth and business opportunities.

Finally, the board unanimously approved a new multidisciplinary team that will provide secondary reviews to calls coming to the Child Welfare Services hotline. One child falling through the cracks is one too many. This new team will provide the safety that’s needed for those in child welfare.

The Future of Water

Assemblymember Marie Waldron

Special to Valley News

With the recent heavy rains, our water supply may not be at the top of everyone’s worry list. Even so, last week the San Diego County Water Authority gave an update on the future of water in our region.

The County Water Authority was created by the Legislature in 1944. Its 24 member agencies provide about 75% of our water and serve 3.3 million people. But only 17% of our water comes from local supplies, which include the nation’s largest desalination plant at Carlsbad. 11% originates in Northern California and 72% from the Colorado River. It includes a water transfer agreement with the Imperial Irrigation District that supplies about 35% of our water.

We’ve spent billions on raising local dams, on lining the Coachella and All-American canals to

eliminate seepage, on construction of the Carlsbad desalination plant and on many other projects aimed at diversification and increased supply. While supplies are adequate for today, steps will be necessary to secure our water future.

The County Water Authority does not have a pipeline that connects directly to the Colorado River – we have to pay the Metropolitan Water District for those deliveries, which is costly and has led to litigation. Several alternative conveyance systems are now under review. Two alignments, one along the Mexican border and another further north, would both end at the San Vicente Reservoir. A third through the Borrego area would end at the Twin Oaks Water Treatment Plant in San Marcos.

Our past diversification efforts were successful. In 1991, 95% of our water was imported from the

MWD, but through diversification, only 2% will be imported from MWD by 2035. San Diego’s water future is brighter than many parts of California that haven’t been as innovative, but we can’t rest on our laurels.

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.

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A bicyclist was struck and killed on state Route 76 in Bonsall Wednesday morning.

The deadly crash happened just before 10 a.m. near Thoroughbred Lane, the California Highway Patrol reported.

The cyclist, a 63-year-old man, was heading west on the highway when he was struck, according to information from CHP Officer Mark Latulippe and North County Fire Protection District Capt. Richard Berry told Village News.

Paramedics tried to perform life-saving measures on the victim, but he was pronounced dead at

the scene.

The driver, who was behind the wheel of an Infiniti G35, stopped in a nearby shopping center and called authorities, Latulippe said. Drugs and alcohol were not suspected to be factors in the crash.

The name of the victim was not immediately available.

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# Pearl Harbor survivors honored



LaVonne Walsh, 96, and Peral Harbor survivor Joe Walsh, 100, attend the Pearl Harbor Ceremony held at Oceanside Harbor, Dec. 7. LaVonne Walsh was a Marine during WWII. The couple were longtime residents of Fallbrook before moving to Vista.



George Coburn, right, joins LaVonne Walsh and Joe Walsh at the Pearl Harbor Ceremony. Coburn, 100, is also a Pearl Harbor survivor.



Joe Walsh is assisted by Navy Senior Chief Nathan Bricker. Congressman Mike Levin, 49th District Representative is standing in back. Walsh was one of the two founders of the Tri-City Chapter 31 of the Pearl Harbor Survivors Association, founded in 1986. There were originally 146 members. He is the last living member of Chapter 31.

Mike Reardon photos

# Hope Clinic open house shows remodeled spaces



Adrianna Wolfe manages the supply room at Hope Clinic which holds donated clothes and baby supplies which clients can earn by attending classes, keeping appointments and watching educational videos.

Lucette Moramarco photos



Physician Assistant Brenda Robinson talks about one of two ultrasound machines Hope Clinic now owns and will be able to use once the state approves its application to be a medical clinic. Staff expects that to happen in January 2020.



Jody Duffy, center, helps her grandchildren, Clara and Luke Jones, figure out how big their pregnant aunt's baby is right now, using models of babies in the womb at different stages of pregnancy.



Lili Ramirez is the new program services director at Hope Clinic for Women which is open Wednesdays and Thursdays, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. More information can be found at [www.fallbrookprc.com](http://www.fallbrookprc.com).

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# SOLARIZE YOUR HOME

As most of you are aware by now, I began installing Solar in to the new houses I was building in approximately the year 2000. By 2010, I had become frustrated with Solar Companies trying to make the solar merge smoothly in to a whole house system. At that time, I began installing the solar myself.

I found it extremely difficult to get any information beyond simply hanging panels on the roof or the ground. I found it hard to except external conduits all over the roof of the house and down the walls. I cringed when the various companies would drill holes in my brand new stucco to secure the metal conduits to the wall and to hang ugly boxes on the wall. I felt like there was more to the solar than simply putting panels up.

I began installing heat pumps for the furnaces, Hybrid water heaters for the hot water and LED lighting throughout the house. The intent was to be able to install the solar on my own houses and to integrate these other systems in an effort to minimize the usage of gas and in most cases eliminate the use of gas altogether.

I referred to this process as *Solarizing the Home*. Some owners prefer to cook with gas, so we often set up gas



just for the cook top and possibly the fireplace(s).

My solar business started to grow quite rapidly from word of mouth and has now grown in to a business of its own that I think Fallbrook and Bonsall can be proud of.

I come in to contact with a lot of homes that have outdated mechanical equipment and my company not only has the ability to install the solar in a much more aesthetically appealing fashion, but can also change out those worn out mechanical items with new hot water heaters and furnaces that run very efficiently using electricity.

If a home is on Natural Gas, then it becomes more difficult to justify the expense of the change out; however if you are on propane, the savings can be as beneficial as the savings you get from the savings on electricity by

using solar.

A 50 gallon water heater can use \$1200.00 per year in propane. Based on that amount of propane, a person can recover the investment for one of the new hybrid water heaters we install in less than three years. I have had several clients throw away water heaters that were barely two years old and replace them with one or more of these new and much more efficient units.

The furnace is a much larger investment and it really doesn't recover the investment as quickly, unless the equipment is more than 10 years old and is nearing the end of its life cycle anyway.

A new heat pump costs about the same to change out as a gas fired unit, with the exception of running a 220 volt line to the unit.

We have gone through houses and changed out all of the light bulbs, including the can light trims, to LED's. All of these items run off of electricity, but if you cut their usage to 1/10th of what they were using, then it gives you more solar power to use elsewhere.

So if you decide to look at solar, then you might want to consider *Solarizing Your Home* by converting off of gas as much as possible.

I love working with homeowners and /or their builder constructing a new home. The implementation of these cost saving features in to a new home will provide huge benefits to the new homeowner as well as helping to protect the environment. Whether new or existing home, contact Mark today to see what you can do to *Solarize Your Home*.

– Mark Kirk

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Prop A ballots are ready for processing by David Taussig and Associates at the Scout Hut, Dec 10. Courtesy photo

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have authorized, which amounts to \$60 per year, was necessary because many of North County Fire’s facilities are outdated, with a documented need of at least \$26.5 million to meet facility standards, fire officials said of the election. Seven of NCFPD’s 11 facilities – including four of its five fire stations – are nearing or past the end of their originally-intended life span of 50 years, according to a newsletter published ahead of the election. Prop A would have raised about \$1 million per year. Board Director Bob Hoffman also thanked North County firefighters and fire district staff who worked to get the word out about the proposition. “It was not for lack of effort that this did not pass,” Hoffman said. “You guys busted tail out there. We know it. You know it. The community knows it.” Board Director Ruth Harris echoed that sentiment, thanking the Fallbrook Firefighters Association. “You guys put your heart and soul into this thing and I’m sorry that it didn’t work out for you guys because you were going to

be the recipients in your everyday lifestyle with this,” Harris said. “Senior staff, you guys worked your tails off and I really appreciate what you all did to try to get this to pass.” Ryan Lewis, president of the Fallbrook Firefighters Association, extended his gratitude to the fire district board. “The organization would like to thank the board for taking a chance on this to better our lives and our working conditions. It does mean a lot to us, and we don’t see this as a loss at all,” Lewis said. “57% is still a lot of people that said they’d financially back us.” The special Proposition A election was conducted entirely by mail in October. Voters had to physically hand in ballots to the fire district’s office by Oct. 24 or ensure they were postmarked by that date and received by Oct. 28. The election was handled by North County Fire through a consultant, David Taussig and Associates. The San Diego County Registrar of Voters could not run the election because it is overhauling its voting systems this year, but it would not have automatically been required to oversee the voting process anyway.

Election results were initially expected to be known by Nov. 1, but ballot-counting was delayed by David Taussig and Associates’ use of a “comprehensive signature verification” process to ensure all of the votes were legitimate, the fire district said last month. A total of 901 ballots failed the signature verification process, according to results confirmed by Stephen-Porter to Village News. Of those, 68% ballots had signatures that did not match the Registrar of Voters database of digital signatures, and the voters who cast those ballots were sent letters asking them to revalidate their votes. Only 152 of those voters responded. A total of 293 ballots were not signed at all and could not be revalidated. It’s unclear what the fire district’s next step will be. With the failure of Proposition A, there is no source to fund upgrades to facilities – there was no Plan B, North County Fire Deputy Chief Steven Marovich said. “The first thing we’re gonna do now is we’re gonna get through this period, find out what went wrong,” Marovich said. Will Fritz can be reached by email at wfritz@reedermedia.com.

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had a heart condition and wanted his trial to be fast-tracked. The trial was beleaguered by a series of delays and motions ever since. The trial finally began Jan. 7, 2019. Prosecutors built their case around the theory that greed was the basis for why Merritt subsequently killed the family, who lived in the Lake Rancho Viejo housing development east of Interstate 15 in Fallbrook, which was last seen alive Feb. 4, 2010. Before the family went missing, Merritt was a subcontractor for McStay and the two were good friends by most accounts. Merritt designed and built custom fountains for Joseph McStay’s business, Earth Inspired Products, but, according to prosecutors, he was in debt to the tune of more than \$40,000 to McStay at the time of the murders. Prosecutors said Merritt feared being cut out of the business or having charges filed against him by McStay. Detectives testified that Merritt deposited checks worth thousands of dollars from McStay after the family went missing, using QuickBooks and even called QuickBooks from his cellphone, identifying himself as Joseph McStay and asking to transfer the money in the account. Merritt’s defense attorneys argued that investigators zeroed in on Merritt early on the case and never looked at anyone else. During the trial, the defense team repeatedly attempted to point the finger at another McStay business associate, Dan Kavanaugh, who they said was overlooked by investigators. Jeff Pack can be reached by email



Joseph and Summer McStay and the couple’s young sons – 4-year-old Gianni and 3-year-old Joseph Jr. – disappeared in 2010 and their bodies were discovered in shallow graves three and a half years later in a San Bernardino County desert. Charles ‘Chase’ Merritt was convicted of killing the family in June. Courtesy of Law & Crime Network



Charles ‘Chase’ Merritt was convicted earlier this year of murdering the McStay family of Fallbrook in 2010. Courtesy photo

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The four years of processing leading to the Planning Commission approval included one year working collaboratively with Native American tribes and Federal, state and county biological agencies, and the Planning Commission action also found that the project was consistent with the Environmental Impact Report certified in 2011 for the update of the county’s general plan. The environmental documentation includes a mitigation monitoring and reporting program, a specific habitat loss permit will be filed in the future, and the project was also granted the elimination of access to mineral resources. The general plan would have allowed 402 residential units. The site has VR-4.3 (Village Residential – 4.3 dwelling units per acre), SR-4 (Semi-Rural – one dwelling unit per 4, 8 or 16 gross acres), SR-10 (Semi-Rural – one dwelling unit per 10 or 20 gross acres), RL-20 (Rural Lands – one dwelling unit per 20 acres), and RL-40 (Rural Lands – one dwelling unit per 40 acres) general plan land use designations. The zoning for the land is RV (Variable Family Residential), A70 (Limited Agriculture), and S80 (Open Space). The county’s Subdivision Ordinance allows conservation subdivisions, or clustering, for property with SR-10, RL-20 and RL-40 designations. The use of clustering allows smaller lots but a larger contiguous open space area. The Ocean Breeze Ranch map restricts 953 acres, or 68% of the total land, for 833 acres of permanent biological open space and 120 acres of restricted limited use area. The general plan would have placed 298 lots immediately adjacent to West Lilac Road, but the conservation subdivision option will move those homes into valleys and behind hills to buffer most of the project from roadway views. Ocean Breeze Ranch has three planning areas, and the development will be phased. Planning Area 1 is northeast of West Lilac Road just south of the equestrian facility; the 68 acres will include 144 residential lots with lot sizes of at least 5,000 square feet and nine homeowners association lots reserved for public and private parks, stormwater retention basins and open space. Planning north of West Lilac Road and southwest of the equestrian facility of the equestrian facility; the 237 residential lots on those 67 acres will have minimum lot sizes of 4,500 and 5,000 square feet with 13 homeowners association lots. Planning Area 3 consists of 153.3 acres along the private road which will connect to Dulin Road; the 15 residential units will have minimum lot sizes of 5 acres, the 24-acre Hillside Estate lot will be located off West Lilac Road northeast of Sullivan Middle School, and the planning area will have 17 homeowners association lots. The homes in Planning Area 1 and Planning Area 2 will range from 2,000 to 3,400 square feet and will have a variety of architectural styles including Cottage Ranch, Craftsman, Farmhouse, Monterey, Spanish and Tuscan. Each of the homes will have three or four bedrooms and two or three bathrooms and will have a two-car or three-car garage. The units will have a photovoltaic energy system able to generate 1.8 kilowatt hours, and they will also be equipped for the future installation of a Level 2 electric vehicle charging station. No conceptual architecture was provided for Planning Area 3 to maximize flexibility although the units must comply with the Bonsall community design guidelines. The two public parks will be 1.7 and 2.8 acres for 4.5 acres in total. The county’s Park Land Dedication Ordinance provides for fees from developers to fund park improvements in the area of the development and includes a provision that developers can provide park land in lieu of the PLDO fee; the park land for the project exceeds the required 3.3 acres for 396 dwelling units. The five private parks totaling 11.2 acres will range from 0.3 to 7 acres. Although the private road connecting to Dulin Road will be gated, it will provide unrestricted egress in the event of an emergency. The Hillside Estate lot will be accessed by a driveway off West Lilac Road. An interim access road through the equestrian facility will provide emergency egress until the third phase is constructed. A road maintenance agreement between Ocean Breeze Ranch and the county will ensure permanent road maintenance. A new public

road will connect Planning Area 1 and Planning Area 2 to the equestrian facility. The existing equestrian facility is on 375 acres and currently has approximately 165 horses. Although the size will be reduced, a Major Use Permit will allow up to 400 horses and up to 204,433 square feet of existing and proposed structures. Eight existing barns, five houses and three manufactured homes used for employee housing, five water wells including three well houses, 34 covered and uncovered horse pens, one horse exercise area, two open area training arenas, and nine horse structures will remain while 16 horse shade structures, one horse aquatic therapy pool, one equipment maintenance shop, and four covered and uncovered horse pens are slated to be added. The property along with other San Luis Rey Downs holdings were in receivership when the Vessels family purchased those facilities in 1981. C. Arnholt Smith had owned the land before the collapse of his financial empire, and some of the existing equestrian facilities predate zoning and other permit requirements. Building permit applications for the non-permitted structures will be submitted, and those facilities will be improved to current requirements. The historical ranch house built in the 1930s will be preserved, as will the surrounding four small houses of the same vintage. The traffic impact study for the project analyzed 20 intersections, 18 segments of county road, and six state highway systems in the vicinity and determined that the impacts will not exceed what was covered in the Environmental Impact Report for the general plan update. Ocean Breeze Ranch will generate an estimated 3,990 daily trips. The estimated Traffic Impact Fee which will be paid is \$2,200,235 and Ocean Breeze Ranch will also improve West Lilac Road to current public road standards and install a traffic signal at Old Highway 395 and West Lilac Road. A raised crosswalk wide enough to accommodate a golf cart will allow safe crossing of Dulin Road by Rancho Monserate residents. The right turn lane at West Lilac Road and Camino Del Rey will be extended to accommodate more vehicles. Ocean Breeze Ranch will also contribute \$1,000,000 for future work at Camino Del Rey and Old River Road. Ocean Breeze Ranch offered an easement to the Bonsall Unified School District to construct a parking lot or waiting area adjacent to Sullivan Middle School, which would alleviate the current parking problem when parents wait to pick up or drop off their children. The Planning Commission asked Ocean Breeze Ranch to make an additional \$250,000 contribution for the construction of that parking or waiting area, and Ocean Breeze Ranch agreed to that contribution. The documentation also includes a Wildland Fire Evacuation Plan which was prepared by Ocean Breeze Ranch and accepted by the North County Fire Protection District and the Sheriff’s Department. The plan identifies evacuation routes, evacuation points and specific information measures. A 100-foot fuel modification zone and a 100-foot limited building zone will be required around all development areas. All roads which abut an area of native vegetation will be brushed back between 20 and 30 feet from both sides of the road to ensure that evacuation routes are clear if needed. In the event of a fire all horses will shelter in place and will be moved to large pastures with the irrigation turned on. The project is within the boundaries of both the Bonsall Community Planning Area and the Fallbrook Community Planning Area. Twelve Bonsall Community Sponsor Group meetings between April 2016 and November 2019 addressed the project, and the sponsor group addressed their concerns about traffic impacts and emergency evacuation. The sponsor group held a special meeting Nov. 19, 2019, and voted 4-2 to recommend approval of the project contingent upon the \$1,000,000 traffic funding contribution. The Fallbrook Community Planning Group held meetings in July 2018 and October 2019, and at the second meeting a 10-0 vote recommended approval with the condition to install traffic calming features along Dulin Road. On Aug. 14 the Interstate 15 Design Review Board voted 4-0 to recommend approval. Joe Naiman can be reached by email at jnaiman@reedermedia.com.

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**Seller will entertain offers between \$950,000 & \$1,100,000**

### CHRISTMAS SPECIAL Under Market Value \$850K-\$925K



3680 HARMONY HILL, FALLBROOK



**Seller is motivated to be in escrow before Christmas!** Custom built in 2017. Contemporary Farm house with majestic 180° oak studded mountain views to the NE. Modern designer color story inside and out. The chef's kitchen has an open concept & features stainless applcs, quartz counters & wood block island. The FR enjoys vaulted ruff-hewn ceilings with masonry fireplace. Energy efficient LED lighting throughout. Downstairs the game room boasts outlets for 5 flat screens, 1BD apt features full kitchen w/separate access. Seller owned solar. RV and Horse friendly.

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### Country Estate

## In Escrow

3742 FOXGLOVE LANE, FALLBROOK



Nestled in the hills of Fallbrook off of Wilt Road and Pala Mesa Drive is where you'll find this 2,650 sf custom estate with 3BD, 3.5BA, 3 car garage and detached artist studio. This home is located on 5.74 lush natural acres and provides wonderful privacy and serenity. The Artist studio can easily become an ADU with new county fast track program and waved permit fees. Every inch of this property has been lovingly maintained. An artistic eye for design has been applied to the home and the grounds. This is truly a one of a kind property.

**Seller will entertain offers between \$795,000 & \$875,000**

### Walk to Beach

## In Escrow in 3 Days After Listing

418 N. NEVADA STREET, OCEANSIDE



3BD, 2BA with 2 car detached garage with existing plumbing and electrical. Sewer is also accessible so garage could be converted to a studio apt. Vacation rental OK. 35' gated RV parking with 2 car tandem inside the gates. Alarm system. 8 minute walk to the beach, door to shore. Not a flip. Seller has owned for years as the family summer vacation home. Looking for close of escrow before Christmas. Seller can move as fast as a buyer is able.

**Seller will entertain offers between \$795,000 & \$895,000**

### Investors

## In Escrow with Multiple Offers

810 SMITH DRIVE, VISTA



Great opportunity for investor or homeowner who wants to roll up their sleeves and bring this beauty back to its original luster. Incredible value for this much square feet. Views are fantastic. Property is fenced and gated. Seller owned Solar. Close to town and Vista's gentrified downtown. Current owner has multiple month to month tenants in rooms and in the ground-level apartment. Potential to create "units" within the structure, because of the great floorplan, subject to Vista's planning and zoning.

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**Seller will entertain offers between \$625,000 & \$700,000**

## SOLD!

with Multiple Offers AND  
Closed Escrow in Less than  
20 Days from Listing Property

2317 HARVEST VISTA LANE, FALLBROOK



Down a private street off of Winter Haven is where you'll find this 2,748 sf Michael Crews 4BD, 3BA home w/3 car garage including built in cabinetry, gated RV parking & solar! Home features 2 wood burning gas fireplaces in the master suite and family room. Luxurious cherrywood cabinetry thruout. Open concept kitchen.

**Seller will entertain offers between ~~\$715,000~~ & ~~\$785,000~~ SOLD FOR \$852,134**

## SOLD!

In Escrow 5 Days  
After Listing

4205 VIA RANCHO DEL LAGO, BONSAI



Move-in ready with many upgrades including owned home and pool solar. The 3,662 sqft floor plan consists of 3BD plus an executive office with 2.5BA. Large, gourmet kitchen, family room, formal dining room and living room. Backyard ideal for relaxing and entertaining. Located at the end of a cul-de-sac.

**Seller will entertain offers between ~~\$1,150,000~~ & ~~\$1,199,000~~ SOLD FOR \$1,175,000**

## SOLD!

1109 RIVERVIEW DR, FALLBROOK



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**Seller will entertain offers between ~~\$405,000~~ & ~~\$575,000~~ SOLD FOR \$550,000**

## SOLD!

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Each of the families received one Food & Hygiene Box (retail value of \$250), which includes enough food to feed a family of four for two weeks.

The Home Goods Giveaway was held in conjunction with a Trees for Troops event, during which Camp Pendleton families each received a free fresh Christmas tree courtesy of the Christmas Spirit Foundation



Lynne Badegian, wife of Col. Martin L. Badegian, greets Marine families at the Coalition to Salute America’s Heroes booth, Dec. 7.



Marine families pick up donated nonperishable foods and household products at the Home Goods Giveaway on Camp Pendleton.

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“We know this area can be a very expensive place to live, so we were pleased to provide these important essentials to hundreds of active-duty members living nearby,” said Col. Martin Badegian, retired, vice president of the Coalition to Salute America’s Heroes, a leading not-for-profit organization dedicated to rebuilding the lives of severely wounded veterans of the War on Terror. “We’re proud to join forces with the Trees for Troops organizers to have made this an extra-special event during the busy holiday season.”

For more information on the Coalition, and to learn how one can support its mission, visit [www.saluteheroes.org](http://www.saluteheroes.org). Combat-wounded/disabled OIF/OEF/OND veterans are invited to join the Coalition and expand their camaraderie network by enrolling in the Veteran Circle program at <http://saluteheroes-vetcircle.org>.

Submitted by the Coalition to Salute America’s Heroes.

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## Fallbrook participates in nationwide ceremony



U.S. Navy serviceman Paul Ludlam with his twin daughters Emma and Sophie, place wreaths on veterans' gravesites in their honor during the Wreaths Across America ceremony.

Shane Gibson photos



Trail Life USA troop member Joey Davis displays a wreath in honor of U.S. Coast Guard veterans during the Wreaths Across America ceremony at the Fallbrook Masonic Cemetery.



American Heritage Girls troop members Katelyn Nath and Leah Burke provide a veteran-related book reading to guests attending the Wreaths Across America ceremony at the Fallbrook Masonic Cemetery.



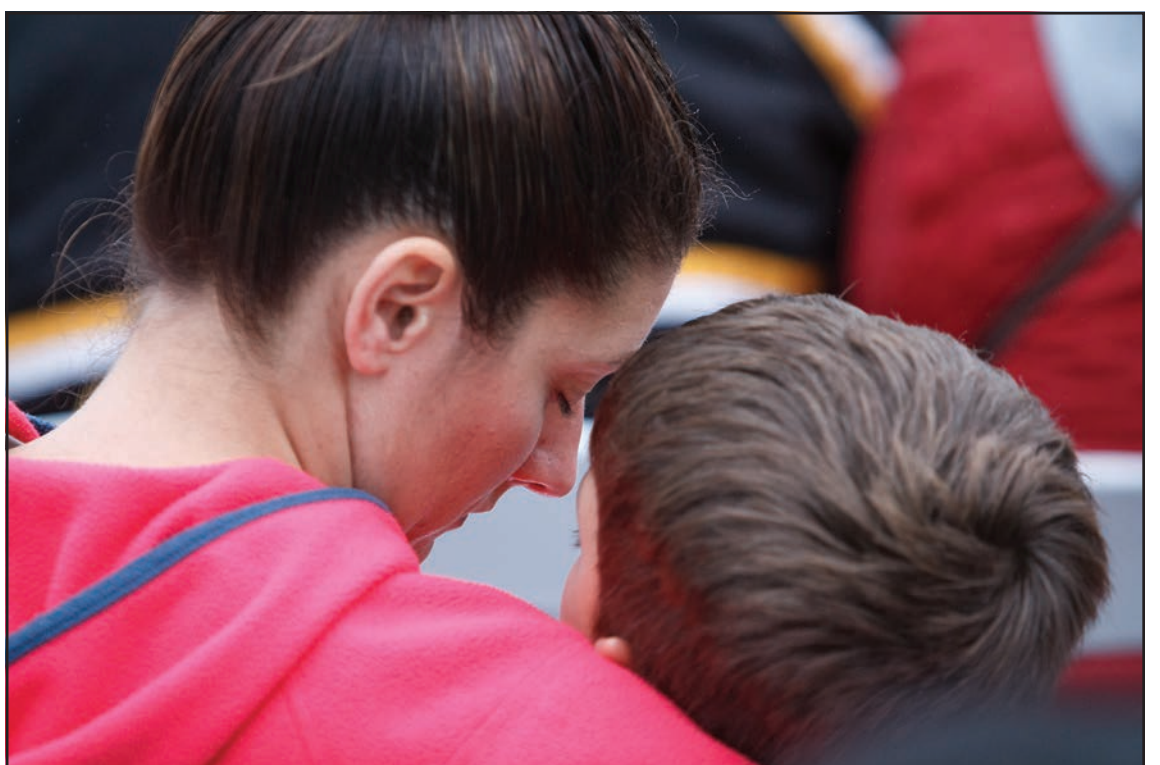
Members of the Fallbrook High School Marine Corps JROTC present the colors during the start of the annual Wreath Across America ceremony at the Fallbrook Masonic Cemetery, Dec. 14. Wreaths Across America is an annual practice of honoring veterans by laying wreaths on their gravesites during the holiday season.



Marine Corps Sgt. Hunter Rascon places a wreath on a veteran's gravesite at the Fallbrook Masonic Cemetery.



American Heritage Girls troop member Olivia Searle participates in the annual Wreaths Across America ceremony at the Fallbrook Masonic Cemetery.



Marissa Armstrong and her son Hunter, 8, share a moment of silence in honor of veterans during the Wreaths Across America ceremony at the Fallbrook Masonic Cemetery.



HEALTH & BEAUTY

Health district receives presentation from consultants on proposed work plan for new wellness center

**Will Fritz**  
*Associate Editor*

The Fallbrook Regional Health District board at its Dec. 11 meeting heard a presentation from the consultants the district hired to identify what the uses the community may have for the future Fallbrook Wellness Center.

The district broke ground on the future wellness center site, a former church on East Mission Road near Stage Coach Lane, in September 2018. The decision was made to open a wellness center after the former Fallbrook Hospital closed in 2014.

Rachel Mason, executive director of the health district, said in October that the district was planning to hire consultants to “restart the conversation with the community to identify what makes the most sense for programming and staff at the wellness center.”

On Dec. 11, representatives from those consultants – Catalyst, which handles program strategy, and Taylor Design, which handles design and architecture – told the health district board that they plan to take about six months to assess needs and return with a final report.

Health district board Chair Howard Salmon – who at the same meeting was chosen by the rest of the board to remain the chair for 2020 – said the purpose of the presentation was to hear the consultants’ collaborative approach for a proposal that the board will act on at its next meeting.

“We decided that this is such a big investment and secondly needs to clearly address all of the significant portions of the population – all of the ages, all of the ethnic diversity – we asked our consultants to make a presentation to us,” Salmon said, “so that we can be more certain about the activities and services that would go in there so we have the best chance of success. We don’t want any failures.”

Debbie Jacobs with Catalyst told the board that the plan is to break the wellness center needs assessment process into three phases.

Catalyst will mainly handle the first phase, a vision and community needs assessment, which is expected to take place during January and February. During that phase, the consultants will collect and review available information and get community input on what health concerns can be addressed in the wellness center.

“The first phase is really about your community,” Sharon Conklin, director of operations for Catalyst, said.

During March and April, Taylor Design will take on more of a lead by translating the community needs into a site plan.

By May, the plan is to provide cost estimates and present a final report on what should go into the new wellness center.

The board is expected to vote on the consultants’ work plan in January.

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Understanding the emergency room: Know when (and where) to go for care

**Kevin Kandalraft**  
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Sustaining an injury or feeling the sudden onset of sickness can be an alarming experience. In many instances, people instinctively seek out the emergency room as a vital provider of immediate care. However, according to a study from Mercer Human Resources Consulting, 35% of emergency room users were unaware that they had alternatives for care. When experiencing a change in health, knowing when to visit the emergency room, understanding care options and having access to other resources available can save an unnecessary and time-consuming trip.

The number of hospital emergency departments has remained steady since 2001, while utilization has grown about 33% in the last decade. This means time spent at the emergency room is getting longer. The California Health Care Foundation report, which tracked use over a 10-year period, found the average stay for patients not admitted to the hospital was almost three hours in California. For patients being admitted to the hospital, they spent almost six hours in the emergency room beforehand. In fact, the Office of Statewide Planning and Development reported in 2017 that about 352,000 California visits ended after seeing a doctor, but before care was complete, as a result of crowded hospital emergency departments.

For life-threatening illnesses and injuries, people should always dial 911 or go to the emergency room.

Kevin Kandalraft is the CEO of UnitedHealthcare Community Plan of California.

If a person isn’t sure if a visit to the emergency room is appropriate, their insurance company may offer a nurse line on the back of the insurance card to help determine where to get care. They could also contact their health plan customer service department to find a nearby urgent care clinic or set up a time to see their primary care doctor. It’s important to understand when a visit to the primary care doctor, urgent care or emergency room is the most appropriate.

A primary care doctor helps manage people’s health and provides the preventative care they may need. The doctor can also treat minor illnesses and injuries and refer patients to a specialist, if needed.

Urgent care offers treatment for non-emergent injury and illness, like allergies and the flu, asthma attacks, broken bones and cuts requiring stitches. They are first-come, first-served and provide a one-stop option for unscheduled, time-sensitive care.

Emergency rooms help people with life-threatening or dangerous conditions first. The emergency department is recommended for things that people can’t control, like if they have bleeding that won’t stop, if they lose consciousness or if they have trouble breathing. Patients who go to the emergency room for a minor illness or injury may have a long wait.

Once a care option is identified, the timing is really up to the patient. Along with medical cost savings, avoiding the emergency room for non-emergent health concerns can help build a long-term relationship with a primary care doctor who can provide preventative care, treat minor illnesses and injuries, connect them to specialists and understand medical history for improved health outcomes.

Whether a patient schedules a visit with their primary doctor to address their health issue or when seeking immediate emergency room attention, it is important to have a photo ID and insurance information ready. Don’t leave home without it. When visiting the emergency room, be prepared and have a list of medications the patient takes on hand, a list of their allergies readily available, a phone and charger and their health record. Emergency rooms also carry the potential for higher germ exposure, so don’t forget a medical face mask – check the front desk – and hand cleaner, which is usually available throughout the department.

Checking into the emergency room can be a stressful situation, so knowing the options beforehand and arriving prepared can make a lengthy stay less hectic. To learn more about where to go for care, visit [www.uhc.com/knowwheretogoforcare](http://www.uhc.com/knowwheretogoforcare).

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Lower stress levels for holiday travel

**The American Counseling Association**  
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In today’s world virtually any holiday travel is going to be a cause for increased stress and anxiety. Whether driving for a holiday visit with relatives or taking a holiday plane trip, it’s almost guaranteed that you’ll experience some stress-producing, travel-related issues.

Regardless, holiday travel is popular. It’s estimated that this year’s holiday period will see more than 94 million Americans climbing in their cars for a holiday road trip. If air travel is in the plans, they’ll be joining an estimated 6 million fellow citizens who will fly to their holiday destinations.

It isn’t simply the numbers of travelers who add to holiday travel stress. There can be long, slow TSA security lines, delayed or cancelled flights, road construction, traffic jams on the route and all the issues that bad weather can bring.

The secret to minimizing holiday travel stress is separating what can be controlled from what can’t. People have no control over that approaching snow storm, the crowded airport or the many outside factors that can impede holiday travel plans.

So, in order to reduce stress and anxiety levels, they can focus on those factors they can control. If they’re driving, take the time to check out news reports for the route and decide if leaving earlier or later would help them to miss the worst of the bad weather.

Planning can also make airport delays less of a headache. If long TSA lines and crowded check-in lines are expected, depart earlier for the airport. Important stress relievers are the things travelers can do to insure that they’re not suddenly rushing and facing or missing deadlines. Don’t frantically pack that suitcase at the last minute. Instead, do it a day early, check weight and size requirements, make sure it meets them. They can then enjoy a relaxing cup of tea knowing they’re prepared.

People can also always take charge of how they feel. Use distractions to change focus. Getting upset or mad doesn’t move security lines faster or make traffic jams disappear. Instead of feeling frustrated in line, try playing a game on a smartphone or just watch fellow passengers. Stuck in traffic? Listen to the car radio, enjoy the music, consciously make an attitude change and look forward to enjoying the destination.

Holiday travel can be a hassle and quite likely they will be, but it doesn’t have to be highly stressful.

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# Local meth deaths set record

**José A. Álvarez**  
San Diego County Communications Office

A total of 483 San Diegans died from methamphetamine last year, a record number for the region.

That’s the key finding of the San Diego County Methamphetamine Strike Force’s latest report, which was released at the Medical Examiner’s Office recently.

The figure for 2018 is 106 more deaths than the number reported in 2016 when a former-record 377 meth fatalities were reported.

“Meth abuse is not a new problem, but these latest figures from the Meth Strike Force Report Card are deeply disturbing and should raise alarm among all of us,” Chairwoman Dianne Jacob, county board of supervisors, said. “These tragic deaths are unnecessary and avoidable.”

The 2019 report card shows the devastating impact of methamphetamine on human life and public safety in our region, according to San Diego County District Attorney Summer Stephan, a tri-chair of the Methamphetamine Strike Force.

“The report utilizes data to show the overdose deaths related to methamphetamine use and the connection between this drug and crime,” Stephan said. “We will continue to use this valuable data working with our law enforcement and community partners to combat this epidemic through prosecution of meth dealers who prey on the addicted along with strengthening treatment options to help keep people out of the criminal justice system and enhancing public awareness to the dangers of

methamphetamine.” According to the Medical Examiner’s Office, the people most impacted are those between 45 and 64 years of age, a group that in 2018 represented 247 deaths. People in this age bracket tend to have had chronic cardiovascular disease, which itself could have resulted from long-time methamphetamine abuse.

“Keep in mind, these data represent only deaths examined by the San Diego County Medical Examiner’s Office,” Dr. Steve Campman, chief deputy medical examiner, said.

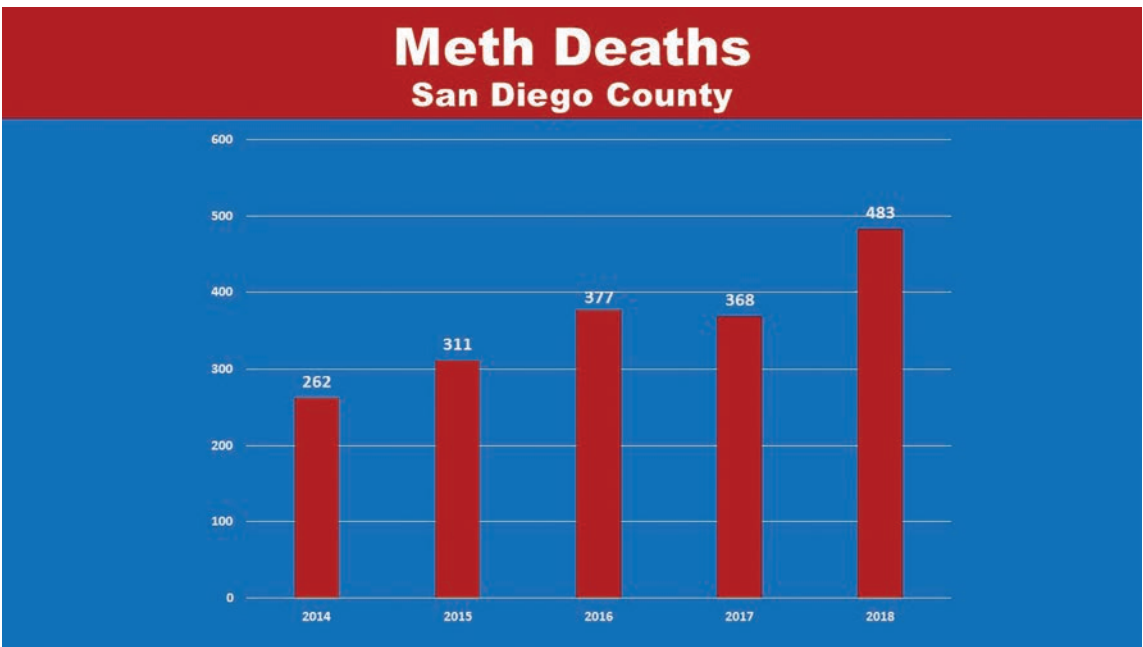
Of the more than 22,000 deaths each year in San Diego County, only about 3,000 of them require an investigation from the Medical Examiner’s Office, so there might be additional people dying because of methamphetamine abuse that the Medical Examiner’s Office doesn’t see.

The 2019 Meth Report Card also shows there were 12,926 emergency room visits due to methamphetamines in 2017 compared to 13,209 in 2016. Data from 2018 won’t be available until 2020.

A total of 6,906 people were admitted to county-funded treatment programs due to meth abuse last year versus 4,911 people in 2017. The rise is believed to be the result of Drug Medi-Cal, which went into effect in July 2018 and increased access to treatment facilities throughout San Diego County.

Fifty-seven percent of adult arrestees tested positive for meth in 2018, compared to 56% the previous year.

Ten percent of juvenile arrestees



The 2019 methamphetamine report card shows the devastating impact of methamphetamine on human life and public safety in the region, Courtesy photo

tested positive for meth in 2018, compared to 11% in 2017.

Meth arrests for selling and possession of meth increased to 10,156 in 2018 versus 9,293 the year before.

### Most meth coming from Mexico

San Diego County has had a long history with meth and the problems that come along with it. While the region is no longer considered the “Meth Capital of the World,” and little meth is produced locally, there is more meth available, and it is more potent and cheaper than ever.

The highly addictive and deadly drug is being manufactured and smuggled across the border by Mexican drug cartels. Today, most of the methamphetamine

in San Diego County is coming from Mexico.

According to the Drug Enforcement Administration, methamphetamine seizures from at the U.S.-Mexico ports of entry increased by nearly 40% in 2018. More than half or 54% of the methamphetamine seized along the border in 2018 occurred in the San Diego corridor.

With availability going up and prices coming down, meth is having more negative consequences in San Diego families and communities.

### Treatment is available

The county funds residential and outpatient treatment programs across the region to help people recover from addiction.

Participation in a recovery program also improves overall health.

“There is help available. Treatment saves lives,” Nick Macchione, director of the County Health and Human Services Agency and tri-chair of the Meth Strike Force, said. “We have expanded treatment programs throughout the region so people struggling with addiction can get on the road to recovery.”

People experiencing a drug addiction or who want to anonymously report meth or drug activity are encouraged to call the Meth Hotline at (877) 662-6384 or visit [www.no2meth.org](http://www.no2meth.org). Treatment resources are available by calling the county’s Access and Crisis Line at (888) 724-7240 or by calling 211.

# Once-a-month birth control pill? Experiment works in animals

**Lauran Neergaard**  
The Associated Press Medical Writer

Birth control pills work great if women remember to take them every day but missing doses can mean a surprise pregnancy. Now scientists have figured out how to pack a month’s supply into one capsule.

The trick is a tiny star-shaped gadget that unfolds in the stomach and gradually releases the drug.

The experimental capsule is still years away from drugstores, but researchers said Wednesday, Dec. 4, that it worked as designed in a key test in animals. The Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation is investing \$13 million for further development of the once-a-month pill, in hopes of eventually improving family planning options in developing countries.

“It has a lot of potential,” Dr. Beatrice Chen, a family planning specialist at the University of Pittsburgh, who wasn’t involved in the new research, said. “Birth control is not one-size-fits-all,” and women need more options.

Today, women who want the convenience of long-lasting contraception can choose among

various devices, from a weekly patch to a monthly vaginal ring to an IUD that lasts for years.

It wasn’t clear that “the Pill” – one of the most popular forms of birth control because it’s cheap and easy to use – ever could join that list. Pills of all sorts generally pass through the body in a day.

A team from the lab of Massachusetts Institute of Technology inventor Robert Langer engineered a fix to protect pills from the harsh environment of the digestive system.

“We developed this capsule system that looks like a starfish, that can stay in the stomach several days, weeks, even a month at a time,” Dr. Giovanni Traverso of Boston’s Brigham and Women’s Hospital, a senior author of the study, said.

The star-shaped device has six arms, and each holds a certain medication dose. The device is folded inside an ordinary-sized capsule. Swallow the capsule and stomach acid dissolves the coating, letting the star unfold. It’s too big to fit through the stomach’s exit but not big enough to cause an obstruction. As medication dissolves out of each of the arms,

the device breaks down until it can safely pass through the digestive system.

Langer and Traverso’s team first used the technology to try turning daily drugs for malaria and HIV into capsules that lasted a week or two. They also are experimental, but longer-lasting pills one day could help patients with serious diseases better stick with treatment.

A logical next attempt: A month-long oral contraceptive.

First, they had to tweak the star-shaped device. They made it stronger and turned to long-lasting contraceptive implants for the materials to hold the hormone ingredient and let it gradually seep out.

Then they tested the contraceptive capsules in pigs, which have human-like digestive systems. The experimental capsules released the contraceptive fairly consistently for up to four weeks, and the amount in the pigs’ bloodstream was similar to what daily tablets deliver, MIT lead authors Ameya Kirtane and Tiffany Hua said in the journal Science Translational Medicine.

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This undated photo provided by MIT/Langer shows a star-shaped gastric resident dosage form of birth control that can be folded into a standard capsule and orally ingested. Courtesy photo/MIT/Langer Lab

Massachusetts company co-founded by Langer and Traverso, is further developing the monthly pill and multiple other uses for the technology.

To be most useful, the capsule should be designed to emit three weeks of contraception and then allow for a woman’s period, like a month’s supply of birth control pills does, Traverso said. That would alert women when it was time to take another monthly dose.

Pittsburgh’s Chen cautioned that more safety testing is

required, including how well the experimental capsule breaks down and what’s the proper dose of different hormones, before this can be tested in women. Other questions include whether the device dissolves in the same way in different people.

But if it pans out, Chen said it would be exciting to try combining both contraception and HIV drugs into the same capsule, particularly for developing countries where women are at high risk of the virus that causes AIDS.

# The Skin Cancer Foundation shares sun protection tips for tropical holiday vacations

NEW YORK CITY – With the holiday season, many people are hoping to escape the cold to a sunny shore far away. A winter getaway is a great time to relax and have fun, but it’s important to remember that ultraviolet rays from the sun can cause severe skin damage, sunburn and ultimately contribute to the development of skin cancer.

“Melanoma, one of the most dangerous forms of skin cancer, is closely linked to intense, intermittent sun exposure – the kind people often receive during beach vacations,” Dr. Deborah S. Sarnoff, president of The Skin Cancer Foundation, said. “Sun protection is important every day, but those spending extended time outdoors in a tropical location need

to be extra vigilant.”

The sun’s rays are also more intense the closer you get to the equator, so those traveling south to visit places like Hawaii, the Caribbean or Indonesia may encounter much stronger UV rays than they’re used to back home, leading to more rapid sun damage. Environmental factors like water and sand can also increase people’s likelihood of sun damage. These surfaces can reflect up to 80% of UV radiation, so the sun’s rays are hitting you twice.

Though it may be tempting to use indoor tanning devices before a tropical vacation, it’s important to remember that there is no such thing as a healthy tan – the “base tan” is a myth, and any tan represents DNA damage to

the skin. In fact, just one indoor tanning session before the age of 35 increases your melanoma risk by 75%. The Skin Cancer Foundation recommended the following sun safety tips instead:

### Cover up.

Wearing more clothes may seem counterintuitive at the beach or pool, but sarongs, long sleeves and wraps will shade skin and help keep a person cool. Clothing is the first line of defense against the sun’s rays.

### Accessorize.

UV-blocking sunglasses will help protect the eyes and the surrounding skin from damage, while a broad-brimmed hat with at least a 3-inch brim around will

help protect the scalp, neck, face and ears.

### Seek shade.

Take refuge from the sun under a leafy palm tree or a large beach umbrella and try to hit the hot spots early in the morning or late in the afternoon. By avoiding the sun at its most intense between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m., beach goers will beat

the crowds and save their skin.

Be sunscreen smart.

A broad-spectrum, water-resistant sunscreen with an SPF of at least 30 is a must for a beach vacation. Apply 1 ounce, or 2 tablespoons, every two hours or immediately after swimming or sweating heavily.

*Submitted by the Skin Cancer Foundation.*

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ENTERTAINMENT

‘A Christmas Story’ is a classic



Ralphie, front right, poses with his family for a Christmas photo. Heather Longfellow photo

**Elizabeth Youngman-Westphal**  
Special to Village News

To find the holiday spirit, theatergoers look no further than “A Christmas Story” now playing at The Horton Theatre.

With the breath of seasons past, it is a nostalgic retelling of youthful wishes in simpler times. It’s that time in a child’s life when parents have absolute power.

Yet, 9-year-old Ralphie has a plan to out-manuever them, because everyone knows there is one person who can overrule a parent’s decision.

Ralphie’s plan is to go straight to the man. Santa Claus will bring him his heart’s desire. He just needs to get to the head of the line

before the department store closes.

Based on the 1983 film written by Jean Shepherd, Leigh Brown and Bob Clark, the book was written for the stage by Joseph Robinette along with music and lyrics by Benj Pasek and Justin Paul.

Kirsten Chandler directed this merry adventure through Terre Haute, Indiana, with grace and humor. She selected a marvelous cast of actors and singers who can break into a time step with ease.

Narrated by Steve Gunderson, he tells his story about growing up in middle America with his old man, played by Jake Millgard; his mother, played by Heidi Meyer, and a bothersome-tag-along little brother called Randy, played by Abraham German. His younger



The young actors in “A Christmas Story” can dance as well as act. Ken Jacques photo

self is called Ralphie and is played by J.P. Wishchuk.

The iconic film characters are forgotten when this family comes together. Ralphie’s double takes are impeccable. Randy is a perfect annoying little brother. Motherhood flows all over the stage while the old man kicks, grunts and grumbles. It’s a classic.

The truly talented ensemble is led by none other than Barbara Schoenhofer as Miss Shields, Ralphie’s teacher. Schoenhofer always brings her “A” game.

The other children in Ralphie’s class include Milly Cocanig as Mary Beth, Hayden Crocker as Thomas, JoJo Eddington as Scut Farkus, Holland Hartpence as Nancy, Joshua Hitchcock as Grover Dill, Spencer Kearns as Flick, Lauren Livia Muehl as Lillian Rose, Isabella Pruter as Ester Jane and Talia Silver as Kathleen.

Filling in the rest of the characters is Jullian Barnett as Nancy, Chris Bona as Santa Claus, Drew Bradford as the Doctor, Morgan Carberry as the Nurse, Patrice Crosbie as Flick’s

Mother, Emma Nossal as Mrs. Schwartz, Trevor Rex as the Chief Elf and Aaron Morgan Shaw as the Fireman.

Here is one of the great things about this cast. While we expect adults to be good, decent dancers, rest assured this cast of little steppers can stay up with Schoenhofer. For those who don’t know her work, she is a top-notch-first-class hoofer and these children stay with her for every synopated tap.

Not to be overlooked is conductor Don LeMaster. His exceptional musicality intensifies the enjoyment of every production as he leads these merry, music makers through the score. It is a huge band tucked overhead in the theater’s loge. They are to be praised. Starting with Billy Edwall and Kevin Wilde on trumpet, Shirley Coggon and Kaelyn Henderson on trombone; the stick man is Don Kuhl. On keys is Steve Withers and Michelle Gray while the reeds are played by Mark Margolies, Gerard Nolan and Arianna Warren. Tim Glaude is on bass and Mike Dooley is the percussionist. The whole adds up

to a masterful show band.

“A Christmas Story” is indeed a happy time to snag the grandchildren, over 6 years old, to give them a peek into your childhood. It is a perfect family show. If this is the only thing you do to entertain out-of-town guests this season, you will be the hero.

Book early for the best seats. I, for one, love a matinee. Parking is just across the street at a garage. Go to the San Diego Musical Theater website and follow the link. When you arrive at the garage, even if the sign says “full,” as a prepaid guest you will get in. The price to park is discounted through the www.sdmt.org website. Always get a ticket from the attendant so you can get in the side door to access the elevator after the performance.

“A Christmas Story” plays until Dec. 29 at The Horton Theater, 444 Fourth Street, in downtown San Diego. The box office can be reached at (858) 560-5740 or visit [www.sdmt.org](http://www.sdmt.org).

This show is rated 10 out of 10.

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Shay and Co bring holiday cheer to a packed house

FALLBROOK – Local recording artists Shay and Co sang Christmas classics and engaged the hometown crowd as baristas from Fallbrook Coffee Company served freshly baked goodies and warm drinks on a rainy evening, Dec. 6.

In the little house on the corner of Fallbrook Street and Mission Road, the night of music invoked thoughts of family Christmas gatherings. The night was chilly and rain-soaked, but the glow from inside the Fallbrook Coffee Company was winsome, attendees said.

There were young children dancing about under the eaves and sitting on their grandparents’ laps. A little puppy was cuddled in a blanket in the arms of a young man. The smell of fresh coffee and seasonal treats filled the air as

well as music and the voices of the singing crowd.

The evening was designed as a fundraiser and featured tastings from Beach House Winery, and 127 West restaurant gift cards were awarded as prizes.

Fallbrook Coffee Company is located at 622 S. Mission Road. General hours of operation are Monday through Friday from 6 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday from 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. For more information, visit [www.fallbrookcoffeeco.com](http://www.fallbrookcoffeeco.com).

Submitted by Fallbrook Coffee Co.

Shayli Benner and Colby Duty perform Christmas classics at Fallbrook Coffee Company, Dec. 6.

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Artful gifts can be found through Dec. 24

FALLBROOK – Art of the Holidays runs through Dec. 24 at the Fallbrook Art Center, so it is not too late to purchase gifts from a wide array of affordably priced, unique handcrafted artful gifts created by over 60 regional artisans.

The stock is replenished continuously, so there are new offerings on a daily basis. Jewelry, functional glassware, wearable art, accessories, functional and decorative wood and ceramics, greeting cards, glass mosaics, hand blown and fused glass and a wide variety of ceramic, wood and mixed media ornaments are also on sale.

Art of the Holiday is open Monday through Saturday, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sundays, from noon to 3 p.m. The show and parking are free. The art center is located at 103 S. Main Ave. at Alvarado Street. For other information on the

show, supporting programs or volunteering, call (760) 728-1414 or visit [www.fallbrookartcenter.org](http://www.fallbrookartcenter.org).

Also showing in The Salon and Lehmann Galleries is “Brushes with Nature,” works by Gamini Ratnavira, a local artist who moved to Fallbrook in 1986 and has attained international acclaim in tropical wildlife painting.

Ratnavira is a member of the Society of Animal Artists, Birds in Art and The Rare Bird Club. He has illustrated several books including “Mammals of Sri Lanka,” “Birds of Sri Lanka” and more. For more information, visit [www.gaminiratnavira.com](http://www.gaminiratnavira.com).

Submitted by Fallbrook Art Center.

Artful gifts include fringe scarves made with yarn and recycled silk tie scarves in many different colors.

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EDUCATION

FUHS Academy Awards recognize film students

**Nancy Heins Glaser**  
*Special to Village News*

They say if you do what you love it's never work. That can be said of film/TV teacher George Herring at Fallbrook High who has been working at FUHS for five years.

After seeing his "Film Academy Awards" by special invitation and a short phone interview, I knew this was a winning endeavor. Herring comes equipped with the skills of film and TV production.

Herring began as a substitute English teacher as that was the subject of his college degree. When relocating from the Southeastern U.S. – Miami and Virginia – he sought a school position where he could share his joy not only of the English language and literature but find great students who could most benefit from his humorous style and engaging manner.

Herring is a TV/film and English teacher with stand-up comic chops and lots of hands-on learning, who has put in the time to develop a traditional local origination cable TV station with a public educational governmental focus, the way local cable used to be distributed back in the day.

One thing Herring knew for sure was that he wanted to teach students who might need accelerated English language development to make the most of their English while engaging students with a reason "to work their hearts out."

He found the perfect place in Fallbrook given its diverse student body and highly motivated parents to ensure educational excellence. Fallbrook Union High School District has many AP and IB courses, AVID and alternative high schools to reach most students.

According to Melissa Marovich, FUHSD Director of Student Support Services, Fallbrook High School had a robust TV and Film program that had a setback when key staff retired a few years ago.

She said that last spring, Herring offered to step in and resurrect the program. The TV studio had become the graveyard of outdated equipment. Herring and several other staff members spent countless days last summer sorting through and cleaning out the studio, editing spaces, storage and archives to start the program fresh.

Though the FUHS equipment was outdated and the studio was largely being used for storage, the students were motivated, especially Adam Rodarte who collected the signatures of 60 people asking for the film/TV department to be upgraded, showing there was not only interest but a will to do this.

For less than \$2,000 Herring obtained cameras, got computers that could accommodate movie editing, enough for weekly use of five or six cameras at any given time, with one or two always needing charging, repairs or maintenance.

Herring started off by reintroducing TV/film to the faculty and students on campus through a daily news and announcements show via a YouTube channel schoolwide.

"George and his students have positively changed the culture of the school through their daily news broadcasts, sharing good news, telling personal stories, helping connect people and resources, and giving everyone a regular platform for the great things happening at Fallbrook High," Marovich said.

Herring knew there was need to show others what work was being done to encourage the students, parents and teaching community. So, he began his Fallbrook High Horror Film Contest, not only to celebrate their successful completion of an assignment but also to build a community of students.

By making the film after a weeklong study of German Expressionism, students understood the jargon and history of the film genre where the focus is conveying a story.

The students were put together in random groupings. On the day a group was filmed in front of a live audience, anyone could also access the filming online where all could assess their story telling ability via film.

The top two from each group went to the final round the following week. It took three weeks to present all six films and then, in front of a live audience, the best of the best was selected. I witnessed this firsthand; the school library became electrified with sounds of laughter and applause.

Awards categories were for favorite script, editor, actor, director and film. Because it was an online vote like "The Voice" or "America's Got Talent" and "Dancing with the Stars," the results and reward of acknowledgement were immediate.

The Red Carpet and the FUHS Film Academy Awards was a big hit and will no doubt grow in popularity.

Next up for Herring's classes is highlighting the genre of "Italian Neorealism," where artistic elements become key and sound quality is highly refined and woven into the films.

Sounds like there is enough good stuff for all of Fallbrook to be involved in film/TV and this



Some of the winners of the FUHS Academy Awards are, clockwise from upper left, best editor nominee and best actor nominee Tavian Sorenson, actor in winning film Seth Dickason; best actor winner Hayden Orchard, best screenplay winner Adam Rodarte, best producer winner Joey Meyer, best director winner Ethan Lenaway, best editor winner Ian Hammerschmidt, teacher George Herring, best screenplay winner Orion Anding and best director nominee Alex Gandara.



Film/TV teacher George Herring has revitalized the department at Fallbrook Union High School.



Students in FUHS film/TV classes include, from left, best screenplay nominee Edgar Vasquez, best screenplay nominee, actress, Jennifer Johnston and best actor nominee Delvon Williams.

just the beginning from which everyone can benefit.

Look out Fallbrook, with an evolving and expanding renovated Mission Theatre there is talk of bringing back The Fallbrook Film Festival. The students, of course, will be part of the mix.

All the winners of the festival as well as the 18 films submitted can be viewed at <http://gherring.edublogs.org/>

"As Director of Student Services, it has been a joy to watch the digital media courses come to life under George's leadership. My job is to support George with the time and resources he needs to deliver a high-quality program to students. His students are very creative and hard-working, they and their work are a credit to the school," Marovich said, adding that while Herring provides guidance and support, most of the ideas come from the students themselves.

"They have produced segments for the news that build a better, more positive school campus. I am so proud to have been able to play a small, supporting role in helping George and his students shine," Marovich said.

To help with funding film/TV equipment such as editing equipment/edit suite like final cut pro or adobe premiere contact Marovich at (760) 723-6332 ext. 6296.

National Charity League members spread holiday cheer



Mothers and daughters, from left, Monica, Margaret and Cathy Nasry along with Alex Little and Debbie Keegan show off the holiday wreaths they decorated and sold to raise money for the Ann Daniels Scholarship fund, Dec. 8



National Charity League members bring holiday cheer to needy families by decorating their house for Christmas at Solutions for Change in Vista, Dec. 3.



National Charity League members dressed up for the season to participate for the first time in the Fallbrook Christmas Parade, Dec. 7

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## Fictitious Business Name

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File Number: 2019-9026841  
Name of Business  
**1 OF A KIND**  
5126 Riverview Ct, Fallbrook, CA 92028  
County: San Diego  
This business is registered by the following:  
a. Sharon D Karasek, 5126 Riverview Ct, Fallbrook, CA 92028  
b. James F Karasek, 5126 Riverview Ct, Fallbrook, CA 92028  
This business is conducted by a Married Couple  
Registrant first commenced to transact business under the above name as of 01/01/2019  
THIS STATEMENT WAS FILED WITH THE RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK OF SAN DIEGO COUNTY ON 11/05/19  
**LEGAL: 5160**  
**PUBLISHED: November 28, December 5, 12, 19, 2019**

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File Number: 2019-9027424  
Name of Business  
**GEMA'S BAIL BONDS**  
4843 Sumac Pl, Oceanside, CA 92057  
County: San Diego  
This business is registered by the following:  
Gema Ines Walker, 4843 Sumac Pl, Oceanside, CA 92057  
This business is conducted by an Individual  
THIS STATEMENT WAS FILED WITH THE RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK OF SAN DIEGO COUNTY ON 11/13/19  
**LEGAL: 5161**  
**PUBLISHED: December 5, 12, 19, 26, 2019**

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File Number: 2019-9027730  
Name of Business  
**NORTH COUNTY POOL CENTER**  
777 W. Vista Way #A, Vista, CA 92083  
County: San Diego  
This business is registered by the following:  
Adolfo & Manny Pool Supplies LLC, 1506 S. Mission Road, Fallbrook, CA 92028  
This business is conducted by a Limited Liability Company  
This LLC is located in the state of California  
Registrant first commenced to transact business under the above name as of 9/1/2019  
THIS STATEMENT WAS FILED WITH THE RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK OF SAN DIEGO COUNTY ON 11/18/19  
**LEGAL: 5159**  
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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File Number: 2019-9028948  
Name of Business  
**a. AFFORDABLE HOME PAINTING**  
**b. FORD + FORD MGMT.**  
3927 Paso Del Lagos, Bonsall, CA 92003  
Mailing address: P.O. Box 388 Bonsall, CA 92003  
County: San Diego  
This business is registered by the following:  
a. Wayne Ford, 3927 Paso Del Lagos, Bonsall, CA 92003  
b. Joyce Ford, 3927 Paso Del Lagos, Bonsall, CA 92003  
This business is conducted by a Married Couple  
Registrant first commenced to transact business under the above names as of 9/1/89  
THIS STATEMENT WAS FILED WITH THE RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK OF SAN DIEGO COUNTY ON 12/05/19  
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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File Number: 2019-9026611  
Name of Business  
**ARMES CONSTRUCTION**  
408 West Fallbrook St, Fallbrook, CA 92028  
County: San Diego  
This business is registered by the following:  
Eric William Armes, 408 West Fallbrook St, Fallbrook, CA 92028  
This business is conducted by an Individual  
Registrant first commenced to transact business under the above name as of 10/31/19  
THIS STATEMENT WAS FILED WITH THE RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK OF SAN DIEGO COUNTY ON 11/01/19  
**LEGAL: 5156**  
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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File Number: 2019-9027008  
Name of Business  
**PALISTUS**  
7565 Charmant Dr Apt 407, San Diego, CA 92122  
County: San Diego  
This business is registered by the following:  
a. Belal Azzam, 7565 Charmant Dr Apt 407, San Diego, CA 92122  
b. Yassine Thabti, 4054 Nobel Dr. 92122 App #202, San Diego, CA 92122  
This business is conducted by a General Partnership  
Registrant first commenced to transact business under the above name as of 11/06/19  
THIS STATEMENT WAS FILED WITH THE RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK OF SAN DIEGO COUNTY ON 11/06/19  
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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File Number: 2019-9026910  
Name of Business  
**HOPE CITY**  
2169 Green Canyon Road, Fallbrook, CA 92028  
County: San Diego  
This business is registered by the following:  
Lightify, LLC, 2169 Green Canyon Road, Fallbrook, CA 92028  
This business is conducted by a Limited Liability Company  
This LLC is located in the state of California  
Registrant first commenced to transact business under the above name as of 03/06/2019  
THIS STATEMENT WAS FILED WITH THE RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK OF SAN DIEGO COUNTY ON 11/06/19  
**LEGAL: 5158**  
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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File Number: 2019-9029621  
Name of Business  
**a. MARLA HOPE DESIGNS, LLC**  
**b. MARLA HOPE DESIGNS**  
6908 Avocet Ct, Carlsbad, CA 92011  
Mailing address: 270 N. El Camino Real Ste F345, Encinitas, CA 92024  
County: San Diego  
This business is registered by the following:  
Maria Hope Designs LLC, 6908 Avocet Ct, Carlsbad, CA 92011  
This business is conducted by a Limited Liability Company  
This LLC is located in the state of California  
Registrant first commenced to transact business under the above names as of 12/01/14  
THIS STATEMENT WAS FILED WITH THE RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK OF SAN DIEGO COUNTY ON 12/14/19  
**LEGAL: 5176**  
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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File Number: 2019-9028313  
Name of Business  
**STRAIGHT UP PILATES**  
2809 South Mission Rd, Fallbrook, CA 92028  
County: San Diego  
This business is registered by the following:  
Straight Up California LLC, 2809 South Mission Rd, Fallbrook, CA 92028  
This business is conducted by a Limited Liability Company  
This LLC is located in the state of California  
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**  
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**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**  
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**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**  
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**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**  
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**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  
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**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**  
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**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  
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**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:  
Hueftle 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  
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**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**  
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**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**  
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**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  
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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File Number: 2019-9029096  
Name of Business  
**AM EX APPRAISAL**  
1232 Kendi Lane, Fallbrook, CA 92028  
County: San Diego  
This business is registered by the following:  
Debbie Renee Mayer, 1232 Kendi Lane, Fallbrook, CA 92028  
This business is conducted by an Individual  
Registrant first commenced to transact business under the above names as of 12/11/07  
THIS STATEMENT WAS FILED WITH THE RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK OF SAN DIEGO COUNTY ON 12/09/19  
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## Summons

**SUMMONS**  
**FILED 09/18/2019**  
**CASE NUMBER: 37-2019-00049427-CU-PA-NC**  
**NOTICE TO DEFENDANT:**  
**GERALD BLASI, an individual and DOES 1-25**  
**YOU ARE BEING SUED BY PLAINTIFF: ERNESTO RAFAEL,, an individual**

NOTICE! You have been sued. The court may decide against you without your being heard unless you respond within 30 days. Read the information below.  
You have 30 CALENDAR DAYS after this summons and legal papers are served on you to file a written response at this court and have a copy served on the plaintiff. A letter or phone call will not protect you. Your written response must be in proper legal form if you want the court to hear your case. There may be a court from that you can use for your response. You can find these court forms and more information at the California Courts Online Self-Help Center ([www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp](http://www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp)), your county law library, or the courthouse nearest you. If you cannot pay the filing fee, ask the court clerk for a fee waiver form. If you do not file your response on time, you may lose the case by default, and your wages, money, and property may be taken without further warning from the court.  
There are other legal requirements. You may want to call an attorney right away. If you do not know an attorney, you may want to call an attorney referral service. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may be eligible for free legal services from a nonprofit legal service program. You can locate these nonprofit groups at the California Legal Services Web site ([www.lawhelpcalifornia.org](http://www.lawhelpcalifornia.org)), the California Courts Online Self-Help Center ([www.courtinfo.ca.gov/sselfhelp](http://www.courtinfo.ca.gov/sselfhelp)), or by contacting your local court or county bar association. NOTE: The court has a statutory lien for waived fees and costs on any settlement or arbitration award of \$10,000 or more in a civil case. The court's lien; must be paid before the court will dismiss the case.  
The name and address of the court:  
**NORTH COUNTY**  
**325 SOUTH MELROSE DRIVE**  
**VISTA, CA 92083**  
The name, address and telephone number of plaintiff's attorney, or plaintiff without an attorney is:  
**LAW OFFICES OF LOUIS GABBARA**  
**500 LA TERRAZA BOULEVARD, STE 150**  
**ESCONDIDO, CA 92025**  
**760-466-8083**  
**DATE: 09/09/2019**  
**CLERK, BY: M. CLEMENS, DEPUTY**  
**Legal # : 5167**  
**Published: Decemmber 12, 19, 26, January 2, 2019**

TSG No.: 191031492-CA-MSI TS No.: CA1900285624 APN: 165-683-32 Property Address: 3279 MORELLA WAY OCEANSIDE, CA 92056 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 08/14/2006. 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. On 01/17/2020 at 09:00 A.M., First American Title Insurance Company, as duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust recorded 08/18/2006, as Instrument No. 2006-0591138, in book , page , of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of SAN DIEGO County, State of California. Executed by: WESTEL C. ROWLAND, AN UNMARRIED MAN, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH, CASHIER'S CHECK/CASH EQUIVALENT or other form of payment authorized by 2924h(b), (Payable at time of sale in lawful money of the United States) AT THE ENTRANCE TO THE EAST COUNTY REGIONAL CENTER BY THE STATUE250 E. MAIN ST. EL CAJON CA All right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County and State described as: AS MORE FULLY DESCRIBED IN THE ABOVE MENTIONED DEED OF TRUST APN# 165-683-32 The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 3279 MORELLA WAY, OCEANSIDE, CA 92056 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, under the terms of said Deed of Trust, 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 obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is \$ 420,133.91. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust has deposited all documents evidencing the obligations secured by the Deed of Trust and has declared all sums secured thereby immediately due and payable, and has caused a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be executed. The undersigned caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the County where the real property is located. 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 800-280-2832 or visit this Internet Web [www.Auction.com](http://www.Auction.com), using the file number assigned to this case CA1900285624 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. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney. Date: First American Title Insurance Company 4795 Regent Blvd, Mail Code 1011-F Irving, TX 75063 First American Title Insurance Company MAY BE ACTING AS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED MAY BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE FOR TRUSTEES SALE INFORMATION PLEASE CALL 800-280-2832NPP0364557 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 endorse as a matter of right. The property offered for sale excludes all funds held on account by the property receiver, if applicable. 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**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 6/1/2017 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 statue 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



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Horowitz gives damning testimony of FBI conduct during its investigation of Trump campaign

Jeff Carlson  
The Epoch Times

The congressional testimony by Justice Department Inspector General Michael Horowitz, Dec. 11, proved to be almost universally damning of the actions taken by the FBI, and despite ongoing efforts by Democrats, demolished the argument that the FBI engaged in proper conduct during its investigation of the Trump campaign.

When asked if he would have submitted the Page FISA renewal applications using the information that the FBI employed, Horowitz responded, “I would not have submitted the one they put in. No doubt about it. It had no business going in.”

Although many members of Congress, along with various media organizations, tried to focus on the inspector general’s finding that the FBI was within its rights in opening the initial July 31, 2016, counterintelligence investigation, it should be noted that this point was not the focus of the inspector general’s investigation. This matter was addressed by Horowitz on the very first page of his report: “Our role in this review was not to second-guess discretionary judgments by Department personnel about whether to open an investigation,” he said.

But this statement didn’t stop Democrats from attempting to challenge the validity of Horowitz’s report and cling to the notion that Horowitz had determined that the FBI had “adequate factual predication” to open their counterintelligence investigation into the Trump campaign.

Horowitz had noted in his report that the threshold for predication was “low” and specifically noted his concern that Justice “Department and FBI policies do not require that a senior (Justice) Department official be notified prior to the opening of a particularly sensitive case such as this one.”

However, Horowitz directly contradicted Democrat assertions regarding his conclusion of FBI exoneration, noting, “It’s unclear what the motivations (of the FBI) were. On the one hand, gross incompetence, negligence? On the other hand, intentionality and where in between? We weren’t in a position – with the evidence we had – to make that conclusion. But I’m not ruling it out.”

In their attempts to focus on this smaller aspect of the inspector general’s report, Democrats only succeeded in proving that the FBI was able to open its investigation into the Trump campaign because the rules, oversight and governance of the FBI

are ludicrously lax. And, as Horowitz said in his report, these issues need to be immediately addressed.

At a later point in the hearing, Horowitz was questioned on the matter of bias by Sen. Mike Crapo, R-Idaho, and in his response, the inspector general directly disputed that he found no bias with regard to the FBI’s process of obtaining a FISA application.

Q: If someone were to characterize what you are telling us to be – that you’re telling us there is no bias here – that’s not what you’re telling us?

A: That is not – as to the operation of these FISAs – what I’m telling you.

The matter of a finding of bias was further elaborated on by former U.S. Attorney Andrew McCarthy during an interview on Fox News.

“He says ‘Bias didn’t appear to affect the opening of the investigation,’ which he’s able to say because the standards for opening the investigation are so low as to be illusory. And then he says, ‘When we get to the FISAs, that’s where it becomes more difficult to assess,’” McCarthy said.

McCarthy continued, “As I listen to him say that, I must say, if you were trying cases to Justice Department

lawyers instead of common-sense juries, no one would ever be convicted. Because what he continues to say again and again is, ‘We did not get documentary or testimonial evidence that bias caused the irregularities,’ which is a lawyered way of saying there’s no document, and there’s no testimony that they drew from someone who said, ‘Yes, there was bias. Yes, I was biased. Yes, I saw bias.’ But when you prove bias in a courtroom you do it on the basis of common sense inference from what people say and what they do. You don’t rely on someone to say ‘I’m biased.’”

Horowitz was asked by Crapo about intentional versus grossly negligent conduct by the FBI.

Crapo said that it’s “mind-numbing to consider that it could be just accidental.”

Horowitz responded that he found much of the FBI’s conduct inexplicable and that he failed to receive satisfactory answers for many of the FBI’s actions.

“There is such a range of conduct here that is inexplicable,” he said, “And the answers we got were not satisfactory, that we’re left trying to

understand how could all these errors have occurred over a nine month period or so, among three teams – hand-picked – the highest profile case in the FBI, going to the very top of the organization, involving a presidential campaign.”

The inspector general’s report also noted that spying on the Trump campaign did not begin when the FBI opened its counterintelligence investigation into the Trump campaign July 31, 2016, but had in fact begun much earlier.

This fact was highlighted in Footnote 193 of the report, which showed that “in April 2016, (New York Field Office) prepared summaries of the information that ultimately led NYFO to open a counterintelligence investigation on Carter Page on April 6, 2016, and provided them to (Counterintelligence Division) officials at headquarters to be used for a ‘director’s note’ and a separate ‘director’s brief’ to be held on April 27, 2016.”

This same footnote also showed that the inspector general was unable to interview former FBI Director James Comey in relation to “classified details” because “Comey chose not to have his security clearances reinstated for our interview.”

The Carter Page FISA was

repeatedly addressed, and Horowitz noted that “FBI and Department officials told us the Steele reporting ‘pushed the (FISA proposal) over the line’ in terms of establishing probable cause, and we concluded that the Steele reporting played a central and essential role in the decision to seek a FISA order.

“FBI leadership supported relying on Steele’s reporting to seek a FISA order after being advised of concerns expressed by a Department attorney that Steele may have been hired by someone associated with a rival candidate or campaign,” Horowitz said.

The inspector general’s report showed that the FBI failed in its first attempts to obtain a FISA warrant on Page due to insufficient evidence or proof that Page was “an agent of a foreign power” as claimed by the FBI.

“When the team first sought to pursue a FISA order for Page in August 2016, a decision was made by Office of General Counsel, OI or both that more information was needed to support a probable cause finding that Page was an agent of a foreign power,” according to the report.

In other words, the Steele dossier was effectively the only evidence

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SHERIFF’S LOG

Dec. 3		
2200 block Green Canyon Rd	Petty theft	
Dec. 4		
300 block Morro Hills Rd	Residential burglary	
Dec. 5		
1100 Alturas Rd	Vandalism	
Dec. 7		
1100 block S. Mission Rd	Arrest: Public intoxication, minor in possession of alcohol	
800 block S. Main Ave	Robbery	
Dec. 8		
900 E. Mission Rd	Arrest: Possession of controlled substance, controlled substance	
Dec. 9		
De Luz Rd @ Sandia Creek Dr	Arrest: Vehicle theft, obstructing an officer	
N. Stage Coach Ln @ E. Mission Rd	Arrest: Public intoxication, obstructing an officer	
1300 block S. Mission Rd	Vandalism	
1700 block Reche Rd	School burglary	
1400 block S. Mission Rd	Battery	
600 S. Main Ave	Shoplifting	
100 block S. Mission Rd	Petty theft	
Dec. 10		
Olive Hill Rd @ Mission Rd	Arrest: Outstanding misdemeanor warrant	

600 block S. Main Ave	Shoplifting
100 block S. Mission Rd	Petty theft
3300 block Gird Rd	Fraud

Dec. 11	
1000 block Hughes Ln	Elder abuse
40400 block De Luz-Murrieta Rd	Arrest: Parole violation
300 block E. Alvarado	Found narcotics
100 block S. Main Ave	Petty theft
700 block W. College St	Petty theft
200 block W. Kalmia St	Vandalism
100 block S. Main Ave	Petty theft

Dec. 12	
2400 block S. Stage Coach Ln	Gang/terrorist threat
1100 block Alturas Rd	Arrest: Possession of controlled substance
1100 block S. Mission Rd	Arrest: Shoplifting
1600 block Calavo Rd	Petty theft
1700 block S. Hill Ave	Arrest: Vandalism
W. Aviation Rd @ Alturas Rd	rrest: Possession of controlled substance, controlled substance paraphernalia

2400 block S. Stage Coach Ln	Arrest: Public intoxication, possession of marijuana on school grounds
600 block Poets Square	Missing person

Dec. 13	
31900 block Del Cielo Este	Arrest: False imprisonment, domestic abuse
S. Old Hwy 395 @ Canonita Dr	Discharge of a firearm
30600 block N. River Rd	Petty theft
800 block E. Alvarado St	Burglary

Dec. 14	
2700 block Sumac Rd	Shots fired
E. Elder St @ Elbrook Dr	Arrest: Possession of controlled substance, transfer of controlled substance
700 block W. Fallbrook St	Vandalism
4400 block Sleeping Indian Rd	Grand theft
S. Mission Rd @ Mission Oaks Rd	Arrest: Driving without a license
Dec. 15	
1200 block Old Stage Rd	Arrest: Outstanding misdemeanor warrant

**NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE** TS No. CA-19-853093-RY Order No.: 190717470-CA-VOI YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 3/23/2018. 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, check drawn by state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 to the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state, will be held by duly appointed trustee. 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. **BENEFICIARY MAY ELECT TO BID LESS THAN THE TOTAL AMOUNT DUE.** Trustor(s): **MICHAEL ANGELO CIRIGNANO JR., A MARRIED MAN AS HIS SOLE AND SEPARATE PROPERTY** Recorded: 3/23/2018 as Instrument No. **2018-0116567** of Official Records in the Office of the Recorder of **SAN DIEGO** County, California; Date of Sale: **12/30/2019 at 10:00 AM** Place of Sale: **At the entrance to the East County Regional Center by the statue, located at 250 E. Main St., El Cajon, CA 92020** Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: **\$582,303.19** The purported property address is: **2167 REINEMAN RD, FALLBROOK, CA 92028** Assessor's Parcel No.: **106-152-52-00 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. 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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 **916-939-0772** for information regarding the trustee's sale or visit this Internet Web site **http://www.qualityloan.com**, using the file number assigned to this foreclosure by the Trustee: **CA-19-853093-RY**. 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. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the property address or other common designation, if any, shown herein. 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Date: **Quality Loan Service Corporation 2763 Camino Del Rio South San Diego, CA 92108 619-645-7711 For NON SALE information only Sale Line: 916-939-0772 Or Login to: http://www.qualityloan.com** Reinstatement Line: (866) 645-7711 Ext 5318 Quality Loan Service Corp. TS No.: **CA-19-853093-RY** IDSPub #0158641 12/5/20000019 12/12/2019 12/19/2019

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the FBI had that Page was somehow “an agent of a foreign power.” And this evidence compiled by former British intelligence officer Christopher Steele ran contrary to the documented work that Page had done for another governmental agency.

The inspector general’s report showed that the Page FISA “omitted information the FBI had obtained from another U.S. government agency detailing its prior relationship with Page, including that Page had been approved as an ‘operational contact’ for the other agency from 2008 to 2013.”

The report also detailed alterations made by FBI attorney Kevin Clinesmith regarding the background of Page, and how it was used to help justify the FISA application:

“In an email from the liaison to the OGC Attorney (Clinesmith), the liaison provided written guidance, including that it was the liaison’s recollection that Page had or continued to have a relationship with the other agency,” according to the report.

However, when Clinesmith subsequently sent the liaison’s email to “SSA 2,” who was to be the affiant for the third and final FISA renewal, Clinesmith “altered the liaison’s email by inserting the words ‘not a source’ into it, thus making it appear that the liaison said that Page was ‘not a source’ for the other agency.”

As the inspector general’s report showed, “Relying upon this altered email, SSA 2 signed the third renewal application that again failed to disclose Page’s past relationship with the other agency.”

Horowitz was asked about this matter during an exchange with Sen. Ted Cruz, R-Texas, and Horowitz affirmed this action by Clinesmith was indeed accurate.

Q: A lawyer at the FBI creates fraudulent evidence, alters an email that is in turn used as the basis for a sworn statement to the (FISA) court that the court relies on. Am I stating that accurately?

A: That’s correct. That is what occurred.

Clinesmith has reportedly been referred for criminal prosecution by Horowitz for allegedly altering the email connected to the surveillance

warrant on Trump campaign adviser Carter Page.

Horowitz also made a significant disclosure regarding the unique legal restrictions that he was operating under during his investigation, correctly telling congressional members, “We’re the only IG that can’t review conduct of all the employees in our organization, including attorneys.”

The inability of Horowitz to review the conduct of attorneys is particularly shocking given that Horowitz is the inspector general for the Department of Justice and FBI – a government division that has an overabundance of lawyers within its employ.

Horowitz was also questioned about the involvement of DOJ official Bruce Ohr. Before a series of demotions that occurred in December 2017 and January 2018, Ohr held two titles: associate deputy attorney general and director of the Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Force.

Ohr, who had known Steele since 2007, maintained ongoing contact with Steele throughout 2016 and into late 2017, and acted as a conduit between the FBI and Steele after the FBI had formally terminated Steele in November 2016 for talking to the media.

Sen. Ben Sasse, R-Neb., asked Horowitz about Ohr’s involvement late in the hearing, seemingly genuinely perplexed as to Ohr’s involvement in the FBI’s counterintelligence investigation:

“So at the time of these events, he (Ohr) was an associate deputy attorney general and the head of the Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Force working out of the Deputy Attorney General’s office (Sally Yates).”

“The Organized Crime and Drug Enforcement Task Force? And that’s connected to election interference by the Russians how?”

“It is not.”

“What the hell’s he doing here?”

“That was precisely the concern which we lay out here. He had no role in any of the election interference matters.”

Sen. Lindsey Graham, R-S.C., during discussion about the defensive briefing provided to the Trump campaign, noted that the FBI used this meeting as an opportunity to effectively spy on the Trump campaign and gather further information – a characterization that the inspector general agreed with. This discussion

prompted Graham to ask Horowitz the following question:

Q: So when we get defensively briefed tomorrow, would it be OK for FBI agents to open up 302s on what we said?

A: We have very significant concerns about that.

This admission by Horowitz may have been exactly what was required to get the full attention of Congress and move them toward addressing the lax oversight and controls of the FBI, along with other Intelligence Community organizations.

Horowitz was also asked by Graham if former FBI Director Comey was

vindicated by the inspector general’s report, as Comey had publicly claimed earlier.

Horowitz responded succinctly, saying, “The activities we found here don’t vindicate anybody who touched this FISA.”

During the conclusion of Horowitz’s opening remarks, he noted that as a result of his findings, he was referring multiple senior FBI officials for their significant performance failures.

“Our final recommendation was to refer the entire chain of command that we outline here to the FBI and the Department for consideration of how to assess and address their

performance failures,” Horowitz said.

Horowitz also announced that there would be an ongoing compliance audit and oversight process from the Office of Inspector General.

“We have today initiated an OIG audit that will further examine the FBI’s compliance with the Woods Procedures in FISA applications that target U.S. persons in both counterintelligence and counterterrorism investigations,” he said.

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# Fallbrook Historical Society celebrates the holidays with Old-Fashioned Christmas



Ashlyn Bush, 2, with her sister Averie, 8, meet Santa Claus inside the Barn at the Fallbrook Historical Society's museum complex.

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Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus arrive to greet children for the Fallbrook Historical Society's Old Fashioned Christmas celebration.



Alex Hartjen plays with 5-month-old son Wesley while attending the annual Fallbrook Historical Society Old Fashioned Christmas Open House, Dec. 8.



Visitors tour the historic Pittenger House during the Old Fashioned Christmas Open House; the farmhouse was built in 1895 by Civil War veteran William Pittenger.



Dean Meyer enters the historic Pittenger House during the holiday open house at the Fallbrook Historical Society's museum complex.



People enjoy refreshments and antiques inside the Barn at the Fallbrook Historical Society's holiday open house event.



People attending the Fallbrook Historical Society's annual Christmas Open House view and purchase antiques and other items in the Barn.



# REAL ESTATE AND HOME & GARDEN

## Home repairs that can sink budgets fast

FALLBROOK – A home is the most substantial investment many people will ever make. Once down payments have been made and closing costs have been paid, homeowners may still be staring down sizable expenses as they begin to tackle any repairs that need to be made.

Home maintenance and renovations involve a certain measure of trepidation. Even after vetting contractors and establishing budgets, homeowners may worry that repairs will unearth problems that snowball into expensive fixes. Planning ahead for such projects and learning to recognize issues that tend to be costly can help homeowners weather any storms that may arise.

**Foundation issues**

A strong foundation is the key to any home. If there is a problem with the foundation, it can be unsafe to live in the house. The foundation repair company Foundation Experts advised that foundation fixes can range from

\$4,000 to upward of \$100,000 depending on the scale of the job. Clogged gutters and water pooling around the foundation can contribute to damage, so water issues must be remedied first.

**Roof damage**

A roof is an important barrier between the indoors and outdoors. Roofs must remain in tip-top shape. The home improvement resource HomeAdvisor said that a roof repair or replacement can cost between \$3,000 and \$12,000. But homeowners also must budget for the cost of removing the old roofing materials and fixing any damage to the interior of the home. Inspecting the roof and making repairs as they go helps homeowners avoid a big headache.

**Siding replacement**

Another costly project can be replacing the siding. Siding may need to be replaced if there is water/wind damage or penetration from insects. Spot repairs may be relatively inexpensive. However,

the home improvement resource Modernize said the average siding installation project can cost between \$5,500 and \$15,000 depending on the materials homeowners choose.

**HVAC update**

Keeping a home at a comfortable temperature is also a matter of safety. If a system gives out, homeowners may be scrambling for a solution. Yearly inspections and upkeep, which includes changing system filters regularly, can help identify potential problems. Neglect is one of the main contributors to the failure of heating and cooling equipment. Based on national averages, a whole-house HVAC system can cost between \$4,000 and \$12,000.

These are some of the more costly repairs homeowners can expect. Keeping on top of the home will help mitigate damage and could extend the life of major home components.



Inspecting the roof and making repairs as you go is key to avoiding a big headache.

## Help make your poinsettias last longer

FALLBROOK – Poinsettias are synonymous with the holiday season. These colorful plants brighten up homes with their vibrant hues in variations of red, white and pink, making them a holiday decoration many people cannot live without.

While they’re most visible during the often chilly holiday season, poinsettias prefer warm weather. Poinsettias are native to Central America and originally flourished in an area of southern Mexico. The Aztecs used the plant for decorative and medicinal purposes.

The poinsettia may have remained a regional plant if not for the efforts of Joel Roberts Poinsett, who was the first United States Ambassador to Mexico under President James Madison. Poinsett, who would later start the Smithsonian Institution, had a love of botany and became enamored with the brilliant red plants he saw in Mexico. Eventually, Poinsett began growing the plants at home in South Carolina, and friends and others soon coveted them.

Poinsettias are beautiful, and the modified leaves, called bracts,

can be vibrantly colored. That signature vibrancy is why many people would like to preserve their poinsettias to last beyond the New Year, which is possible with the right care. The following are some tips, courtesy of Mother Nature’s Network, Habersham Gardens, Oregon Live and Phoenix Flower Shops, to keep poinsettias thriving past the holiday season.

Start with healthy plants that have full leaves, bracts and deep colors.

Poinsettias do best when the temperature is between 65 and 75 F. Temperatures below that or drafts from cold windows can cause leaves to drop.

Position the plant in a room that gets indirect sunlight for at least six hours per day. If direct sunlight can’t be avoided, diffuse the light with a sheer curtain.

Poinsettias need well-drained soil. Overwatering or allowing roots to sit in wet soil can cause the leaves to fall off prematurely. Water thoroughly only when the pot looks dry. In households with temperatures around 70 F, the plant should be watered about once a week.



Fertilize the plant after the blooming season with a balanced, all-purpose fertilizer.

Try placing poinsettias in or near a bathroom, as they prefer high humidity.

It may be possible to get poinsettias to re-bloom next

season. Allow the poinsettias to dry out a little more in the spring. In May, cut about 4 inches from each stem to produce a lush, full plant during the winter. The plants can be moved outside in June and during the summer, but keep them away from direct sunlight. Return

the poinsettias indoors beginning around October. Make sure the plants get at least 12 hours of darkness per day for around eight weeks in October and November. This time in the dark will help them develop a deep hue and bloom on time for Christmas.

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## FEMA grants \$1.2 million to CEA to increase earthquake protection

OAKLAND – The Federal Emergency Management Agency has granted \$1.2 million to the California Earthquake Authority for its Earthquake Brace and Bolt program. The grant will subsidize CEA earthquake retrofits for 391 at-risk structures likely to shake from their foundations in the event of an earthquake.

The program addresses two seismic vulnerabilities found in many older homes that may have short, wood-framed cripple walls under the first floor. The retrofit bolts the house to the foundation, and if short, wood-framed walls are present under the first floor, the retrofit braces those walls with plywood to stiffen and help prevent the house

from collapsing or sliding off its foundation during a quake.

Earthquake Brace and Bolt is a code-compliant retrofit that helps reduce damage and should allow families to remain in their homes after earthquakes. Each program recipient receives a subsidy of up to \$3,000 to bring their home up to seismic code compliance.

The \$2.1 million project will be funded by a \$1.2 million hazard mitigation grant from FEMA, with CEA and homeowners contributing the \$940,000 balance.

FEMA’s Hazard Mitigation Grant Program helps states, territories, federally-recognized tribes, local communities and certain private, nonprofit organizations become more resilient to potential infrastructure damage and reduce future disaster costs. In the past 30 years, FEMA has invested nearly \$1.3 billion to reduce disaster risks in California.

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# CWA makes SAWR permanent

Joe Naiman  
Village News Correspondent

The San Diego County Water Authority has a program called the transitional special agricultural water rate, and the SDCWA will be transitioning the rate into a permanent program.

A unanimous CWA board vote Nov. 21 approved making the special agricultural water rate permanent. An annual review of the special agricultural water rate will be conducted in conjunction with other rates and charges, and the cost of service process to determine special agricultural water rate rates is expected to be completed in spring 2020.

“I just think it’s a win for agriculture in San Diego,” Frank Hilliker said, who chairs the CWA’s administrative and finance committee and also chairs the CWA’s fiscal sustainability task force. Hilliker is on the board of the Lakeside Water District and is that district’s representative on the CWA board.

In 1994, the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California implemented the interim agricultural water program which provided surplus supplies to agricultural customers at a discounted rate with the condition of cutbacks in a drought of up to 30% before implementing any mandatory reductions to municipal

and industrial customers. An agricultural user could choose to pay municipal and industrial rates and not be subject to the cutbacks.

In October 2008, the MWD board voted to phase out the interim agricultural water rate over a four-year period. In December 2008 the CWA board created the transitional agricultural water rate program for farmers who chose to opt out of the interim agricultural water rate. Transitional special agricultural water rate customers are not eligible to receive certain water from CWA augmented supply programs.

The initial transitional special agricultural water rate was for a two-year period although in March 2010 the CWA board voted to extend the program to the end of 2012, have a revised program for 2013 through 2015, and review that program before the beginning of 2016. In April 2012 the CWA board voted to extend the transitional special agricultural water rate until the end of 2014.

In May 2013, the CWA convened the fiscal sustainability task force whose purpose was to provide a revised rate structure intended to avoid a situation where conservation results in increased water rates due to reduced revenue from water purchases by member agencies.

The task force’s report was

released to member agencies in January 2014 for their input and was first brought to the CWA board as an information item in February 2014. The board expressed a preference to defer action until outstanding issues could be addressed.

The desire to include the transitional special agricultural water rate as part of the changes resulting from the task force recommendations led to a one-year extension of that program in June 2014 when the CWA’s 2014-2015 budget was approved. In March 2015, the CWA board approved several of the task force’s recommendations and extended the transitional special agricultural water rate until the end of 2020.

The fiscal sustainability task force was reconvened in July 2019 and has been meeting twice each month. Valley Center Municipal Water District general manager is the vice-chair of the task force which also includes Carlos Lugo of the Helix Water District, Kimberly Thorner of the Olivenhain Water District, Mark Watton of the Otay Water District, Doug Wilson of the Padre Dam Municipal Water District, City of San Diego representatives Chris Cate and Matt Vespi and Mike Hogan of the Santa Fe Irrigation District.

Although the task force is

addressing other subjects, the transitional special agricultural water rate was the focus of multiple meetings. The Oct. 25 task force meeting included a presentation from the CWA’s cost of service consultant.

The task force recommended that the transitional special agricultural water rate be made permanent, and the Administrative and Finance Committee also made such a recommendation before the full board vote.

“It’s no longer transitional, and it’s going to be opened up for new farmers,” Hilliker said. “There was a great response. Everybody understands the importance of agriculture in San Diego. I’m just really proud of the board members of the Water Authority and the hard work that staff put in getting it done.”

The Nov. 21 CWA board approval is for the framework only; the specific rates will be part of the budget process. Special agricultural water rate customers will pay the MWD Tier 1 untreated supply rate, the melded treatment rate, the transportation rate, the customer service charge which is intended to recover costs which support the operations of the CWA and the infrastructure access charge which is used for CWA-fixed expenditures incurred even when water use is reduced and is per meter equivalent rather than

based on usage volume.

Special agricultural water rate customers will not pay the melded supply rate which reflects water purchased from the Imperial Irrigation District under the Quantification Settlement Agreement and water produced by the Claude “Bud” Lewis Carlsbad Desalination Plant as well as water delivered from MWD, the storage charge which recovers costs related to emergency storage programs, the supply reliability charge, or other charges related to regional conveyance.

“Agriculture represents a big part of the community of Fallbrook, so anything that can be done to continue to support them we support,” Jack Bebee, general manager of Fallbrook Public Utility District, said, who is FPUD’s representative on the CWA board.

“That’s an excellent bit of progress for all our agricultural users,” Tom Kennedy, general manager of Rainbow Municipal Water District, said, who is the Rainbow representative on the CWA board. “It’s an excellent step forward.”

The new program will take effect Jan. 1, 2021. During the first half of 2020, the CWA will develop and finalize new program guidelines, and new sign-ups will be initiated during the second half of 2020.

# Bebee on ACWA conference panel discussing Prop. 218 hearings

Joe Naiman  
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The Association of California Water Agencies held its 2019 fall conference Dec. 3-6, in San Diego, and a Dec. 4 session titled: “Lessons Learned, How to Hold a Successful 218 Hearing” included Fallbrook Public Utility District general manager Jack Bebee as a panelist.

In November 1996, the state’s voters passed Proposition 218, which requires a public vote on benefit assessments. Proposition 218 exempts water agencies from raising rates if a cost of service study shows a relationship between the rates and the agency’s cost to provide water. A rate setting policy can be in effect for up to five years and must include a rate design and public review. The Proposition 218 exemption process requires mailed notice of the new rates and includes a protest provision; if more than half of the district’s property owners or account holders submit a protest letter the planned rate increase is rescinded.

Raftelis Financial Consultants vice president Sanjay Gaur was the moderator at the panel, and Bebee was joined on the panel by Soquel Creek Water District of Santa Cruz County general manager Ron Duncan and Alameda County Water District general manager Bob Shaver. The focus was on how Proposition 218 hearings can best be held to reduce tension rather than

on the technical aspects involving cost of service studies.

“Public hearings have been more and more challenging,” Gaur said. A Proposition 218 hearing has three components: the staff presentation, the public comment and the board deliberation.

Gaur said that the three general managers represent districts in the southern, central, and northern parts of the state and represent small, medium, and large districts. Gaur said that FPUD is transitioning from fully professional agricultural customers to hobby farmers.

“It has been one of the most complicated rate structures I’ve dealt with,” Gaur said.

“Proposition 218 is an evolving landscape from my point of view,” Duncan said.

The Soquel Creek Water District was challenged on a rate increase and lost.

“That kind of shook us up a little bit,” Duncan said.

The challenge involved expenses for a capital project; a state grant was denied after state law changed.

Shaver has experienced three Proposition 218 hearings including one in which the Alameda County Water District proposed raising rates by 25% for the first year and by 5% in a subsequent year.

“We have a very engaged community activist,” he said. “It became politicized very quickly.”

The ACWD accepted electronic protests.

“We wanted to control it a little

more,” Shaver said.

The district which has approximately 85,000 customers received approximately 6,200 protests. Approximately 250 members of the public attended the board hearing.

“Mine’s not quite as painful,” Bebee said.

FPUD has approximately 35,000 residents and 9,000 connections.

“We do have hobby farmers,” Bebee said.

FPUD also has larger agricultural operations.

“Water causes a big impact on those people. It puts them out of business potentially if those costs go up,” Bebee said.

Bebee is the eighth general manager of FPUD, which was founded in 1922.

“Back in those days they didn’t do the best job of putting stuff in the ground,” he said.

Past FPUD practice also included deferring major repairs to minimize rate increases. The need to upgrade infrastructure led to an FPUD rate increase which exceeded the increased cost of water obtained from the San Diego County Water Authority. The need to repair the infrastructure was presented to the public including the Fallbrook farmers.

“They saw that and they were willing to step up,” Bebee said.

FPUD proposed a five-year Proposition 218 hearing.

“In the past we’d do one year. We sent a 218 notice out that

nobody understood,” Bebee said.

“This time we put a lot of effort into explaining to people. We had about 2,000 protests out of 9,000 customers.”

One citizen was collecting protest signatures outside local grocery stores.

“She actually had a well,” Bebee said.

The land use government for Fallbrook is the San Diego County Board of Supervisors, so FPUD is the most visible government in the Friendly Village.

“We’re a local government,” Bebee said. “It was a place to go to complain.”

The FPUD board members also patronize local businesses.

“They go to the grocery store and they’re getting beat up,” Bebee said.

FPUD eventually approved an 8% increase over five years.

“At least we were straightforward and honest and educated them,” Bebee said. “We really did what we

felt we needed to do as a district.”

Shaver said that ACWD customers can’t go to Pacific Gas and Electric or Comcast to complain about those utility rates.

“We have a very accessible board,” he said.

Shaver recommends avoiding long staff presentations.

“You have people who just want to yell at the board,” he said. “They’re not going to the public hearing to learn how awesome your district is.”

District staff interacting with the public has been a positive for Shaver’s district.

“It kind of provides a different image,” he said.

A focus on the need for the rate increase may assure some citizens who have legitimate concerns, and Bebee believes in the need for outreach before the public hearing.

“By the time you have that hearing

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## Real Estate Round-Up: SOS – Vote wisely



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our San Diego" would rather have casinos, hotels, country clubs, factories and luxury homes than support housing for our teachers, firefighters and law enforcement. This kind of thinking makes crystal clear, who the supporters of Measure A are fighting for, the wealthy who want everything to stay just as it is, because after all, they deserve it, right?

Measure A adversely impacts middle class Californians, first time homebuyers and renters by the simple fact that affordable workforce housing requires higher density in order to bring the cost of those homes down to an amount that those homebuyers can afford.

The affluent will not be impacted by this measure, but everyone else will. People living in urban areas will make decisions for rural communities. Measure A will force more San Diegans to live in overcrowded apartments and pay higher rent. It will drive home prices higher, making our affordability crisis even worse.

Measure A will damage our regional economy. By causing workers to live further and further away from work, in search of affordable housing, businesses may have to downsize or relocate due to the inability to find qualified workers who live in the region.

I previously reported what happened in Ventura County after they approved their very own version of SOS, called SOAR or Save Open Space and Agricultural Resources. Ventura County's average economic growth over the past four years rounds to 0.0%. In the past two years, it has had an economic decline, with contractions of 0.9% and 0.4%, respectively.

Business leaders from the county's three largest manufacturing firms all agreed that a growing housing affordability crisis and the inability of businesses to attract and retain talent are the single biggest constraints on economic activity in Ventura County.

Affordability is directly influenced by housing supply. Ventura County has effectively stopped building. They are looking at an economy of haves and have nots. The commuter population that enters the county each day to work is causing increased congestion and pollution. Ventura County is having negative migration.

Imagine this situation. A well-financed, highly successful company wants to locate to San Diego County. They locate the perfect location for their campus. They investigate housing options for their workforce and realize that the only way the bulk of their employees can afford to purchase a home, is if they live more than an hour away, and there is no hope in sight that the large amounts of vacant land along the Interstate 15 corridor will ever be developed to house those employees because of SOS.

Do you think they will still open a campus in San Diego County? No, they'll look at Riverside County or maybe outside of the state.

So, Fallbrook and San Diego residents, do not be fooled by anyone that tries to convince you that it is a good plan for the region. It may sound attractive for all the NIMBY's out there, but the short-term victory will have long-term effects that will paralyze San Diego County, with no cure available until 2038.

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The San Diego County Board of Supervisors had their monthly meeting, Dec. 17. One of the topics on the agenda was to change the wording of Measure A, also known as SOS or Safeguard Our San Diego. The 5th District supervisor, Jim Desmond, proposed language that would provide specific language to the title and summary of the measure, so that voters understood what they are voting for or against.

Unfortunately, the item was removed from the agenda, so the summary and title in the voter booklet will remain vague and possibly mislead uninformed voters.

The current language approved by the county counsel stated: "Shall this initiative be adopted for the purpose of amending the county general plan to require voter approval through 2038 of any general plan amendments which increase residential density in all areas designated rural and semi-rural, subject to very limited exceptions, permanently prohibit density transfer from higher density parcels to lower density parcels and prohibit the designation of new Specific Plan Areas through 2038?"

Say, what? I understand the initiative but the current language is so vague, I would call it almost misleading.

First, a little history lesson: In response to the high cost of housing, the board of supervisors directed the chief administrative officer March 28, 2018, to investigate the means and mode of establishing a Density Transfer Credit program, a Transfer Development Rights or an equivalent program. This density transfer credit program is specifically what Measure A would prohibit until 2038.

Measure A seeks to overturn, through voter disapproval, any proposed housing development on formerly rural or semi-rural land that is larger than five homes. It means that every time a builder wants to build six homes on a parcel that was previously zoned for less density, even if the county approved the build-out, the voters can disapprove of the development and overturn the county approval.

Voters in El Cajon will vote on projects in Ramona; voters in Oceanside will vote on projects in the East County. What builder in their right mind would spend the money to go through the entitlements required to construct six homes if the potential exists that despite the county approval, voters across the county can vote the project down?

It is not optional. If Measure A passes, every, yes, every project of more than five homes on previously less densely zoned acreage will go before all the voters in San Diego County.

The limited exceptions mentioned in the language of the measure refers to casinos, hotels, country clubs, factories and luxury homes on sprawling, multi-acre lots.

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# SBA modifies method for calculating annual revenues for small businesses

WASHINGTON – The U.S. Small Business Administration today published in the Federal Register recently a final rule to modify its method for calculating annual revenues used to prescribe size standards for small businesses. The final rule is effective Jan. 6, 2020.

The SBA changed its regulations on the calculation of annual revenues from a three-year averaging period to a five-year averaging period, outside of the SBA Business Loan and Disaster Loan Programs. The change in the averaging period for calculating annual average revenues from three years to five years may result in firms regaining or retaining their small business status. To assist small businesses with this change, the SBA is providing a two-year transition period while firms subject to the change may choose either a three-year averaging period or a five-year averaging period.

This final rule implements the Small Business Runway Extension Act of 2018, Public Law No.115-324, which changed the requirements for proposed size standards prescribed by an agency without separate statutory authority to issue size standards. The intent of the law was to allow small business government contractors more time to prepare for the transition to the full and open market after they exceed the size standard.

While the law changed the averaging period for calculating annual revenues of businesses in services industries from three years to five years, the law did not address the averaging period for calculating the size of other businesses. To promote consistency, the SBA is adopting a five-year averaging period for all of the SBA's and other agencies' revenue-based size standards, regardless of whether the industry is for services.

As noted above, the change will not apply to the SBA Business Loan and Disaster Loan Programs. The SBA will seek comment, through a separate rulemaking, on the appropriate averaging period for the SBA Business Loan and Disaster Loan Programs.

For more information about the SBA's revisions to its small business size standards for various industry sectors, visit [www.sba.gov/size](http://www.sba.gov/size).

*Submitted by Small Business Administration.*

# CFBF honors retired San Diego County Farm Bureau executive

MONTEREY – Recognized for elevating the standing of local farmers and Farm Bureau in the eyes of elected officials, regulatory agencies and the public, Carlsbad resident Eric Larson, former executive director of the San Diego County Farm Bureau, has been presented the Helen Roberti Lifetime Service Award by the California Farm Bureau Federation. Larson received the award Dec. 10, during the 101st CFBF annual meeting in Monterey.

Larson retired from his position at the San Diego County Farm Bureau in September, after 23 years of service. He had previously worked for 13 years as general manager of the California Floriculture Growers Association, after a career in cut flower and nursery crop production.

"As an agricultural executive in a rapidly urbanizing county, Eric Larson recognized early the need to reach out often and speak plainly about the benefits of a thriving local agriculture," CFBF President Jamie Johansson said. "Under his guidance, the San Diego County Farm Bureau became one of the most innovative and successful anywhere."

During his tenure, the county Farm Bureau launched the San Diego Grown program, established the San Diego Farm and Nursery Expo, defeated two countywide ballot measures opposed by farmers and created the San Diego Regional Irrigated Lands Program, among other accomplishments.

"Eric has been a visible and effective advocate for family farmers and ranchers, making frequent appearances before local commissions and in the media," Johansson said. "His efforts have assured agriculture will remain, as the county Farm Bureau describes it, 'an intrinsic part of the fabric of San Diego.'"

Named for the longtime manager of the Plumas-Sierra County Farm Bureau and presented for the first time in 2013, the Helen Roberti Lifetime Service Award recognizes dedicated service by a staff member of CFBF or a county Farm Bureau in California.

The California Farm Bureau Federation works to protect family farms and ranches on behalf of nearly 34,000 members statewide and as part of a nationwide network of nearly 5.6 million Farm Bureau members.

*Submitted by the California Farm Bureau Federation.*

## BEBEE

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it's really too late," he said.

An explanation of the expenditures associated with the rate increase can reduce opposition.

"People get less upset when you're paying for infrastructure," Bebee said. "This is like a multi-year effort of really trying to educate the community. It's just trying to get through those dynamics of blame."

The Soquel Creek Water District headquarters was built in the 1960s, but the district now has 38 staff members including two dedicated to outreach. The district preceded one Proposition 218 hearing by creating an advisory committee.

"We brought in the people who we thought were our fiercest critics," Duncan said.

Many of those residents who had been concerned supported the rate increase. Duncan also advocated emphasis on actual numbers rather than on the percentage of increase.

"What is very important is to show where your rates are in relationship to others," he said.

Comparison with other districts is not the only numerical item which can counter concern about an increase in terms of percentage.

"Percentages can look big, but when you break it down it could be 50 cents to a dollar," Duncan said.

FPUD has an annual calendar contest involving elementary school students, and one of FPUD's meetings each year features the calendar contest and is attended by many students and parents. It was not intentional that FPUD held a Proposition 218 hearing at the same meeting as a calendar contest presentation, but that seemed to limit the tension of the ratepayers objecting to the rate increase.

"They were still angry, but they were a little less angry," Bebee said.

Proposition 218 does not require that the board deliberation and vote be at the same meeting as the public hearing, which for FPUD has also decreased tension.

"You don't want on a rate hearing to get on a back and forth," Bebee said.

If the board doesn't have discussion during a public hearing the board members' focus can be on the members of the public.

"You just need to let them speak. You need to listen," Bebee said.

Separate meetings also give the board members additional opportunities to review the public comment.

"We actually transcribe everything everyone said," Bebee said.

The public comments were also placed on FPUD's website before the actual vote.

"We still had a lot of people coming," Bebee said.

The audience was calmer when FPUD approved the increase.

"I think we kind of fell into that," Bebee said of the process.

"Formality and consistency is your friend in a public hearing," Shaver said. "Many of these folks have never come to a government-run function before."

Shaver tells citizens that the district will respond to the public comments but not during

the hearing.

"There are people who actually come to a public hearing," he said. "Staff responds to factual issues, but the board responds to policy issues."

The ACWD hearings include breaks, and staff and board members interact with the public, especially speakers, during those breaks.

"People feel like they're being heard," Shaver said.

ACWD staff members attend other community meetings and discuss water service although not necessarily rates.

"Sometimes your best ambassador can be your staff," Shaver said.

Bebee said that staff interaction with the public should be from a customer perspective and should not be limited to rate increase outreach.

"Any enemies you make in the community along the way will show up there," he said.

"People are always suspicious of what your reasonings are," Bebee said. "If you ignore them they're not going to go away."

"If you don't connect with those people it doesn't matter what comes after that," Duncan said.

Bebee also said the importance of district staff working with board members.

"The first thing you need to get lined up is your board," he said. "If your board asks questions then you're going to have a hard time getting to the public."

The FPUD website includes video of board meetings.

"There may be certain ones that people want to watch," Bebee said.

Bebee stressed that any video must have a quality audio component.

"If the audio's not good that will be the most uninteresting video ever produced," he said.

The need for outreach must be balanced with citizen concern about expenses being paid for salaries. Noelle Denke is FPUD's only staff member dedicated to outreach.

"We still have a fairly low outreach budget," Bebee said.

The ACWD has 2 1/2 staff positions for outreach and a staff of 234.

Bebee added that FPUD has a high school intern program which can augment the district's outreach activities.

"We're having to figure out how do we do these things as a small district but not spend a lot of money on it," he said.

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# Warriors play another tied game



Fallbrook High School's Charlie Paez battles for the ball against a Vista High School Panther during the varsity boys' soccer game, Dec. 14.



Warrior Joe Bell heads the ball to a teammate while playing against the Panthers in a 0-0 game.

Village News/Shane Gibson photos



Fallbrook High School's Ever Morales dribbles the ball past Vista High School's defense. All of Fallbrook's varsity soccer games so far this season have been ties.



Warrior Osvaldo Urbina battles a Panther player for the ball in a Fallbrook home game.



Warrior Mario Hernandez attempts to head the ball against his Panther opponents.



Fallbrook High School's Ever Morales tangles with a Vista High School opponent trying to keep control of the ball.



Fallbrook High School's Ever Morales races with the ball against Vista High School. The varsity boys' soccer game ended in a tie, 0-0.



SPORTS

Warriors drop opening rugby match to Torrey Pines



Fallbrook High School Warrior Ryo Overs carries the ball all the way down the field and into the try zone in the junior varsity rugby game against the Torrey Pines High School Falcons, Dec. 13.



A ruck forms after the tackle made by Fallbrook High School's Thomas McSheehy. Fallbrook lost the match to Torrey Pines High School.



Warrior Kenneth Spring, left, makes a tackle on a Falcon player.



A maul forms, and the Warriors attempt to drive the ball. Emily Weber photos

**Jeff Pack**  
*Village News Staff*

The Fallbrook Warriors varsity boys' rugby team dropped its first match of the season Friday, Dec. 13, to Torrey Pines High School at Fallbrook High School.

The Falcons were also victorious in the junior varsity game with the Warriors falling short in a 38-10 loss to the Falcons.

The Warriors will next go on the road to play San Clemente High School at Friday, Dec. 20, at Vista Hermosa Sports Park in San Clemente. The junior varsity game will start at 6 p.m., and the varsity game will start at 7:30 p.m.

The Warriors next play La Costa Canyon High School on the road Friday, Jan. 10, and play at home against Mira Costa High School Saturday, Jan. 18.

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Baltas tops trainer standings, Miller third

**Joe Naiman**  
*Village News reporter*

A stakes win by a San Luis Rey Training Center horse clinched this year's Del Mar Thoroughbred Club fall meet trainer title for Richard Baltas; San Luis Rey trainer Peter Miller ended the Bing Crosby Season meet third in the trainer standings.

Baltas and Miller also combined for three stakes race wins on the final weekend of the meet which began Nov. 8 and concluded Dec. 1. Baltas saddled Next Shares in the Nov. 30 Grade 2 Seabiscuit Handicap; Miller won the Grade 1 Hollywood Derby with Mo Forza in that Nov. 30 race and Baltas mathematically clinched the trainer championship Dec. 1 when Oscar Dominguez won the Grade 2 Hollywood Turf Cup Stakes.

"That always means something," Baltas said of the trainer championship.

Horses trained by Baltas won 11 races during the 2019 Bing Crosby Season meet.

"I just think I have a little bit more numbers and a greater quality of horses and got rewarded for that," he said.

Baltas shared the 2017 summer meet training championship with Phil D'Amato, who also has some of his horses at San Luis Rey. Baltas first saddled a horse at Del Mar in 1991, although his first trainer win at the track was not until 2004.

"Every time I get a little bit better horses to train. My clients have been backing me, and I have a good team working for me," he said.

Bob Hess won four races on the final weekend to finish the meet with seven trainer victories. Miller won six races during the 2019 Bing Crosby Meet.

"I thought it was great," Miller said. "We won one of the two Grade 1s at the meet, so it was a very successful meet."

The other Grade 1 stakes race was the Dec. 1 Matriarch Stakes; winner Got Stormy is trained by Mark Casse.

This year's Bing Crosby Season

meet was scheduled to have 15 days, but heavy rain caused the Del Mar Thoroughbred Club to cancel the Nov. 21 and Nov. 28 races while the Nov. 29 turf races were moved to the dirt course.

The horses returned to the turf Nov. 30, and the 1 1/16-mile Seabiscuit Handicap was one of those turf races. Miller also had a horse in that race; Om led throughout most of the contest before finishing sixth.

Next Shares and jockey Jose Valdivia had the third post position. "He had an inside post, which helped save ground. He wasn't too far back, and he ran his race," Baltas said.

Next Shares broke last among the nine horses and was sixth after a quarter of a mile and fifth after half a mile and after three-quarters of a mile. As the horses entered the stretch Next Shares was second, half a length behind Om and a length in front of third-place River Boyne.

Next Shares finished half a length in front of Sacred Life, who took second and had a winning time of 1:42.00.

Baltas considers the storm to have benefited Next Shares. "It softened up the turf a little bit. That was more to his liking," Baltas said.

Om finished three lengths behind Next Shares and half a length behind fifth-place Prince Earl, a San Luis Rey horse trained by D'Amato.

Next Shares is a 6-year-old gelding who was foaled in Kentucky April 15, 2013. He was sired by Archarcharch out of Two Dot Slew. The Seabiscuit Handicap was his seventh career win, and the \$120,000 first-place share of the total \$200,000 purse gave him career earnings of \$1,677,771.

Baltas is considering the Grade 2 San Gabriel Stakes at Santa Anita Park as a potential next race for Next Shares, who won the January 2019 San Gabriel Stakes.

Mo Forza, a 3-year-old colt, was ridden by Paco Lopez in the Hollywood Derby.

"Just glad the way he rode it," Miller said. "It worked out."



Oscar Dominguez and jockey John Velazquez are seen in the winner's circle after coming in first in the Hollywood Turf Cup Stakes. Joe Naiman photo

The 12 horses in the Hollywood Derby, which was for 3-year-olds, ran 1 1/8 miles on the turf. Lopez and Mo Forza broke 11th but were in third after a quarter of a mile. Baltas' horse, Neptune's Storm, which is not one of Baltas' San Luis Rey horses, was in the lead at that point while Casse's horse Uncle Bull was second. Those positions were unchanged at half a mile and at three-quarters of a mile.

Uncle Bull fell back as the horses approached the stretch, and Neptune's Storm had a head lead over Mo Forza as they entered the stretch while Mo Forza was three lengths in front of third-place Succeedand surpass, which is also one of Baltas' Santa Anita horses. When Mo Forza crossed the finish line 1:48.57 after the start of the race he was three-quarters of a length in front of Neptune's Storm and 1 1/4 lengths ahead of third-place Standard Deviation.

"It was a great win and got a great ride," Miller said.

Mo Forza was the favorite at 2.8:1. It was the third career win and third consecutive win for the horse which began his racing career in August, and the \$180,000 first-place share of the \$300,000 total purse brought his career earnings to \$379,460.

Uncle Mo sired Mo Forza out of Unusual Heat. Mo Forza was foaled in Kentucky April 5, 2016. Miller has not made a decision on Mo Forza's next race.

Oscar Dominguez was one of 10 horses in the Hollywood Turf Cup Stakes, which was a 1 1/2-mile turf race. He was ridden by John Velazquez. Oscar Dominguez and Velazquez broke seventh and ninth after a quarter of a mile, last after half a mile and after 1 mile and ninth after 1 1/4 miles.

"I just kind of sat there and waited," Velazquez said. "He let me do what I wanted to do."

Although Velazquez and Oscar Dominguez were ninth with two furlongs remaining, they trailed leader Chosen Vessel by less than four lengths. They were seventh as they entered the stretch and three lengths in back of Chosen Vessel, who went from first to fifth during the stretch.

"He didn't go too wide around the turn," Baltas said.

United was the only horse behind Oscar Dominguez after 1 1/4 miles and would also finish the race a position behind Oscar Dominguez. United was sixth, a head in front of Oscar Dominguez, as they entered the stretch. Oscar Dominguez passed United and five other horses in the stretch and defeated United by a neck. Oscar Dominguez won the race in 2:28.17.

"He's a true mile and a half horse," Baltas said. "The horse is ready. I have to give a lot of credit to San Luis Rey."

Oscar Dominguez had been trained by Miller before being claimed for \$40,000 at a Santa Anita race in February.

"He's been overachieving the whole time we've had him," Baltas said.

Nancy Messineo and Bruce Smith now own Oscar Dominguez. The 6-year-old gelding was foaled in Ireland May 8, 2013. He was sired by Zoffany out of American Queen. The Hollywood Turf Cup Stakes was the sixth career win for Oscar Dominguez.

Bettors who wagered on Oscar Dominguez to win the Hollywood Turf Cup Stakes received 11.1:1 odds. The Oscar Dominguez team received \$120,000 from the total purse of \$200,000, which increased the horse's lifetime earnings to \$427,630.



# Warrior boys place 9th as team at CIF cross-country meet

**Joe Naiman**  
Village News Correspondent

Fallbrook High School’s boys’ cross-country team placed ninth among the 18 Division 1 schools with the minimum five runners at the CIF San Diego Section meet Nov. 23 on the Morley Field course in San Diego.

Cross-country team scores add the positions of a school’s first five finishers. The sixth and seventh runners are not scored but can add points to opponents’ totals. Fallbrook accumulated 257 points. Holtville, which placed eighth, had 213 points. Grossmont totaled 258 points for 10th place.

“Overall I’m proud of what our boys did,” Fallbrook assistant coach Joel Rivera said.

Fallbrook’s first finisher, senior Josh Hernandez, placed 22nd overall with a time of 16 minutes 19.5 seconds on the 2.96-mile course.

“On the downhill I twisted my ankle and after that I fell off,” Hernandez said.

The first 10 finishers were given all-CIF first team recognition and the next 10 runners across the finish line earned all-CIF second team status so Hernandez missed all-CIF designation by two positions. The top three Division II boys teams at the CIF section meet qualified for the CIF state meet, Nov. 30, in Fresno as did the top five individuals not affiliated with a qualifying team contingent upon those individuals finishing among the top 14 overall.

“I was trying to get top 14,” Hernandez said.

Hernandez exceeded his goal of a time of 5:20 for the first mile, reaching that point 5:09 after the start of the race.

“It was really fast the first mile,” Hernandez said.

Hernandez used an uphill ascent to gain positions.

“I caught a couple of people,” he said.

His twisted ankle going down the hill deprived him of a state meet or all-CIF position.

“He did his best,” Rivera said. “The other kids had a better day.”

Hernandez was also Fallbrook’s first finisher at the 2018 CIF meet, when his time of 16:41.4 placed 49th, and in 2017, when he finished 40th at 16:54.5. The course was 3.04 miles in 2016 when Hernandez had a time of 18:35 for 86th place.

John Regan completed his senior season and his high school cross-country career as the 29th finisher and with a time of 16:31.1. Regan finished 86th at last year’s meet after completing the course in 17:38.6. He ran for Lejeune High School in North Carolina as



Fallbrook sophomore Ivan Ixta runs at the CIF San Diego Section cross-country meet Nov. 23 on the Morley Field course in San Diego. His time of 17:26.8 gave Ixta 67th place.

a freshman and sophomore.

A time of 17:14.1 gave Fallbrook junior Danny Contreras 54th place.

“It was a good race for our top three boys,” Rivera said.

Contreras was 61st in last year’s

CIF race with a time of 16:54.4. As a freshman in 2017, his 18:39.1 performance was worth 99th place.

A time of 17:26.8 gave sophomore Ivan Ixta 67th place, senior Joseph Bell completed the



Warrior junior Danny Contreras runs at the CIF San Diego Section cross-country meet on the Morley Field course in San Diego and finishes in 17 minutes 14.1 seconds for 54th place.

course in 17:55.4 for 85th place, sophomore Dawson Fluck had the 92nd-place time of 18:11.3 and senior Ricardo Martinez had a time of 19:18.7 for 116th place.

“It wasn’t a bad race. The

weather conditions were perfect,” Rivera said. “Just glad my boys came out here super competitive. Looking forward to seeing what these boys can do for track season.”



Fallbrook sophomore Dawson Fluck runs at the CIF San Diego Section cross-country meet. He places 92nd with a time of 18 minutes 11.3 seconds.



Warrior senior Ricardo Martinez runs at the CIF San Diego Section cross-country meet. He finishes with a time of 19 minutes 18.7 seconds for 116th place.



Warrior senior Joseph Bell completes the CIF San Diego Section cross-country meet course in 17 minutes 55.4 seconds for 85th place.

# Local basketball teams work their way through early season schedule



Fallbrook High School varsity boys’ basketball player Joel Calhoun takes a shot in a recent game.

**Jeff Pack**  
Staff Writer

The holidays are a difficult time for sports schedules – imagine what it’s like trying to mold a new basketball team into one that can compete for a league championship through the holidays.

That’s what the basketball teams at Fallbrook and Bonsall high schools are trying to do while competing in games all over San Diego County in non-league games and tournaments.

## GIRLS

Head coach Jessica Ramirez and her Fallbrook High School girls’ varsity team is off to a 2-2 record early in the season.

The Warriors most recently took



The Fallbrook High School varsity girls’ basketball team is off to a 2-2 record so far this season.

down Sage Creek with a 46-24 victory on the road.

That win was important as the Warriors had a tough time scoring in a 62-32 loss against Del Norte High School. After an even first quarter, the Warriors were outscored 17-8 in the second and third quarters and Del Norte never looked back.

The Warriors were on the road against Mira Mesa High School Monday, Dec. 16, and again Wednesday, Dec. 18, at the Army Navy Academy against El Camino after press time.

The Warriors will play a home game at 7 p.m. Friday, Dec. 20, against San Dieguito Academy and upcoming games include a 6 p.m. contest against Orange Glen High School on the road.

Village News/Shane Gibson photos

Bonsall High School was not able to field a girls’ basketball team this season, according to coach Bernard Cantrell.

## BOYS

Ryan Smith’s Fallbrook Warriors varsity boys’ basketball team finally dropped a couple of games in the early season but still holds a respectable 6-2 record.

Considering the team had one win all of last season, it’s easy to say the Warriors are having a great year so far.

The Warriors moved to 6-0 on the season, easily handling Bonsall High with an 84-19 win at home, Dec. 3.

Two days later, the Warriors suffered their first setback when they went on the road and lost to Sage Creek 68-47. After some time to think about it, the Warriors improved but lost a close one 53-48 to Classical Academy at home Saturday, Dec. 14.

After press time, the Warriors were scheduled to play a home game against San Dieguito Academy Tuesday, Dec. 17. They will go on the road next to take on Horizon Prep High School at 6 p.m., Dec. 27, and battle Tri-City Christian at 1 p.m., Jan. 1; Maranatha Christian High School at 5:30 p.m., Jan. 2, and Hilltop High School at 4 p.m. Jan. 3, in the Tip-Off Classic at Maranatha Christian.

Head coach Chuck Colletti’s Bonsall High School varsity boys’ basketball team has started the season with a 3-4 record, with the Legionnaires losing their last two.

The Legionnaires suffered a 74-59 loss, Dec. 12, on the road to Gompers Prep Academy after losing 68-42, Dec. 10, to St. Joseph Academy, also on the road.

Just a day earlier, the Legionnaires beat Julian High School in overtime 56-54.

Bonsall suffered a tough 73-40 loss, Dec. 5, to Health Services High School and two days earlier, lost to Fallbrook 84-19.

Before that, the Legionnaires got their first win over Julian with a 56-45 win Nov. 21, and a 59-52 win over St. Joseph Academy

Nov. 19, with both games played at Sullivan Middle School’s gymnasium.

The Legionnaires were slated to play at 6 p.m., Dec. 17, at Sullivan against Chula Vista Learning Community Charter High School and Bayfront Charter High School at 1:30 p.m., Dec. 19, on the road, after press time.

The team will play Ocean View Christian High School on the road at 5 p.m., Jan. 7.

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# Warrior girls gain CIF cross-country meet experience



Fallbrook High School's girls' cross-country runners who ran in the CIF meet are, from left, Victoria Lopez, Lauren Clark, Maddy Gaul, Coach Vickie Knox, Judith Colores, Maya Rink, Jade Boltinghouse and Iselah Cabello.

**Joe Naiman**  
Village News Correspondent

Fallbrook High School girls' cross-country coach Vickie Knox didn't expect the Warriors to place well at the CIF meet Nov. 23 on the Morley Field course in San Diego, but she still achieved her goal.

"It was just for experience, getting my girls experience. Many of my girls have not been to CIF," Knox said.

Five of Fallbrook's seven runners at the CIF meet had not previously competed at a CIF

section race. The exceptions were junior Iselah Cabello and senior Maya Rink, who both ran at the CIF meet for the third time.

The Division II race had 17 teams, and Fallbrook's team score of 474 points placed 17th. The 16th-place team, Rancho Buena Vista, had a score of 410.

During Fallbrook's first two races of the season freshman Maya Papoulias was the Warriors' fastest runner and sophomore Maddy Gaul had the second-fastest Fallbrook time. Shin splints kept Papoulias from competing at

the CIF meet. Gaul ran despite her shin splints but finished last among the race's 117 runners.

"Both of my top runners are injured, so I knew we were going to be out of the running," Knox said.

The first Fallbrook finisher was Cabello, whose time of 21 minutes 34.7 seconds on the 2.96-mile course placed 68th overall. Cabello's time was a personal record.

"That was really good," Knox said.

Cabello finished 82nd with a



Iselah Cabello is Fallbrook High School's first cross-country runner to finish the CIF course.

Rosa Contreras photos



Judith Colores competes at CIF for the first time.



Freshman Jade Boltinghouse is Fallbrook High School's third fastest cross-country runner at Morley Field.

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Nathalie Taylor  
Special to the Village News

Owned by SonRise Christian Fellowship, the Fallbrook Coffee Company embodies all the finer qualities of our community. Yes, it is a great place to experience steaming coffee and a good, hearty sandwich. But this establishment is also a place of camaraderie where

you can either meet friends or spend some leisurely time alone. It is a place where you can forget the cares of the world. A sign on the wall reads: “You will be blessed when you come in and blessed when you go out. – Deuteronomy 28:6.” All who are involved in the running of this establishment desire their customers to be blessed.

The Fallbrook Coffee baristas have developed a reputation for exuding hospitality. That hospitable spirit is also reflected in the welcoming ambiance of a cozy fireplace, hardwood floors, wooden tables and comfortable chairs. If outdoor dining suits you, the patio, with its pond, offers a peaceful ambiance. Breakfast bowls, lunch wraps, sandwiches, quiche and a glass display case full of delicious pastries are offered at this unpretentious coffee shop. Some of the pastries are baked on-site and other items, such as bagels, are purchased from suppliers. At first bite I was charmed by the Cranberry Walnut Wrap. The soft flour tortilla envelopes chunks of tender chicken, walnuts, feta cheese and mixed greens. Dried cranberries lend a sweetness. The balsamic vinaigrette ties it together with a sweet/tangy flavor. The large and luscious Apple Fritter could be enjoyed by two people. It’s packed with apples, flavored with cinnamon and coated with a generous helping of sugar glaze. The marvelous Double Chocolate Chunk Muffin is moist and has just the right amount of chocolate chunks, so it does not



In addition to coffee, the Fallbrook Coffee Company offers a wide selection of teas. Nathalie Taylor photos

Unwrapping new relationships: Survey finds more than half of new couples will regift to save money this holiday season

FALLBROOK – A recent survey conducted by TopCashback.com revealed couples’ gift exchanging expectations for the most wonderful time of the year. The survey polled a cross section of 2,174 adults, aged 18 and over, on their holiday gifting habits. While 9% of Americans intentionally terminate a relationship to avoid gift-giving, the remaining 91% are thinking about that special gift for that special someone. To gift or not to gift? Like first impressions, first gifts are of great importance with 3 in 5 Americans or 60% believing the amount of thought that goes into gift-giving directly reflects how much time you put into the relationship. The survey asked “On average, how much do you spend on a present?” The survey showed 31% spend \$51 to \$100, 26% spend \$26 to \$50 and 14% spend \$101 to \$150. What types of gifts would you purchase for a new significant other? The survey showed 49% would buy clothes, 44% said they’d buy perfume or cologne and 41% answered tech items. While men and women agree the first gift should be thoughtful at 51%, there are notable differences between what types of gifts each party desires. The top three responses on gifts women prefer were jewelry at 51%, gift certificates and gift cards at 46% and perfume at 45%. The top three gifts men prefer included tech items at 59%, clothes

at 37% and gift certificates or gift cards at 29%. The top five go-to gifts showed what they’re actually getting, however. Clothes came in at 49%, perfume or cologne at 44%, tech items at 41%, tickets to an event at 36% and jewelry at 31%. Gift-giving etiquette In addition to gaining insight on types of presents, TopCashback.com asked participants to weigh in on holiday etiquette and found that 61% of couples do not include a gift receipt with the present. The survey also discovered that nearly two-thirds or 65% would not be offended if their partner dislikes their gift. While gift cards can be considered one of the easiest presents, Americans are torn on whether they would gift one. To the question “Do you believe giving a gift card for your first holiday season together is impersonal?” Forty-one percent answered “Yes, they’re impersonal,” 34% answered “They’re fine,” and 26% chose “They’re appropriate as long as it is not the only gift,” according to the survey. With the holidays coming up in the next few weeks, shoppers may have an idea about what they’re purchasing their new beau, but what about their family members? The survey asked “Do you buy a gift for your significant other’s family?” and 62% said yes, and 38% said no. Forty-five percent said yes to the question “Is spending the first holidays with your new significant

other’s family too soon?” and 55% answered no. Sleigh bells or wedding bells? Surprisingly, more than half or 62% of couples still buy a gift for each other even if the relationship is destined to end. And nothing says commitment like engagement, but be warned: 31% of respondents believe that getting engaged during the holidays is a tacky idea. Budgeting around the holidays More than half of new couples or 54% said they have established a budget for their holidays together. What was the agreed budget? The survey showed 31% chose \$51 to \$100, 21% chose \$26 to \$50, 14% chose \$101 to \$150 and 10% chose \$151 to \$200. Would you regift to save money? Fifty-five percent answered yes, while 45% said no. Who serves as Santa’s helper? New couples are not ashamed of hinting. Almost two-thirds or 63% of participants are guilty of dropping hints about what they want for the holidays. The survey found that 28% peek and look for their gifts, while 72% wait until the holiday to open their gift. “Keep in mind that there are many ways to save on all types of gifts this holiday season all while making a good first impression,” Rebecca Gramuglia, personal finance and shopping expert at TopCashback.com, said. “And guess what? Being smart with your finances is pretty attractive, too.” Submitted by TopCashback.com.

overpower the cake-like muffin. What’s a coffee shop without coffee? The fresh-brewed coffee that lures customers to this corner coffee house is an organic and fair trade product called Klatch Coffee. Because of its elite designation, this coffee is more expensive for the owners. Pastor Greg Coppock of SonRise explained, “It is the right thing to do even though it is expensive.” The purchase of the coffee house is not something that SonRise Christian Fellowship took lightly. When the establishment was offered for sale, the church decided to step out in faith and purchase it. Their goal was to offer a place that would shine brightly with hospitality. That goal is met every day, not only by the employees, but also by the customers. For example, one of the baristas had her car stolen (from another location) and, when some of the customers found out about it, they helped her buy a new car. “It is an outreach ministry of our church – we never want to lose sight of the hospitality,” explained Coppock. The church gives back to the

community in “creative and impactful ways.” One of those “ways” is to provide gift baskets and other raffle or silent auction items for local organizations. “Now that God has gotten us here, we need to be the best stewards of what God has given us,” Coppock noted. “We feel that our church is called to do this – we are at the corner of Mission and Fallbrook – Mission Fallbrook,” said Coppock. “Our greatest reward is seeing relationships starting, growing and flourishing.” Recently, the coffee shop hosted a concert that was scheduled for the patio area, but on the concert day it was cold and raining, so they moved the crowd inside. Coppock related, “It was a bit cramped, but when I drove up the street, I could see the glow from the inside and hear people singing Christmas music together. That moment for me was a nugget of encouragement – to keep doing what we are doing.” Fallbrook Coffee Company is located at 622 S. Mission Road. Find them on the web at <http://www.fallbrookcoffee.co>.

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# The Goat and Vine to move locations, The Nightingale to close



The Goat and Vine will move into the building that currently houses The Nightingale restaurant also owned by the Trevithick family.



According to owner Brad Trevithick, it didn't take long for The Goat and Vine to outgrow its space.

**Jeff Pack**  
Staff Writer

One of Old Town Temecula's hottest dining locations will be closing its doors. But devotees of The Goat and Vine shouldn't worry; they will reopen, bigger and better than ever, owner Brad Trevithick said.

The restaurant, which boasts a stone hearth kitchen, crafts gourmet pizzas, rustic bread for sandwiches, salads, appetizers and serves craft beer and wine. It will move into the space currently occupied by another Trevithick restaurant, The Nightingale, located at 41923 Second Street inside the Truax building.

"We outgrew and overwhelmed the space on Fifth and Mercedes streets a long time ago," Trevithick said. "It lacks the infrastructure we need to operate at our best. We de-

sire a better work environment for our team and the ability to serve our community better."

There was another issue at hand. "Our lease expired and was up for renewal," Trevithick said. "Our landlord wanted to increase rent to a level that didn't work for us. Although we've known for a while now that we need to move, this is the catalyst that has caused the timing. We feel fortunate that we have a space ready to go that can allow for a quick transition."

Trevithick didn't indicate when the two restaurants would close for the transition, but he did say that he hopes to have The Goat and Vine back open and ready for business by Feb. 1, 2020.

"The menu will stay the exactly same; however, we will have a full bar now," he said. "We're working on a cocktail menu currently that

will compliment the food. Additionally, we do believe the increased space will allow us to accommodate larger parties and more locals."

The announcement was made on Facebook Wednesday, Dec. 11, and highlighted some more the changes to include more booth seating, more restrooms and more convenient to-go ordering.

As much as Trevithick said he is excited for the future of The Goat and Vine, he shared regret in having to close The Nightingale.

"As much as we love that concept, and it has been doing well, ultimately it's going to be a very long play to build that business," he said. "The space has the infrastructure and size that we need to bring the much-needed change to The Goat and Vine."

"We're very proud of what we accomplished with The Nightingale concept. And we are very thankful to the loyal customers that supported us and showed us so



The Nightingale will close permanently in 2020.

much love," he said. "We believe it fulfilled its goals of raising the bar in Temecula and challenging us to grow and strengthen our talents."

Trevithick said he hopes fans of The Nightingale will understand and support The Goat and Vine.

"One thing we have learned is this is a very fluid business and you must be ready for change and action," he said. "You never know what our next move will be."

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## Craft Brewing Co. launches Oh, Christmas Tree Triple IPA just in time for holidays

**Jeff Pack**  
Staff Writer

Kirk Madeiros isn't a very good gift giver. Or is he?

As the story goes, he gifted his son a spruce tree for the yard at his house, but less than a year later, the owner of Craft Brewing Company was back to take half of the tree away.

However, it was for a good cause – the brewery recently released its Oh, Christmas Tree Triple IPA.

"We took half the branches from

it and we put it in the boil to get the piney-ness," Madeiros said. "Cinnamon, vanilla, peppermint, juniper berry – it's all in it, but when you drink it, it tastes like Christmas. It makes you want to put a Christmas tree and do decorations."

The concoction was created by Craft Brewing Co.'s brewmaster, Jacob Mitchell.

"Last year when he told me about it, I said, 'It's a triple IPA and you want to do what?'" Madeiros said. "I thought, 'Ah man, that just doesn't sound right.' He said,



Craft Brewing Company recently released its Oh, Christmas Tree Triple IPA, which they say tastes like Christmas – in beer form, of course.



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"Naw, it tastes really good."

Madeiros decided that he hired Mitchell for a reason so he sent him on his way. Madeiros said the new brew turned out good last year, but this year, they made some adjustments and he loves the way it turned out.

"It's phenomenal now," Madeiros said.

Craft Brewing Co. started with four home brewers that shared a passion for making great beers. Over the years, some of the partners left the business for different reasons, and in 2017, the Madeiros family became the sole owners of the company.

Craft Brewing Co. has two tasting rooms. The original is at 530 Crane Street in Lake Elsinore and their second is a Old Town Temecula location at 41955 Fourth Street in Temecula.

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

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# Craft beer lovers scour old town at Ugly Sweater Beer Crawl



A group enjoys their visit to Craft Brewing Company during the Ugly Sweater Beer Crawl in Old Town Temecula Saturday, Dec. 14.

Valley News/Jeff Pack photos



This group was a full participant in the Ugly Sweater Beer Crawl in Old Town Temecula during a visit to Ironfire Brewing.



The bar at Craft Brewing Company was full of guests during the Ugly Sweater Beer Crawl in Old Town Temecula.



These two were in the spirit at the Ugly Sweater Beer Crawl in Old Town Temecula.



This group was dining and drinking at Crush and Brew during the Ugly Sweater Beer Crawl in Old Town Temecula.

Jeff Pack  
Staff Writer

Hundreds of fans of craft beers took to the streets of Old Town Temecula Saturday, Dec. 14, while participating in the Ugly Sweater Beer Crawl.

Participants enjoyed the latest releases from each of the breweries that participated – Craft Brewing Company, Stone Church Brewing and Ironfire Brewing – and dining on offerings from Crush and Brew as well as enjoying the beers the restaurant had on tap.

At the end of the evening, participants that filled out their cards were entered into a raffle at Craft Brewing with prizes from each of the participating breweries and restaurants.

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# Wine Country Events Calendar

FRIDAY, DEC. 20	
11 a.m. to 5 p.m.	Craft Faire, Maurice Car'rie Winery
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, Astra Kelly, Cougar Vineyard and Winery
6-8 p.m.	Winter Shopping Event, Danza del Sol Winery
6-9 p.m.	Live Music, Michael LeClerc, Avensole Winery
6-9 p.m.	Live Music, Mickie Arnett, Miramonte Winery
6-9 p.m.	Live Music, Alex and Esther, Lorimar Winery in Old Town Temecula
6-10 p.m.	Live Music, Get Down Party, Bel Vino Winery
7-9 p.m.	Smoke and Vine: an evening of cigars and wine, Lorimar Winery
SATURDAY, DEC. 21	
11 a.m. to 5 p.m.	Craft Faire, Maurice Car'rie Winery
Noon to 4 p.m.	Live Music, Full Effect, Bel Vino Winery
Noon to 4 p.m.	Live Music, George and Grace, Masia de la Vinya
12:30-3 p.m.	Live Music, Charles Sacayan, Carol's Restaurant at Baily Winery
1-4 p.m.	Live Music, Robert Simon, Avensole Winery
1-5 p.m.	Live Music, Wayne Trabelsi, Fazeli Cellars
1-5 p.m.	Live Music, StereoFlux, Danza del Sol Winery
3:30-5:30 p.m.	Happy Hour, Vineyard Rose, South Coast Winery
5-9 p.m.	Holiday Party, Travis Daggett, Masia de la Vinya
6-9 p.m.	Live Music, The Counterfeits, Miramonte Winery
6-9 p.m.	Live Music, Gil Guillen, Avensole Winery
6-9 p.m.	Live Music, We Belong: tribute to Pat Bentar and Neil Giraldo, Lorimar Winery
6-9 p.m.	Live Music, Roadhouse Brothers, Lorimar Winery in Old Town Temecula
SUNDAY, DEC. 22	
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 Baily Winery
Noon to 4 p.m.	Live Music, Mockery, Bel Vino Winery
1-4 p.m.	Live Music, Michael SG, Europa Village
1-4 p.m.	Live Music, Rocky J. Norris, Avensole Winery
1-4 p.m.	Live Music, Bad Chemistry, Lorimar Winery
1-5 p.m.	Live Music, Eric French, Fazeli Cellars
1-5 p.m.	Live Music, Corey Clark, Danza del Sol Winery
2-5 p.m.	Live Music, Don Brennan, Cougar Vineyard and Winery
3:30-5:30 p.m.	Happy Hour, South Coast Winery
3-6 p.m.	Live Music, Kevin and Elanna, Lorimar Winery in Old Town Temecula
5:30-8:30 p.m.	Hanakkah Celebration, Lorimar Winery
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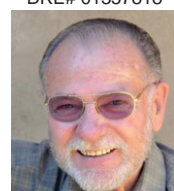
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