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LOCAL

Issa sits down with Village News

Discusses Government Oversight investigations, impeachment, the Horowitz Report, and the killing of Suleimani

Julie Reeder  
Publisher

Darrell Issa served coastal San Diego and Orange counties for almost two decades in the U.S. House of Representatives, first in California's 48th Congressional District, then in the 49th after redistricting. Issa, a Republican, did not seek reelection in 2018, and his former district flipped to Democrat Mike Levin that year. But with Rep. Duncan Hunter's conviction of a federal corruption charge and resignation from the House of Representatives, Issa has chosen to run in Hunter's 50th Congressional District.

His main opponents are radio talk show host and fellow Republican Carl DeMaio, and Democrat Ammar Campa-Najjar, who narrowly lost to Hunter in 2018 while he was still facing a trial.

You used to represent the 49th Congressional District, although you have previously represented parts of what are now the 50th. What are your ties to this district?

I started my business when I came back to California in 1985 from Cleveland. My first facility for many years was in San Marcos. Many of my former employees were from San Marcos to Escondido all the way up to Temecula. And that's one of the things about this district, is it's two-thirds North County.

So, for most of my career, I represented Fallbrook, Bonsall — where I have a house and you know, my current residence — and Temecula, all the way up to Perris. And that's the strange thing about the debate that's going on. I've represented more of this district for longer than anybody else and I'm tied to this district.

The economy of two-thirds

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Chenier, Wallace, Trinidad, Guzman honored as students of the month

Jeff Pack  
Staff Writer

Fallbrook Union High School's Julian Chenier, Zurisadai Trinidad, and Sophia Wallace, along with Ivy High School's Daniela Guzman were honored at the Student of the Month breakfast Thursday, Jan. 9, at North Coast Church.

Chenier was honored having been nominated by Colette Hill and Marin Pinnell.

"I have been blessed to have Julian share his heart with me for two years," Pinnell said. "He's just such a wonderful young man, he's so caring. He still comes by to say hello to me and check in with me to see how I'm doing. I'm going to miss him dearly."

Chenier's father talked about how the blended family considers itself a community.

"He is truly, truly about community, he's truly about selflessness and that's really what you're going to need as you

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Daniela Guzman, Sophia Wallace, Zurisadai Trinidad, and Julian Chenier were honored during the Students of the Month breakfast at North Coast Church on Thursday, Jan. 9.

Jeff Pack photo

Republican Rep. Duncan Hunter resigns after corruption conviction



Hunter submitted his resignation Tuesday, Jan. 7, 2020, effective Jan. 13, after pleading guilty to a corruption charge, leaving one of the Republican's few remaining House seats in heavily Democratic California.

Julie Watson  
The Associated Press

Republican U.S. Rep. Duncan D. Hunter submitted his resignation Tuesday, Jan. 7, one month after pleading guilty to a corruption charge, leaving vacant one of the Republican Party's few remaining House seats in heavily Democratic California.

Hunter's departure, effective

Jan. 13, ends his family's political dynasty in which he and his father, Duncan L. Hunter, represented the San Diego County district for nearly 30 years. The combat Marine veteran — a staunch supporter of President Donald Trump — served 11 years in Congress.

His two-page letter of resignation — one version addressed to House

see RESIGNS, page A-7

US Border Patrol seizes meth haul in Rainbow



This photo released by U.S. Customs and Border Protection shows some of more than \$190,000 worth of methamphetamine concealed in a vehicle in Rainbow.

RAINBOW (AP) — A U.S. Border Patrol dog sniffed out more than \$190,000 worth of methamphetamine concealed in a vehicle, the agency said.

An agent patrolling Interstate 15 followed a suspicious vehicle Friday, Jan. 10, as it exited onto Route 395 and parked at a gas station in Rainbow, south of Temecula, the agency said in a statement Monday, Jan. 13.

The dog alerted to the vehicle as the agent spoke to the driver and a detailed inspection found more than 100 pounds (45.3 kilograms) of meth in 96 packages inside the gas tank, spare tire and quarter panels of the Ford Explorer, the Border Patrol said.

The driver, only identified as a 34-year-old U.S. citizen, was arrested.

The Border Patrol said its San Diego sector agents have seized more than 1,044 pounds of meth since Oct. 1, 2019.

Warrior girls water polo



Spanish foreign exchange student Aina Piza-Serra takes a shot attempt for the Lady Warriors in the game against the San Pasqual Eagles. See story and more photos on page D-2.

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# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## Aging and Independence Services to host community forums

**Katie Cadiao**  
San Diego County Communications Office

The San Diego County’s Aging and Independence Services department is inviting older adults, caregivers and persons with disabilities to share their needs during a series of public forums in the coming weeks.

Feedback from the community will be used to plan and develop federally and state-funded programs. In addition, the feedback will be used to help the county with its implementation of the Aging Roadmap, the region’s vision and framework to support healthy aging.

Those attending the forums will have the opportunity to participate in interactive focus group discussions and provide feedback via a questionnaire. Refreshments and opportunity drawings will be offered.

The public feedback forums are being held throughout the region and



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one of the sessions will be offered in Spanish. For more information or to RSVP, visit [www.aisevents.org](http://www.aisevents.org).

**Public Feedback Forums**  
**1 p.m., Friday, Jan. 17** – Gary & Mary West Senior Wellness Center, 1525 Fourth Ave., in San Diego  
**10:30 a.m., Tuesday, Jan. 21** –

Escondido Public Library, 239 S. Kalmia St., in Escondido  
**9 a.m., Wednesday, Jan. 22** – George Stevens Senior Center, 570 S. 65th St., in San Diego  
**10:30 a.m., Friday, Jan. 24** – Casa Familiar, 119 W. Hall Ave., in San Ysidro. This session will be conducted in Spanish.

## Library to offer citizenship classes

FALLBROOK – In association with the San Diego County Library, the Fallbrook Library will hold a series of free 10-week citizenship classes for those wishing to prepare for U.S. citizenship.

Classes will begin Tuesday, Jan. 21, and run through Tuesday,

March 24. The classes will be held every Tuesday from 6-8 p.m. and every Saturday from 3-5 p.m.

Attendees will practice for the citizenship test with trained library staff and learn about the process to apply for citizenship. They will also receive free help from an

accredited immigration specialist.

Classes are held in partnership with Jewish Family Services San Diego, a core partner in the San Diego Rapid Response Network. The network is a coalition of human rights and service organizations, attorneys and community leaders dedicated to aiding immigrants and their families in the San Diego border region.

Visit [www.sdccl.org](http://www.sdccl.org) for dates and times for the classes at other county library branches.

Registration is required to attend and sign up must be completed by Saturday, Feb. 1. Register by calling Fallbrook Library staff member Irma Pena at (760) 731-4650 or by emailing [irma.pena@sdcounty.ca.gov](mailto:irma.pena@sdcounty.ca.gov).

The library is located at 124 S. Mission Road in Fallbrook.

*Submitted by Friends of the Fallbrook Library.*

## Dai Dang Zen Monastery to host blood drive

BONSALL – Dai Dang Zen Monastery is hosting a blood drive in partnership with the San Diego Blood Bank Saturday, Jan. 25, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. in their parking lot at 6326 Camino Del Rey, in Bonsall.

Anyone 17 and older, who weighs at least 114 pounds and is in good health may be eligible to donate blood. A good meal and plenty of fluids are recommended

before donation.

All donors must show picture identification. Donors are encouraged to schedule an appointment to donate, but walk-ins are welcome.

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

*Submitted by San Diego Blood Bank.*

## Dog training class to start Jan. 22

FALLBROOK – If anyone is looking for a dog training group class, they can join Rick Williams for his Basic Dog Obedience classes. He offers a friendly, fun and safe environment for both humans and their four-legged friends at the Fallbrook Community Center, starting Jan.

22 at 6 p.m.

The first class is a dog-free orientation. Hands-on training will begin Saturday, Jan. 25, at 9 a.m.

To register, call the community center, (760) 728-1671. For questions, call Williams, (760) 728-1292.

*Submitted by Rick Williams.*

## Chorale calls all community singers

FALLBROOK – The Fallbrook Chorale is starting rehearsals for its upcoming fundraisers, the Dinner Show and Spring Concert, and invites new singers to join the group.

The Dinner Show is entitled “Fallbrook Joe and the Magic Caboose” and will be held Saturday, March 28. It’s an original story featuring the Caboose in downtown Fallbrook and lots of fun songs, including some surfing music. Tickets will be available soon.

The Spring Concert is entitled “Music of the Masters” and will be held Saturday, May 30. This concert will include several pieces from John Rutter, including “All Things Bright and Beautiful,” and music from Randall Thompson,

including “Frostiana” and “Choose Something Like a Star.” Also included will be several “Alleluias” by different composers and, in honor of his 250th birthday, Beethoven’s “Hallelujah.”

Anyone interested in joining is invited to call or email for further information, (760) 390-9726 or [fallbrookchorale@gmail.com](mailto:fallbrookchorale@gmail.com). This season’s first rehearsal will be Tuesday, Feb. 4, at 7 p.m. at the Fallbrook Community Baptist Church, 731 S Stage Coach Lane.

New people should come at 6:30 p.m. to register, pick up their music, meet the director and sing a few scales for part placement. The Fallbrook Chorale is a nonprofit organization.

*Submitted by Fallbrook Chorale.*

**CORRECTION:** The article entitled “Planning Group to vote on School of the Arts murals, Sandia Creek Drive gates” incorrectly stated the Fallbrook Community Planning Group would be taking up a vote on a proposal to put gates in place on the private portion of Sandia Creek Drive in De Luz. That item was on a preliminary agenda, but was removed from the final agenda after Village News’ print deadline. Village News regrets the error.

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

**Jan. 31** – 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. – Fallbrook Woman’s Club will be holding its bi-annual “Mahjong with Friends” event at the clubhouse, 238 W. Mission Road. Doors open at 11:15. Entrance fee is \$20. Lunch will be served and raffles will be conducted after the game. To sign-up, contact Lee Johnson, [leejohnson512@gmail.com](mailto:leejohnson512@gmail.com) or (760) 723-8286.


**Feb. 15** – 8:30-10:30 a.m. – The Keeping Fallbrook Litter Free Group Cleanup will be held at Santa Margarita River Hiking Trail and surrounding area. Directions:

DeLuz Rd north to Sandia Creek Drive. Continue on Sandia Creek Drive to the Santa Margarita River and the trailhead is on the right. RSVP to Marta Donovan (760) 405-4054.

**March 28** – TBA – Fallbrook Chorale presents its Dinner Show – “Fallbrook Joe and the Magic Caboose,” an original story featuring the Caboose in downtown Fallbrook and lots of fun songs, including some surfing music! Tickets will be available soon.

**May 30** – TBA – The Fallbrook Chorale’s Spring Concert will present “Music of the Masters” with several pieces from John Rutter, Randall Thompson, Beethoven’s “Hallelujah.” More information will be coming.

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OPINION

Shower or laundry?



Assemblymember Marie Waldron  
AD-75 (R)

In 2018 former Gov. Jerry Brown signed two bills which will have a major impact on water use in our state. Assembly Bill 1668 and Senate Bill 606, which I opposed, created stringent water use mandates for all Californians. One regulation involves a 55 gallon per day indoor water use

limit. Contrary to some news reports, it is not an individual mandate. No one will be told they can't take a shower or do laundry on the same day. The 55-gallon mandate requires water suppliers to meet that standard over the entire agency. Penalties for violations of these standards will fall directly on the agency, not individual customers. Even so, ratepayers will be heavily impacted. Penalties of up to \$1,000 per day that are assessed against water agencies will be passed on to all water ratepayers in the district. Conservation measures forced on the agency will also directly impact its customers. Additional standards for outdoor water use, based on vegetation, climate and other factors, will eventually be determined by the State Water Resources Control Board. No doubt those standards will also involve new penalties and restrictions. This legislation's stated purpose was to "make conservation a way of life," even during wet

years when trillions of gallons are flowing out to sea. But a top-down, Sacramento-imposed water mandate is totally unnecessary. Why have we spent billions locally to divorce ourselves from Northern California water if we're going to be subjected to the same penalties and restrictions as other regions that have made no effort to conserve? Individuals using more than 55 gallons a day are not causing a water shortage. Lack of political will to build new reservoirs, aqueducts, recycling is the real culprit. Californians should not be punished for the lack of common sense in Sacramento. 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.

Don't play the waiting game

We all know it. We all do it. Almost every day. "No!" you say? Ha! Recently you and I waited for Santa Claus. "No!" again? You're joshing me! Have you forgotten him? Deleted Santa from your "friends" list? Why, would you do such a naughty thing? OK. I know. Your computer crashed and hasn't recovered its little "ones" and "zeros" yet. "No!" a third time? Ahhh. Now I have it. You grew up. Well, I have just one word for you: "Bal-der-dash!" with a capital "B" that rhymes with "me." And Santa? I know him personally. Every year, we share cookies and tea and have animated discussions about what's up with humanity. Neither of us understands why mankind won't celebrate Christmas all the time: the spirit, the joy, the love and good cheer; every day, every month, every year after year. Instead, they let the "waiting game" occupy them – and interfere. Don't they realize Christmas is a "state of mind" and not some prosaic day of the year? Christmas reminds me to remember everyone and everything that makes me smile, laugh or sing; and when my toes begin to twitch – I dance to the music: ring-a-ding-swing! I stop. I look around, enjoying every sight and sound; smiling at critters large or small, crawling, flying, jumping up, falling down, splashing in every ocean and lake, wailing sounds only animals make. And plants? They feed everyone, delighting our senses with flowers and air, to give us a break from the "waiting game" we might mistake for living. And Santa? He embodies the spirit of Christmases past, present and future; reminding us to participate in the goodness, kindness and generosity that

resides in us all while time rushes past. We all wait for a smile, for a laugh, for love, respect and the opportunity to share them back with others. So, never forget Santa Claus. After all, he is the Spirit of Christmas. Happy holidays to everyone, everywhere, every day, every month, every year after year. S.L. Schiefer

\$90 Million for bike lanes!?



Supervisor Jim Desmond  
Fifth District

This past Friday, common sense went out the window. At a meeting to determine the future of transportation dollars, the SANDAG Board of Directors voted to allocate \$90 million for bike lanes in San Diego County. While I like bikes, most people use them recreationally. Despite less than 1% of San Diegans using bikes as their primary transportation, bike lanes are being built around San Diego County at \$5.5 million per mile! Meanwhile, we've been told by SANDAG's staff that there is not enough money to pay for highway/

road improvement projects. These bike lanes are not helping our young families or the businesses that rely on our roads. Families are not using bike lanes to get to work, school or the doctor. Kids are not sitting on the back of their parents' bikes to go to soccer practice. Our priorities should not be building bike lanes for the few at \$5.5 million per mile, but improving our highways for the many. Far too often the downtown bureaucrats overlook the needs of North and East County. We owe it to our young families, our thriving businesses, communities, and the millions of San Diegans that use our highways and roads.

Re: 'Pro-Life is a killer'[Village News, Terrell Letter, 1/9/20]

This is my last rebuttal to this issue as it has become tired now and it's time to move on to more important issues like the Dog & Pony show over a fake impeachment proceeding. 1. While the CDC website is an interesting read on the subject it is not a good case for abortion. Read for yourself. They also factor in SID babies who are born just fine, so the numbers are skewed. 2. & 3. I witnessed the interview with Margaret Sanger's son and believe what he states...why would he lie? So calling it false doesn't make it so. Eugenics is the science of improving a human population by controlled breeding. Abortion is one way of controlling breeding in minority areas where she chose to set up office. Sanger advocated for it along with other methods that are more human than murder of an innocent life. There are many contraception devices, so pick one

of them and take responsibility for the action you engage in. 4. You are way off base on the emotional and mental problems abortion causes. As you say....89% had regret. Most times with regret comes guilt. A person will always justify their decisions even when guilt does set in.... it helps them get rid of the guilt. "It was the right decision to make." You have to have a conscience about it in order to feel remorse or guilt. Not everyone demonstrates this characteristic. It is each woman's decision to make that moral judgement for themselves. 5. I didn't say abstinence wasn't currently being taught so let's not twist my words. (re-read my letter). Why is saying no to premarital sex ridiculous? This is what I am talking about when you laugh at the thought of it even being mentioned in a sex education class. Restraint is a valuable learned lesson. Parents should be talking

to their children about lustful feelings and what happens with their hormones. Waiting to have sex when older and can understand the consequences of it should be taught, not just doing what feels good! We are not animals or barbarians even if abortion is barbaric in this day and age when there are other viable choices. Pick one! Children under the age of 18 are having all kinds of sex when they should be getting an education that will set the stage for their life. Not wearing different colored bracelets to show what kind of sex they will perform on you. Talk about cheapened life ... I just read an article about a teenager who murdered his cheerleader girlfriend who waited too late to have an abortion so he murdered her and his baby! I guess life is cheap.

Diana Miller

Fitness Fusion inspires

A record number of fitness-seeking ladies showed up at the Fallbrook Community Center Monday, Jan. 6, which is Twelfth Night, for Ann Wade's "Fitness Fusion" class and all thoroughly enjoyed the fun social hour after a two-week holiday break. I think all 24 attendees congratulated ourselves on making regular attendance at this fun class one of our most important New Year's resolutions. As always, Ann had lots of encouraging words for us to digest as we worked our way through dance routines and exercises. A suggestion that particularly inspired me was: "What age would you really like yourself to be instead of your current age?" My little gray cells went into action, and I decided to simply reverse my current age, and become 18 all over again. Thank you, Ann, for helping us all accentuate the positive as we step boldly into a new decade. Sue Thorne

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# Top baby names in San Diego County in 2019 and past decade

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

The San Diego County Health and Human Services Agency records all births in the region. The county saw 36,591 babies born in the region in 2019: 18,633 boys and 17,958 girls. Figures for

2019 are preliminary. In the past decade, 425,175 babies were born in San Diego County: 217,801 boys and 207,372 girls. Below are the top baby names parents chose in 2019 and the past decade. See which ones topped the list in 2018 and how they ranked in 2017.

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## Most Popular Boy Names

San Diego County-2019



1. Liam	199
2. Noah	188
3. Oliver	174
Sebastian	174
5. Mateo	159
6. Ethan	155
7. Alexander	149
8. Lucas	137
9. Benjamin	136
10. Julian	135

## Most Popular Girl Names

San Diego County-2019



1. Olivia	243
2. Emma	212
3. Camila	179
4. Mia	176
5. Isabella	169
6. Sophia	163
7. Charlotte	138
8. Luna	133
Sofia	133
10. Amelia	124
Victoria	124

## Most Popular Boy Names for Decade

San Diego County: 2010-2019



1. Noah	2,076
2. Alexander	1,978
3. Daniel	1,924
4. Liam	1,914
5. Jacob	1,888
6. Ethan	1,832
7. Sebastian	1,750
8. Benjamin	1,593
9. David	1,514
10. Logan	1,468

## Most Popular Girl Names for Decade

San Diego County: 2010-2019



1. Sophia	2,496
2. Isabella	2,455
3. Mia	2,284
4. Emma	2,270
5. Olivia	2,154
6. Sofia	1,591
7. Emily	1,530
8. Ava	1,397
9. Camila	1,326
10. Victoria	1,288

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# Fire chief offers a year in review

**Chief Stephen Abbott**  
*North County Fire Protection District*

For many reasons, 2019 proved to be a bellwether year for the North County Fire Protection District. With the advent of heavy rains, we actually had more vegetation fires than in previous years due to the presence of light flashy fuels. Notwithstanding the wetting rains increased live fuel moisture such that those fires by-and-large did not get out of control throughout the state. By the same token, with

the repealing of the individual mandate for health insurance, many people chose to drop their coverage. As a result, there was no significant increase in the number of emergency medical responses over the prior year. As a side note, California has instituted a mandate for individual health insurance coverage which was effective Jan.1, so if residents fall into this category it would be advisable to look at obtaining health insurance once again. Across the region, the San Diego North Zone implemented a medical director position and will

be looking toward 911 “call triage” and “priority medical dispatch,” which is basically a way to make the 911 system more efficient. Within the North Zone, all fire agencies adopted a uniform records management system to streamline data mining and information sharing. A similar effort is occurring with fire inspection software, specifically to streamline abatement of weed and brush hazards. The fire district expanded its joint powers agreement with the Fallbrook Regional Health District, which is now providing

substantial support toward a medical services officer and a social media specialist position. The purpose of this arrangement is to augment quality assurance and community outreach as we embark on community paramedicine, a concept that residents will hear more about in the months and years to come. Around the county, the board of supervisors awarded the fire district a grant for wellness equipment, which will enhance the fire district’s employee wellness initiatives. Early in the year, the district’s board transitioned future elections

from elections at large to zone-based elections. As a result, there will be two vacancies created during the upcoming 2020 general election cycle. Last but certainly not least, the district pursued Proposition A to address its aging infrastructure. As that measure was unsuccessful, we will be initiating a strategic planning process to come up with other means of recovering costs and creating further efficiencies. Rest assured, we want to do everything possible to avoid any reduction in the levels of service.

# Lady Prancealot, Mo Forza, Laura’s Light, Texas Wedge win stakes races during first week of Santa Anita meet

**Joe Naiman**  
*Village News Correspondent*

Four horses stabled at the San Luis Rey Training Center when they are not racing won stakes races during the first week of the Santa Anita Park winter meet. Lady Prancealot won the Dec. 28 American Oaks stakes, Mo Forza took first place in the Mathis Brothers Mile Stakes Dec. 28, Laura’s Light finished the Dec. 29 Blue Norther Stakes in first place, and Texas Wedge won the Jan. 1 Joe Hernandez Stakes.

Peter Miller trains Mo Forza, Laura’s Light and Texas Wedge. Richard Baltas is the trainer of Lady Prancealot. The American Oaks is a Grade 1 stakes race for 3-year-old fillies. The 1 1/4-mile race was held on Santa Anita’s turf course, and eight horses completed Dec. 28. “I think it was the highlight of a great year with that filly,” Baltas said.

“American Oaks is a Grade 1 race, which is extremely hard to win,” Baltas said. “We got a really good ride from Joe Bravo and she got the job done.” Bravo normally rides at East Coast and Kentucky tracks.

“Joe Bravo came out here to ride her. He got her to settle really nice,” Baltas said. Bravo and Lady Prancealot were sixth after a quarter of a mile although only 4 1/2 lengths in back of leader So Much Happy. Half a mile into the race Bravo and Lady Prancealot were still sixth and 4 1/4 lengths behind So Much Happy, who led for the first mile of the race.

Bravo and Lady Prancealot were sixth after three-quarters of a mile and after 1 mile but were 3 1/2 lengths behind So Much Happy three-quarters of a mile into the race and 2 3/4 lengths in back of the leader after completing 1 mile.

As the horses entered the stretch Mucho Unusual was in the lead and was a head in front of second-place Vibrance, who led Lady Prancealot by half a length. Lady Prancealot had a one-length lead over fourth-place Apache Princess. Bravo made his move in the stretch.

“He had a decision to make at the top of the lane,” Baltas said. “He chose to go through a very small hole. She’s a small filly herself and she was willing.”

Macho Unusual and jockey Joel Rosario settled for second, half a length in back of Lady Prancealot. The winning time for Lady Prancealot was 2:01.70.

“Came out of the race really good, so extremely happy with her,” Baltas said.

The race was Lady Prancealot’s fifth win in 17 career starts and her fourth win in eight 2019 starts. The \$180,000 first-place share of the total \$300,000 purse brought Lady Prancealot’s career earnings to \$547,841.

“She’s just overachieved since we’ve had her,” Baltas said. “She’s brought us a lot of joy.”

The American Oaks was the third Grade 1 stakes race for Lady Prancealot. As a 2-year-old she finished last among the 14 horses in the 2018 Breeders’ Cup Juvenile Fillies Turf race at Churchill Downs. She was the third horse across the finish line in the 2019 Del Mar Oaks stakes race Aug. 17 at the Del Mar Thoroughbred Club.

Before her American Oaks victory, the most recent race for Lady Prancealot was the Grace 3 Pin Oak Valley View Stakes at the Keeneland track in Lexington, Kentucky, Oct. 18; she won that 1 1/16-mile race by three-quarters of a length. As a 2-year-old Lady Prancealot ran the 2018 Blue Norther Stakes and finished fourth.

“She seemed to really thrive at San Luis Rey, and my crew there did an awesome job with her,” Baltas said.

Lady Prancealot was sired by Sir Prancealot out of Naqrah and foaled in Ireland Feb. 9, 2016.

“She lays it down every time she runs,” Baltas said.

Her next race is to be determined. “I don’t try to plan the whole year,” Baltas said. “We just want to enjoy it and take our time.”

A March race is likely. “I want to give her a little break,” Baltas said. “She seems to do better with two months between races.”

Mo Forza was one of 11 horses

in the Grade 2 Mathis Brothers Mile Stakes, a one-mile contest on the turf for 3-year-olds. Rosario was Mo Forza’s jockey.

Rosario and Mo Forza broke 10th, and after a quarter of a mile they were in ninth place although only nine lengths in back of leader Never Easy.

“We thought we’d be up a little bit closer, but he didn’t break that well and the pace was fast and Joel took him to the back,” Miller said.

Rosario and Mo Forza were also in ninth place after half a mile but had closed the gap to 4 1/4 lengths.

Never Easy also led at the 3/4-mile point but only by a head over Neptune’s Storm, which is trained by Baltas but is based at Santa Anita. Mo Forza was third, half a length behind Neptune’s Storm and a length ahead of fourth-place Ocean Fury.

When Mo Forza crossed the finish line 1:34.26 after the start of the race he was 1 1/4 lengths in front of second-place Originaire and 2 3/4 lengths ahead of third-place Neptune’s Storm.

“The horse ran very well, had a very wide trip,” Miller said of Mo Forza. “Very pleased with the performance.”

The Mathis Brothers Mile victory was the fourth career win and fourth consecutive first-place finish for the horse who began his racing career in August, and the \$120,000 winner’s share of the \$300,000 total purse brought his career earnings to \$499,460 for his nine races. Mo Forza’s previous race was the Grade 1 Hollywood Derby stakes race, Nov. 30, at Del Mar.

Uncle Mo sired Mo Forza out of Unusual Heat. Mo Forza was foaled in Kentucky April 5, 2016. The Grade 1 Pegasus World Cup Turf race, Jan. 25, at Gulfstream Park in Florida will likely be Mo Forza’s next race.

The Blue Norther Stakes is an ungraded stakes race for 2-year-old fillies. The one-mile turf competition, Dec. 29, had nine horses. Laura’s Light was ridden by Abel Cedillo.

Miller told Cedillo to take the lead early if the situation warranted and to wait if that was the more appropriate option.

“Kind of left it up to Abel,” Miller said.

Cedillo and Laura’s Light broke third and moved into the lead shortly afterward. They reached the quarter-mile point 23.73 seconds into the race and held a half-length lead over second-place Blue Sky Baby.

The first half-mile took Cedillo and Laura’s Light 47.54 seconds and they had a 1 1/2 lead over Blue Sky Baby, who remained in second. Blue Sky Baby was still in second after three-quarters of a mile and had closed the lead to one length; Cedillo and Laura’s Light needed 1:11.72 from the start of the race to reach that point.

Laura’s Light entered the stretch 1:23.52 after the starter’s gate was opened. The lead over Blue Sky Baby had been increased to two lengths, and Cedillo and Laura’s Light were 2 1/2 lengths in front of third-place Parkour.

When Cedillo and Laura’s Light crossed the finish line they were 3 1/4 lengths in front of second-place Croughavouke. The winning time was 1:35.18.

“She took it to him (Cedillo) and finished up strong,” Miller said.

The race was the third for Laura’s Light and her second career victory. She won her first career race Nov. 2 at the Golden Gate Fields track in Northern California and finished second in the Grade 3 Jimmy Durante Stakes race, Nov. 30, at Del Mar.

Laura’s Light earned \$49,320 for her first-place finish to bring her total earnings to \$87,320. She did not qualify for the bonus for California-bred horses as she was foaled in Kentucky March 15, 2017. She was sired by Constitution out of Light of a Star. Miller and owner Gary Barber have not yet determined the next race for Laura’s Light.

All horses are considered to have a Jan. 1 birthday regardless of the date they were actually foaled, so Texas Wedge was a 5-year-old Jan. 1 when he ran in the Grade 2 Joe Hernandez Stakes for 4-year-olds and upward. The 5 1/2-furlong turf sprint had 10 horses.

Texas Wedge and jockey Flavien Prat broke second and were fifth

after a quarter of a mile, 2 1/4 lengths in back of leader Bay Muzik. After three-eighths of a mile Prat and Texas Wedge were in fourth and four lengths behind Bay Muzik, who was still in the lead.

“He got dropped a little bit early in the race but after that had a good trip, got a good ride and ran one of the best races,” Miller said.

Bay Muzik held the lead entering the stretch and was a length in front of Captain Scotty, who was half a length ahead of Texas Wedge. Grinning Tiger was in fourth place and trailed Texas Wedge by two lengths.

Prat and Texas Wedge took the lead during the stretch. They finished three-quarters of a length in front of second-place Double Touch and completed the race in 1:02.47.

“He’s a very solid, hard-knocking horse,” Miller said.

The Joe Hernandez Stakes win was the fifth career victory for Texas Wedge in 13 starts and it was his first stakes win in five career stakes races. His previous win Nov. 1 was at Kentucky’s Churchill Downs track, so the Joe Hernandez Stakes was Texas Wedge’s first California victory since the 2017 Del Mar Thoroughbred Club fall meet.

Before the Joe Hernandez Stakes race Texas Wedge last raced in California in July 2018 at Opening Day of that year’s Del Mar Thoroughbred Club summer meet.

“He’s very versatile,” Miller said. “He can run on different surfaces and different tracks.”

Texas Wedge was foaled in Kentucky Jan. 3, 2015. He was sired by Colonel John out of Callmenancy. The 2017 Del Mar summer meet provided Texas Wedge with a win in his first career start.

The \$120,000 winner’s share of the Joe Hernandez Stakes purse brought Texas Wedge’s career total earnings to \$313,530. Miller is hoping that a Pegasus race will be the next one for Texas Wedge.

“I think it probably exceeded my expectations,” Miller said of winning three stakes races during the meet’s first week. “Very satisfying.”

## STUDENTS

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forward in this life,” he said. “I tell you; I am just as proud of any parent in here of Julian. Julian truly embodies everything that we need in this world.”

Principal Narciso Iglesias read

a letter from Hill as she couldn’t attend.

“Julian represents the best that Fallbrook has in regards to students,” Hill wrote in the letter. “Julian impresses me with his kindness, desire to learn and his leadership skills.”

Chenier thanked everyone for the support and the lessons he

has learned from his family and mentors. He will attend Palomar College and is hopeful he will transfer to the United States Naval Academy to study civil engineering.

Trinidad was nominated by Fallbrook High’s JROTC’s Lt. Col. William Wade and Pinnell.

“Very quickly, what we did is, we moved her into a leadership position which was natural for her – she’s a super-intelligent young lady, you can tell, with a diverse ability to do just about anything,” Lt. Col. Wade said. “She would lend her intelligence to the cadets that were struggling, she would offer to tutor them, they needed help and she gave that help.”

Wade talked about putting her on the academic team and how she blossomed during competition.

“Since that moment, it’s like the lights went on, this lady has been on fire,” Wade said.

Trinidad said the award was special for her and thanked everyone for supporting her. She said she received an admission acceptance to Penn State and hopes to attend.

Wallace was nominated by Estay Cazares and Pinnell.

“She’s just a total light in my life,” Cazares said. “I see her every day, even though she’s

not a student of mine anymore. I usually wait for my students at the door and I always see her, and I say, ‘Sophia, my darling,’ and she always says hello on her way to class.

“She is all heart, Cazares said. “You can tell there’s a competitiveness there, but she is just a joyful, joyful person.”

Pinnel said behind that smile is a mischievous character.

“She is such a big character, such a goofball, and so much fun, and she likes to drive me crazy,” Pinnel said. “Sophia’s an excellent student, she’s an excellent athlete, she’s the captain of the water polo team.”

Wallace’s mother shared how proud she and her father are of their daughter and thanked the award committee for hosting the event.

“I want to study biology at a college where I hope to pursue a career in medicine or as a researcher,” Wallace said. “I want to thank my parents for always pushing me to be the best version of myself.”

She also thanked her brother and her teachers for always being there for her.

Guzman was nominated by Sheri Ryan, who talked about the close-knit community at Ivy and

lamented the fact that Guzman has already returned to Fallbrook High.

“She came to us already with a great work ethic; her work was always wonderful,” Ryan said. “If any teacher told you they loved grading papers, they’d probably be lying, but, for Daniella, her work, it was just thoughtful and you could tell that she put the effort into it.

“You can tell a lot about people in the off times, and she was always so decent to people,” Ryan said. “She seemed to be well-liked by everyone and just a decent person. I think in this world we need a lot of decent people.”

Guzman’s mother thanked her daughter for being a good person and thanked all her teachers for helping her daughter reach her goals.

Guzman said her future plans are not yet clear, but she’s proud of accomplishing her goal of recovering credits and re-entering Fallbrook High.

“I’m thankful for everyone being here and with me to be able to share this moment,” Guzman said. “Thank you very much.”

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# Sheriff says no arrests made in Rainbow pot shop shootings, robbery

Village News Staff

Three armed robbery suspects, one of whom was shot during an altercation at an illegal, unlicensed cannabis shop in Rainbow on Tuesday, Jan. 7, are still on the loose.

“No arrests have been made at this time and there are no updates as the investigation is still being conducted,” San Diego County Sheriff’s Department Media Relations Director Lt. Ricardo Lopez said, Monday, Jan. 13. According to a report by Sgt.

Jeff Creighton, three armed assailants reportedly entered the shop and held employees at gunpoint. A security guard at the shop reportedly got into a struggle with one of the assailants and a shooting occurred, injuring one of the armed assailants.

At that point, all three suspects fled the scene before deputies arrived at 7:22 p.m. They then notified local hospitals to be on the lookout for a gunshot victim. So far, none related to the case have been reported. Creighton said at the time of the

incident that all products from the dispensary were to be seized. Anyone with information should call Crime Stoppers at (888) 580-8477 and can remain anonymous. Tipsters may be eligible for a \$1,000 reward for information leading to a felony arrest.

## RESIGNS

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Speaker Nancy Pelosi and another to California Gov. Gavin Newsom – lists his accomplishments and doesn’t mention his criminal conviction. Newsom has not said whether he will order a special election or leave the seat open until a successor emerges from the November general election.

Hunter had been silent after saying early last month that he would step down “shortly after the holidays,” drawing criticism last week from a fellow Republican who wants to succeed him, Carl DeMaio. The San Diego Union-Tribune asked in an editorial Monday, “What’s he waiting for?” Hunter, 43, gave no reason for resigning in his letter, instead offering a sweep of his achievements as a Marine who served in Iraq and Afghanistan and as a six-term congressman.

“During my time in Congress, I had the privilege of helping thousands of individuals in my district—from making sure veterans received the benefits they earned, to helping Social Security and Medicare recipients cut through red tape, to assisting immigrants seeking legal citizenship, and countless others going up against the IRS, ATF or other government agencies,” he said

There is no clear Republican favorite to succeed the conservative, immigration hardliner – one of the few congressmen to be reelected while indicted.

After claiming to be the victim of a political witch hunt for more than a year, Hunter pleaded guilty Dec. 3, to a single charge of conspiring with his

wife to illegally spending at least \$150,000 in campaign funds on personal expenses. Among the improper spending were a birthday gathering for his young daughter at a posh California hotel and social outing with friends at a French bistro in Washington.

He is scheduled to be sentenced March 17. The judge could impose the maximum sentence of five years, but prosecutors have said they will ask for no more than a year of jail time. His wife Margaret Hunter also pleaded guilty. She is scheduled to be sentenced in April.

An August 2018 indictment accused Hunter of using \$200,000 in campaign money to fund family travel, school tuition, jewelry, groceries, gas etc. Prosecutors said he also spent the funds on extramarital affairs and flights for his family’s pet bunny. He tried to conceal the illegal spending by listing it in federal records as donations for military veterans and other campaign-related expenses, according to the indictment.

Since the guilty plea last month, Hunter’s father has maintained a defiant tone. He wrote in The San Diego Union-Tribune that his son was the victim of “a political hit job.”

Holding the 50th Congressional District, which has an 11-point Republican registration edge, will be critical if the party hopes to reclaim control of the House after losing it to Democrats in 2018. The district includes ethnically diverse suburbs at the edge of San Diego that fade into farming and mountainous areas to east, including a small slice of Riverside County.

Hunter’s seat is being sought by three Republican contenders with strong local name recognition.

They are former Rep. Darrell Issa, one of the wealthiest lawmakers to serve when he represented parts of San Diego County and neighboring Orange County. Hunter’s father recently endorsed him.

Also running are DeMaio, a former San Diego city councilman who now is a local political commentator and radio host; and state Sen. Brian Jones, who highlights that he’s the only major Republican candidate who lives in the district.

Democrat Ammar Campa-Najjar, a 30-year-old former Obama administration official who nearly defeated Hunter in 2018, is widely expected to emerge from the March primary for a November showdown.

Under California election rules, the top two vote-getters in the March 3 primary advance to the general election, regardless of party affiliation.

Democrats captured a string of Republican-held House seats in California in 2018, leaving Republicans holding only seven districts among the state’s 53 House seats.

The Associated Press writer Elliot Spagat contributed to this report.



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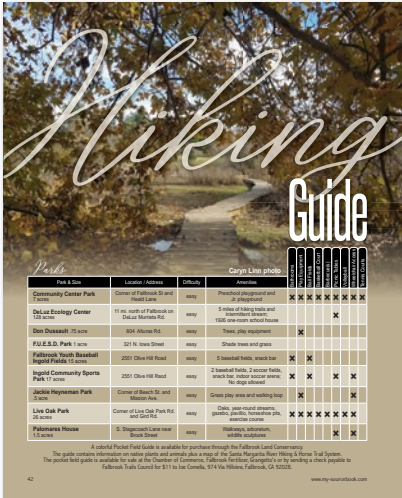


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of the district, which is North County including the portion of Riverside that we think of as Temecula, we're an economic dynamo. We're 800,000 people. That's twice the size of Cleveland, and if there were no San Diego, nobody would be saying this is anything other than a metropolis.

The district also, through gerrymandering, winds down and includes East County and that's where, for decades, Duncan Hunter Sr. represented that district close to the wall, close to the border and that's included in it. It's about a third of it. And it's an important third.

As a matter of fact, I would have two Indian tribes as constituents that I didn't have previously. But the many tribes ... I have a long history of working those federal issues.

Talk about your experience on the house oversight and government reform committee

I came to the (House Committee on Oversight and Reform) ... the first day of my third term. I was somebody who came to Congress determined to be on the Energy and Commerce Committee. And for my first two years, I was on Judiciary, Foreign Affairs and Small Business, and then I got on the Energy and Commerce Committee and I discovered that it, as important as it is, was slow-moving and I missed the action.

And then Tom Davis, just coming in as chairman, asked me if I would consider going to Oversight because I had been a businessman. I understood that no matter how good your sales force is, no matter how good your product is, if you don't audit it, you may not end up with anything at the end of the day.

So, he asked me to come on board and I did, which was an unusual selection. I gave up service on the Energy and Commerce Committee to go and do Oversight, returning to two of the other committees, Judiciary and Foreign Affairs. And the rest of my career, that's what I've been doing.

And what I discovered was that holding government accountable and finding ways to make government more transparent is in some ways the most important job. The first commission ever of Congress was asked for by George Washington because he needed Congress to investigate failures of his generals.

And when you look back through it, you know, we all think about the appropriator because the appropriator says I got you the money. And it's important. We all think about the taxing authority because they determine what is taken from us involuntarily. But at the end of the day, when you have 4 trillion, almost 5 trillion of your tax dollars being spent, one out of every four dollars in America spent by the government, holding government accountable to do what they have agreed to do on behalf of the American people is in some ways more important than all of the others.

What were some of the issues that you investigated and handled on the Oversight Committee?

The interesting thing is that the Oversight Committee has a mandate to look at anything anywhere anytime and because of that, you focus very broadly. It's almost like the lens that looks 360 degrees so we did things such as look into the Countrywide scandal and dig into how — not how the American people were cheated, that was obvious — but how bribes, if you will — free refinancing to members of Congress and their staff — had led to legislation that really wasn't what it should have been.

Congress let you down, but Angelo Mozilo and Countrywide had basically been handing out favors, financial favors, to both members and staff, and we investigated that while I was the minority leader.

Under Chairman Henry Waxman, when the Democrats were in control, we exposed that in the Iraq War, billions of dollars of U.S. \$20 bills had been handed out and gone missing. And it was a real wake-up call that for all the good intentions

of the Department of Defense, sometimes it's just — they're not thinking. And so, we feel very free to look at everything.

Of course, most people would know my investigations of Benghazi, Fast and Furious where Brian Terry was killed with weapons that were provided by us to the drug cartels under (President Obama's Attorney General) Eric Holder. Obviously, (Former Internal Revenue Service Director of Exempt Organizations) Lois Lerner and the abuse of conservatives and libertarians and pro-Israel people for which we held her in contempt.

I did over 1,200 investigations during my chairmanship ... four years as chairman and two years as ranking member. And you know, I'm proud of both because in my time with (Democratic Rep.) Ed Townes, when he was chairman, we got a lot done. And that's one of the tricks of the trade, if you will. Elijah Cummings for example, when he was my ranking member, we sent 40 pieces of legislation to President Obama that he signed.

Thoughts on Inspector General Michael Horowitz and his report on the FBI's handling of the Russia investigation

Michael is the head of all 54 inspector generals and I worked with him for more than a decade. He's frustrating because he's meticulous and slow, but he's very good. During my tenure, for example, he came before congress — this is when he was working for Eric Holder as the inspector general — and testifies that Eric Holder, the attorney general, is blocking him from holding attorneys at the Department of Justice accountable for discrimination, harassment and the like. That's a pretty brave guy.

So, his willingness to see the truth, research it carefully — sometimes slower than you would like — and reach a conclusion and publish it bravely. Absolutely love it.

Now, he'll also frustrate you by being completely honest. When he says 'no evidence of XYZ,' you have to read it very carefully because what he's saying is 'it's obvious there's prejudice, but I don't have the tangible evidence necessary to bring a criminal charge.'

I think his report was exhaustive within his capability, but what it really does is it gives the American people an understanding that there's enough wrongdoing (within the FBI's handling of the Russia investigation) for the attorney general to continue investigating and come up with the indictments that I think will occur.

What do you think of the impeachment process as well as what the outcome is going to be?

You know, one of the interesting things is the "I" word has been used so often and people have asked me over the years why we didn't impeach people. And I've never called for impeachment. I've called for people to be fired. I've called for them to be prosecuted. Impeachment is a political tool most of the time.

The one exception — I've voted for impeachment and we've successfully removed some federal judges during my time. Federal judges have a lifetime appointment and on occasions they will do terrible things. They'll be corrupt; they'll be substance abusers; they'll be spousal abusers and the only way to get them out is, in fact, to impeach and remove them. And that's very bipartisan. We go through a process and we reach a consensus.

If there's overwhelming evidence if the person is unfit and if the crime or wrongdoing is undeniable, then you have the case.

What we have with President Trump is exactly what we had with the very first impeachment, of Andrew Johnson after the Civil War, where he was president — President Lincoln had been assassinated — he (Andrew Johnson) was clearly the president and he fired his Secretary of War and they impeached and almost removed him because they didn't like him and they did like the Secretary of War. You would look and say, wait a second, a member of cabinet works for the president. How could you not be able to fire

him? And wouldn't it be silly to have a cabinet for three years and not be able to change it because the first president died.

It was an absurd impeachment. Well, this is equally absurd. Even if we disagree with everything the president stands for, even if you don't agree with him. Did he have the right to conduct foreign policy? Absolutely. Did he have the right to emphasize anti-corruption? Absolutely. Did he have a right and an obligation to withhold those funds until he was satisfied? It's in the legislation.


Thoughts on the killing of Iranian Gen. Qasem Suleimani by U.S. drone

We should have taken him out 10 to 20 years ago. This is a man who has American blood on his hands.

The fact is, he has American blood on his hands. Effectively, he's been marked for years as somebody who's eligible — as eligible as Osama bin Laden — to be killed. Should he have been taken on Iraqi soil on that day? That's a decision the president made. Should he have been taken out years ago as someone who was orchestrating the killing of Americans? You know, his activities in 2006, when the Israelis put up with thousands of missiles, rockets and mortars landing in Haifa and beyond for

months; that was a strategy that he had worked. His activities emboldened Bashar al-Assad, absolutely.

You know, one of the (defenses) of him has been, 'well, he helped wipe out ISIS.' He also helped create ISIS. The mistreatment by the Shia in Iraq after they took power helped create ISIS. And you know, Sunni extremism is not going to go away if Shia mistreatment continues. You have to push both sides, like two kids fighting in a school yard, you can't just tell one of them they're bad. You've got to get both of them to lay down their arms.



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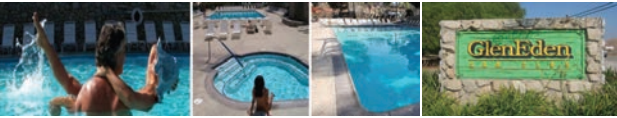
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2020 Democratic race is wide open in Iowa as caucuses near



Democratic presidential candidate Sen. Elizabeth Warren, D-Mass., left, poses for a photo with attendees after speaking at a campaign event, Sunday, Jan. 12, in Marshalltown, Iowa. AP photo/Patrick Semansky

**Thomas Beaumont and Alexandra Jaffe**  
*The Associated Press*

Presidential candidates have swarmed Iowa’s rolling landscape for more than a year, making their pitch to potential supporters on campuses, county fairgrounds and in high school gymnasiums. But three weeks before the caucuses usher in the Democratic contest, the battle for the state is wide open.

A cluster of candidates, including Sens. Bernie Sanders of Vermont and Elizabeth Warren of Massachusetts, along with former Vice President Joe Biden and Pete Buttigieg, the former mayor of South Bend, Indiana, enters the final stretch with a plausible chance of winning Iowa’s caucuses. A poll released Friday by The Des Moines Register and CNN found them all with similar levels of support.

For two decades, Iowa has had a solid record of backing the ultimate Democratic nominee. A clear victory in its caucuses next month could set the tone for the races that follow in New Hampshire, Nevada and South Carolina.

But an inconclusive result or one in which several candidates are bunched together near the top could preview a long, brutal fight ahead. Some Democrats fear the nominee might not be determined until the party convenes in Milwaukee this summer to formally declare its candidate to take on President

Donald Trump.

The unusually fluid dynamic raises the stakes for the leading candidates heading into the Tuesday, Jan. 14 debate, which was the final televised gathering for the White House hopefuls before the caucuses. Their closing arguments in Iowa could be complicated by Trump’s impeachment trial, which would require senators in the race to return to Washington. And the fallout from Trump’s surprise decision to launch a strike recently to kill a top Iranian general could steal attention from the candidates.

It’s against that backdrop that candidates must win over people like Barb Cameron, a 76-year-old who attended a recent Warren event in the river town of Burlington.

“I’m undecided,” she said. “I want to vote for a woman. But, more than that, I want to vote for someone with real leadership capability.”

“I like Pete, though I don’t know enough,” Cameron said. “And I don’t think Biden can beat Trump.”

If other voters agree, Biden’s candidacy could face steep headwinds in Iowa. The former vice president began as the early favorite, in large part because of a sense that he is best positioned to defeat Trump. If that falters, the central rationale for his campaign risks being undermined.

Biden faces a far more favorable climate in later contests, especially South Carolina, where support from black voters has given him

a substantial lead over his rivals.

And the focus on global affairs after the Iranian conflict could lift Biden, who built a resume over decades in Washington as a leading voice on foreign policy. JoAnn Hardy, chairwoman of the Cerro Gordo County Democrats in northern Iowa, said a shift in voter focus would be an advantage.

But even that prediction came with a caveat.

“I think there’s a lot of support, but for most people it’s not enthusiastic support,” Hardy said. “It’s like, we’ve gotta do what we’ve gotta do to beat Trump.”

While Biden is positioning himself as a steady hand in the face of international instability, the Iranian episode leaves an opening for Sanders to draw a sharp contrast with Biden over the Iraq War, which Sanders opposed. The Vermont senator is looking to appeal to white working-class voters, particularly in rural areas, who Sanders’ advisers believe may be open to his message of taking on the rich and powerful.

Without naming him, Sanders kept pressure on Biden Sunday, reminding a forum in Davenport that he opposed the 2002 authorization for military force in Iraq.

Sanders’ campaign volunteers have also reportedly been instructed to tell voters that are leaning toward Warren that her supporters are “highly educated, more affluent people” and that she’s failing to expand her support.

Those tactics brought a rare broadside against the senator from Warren, who said Sunday, Jan. 13, that she was “disappointed” in Sanders and suggested he’s too divisive to defeat Trump.

Still, Sanders’ position in Iowa is improving and he’s attracting large crowds. His campaign said he spoke to nearly 6,000 people across 16 events in the state earlier this month.

But some Sanders supporters said they want to see the senator’s team more active on the ground in Iowa. Suzanne Costello, a farmer from Kellogg, Iowa, is a longtime Sanders supporter and volunteer, knocking on doors in Poweshiek County, a county the senator won in 2016.

“I think they misgauged the trajectory of the race,” she said. “I don’t think they came out in force enough in our area soon enough, so now I feel like we’re kind of playing catch-up” in organizing.

Costello said she had complained to the Sanders campaign for months about the lack of resources in her area, and now she feels they’re finally sending more staff and resources to help knock on doors.

Indeed, Sanders’ campaign says they have one of the biggest teams in Iowa, with more than 250 staffers on the ground and 23 offices across the state. That significant staff footprint coupled with the consistently large crowds has Sanders’ advisers privately predicting victory in Iowa.

Warren’s campaign is still seen as one of the most seasoned and best-organized in the state, as she’s had organizers holding intimate local events with potential caucus-goers across Iowa for nearly a year. Her aides will only disclose that they have more than 100 paid staff and more than 20 offices in Iowa, but most operatives on the ground believe her team is nearly twice that size. On a cold Sunday morning, with snow blanketing the ground, she turned out around 300 people to an elementary school gymnasium in Marshalltown.

There, she was introduced by former Housing Secretary Julián Castro, who endorsed her last week after exiting the presidential race. He made an electability pitch, arguing that Warren “can unify Democrats to beat Donald Trump.”

Buttigieg has also assembled a robust statewide organization that puts him in a strong position for someone who was virtually unknown nationally a year ago. He consistently draws larger crowds

than his rivals who have been in politics for decades.

Since September, the 37-year-old Buttigieg – touting a message of generational change, civility and Midwestern pragmatism – has been drawing a significant share of first-time caucus-goers into his ranks, including about a third of the 50 caucus leaders who turned out in Ottumwa for caucus training Thursday evening.

Despite the hopeful tone and intellectual depth, Buttigieg has struggled with some in his own generation looking for more overhaul in Washington than the moderate from Indiana espouses.

“I really like his temperament and his style,” Parthi Kandavel, a Des Moines middle school teacher who recently traveled to Burlington with his wife, Anu, to see Buttigieg, said. “My concern is his commitment to addressing income inequality.”

And though Iowa’s population is 90% white, Buttigieg’s struggle to attract support from minority voters has crept into his Iowa campaign. During a rally Sunday in Des Moines, Black Lives Matter supporters interrupted Buttigieg, shouting and chanting, before being escorted out by police.

In another warning sign for Buttigieg, he dropped 9 percentage points from November in the Register/CNN Iowa poll.

Still, the final weeks leading up to the caucuses are often marked by unpredictability: Candidate support is known to shift even in the final days, and the polling leader three weeks out is by no means assured a win.

That uncertainty leaves room for an unexpected candidate to break ahead. Minnesota Sen. Amy Klobuchar has attracted growing crowds in recent weeks and has had a fundraising surge that helped her invest in her operation in Iowa. She now has more than 100 staffers on the ground and 19 field offices across the state – fewer than most of the top-tier candidates, but a healthy infusion at a key time.

But it remains to be seen whether Klobuchar’s late investment can compete with the seasoned staffers of campaigns like Warren’s.

“Now, their challenge is how you take these people that are now seriously kicking Klobuchar’s tires and turn them into precinct captains and have them help recruit other people for you,” veteran Iowa Democratic Party operative Jeff Link, who is unaffiliated with any campaign, said. “I think she can.”

Russians hacked company key to Ukraine scandal: researchers

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BOSTON—A.U.S. cybersecurity company said Russian military agents have successfully hacked the Ukrainian gas company at the center of the scandal that led to President Donald Trump’s impeachment.

Russian agents launched a phishing campaign in early November to steal the login credentials of employees of Burisma Holdings, the gas company, according to Area 1 Security, a Silicon Valley company that specializes in email security.

Hunter Biden, son of former U.S. vice president and Democratic presidential hopeful Joe Biden, previously served on Burisma’s board.

It was not clear what the hackers were looking for or may have obtained, Area 1’s CEO Oren Falkowitz said, who called the findings “incontrovertible” and posted an eight-page report. But the timing of the operation suggested that the Russian agents could be searching for material damaging to the Bidens or perhaps scheming to plant misinformation.

The House of Representatives impeached Trump in December for abusing the power of his office by enlisting the Ukrainian government to investigate Biden, a political rival, ahead of the 2020 election. A second charge accused Trump of obstructing a congressional investigation into the matter.

“Our report doesn’t make any claims as to what the intent of the hackers were, what they might

have been looking for, what they are going to do with their success. We just point out that this is a campaign that’s going on,” Falkowitz, a former National Security Agency offensive hacker whose company’s clients include candidates for U.S. federal elected offices, said. In an earlier interview, he told The Associated Press that the campaigns of top candidates for the U.S. presidency and House and Senate races in 2020 have in the past few months each been targeted by about a thousand phishing emails.

Falkowitz did not name the candidates. Nor would he name any clients.

Burisma did not immediately respond to a request for comment.

Russian hackers from the same military intelligence unit that Area 1 said was behind the operation targeting Burisma have been indicted for hacking emails from the Democratic National Committee and the chairman of Hillary Clinton’s campaign during the 2016 presidential race.

Stolen emails were released online at the time by Russian agents and WikiLeaks in an effort to favor Trump, special counsel Robert Mueller determined in his investigation.

Area 1 discovered the phishing campaign by the Russian military intelligence unit, known as the GRU, on New Year’s Eve, Falkowitz said, who would not discuss whom he notified before going public. He said he followed the industry standard process of responsible disclosure, which would include notifying Burisma.

In phishing, an attacker uses a

targeted email to lure a target to a fake site that resembles a familiar one. There, unwitting victims enter their usernames and passwords, which the hackers then harvest. Phished credentials allow attackers both to rifle through a victim’s stored email and masquerade as that person.

In the report, Falkowitz said the GRU agents used fake, lookalike domains that were designed to mimic the sites of real Burisma subsidiaries.

Falkowitz said the operation targeting Burisma involved tactics, techniques and procedures that GRU agents had used repeatedly in other phishing operations, matching “several patterns that lots of independent researchers agree mimic this particular Russian actor.” Area 1 said it has been tracking the Russian agents for several years.

The discovery’s timing – just weeks before presidential primaries begin in the United States – highlights the need to protect political campaigns from targeted phishing attacks, which are behind 95% of all information breaches, Falkowitz said.

“This is a real specific, timely case that has real implications,” he said. “To discover it and potentially get out in front of it is a significant departure from what’s typical in the cybersecurity community, where someone just tells you, yeah, you’re dead.”

Area 1 said its researchers connected the phishing campaign targeting Burisma to an effort earlier last year that targeted Kvartal 95, a media organization founded by Ukrainian President



President Donald Trump walks along the colonnade of the White House in Washington, Monday, Jan. 13. A U.S. cybersecurity company says Russian military agents successfully hacked the Ukrainian gas company at the center of the scandal that led to President Donald Trump’s impeachment. AP Photo/Susan Walsh

Volodymyr Zelenskiy.

In this case, the Russian military agents, from a group of security researchers call “Fancy Bear,” peppered Burisma employees with emails designed to look like internal messages.

In order to detect phishing attacks, Area 1 maintains a global network of sensors designed to sniff out and block them before

they reach their targets.

In July, the U.S. Federal Elections Commission gave Area 1 permission to offer its services to candidates for federal elected office and political committees at the same low rates it charges nonprofits.

AP writer Yuras Karmanau in Kyiv, Ukraine, contributed to this story.



## D’Vine Path reports year of success



*D’Vine Path students collaborate with the Fallbrook High School workability program to cater a private wine tasting party at Casa Tiene Vineyard.*



*D’Vine Path students enjoy their viticulture lesson during class time.*

Village News/Courtesy photos

FALLBROOK – D’Vine Path, a nonprofit program for adults with autism, developmental delays and/or learning disabilities, recently celebrated its anniversary with many successes to report.

Providing vocational and life skills training in agriculture, hospitality and the arts, the D’Vine Path program operates on Batali Ranch property, a commercial vineyard and agriculture business located in Fallbrook.

D’Vine Path and Batali Ranch are collaboratively dedicated to providing hands-on training, educating and creating meaningful opportunities for adults with developmental disabilities.

Given the large number of wineries, vineyards and hotels located in the Fallbrook area and neighboring north San Diego and Riverside counties, the program provides students with relevant life and vocational skills from professional, expert guest speakers and a sensitivity trained staff.

The students attend a yearlong program which focuses on self-advocacy and empowerment to help overcome barriers and to promote a healthy and more balance lifestyle. The program

is designed to reinforce job skills in any industry to encourage employment success after graduation.

As D’Vine Path embraced the new year, they reflected on all accomplished during their first year of operation in 2019, beginning with the issuance of their 501(c)(3) employer identification number and tax exemption letter from the IRS.

Shortly thereafter, the Department of Apprenticeship Standards approved D’Vine Path’s On-The-Job Training program and viticulture apprenticeship curriculum, recognizing D’Vine Path as California’s first approved program of its kind.

Halfway through 2019, the students succeeded at their first paid catering job for Mainly Mozart, featuring Temple Grandin, an American professor of animal science at Colorado State University and autism representative.

Next, Batali Ranch Vineyard celebrated its first successful “Vine to Wine” student bottling and label creation with D’Vine Path.

Finally, after eight months of work, D’Vine Path’s first class of eight students graduated, collecting a certificate of completion as well as an

individual award for the special gift each student brought to the program.

Family and loved ones supported the students by attending the graduation ceremony alongside distinguished guest Ranai Browne from the Department of Apprenticeship Standards.

Five of the eight first D’Vine Path graduates were able to secure employment upon graduation, Max Kroger, Kai Bolduc, Ian Compton, Jennifer Di’Muzio and Estefani Jimenez.

D’Vine Path started a membership group designed to provide the resources and guidance the students need to take ownership of their social lives after they have successfully graduated from the program.

The program is gearing up for its 2020 class by accepting applications and conducting interviews for the upcoming session. The deadline for submitting completed applications is Jan. 25. Anyone who is interested in joining this dedicated team of volunteers and supporters may visit [www.dvinepath.org](http://www.dvinepath.org) or contact D’Vine Path via telephone, (949) 233-6515.

*Submitted by D’Vine Path.*



*Ian is one of the students participating in an interactive raptor exhibition where they work closely with the hawks and falcons, calling them to and from hand-held perches as they fly free over the scenic seaside bluffs of La Jolla.*



*D’Vine Path’s crew learns about horticulture by planting their own veggies for homemade salsa last summer.*



*Students are being trained in vineyard management.*



HEALTH & BEAUTY

New case of vaping-related lung injury confirmed in San Diego

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A new local case of vaping-associated lung injury was confirmed Jan. 8, by the County Health and Human Services Agency.

To date, 43 cases of vaping-associated lung injury have been reported among San Diego County residents, while an additional three cases are under investigation. While there have been no local deaths, all patients had to be hospitalized.

“Vaping-related lung injuries continue to be reported in the region and that’s concerning,” Dr. Wilma Wooten, county public health officer, said.

Last June, doctors across the nation started reporting sudden and severe lung injuries associated with vaping. As of January 7, 2,602 hospitalized cases or deaths have been reported to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention from all 50 states, the District of Columbia and U.S. territories Puerto Rico and U.S. Virgin Islands. Fifty-seven deaths have been confirmed in 27 states and the District of Columbia.

The CDC recommended that electronic cigarette, or vaping, products should never be used by youths, young adults or pregnant women. Adults who do not use tobacco products should not start using e-cigarette, or vaping,



Center for Disease Control photo

products.

The CDC has determined that vitamin E acetate and tetrahydrocannabinol are closely linked with e-cigarette, or vaping, product-use associated lung injury. CDC recommended that people not use THC-containing e-cigarettes or vaping products particularly from informal sources such as friends, family or in person or online sellers.

The San Diego County Board of Supervisors was to discuss

actions related to electronic smoking device regulations Jan. 14.

**Reducing vaping among teens**

Last year, more than 27% of high school students in the nation reported using e-cigarettes in the past 30 days. That figure is up from the nearly 21% who did the previous year, according to the CDC’s annual National Youth Tobacco Survey.

According to the California Department of Public Health,

vaping devices are the most used tobacco product and 86% of high school teens who consume tobacco use a vaping device.

Furthermore, of the California teens who consume tobacco products, nearly 90% report using a flavored vaping product.

“Most electronic cigarettes contain nicotine and are unsafe for teens and young adults,” Wooten said. “Research has found that nicotine is highly addictive and can harm brain

development. If you currently do not use tobacco or vaping products, you should not start.”

For more information about lung injury associated with e-cigarettes or vaping, visit [www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/hhsa.html](http://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/hhsa.html), the CDPH Tobacco Free California webpage, <https://tobaccofreeca.com>, or the CDC EVALI outbreak webpage, [www.cdc.gov/tobacco/basic\\_information/e-cigarettes/severe-lung-disease.html](http://www.cdc.gov/tobacco/basic_information/e-cigarettes/severe-lung-disease.html).

Thinking About Health

Congress leaves promising health care cost reforms in limbo

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Community Health News Service

Health care as an issue landed with a thud in late December as members of Congress packed up and went home for the holidays. Two important pieces of legislation for patients didn’t make it to the finish line. Passage of either measure next year doesn’t look good since it’s an election year.

One of my journalistic colleagues from the online site Axios summed up the Congressional end-of-the year stalemate this way: “There are lots of goodies for the industry, while patients will get the worst kind of holiday surprise – more medical bills” after Congress

failed to enact two promising pieces of legislation.

First, seniors on Medicare and everyone else will continue to see their prescription bills zoom upward. Second, every American unlucky enough to need hospital care, but particularly emergency room care or surgery, will be at risk for financial complications they didn’t expect.

In fact, unexpected medical costs are the public’s top health concern. Studies indicate families are far more worried about getting socked with surprise bills than they are about getting hit with sky-high deductibles and premiums, or even paying their rent or mortgage. In other words, those unexpected

bills are a very big deal. So far, though, Congress has declined to end such practices.

Special interest groups – doctors, particularly anesthesiologists and emergency room physicians, hospitals, air ambulance companies, insurers and employers – have all lobbied mightily to protect their financial interests. Although those stakeholders agree patients should be protected, there’s no agreement on how much doctors should be paid.

Patients who receive a surprise bill, usually from an out-of-network doctor, would pay their deductible, copays and coinsurance as if the doctor was in the network. Doctors who send these bills

would be paid by insurers based on the average payment for a service in the geographic area or a sum determined by an outside arbiter, depending on what the eventual legislation requires.

A coalition of employers and insurers prefer negotiated rate settlements while physician groups favor arbitration.

When Congress adjourned at the end of December, a possible solution was deferred until next year.

A bill that would begin to tackle the high prices of prescription drugs passed the House, but Senate approval is uncertain. The bill championed by House Speaker Nancy Pelosi calls for the government to begin negotiating prices for between 50 and 250 drugs paid by the Medicare program. Recall that the 2003 law that gave seniors the benefit prohibited such negotiations.

If prices were negotiated, the bill projects that both consumers and the government would save huge amounts of money. Consumer drug spending would drop by 55% and government spending by some \$400 billion over the next 10 years. Democrats would like to use that money to expand Medicare coverage to include hearing, vision and dental benefits.

The bill would also cap out-of-pocket spending on drugs for Medicare beneficiaries at \$2,000 a year. Currently some seniors can pay as much as \$15,000 annually for a single prescription drug.

“Patients scored a major victory in the fight for lower drug prices” when the House passed its bill,

David Mitchell, who founded the advocacy group Patients for Affordable Drugs Now, said. “The House has done its job. Now the Senate must act.”

Whether it will is a big question mark. While the House drug bill indeed would be landmark legislation if it passes, it’s hard to see drug makers giving up the fight.

It’s estimated that the House bill would cause pharmaceutical industry revenues to drop by about one \$1 trillion in the next decade. It explains why the industry has fought long and hard to influence members of Congress to make sure nothing is enacted that derails their gravy train.

Hardly a day went by in recent months without the industry pushing its point of view in sponsored content in Politico, an online publication widely read in Washington. Sponsored content is really advertising, but it’s presented in a way that makes readers think they are reading a legitimate news story.

Axios summed up the latest health care efforts in the House this way: “These policies will materially benefit pretty much every sector within an industry that already wields more financial power than ever.”

Consumers, on the other hand, will find themselves pretty much in the same boat they’ve been sailing in for many a year.

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# 11th San Diego flu death, over 1,600 new cases reported

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Influenza-related deaths in the region rose to 11 last week and more than 1,600 flu cases were reported, the county Health and Human Services Agency announced Jan. 8.

The latest flu fatality is a 51-year-old woman from North County who died from influenza A Dec. 31, 2019. She had underlying medical conditions.

To date, 11 influenza deaths

have been reported locally, the same number as this time last year.

The number of lab-confirmed flu cases jumped again last week, when 1,623 cases were reported, 260 more than the previous week when 1,363 flu cases were recorded.

“Given the high number of cases, influenza activity in the region continues to be widespread, just like it is in other parts of the nation,” Dr. Wilma Wooten, county public health officer, said. “The best protection against the flu is getting vaccinated.”

**When to seek medical help**

Influenza-like illnesses at local emergency departments also rose to 9% last week, compared to 8% the previous week.

People with influenza-like symptoms are crowding local emergency departments and taxing some hospitals.

County health officials are encouraging people who are sick to first contact their health care provider by telephone or arrange an urgent appointment. Residents should go to an emergency department when they have any

of the following symptoms: difficulty breathing or shortness of breath; chest pain or abdominal pain; sudden dizziness; confusion; severe or persistent vomiting or flu-like symptoms that appear to get better but return with a fever and worse cough.

The county Health and Human Services Agency publishes the Influenza Watch weekly report, which tracks key flu indicators and summarizes influenza surveillance in the region.

For the week ending Jan. 4, the report showed that total lab-

confirmed cases to date were 5,434, compared to 2,133 last season.

In addition to getting vaccinated, people should also do the following to avoid getting sick:

Wash hands thoroughly and often. And use hand sanitizers.

Avoid touching their eyes, nose and mouth. Clean commonly touched surfaces.

Stay away from sick people. If someone is sick, they should stay home and avoid contact with others.

## Ladies get fit at community center



Fitness Fusion students reunite for the first class of the New Year, in front, kneeling left, is instructor Ann Wade alongside Sue Thorne.



The Fallbrook Community Center sees enthusiastic Fitness Fusion participants every Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings.

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## Use love to help a sick child feel better

**The American Counseling Association**

Ah, ‘tis the season for many households to find themselves with one or more children suffering from a cold or the flu. Damp, chilly weather and all that contact with other sniffing children at school almost guarantees that winter illness will strike most homes.

Most people are well aware of the medical steps to help their child get better, or at least feel better, but they sometimes forget there are emotional things they can do to

help their child, too. That can be important because children often feel bad about feeling bad. Have the children ever apologized for being ill, saying, “Mom, I’m sorry I’m sick?”

So, how to help? Start with a smile. If their parent is looking worried and concerned when approaching their ill child, they are going to begin worrying about why their parent looks so worried.

Instead of asking, “How are you feeling?” when it’s already clear that they are not feeling well, try to offer something positive. Tell the

child that they are looking a little better, have gotten some of their color back or seem a little cooler. Assure them that their parent is doing their job to help them return to good health.

One of the best medicines for a sick child, regardless of age, is being generous with hugs and cuddles. While it can be tempting to plop them in front of the TV and just check in occasionally, offering physical contact that encourages positive feelings of safety brings better results.

Instead of TV time, trying

snuggling with the child while reading a story or playing a game. If there is to be some TV time, spend at least part of it with them, holding hands while watching together.

There’s no question that the mind has the power to affect people’s health. Talk with the sick child about imagining feeling better, and their parent might find it can actually help them feel that way.

They also might want to listen to the child. Encourage them to talk about what’s being felt. If it’s

something as simple as a tummy ache, it may be that the cause is the stress of the day and not an illness.

No one ever wants their child to not feel well, but a loving, supportive parent with an encouraging positive attitude can often make a child feel better faster.

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## Affordable health screenings with Life Line Screening to come to Temecula

TEMECULA – Residents living in and around Temecula can learn about their risk for cardiovascular disease, osteoporosis, diabetes and other chronic, serious conditions with affordable screenings by Life Line Screening. Grace Presbyterian Church, 31143 Nicolas Road, in

Temecula will host this community event, Friday, Feb. 7.

Screenings can check for: the level of plaque buildup in arteries, related to risk for heart disease, stroke and overall vascular health; HDL and LDL cholesterol levels; diabetes risk; bone density as a risk

for possible osteoporosis; kidney and thyroid function and more.

Screenings are affordable, convenient and accessible for wheelchairs and those with trouble walking. Free parking is available.

Packages start at \$149, but consultants will work with patients

to create a package that is right for them based on their age and risk factors. Also ask about the Wellness Gold Membership Program with allows customers to get all the screenings they need now, but pay \$19.95 a month. Call (877) 237-1287 or visit

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ENTERTAINMENT

‘A Chorus Line’ is a hit

Elizabeth Youngman Westphal  
Special to Village News

When you hear “six, seven, eight – step, kick, kick, leap, kick, touch,” you know you have arrived at The Welk Resort Theater in Escondido to see “A Chorus Line.” Producers Sean Coogan and Larry Raben have a hit on their hands.

“A Chorus Line” presents a clear picture of a rehearsal room as a Broadway director narrows the auditioning ensemble of singers and dancers down to a final eight for an upcoming musical.

Originally opening on Broadway in 1975, “A Chorus Line” won countless awards for the original music by Marvin Hamlisch and the imaginative choreography by Michael Bennet and Bob Avian.

The irony of the story is how “A Chorus Line” mirrors itself. After all, each cast member had to live the script as they had to audition for their parts in the production about auditioning for a show.

Primarily, the play is an ensemble show. Nonetheless, there are a few who performed exceptionally well. Sheila, played by Natalie Nucci, comes to mind as the saucy grown-up in the line-up. Richie, played by Devon Hunt; Bobby, played by Donny Gersonde, and Paul, played by Anthony Michael Vacio, each shine during their breakout moments. And hats off to Roy, played by Leonel Ayala, for performing his small part with passion.

Cassie, played by Mikayla Agrella, and Val, played by Holly Echsner, each set the stage aglow during their solo pieces, while Diana, played by Lauren Louis, grabbed the spotlight with “What I Did for Love” summarizing why they work so hard.

It is the haunting awareness which is exposed as each performer realizes the limitations of their profession. Even if they get into this show, one day it will close; and they are painfully mindful of eventually being too old to withstand the intensity of a Broadway show schedule. It’s raw and real. While job interviews can be terrifying, imagine doing one in a pair of tights.

Every performer brought their A-game to opening night. Kristine, played by Danielle Airey, is ditsy

and spontaneous. Mark, played by Drew Bradford, is spot on with every step. Bebe, played by Katie Marshall, shines. Judy, played by Sarah Morgan, sparkles as a dumb-brunette. Played by Amanda Neiman, Connie’s appealing self-analysis is hilarious. Emma Nossal plays Maggie’s performance on point. Mike, played by Jeffrey Scott Parsons, miraculously blends into the line. Gregg, played by Trevor Rex, boldly draws attention with every muscle.

Don, played by Aaron Morgan Shaw, gives a solid performance along with Al, played by Cody Walker) and Butch (Nick Aiello).

The ensemble dancers include Tom (Mason Ballard), Lois (Nikka Frank), Frank (Hayden Luedde; Vicki, played by Paityn Manor, and Tricia, played by Valerie Walker, who vie for the coveted eight spots in the line.

Playing the choreographer and director is Jeffrey Ricca as Zach, along with Fisher Kaake as his sidekick and dance captain Larry. It is their stark realism that moves the show forward.

The behind the scenes crew includes costumer Janet Pitcher, sound designer Patrick Hoyny, lighting designer Jennifer Edwards, along with set designer Rory Brown and prop designer Larry Raben.

So much has been written about previous productions, it is nearly impossible to find something new to say. Except this production showcases the talent of Hector Guerrero as director and choreographer coupled with the amazing Randi Ellen Rudolph Jethwa as musical director. And that, my friends, marks the genius of producers Coogan and Raben.

Playing multiple times each week until March 22, “A Chorus Line” is perfect for the entire family. For ticket information, contact the box office at (888) 802-7469, (760) 749-3448 or visit [SanDiegoTickets.welkresorts.com](http://SanDiegoTickets.welkresorts.com). There is lots of free parking and a restaurant near the theater. Matinees are now at 1 p.m. Evenings have changed to 7 p.m. This show is rated 10 out of 10.

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Richie, played by Devon Hunt, breaks out of the rehearsal line at “A Chorus Line” now playing at The Welk Resort until March 22. Ken Jacques photos



The entire cast of “A Chorus Line” lines up for the finale.



When the director asks the kick line personal questions, Sheila, played by Natalie Nucci, steps forward to chat with him.



Greg, played by Trevor Rex, takes a pose as Cassie, played by Mikayla Agrella, steps up to explain her reasons for auditioning, as Sheila, played by Natalie Nucci, looks on.



Bobby, played by Donny Gersonde, explains to the director just why he should be in the chorus line.



Mike, played by Jeffrey Scott Parsons, hits a pose to remind the director why he should be among the final eight spots in the line.



# Fallbrook Music Society brings back powerful vocal reflection



FALLBOOK – Fallbrook Music Society starts the second half of its 42nd annual concert season Sunday, Jan. 26, with an encore performance by mezzo-soprano Kindra Scharich and pianist George Fee, “Ladies in Lied.”

The 3 p.m. concert will be held in the Community Room of the Fallbrook Public Library and is free to the general public. No tickets are required.

“We are especially excited to bring back Kindra and George for this repeat performance,” Bob Freaney, president of the Fallbrook Music Society Board of Directors, said. “Lied is an emotional and extraordinary art form, and no one does it better than Kindra and George.”

A lied, by literal definition, is a song in German, but the word is most often applied to German and Austrian settings of mid-18th through 19th century poetry for solo voice and piano. Lieders were at the heart of German musical life from the 1740s until early in the 20th century, and there are thousands of variations of the art form.

The Jan. 26 performance will consist of lieder by Mozart, Brahms, Richard Strauss and Hugo Wolf, as well as the complete Frauen-Liebe und Leben cycle, “A Woman’s Love and Life” by Robert Schumann.

Scharich and Fee were last in Fallbrook in April 2018. Scharich is a dedicated recitalist and has given solo recitals at The American Composer’s Forum, The Wagner Society, Lieder Alive and The La Jolla Athenaeum.

Pianist, scholar and lecturer Fee has performed numerous solo recitals throughout the United States, as well as having presented dozens of master classes, lectures and workshops.

“It’s taken us almost two years for the schedules of these great performers to coincide with our concert series. I have no idea when we’ll be able to get them back to Fallbrook, so don’t miss this concert,” Freaney said.

The concert begins with a program preview at 2:30 p.m. that will serve as an opportunity to “get-to-know” the performers and the art form. The concert will start promptly at 3 p.m.

More information is available at [www.FallbrookMusicSociety.org](http://www.FallbrookMusicSociety.org) or by calling (760) 451-8644.

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Pianist George Fee and mezzo-soprano Kindra Scharich will perform at Fallbrook Library, Jan. 26, at 3 p.m. Village News/Courtesy photo

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Poppies in Bonsall by Shirley Binn - One of the 2019 photo winners







# NATIONAL continued

## CNN settles defamation suit brought by Nick Sandmann

**Petr Svab**  
*The Epoch Times*

CNN settled a defamation lawsuit brought against it by Nick Sandmann, a student at Covington Catholic High School, over the cable news channel’s coverage of an incident captured in a viral video.

“Yes, we settled with CNN,” Sandmann said in a Jan. 7 tweet.

The settlement amount wasn’t made public during the Jan. 7 court hearing in Covington, Kentucky, Fox19 reported.

“The case settled. We have no comment,” Todd McMurtry, one of Sandmann’s lawyers, said in an email to The Epoch Times.

CNN didn’t respond to a request by The Epoch Times for comment.

The defamation suit was filed

March 12, 2019, by Sandmann’s lawyers and demanded \$275 million in damages, alleging that “CNN brought down the full force of its corporate power, influence and wealth on Nicholas by falsely attacking, vilifying and bullying him, despite the fact that he was a minor child.”

**Covington incident**

The lawsuit stems from a Jan. 18, 2019, incident that took place after the March for Life anti-abortion event in Washington. Sandmann and other students from the religious private school in Kentucky were waiting for their bus near the Lincoln Memorial when they were approached by several Native American activists, who were taking part in the Indigenous Peoples March at the

Lincoln Memorial on the same day.

The encounter was extensively covered by media, initially using short video clips that made it appear as though the students were chanting and cheering in mockery of one of the activists, 64-year-old Nathan Phillips.

Some of the students were wearing hats with President Donald Trump’s campaign slogan, “Make America Great Again” – a fact that was emphasized by various media.

CNN reported on the incident, allegedly using captions such as “Teens Taunt Native American Elder” and “Teens Harass Native American War Veteran.”

Longer video footage of the incident showed that the students began to cheer and shout their

school chant in response to offensive remarks being made to and about them by a small group of Black Hebrew Israelites nearby.

While Phillips told media outlets that the students had surrounded and harassed him, the footage showed it was he who approached them, inserted himself into their crowd and, for several minutes, banged his drum within inches of the face of Sandmann, who responded by standing silently with a smile.

**43 minutes**

The suit alleged that CNN defamed Sandmann in at least four television broadcasts, nine online articles and four Twitter posts.

“Contrary to its ‘Facts First’ public relations ploy, CNN ignored the facts and put its anti-Trump

agenda first in waging a seven-day media campaign of false, vicious attacks against Nicholas,” according to the suit.

The network ran 43 minutes of coverage on the incident over the first two days, the Media Research Center, a right-leaning media watchdog, reported.

It took CNN a week to initially tell its viewers about the lawsuit, according to MRC.

Sandmann is also suing The Washington Post and NBC Universal for their coverage of the incident. In July 2019, a federal judge in Kentucky dismissed the suit against The Washington Post; however, part of that lawsuit was reinstated in October.

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## Cartels continue to build cross-border tunnels to smuggle drugs

**Charlotte Cuthbertson**  
*The Epoch Times*

Sharing a stormwater drainage system with Nogales, Mexico, means that Nogales, Arizona, is a popular spot for cartels to push their contraband across the U.S. border undetected. The southern Nogales has about six times the population of its U.S. namesake, and the city pushes right up against the border fence.

Recently, two tunnels were discovered in Nogales, bringing the Tucson-sector tunnel count to 125 found since 1990. In early December, the first of the two tunnels was discovered when U.S. Border Patrol and Mexican Federal Police collaborated for a routine sweep of the stormwater system.

The tunnel’s entrance was concealed in the floor of an existing drainage system by a pile of dirt; it was capped with a Styrofoam and concrete mixture, according to Customs and Border Protection.

It extended 10 feet underground and 20 feet into the United States, CBP said. At its exit, the tunnel was approximately 3 feet wide and over 4 feet tall.

Days later, Border Patrol found another tunnel about 50 feet away and alerted the Mexican Federal Police to check the location of the entrance from the southern side.

Both tunnels have been remediated with concrete filler, according to CBP.

Further west, in Yuma, Arizona, Border Patrol agent Jose Garibay recounted the story of a tunnel discovered in his sector in August 2018. The tunnel extended from

San Luis, Mexico, to San Luis, Arizona. It was 600 feet long – the length of two football fields – and was shored up by vertical wood planks on the walls.

The tunnel popped up into an old KFC building in San Luis, Arizona, and the exit point was about 8 inches in diameter and just wide enough to bring up pounds of narcotics, Garibay said.

“A lot of them are hand-dug tunnels, which, regardless of how they’re dug, it takes a lot of precision to get them from the south side to the U.S. side and come up in the exact same spot that they want it to,” he said. “Especially since they dug under a canal. So they had flowing water above them. It took a lot of engineering to be able to get it to work properly and not collapse.”

The tunnel was discovered through “human intelligence,” Garibay said, being careful not to reveal too many details. Federal and local law enforcement arrested a man who was transporting drugs out of the building.

When caught, the suspect was transporting more than three kilograms, which is more than 6 pounds, of fentanyl, six kilograms of cocaine, more than 20 kilograms of heroin and 118 kilograms of methamphetamines, worth a combined \$1.2 million.

During a traffic stop, a K-9 alerted officials to the drugs, which were in two toolboxes in the man’s pickup truck, Scott Brown, Phoenix Homeland Security Investigations special agent in charge, said.

“Just the three kilograms of fentanyl translates to over 3 million



Border Patrol agents discover a cross-border tunnel in Nogales, Arizona, Dec. 8.

The Epoch Times/Customs and Border Patrol photo

dosage units,” Brown said at the time. “In a nation in the midst of an opioid crisis, obviously, this is a very significant seizure.”

The agent said the Mexico entrance of the tunnel was accessed via a trapdoor under a bed located in a residential compound.

Garibay said the tunnel was built by the Sinaloa cartel. According to the Drug Enforcement Administration, tunnels found along the border are generally associated with the Sinaloa cartel. Most tunnels are found in California and Arizona.

The tunnel was sealed at the border and filled with concrete up to the exit point.

Some previously discovered

tunnels, mostly in the San Diego area, have had lighting, ventilation and rail systems. One such unfinished tunnel that was discovered in San Diego in 2018 was 627 feet long and went to a depth of 31 feet. A rail system ran the entire length of the tunnel, CBP said.

Garibay said no technology exists yet that can detect small cross-border tunnels, which are generally 3 feet wide and 5 feet tall.

“There’s nothing as of now that would allow us to go operational with it and detect it with a high rate of accuracy,” he said. “We’ve sent guys to Israel because (Israel has) a big problem with tunnels. So

we were working with them. And they’re working on technology to try to detect tunnels more accurately.”

It’s impossible to tell how many pounds of drugs enter the United States through tunnels each year. Most of the drugs that CBP seizes along the border come through ports of entry in vehicles.

CBP officers and Border Patrol agents intercepted more than 82,100 pounds of drugs in November 2019 – a 32% increase over October.

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Report: Feds to bill fire victims if utility doesn't pay \$4B

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) – Federal officials are prepared to bill wildfire victims for a portion of the nearly \$4 billion the government said it's owed by Pacific Gas and Electric Co., if the debt isn't resolved as part of the utility's bankruptcy case, according to a newspaper report Sunday, Jan. 12.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency has asked for reimbursement from PG&E to cover costs from the government's response to destructive fires in 2015, 2017 and 2018. Under PG&E's current plan to resolve its bankruptcy, any payment to FEMA would have to come from the \$13.5 billion the utility intends to reserve primarily to settle claims from wildfire victims, the San Francisco Chronicle reported.

Victims' lawyers are fighting FEMA's claim, which would take up nearly 30% of the settlement. But FEMA told the Chronicle it is compelled to seek compensation from PG&E. Otherwise, individual victims would be responsible if they get settlement funds that duplicate money already paid by the federal government, according to Bob Fenton, the agency's regional administrator.

Fenton said FEMA has "no interest" in reducing the amount of settlement funds available for fire victims.

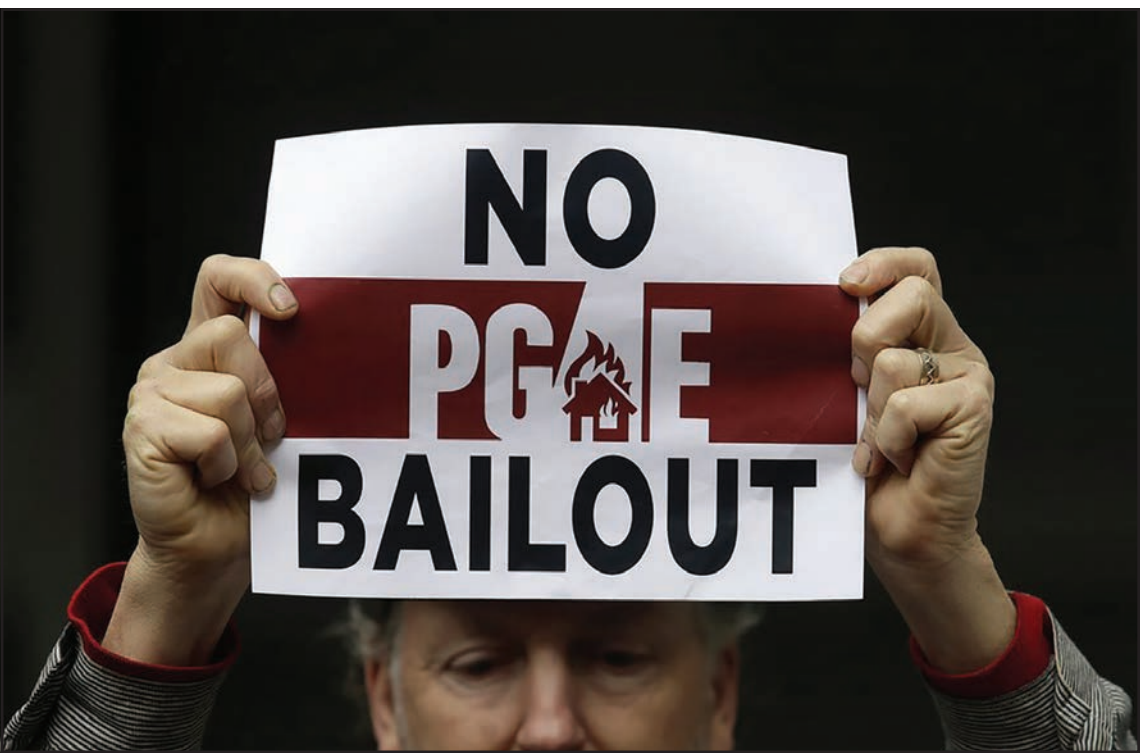
"What we are interested in doing is holding PG&E responsible and accountable for the billions

of dollars taxpayers provided to assist individuals and communities affected by the wildfires," he told the newspaper. "The last thing I want to do is have to go after these individuals that have received claims from the bankruptcy where certain parts of that claim may duplicate funding that we've already given them. ... It's much easier up front to go ahead and simply deal with PG&E directly."

The FEMA dispute is one of several major unresolved issues in the PG&E bankruptcy. PG&E has already won court approval of its deal with victims' attorneys and a separate \$11 billion settlement to resolve claims from insurance companies. But the company must clear a series of other hurdles as it works to resolve the rest of the case, which includes a broader bankruptcy exit plan.

FEMA has requested about \$3.9 billion in bankruptcy claims against PG&E because of the 2015 Butte Fire, the 2017 wildfires in wine country and the 2018 Camp Fire. Court papers show that only about \$282 million of the total relates to individual assistance FEMA gave to victims of the disasters – the rest is for aid provided to other government agencies and administrative costs.

FEMA's attempt to recover from PG&E was sharply criticized by 40 members of Congress in a letter to the agency's acting administrator last week. The letter cited concern at FEMA's "decision to litigate



In the Jan. 28, 2019, photo, a man holds a sign at a rally before a California Public Utilities Commission meeting in San Francisco. The Federal Emergency Management Agency has asked for reimbursement from Pacific Gas and Electric to cover costs from the government's response to destructive fires in 2015, 2017 and 2018. Under PG&E's current plan to resolve its bankruptcy, any payment to FEMA would have to come from the \$13.5 billion the utility intends to reserve primarily to settle claims from wildfire victims, the San Francisco Chronicle reported.

claims to the settlement fund for wildfire victims established by PG&E."

FEMA's efforts also have drawn criticism from James Lee Witt, a former director of the agency, who told the Santa Rosa Press Democrat newspaper last month that it was an "unusual" and "inappropriate" request.

U.S. Bankruptcy Judge Dennis Montali is expected to consider the FEMA issue at a hearing next month.

Eric Goodman, an attorney for a committee of fire victims involved in the PG&E bankruptcy case, said FEMA's defense of its \$3.9 billion request "doesn't hold any water" with him. Goodman's firm is asking Montali to reject FEMA's claim.

In a statement to the Chronicle, PG&E said it agrees with the victims' committee that "FEMA does not have a valid legal claim against the company."

Highlights of California governor's second annual budget

**The Associated Press**  
*Special to Valley News*

California Democratic Gov. Gavin Newsom presented a \$222 billion budget proposal to state lawmakers Friday, Jan. 10, setting off six months of hearings and negotiations before the Legislature must act by mid-June, in time for the new fiscal year that begins July 1. The state also will have an estimated \$107 billion in federal funds to spend in the next budget year. Some of Newsom's major proposals include:

**Health care**

Newsom would provide coverage for 27,000 older low-income immigrants who are in the country illegally, starting next year with an initial outlay of \$80 million. California last year became the first state to offer full health benefits to low-income adults 25 and younger living in the country illegally. Of about 3 million people who don't have any health insurance, advocates said about 30% are undocumented immigrants.

Newsom wants California to become the first state to sell its own prescription drugs. The CalRX label would "take the power out of the hands of greedy pharmaceutical companies," he said. California would contract with competing generic drug companies on behalf of its nearly 40 million residents and create a single market for drug pricing. Companies would have to bid to sell their medicine at a uniform price. Republican Assemblyman Devon Mathis, who sits on a health subcommittee, warned that "When the state runs it, it costs more money."

To curb vaping, the governor also proposed a tax of \$2 per each 40 grams of nicotine in electronic cigarette products, which he said was similar to the tax on cigarettes. The tax would generate an estimated \$32 million in its first six months that would help fund prevention programs and law enforcement.

**Housing and homelessness**

Newsom signed an executive order Wednesday, Jan. 8, creating what he proposes to be a \$750 million fund that providers could use to pay rents, fund affordable housing or help board and care homes. He's seeking another \$695 million in state and federal matching funds for preventive health care, but some of the money could also go to helping people find housing.

The self-proclaimed state "homeless czar" directed the state to provide 100 travel trailers and modular tent structures to cities and counties for use as temporary housing. He ordered state agencies to free surplus state property to house homeless people including

alongside highways, in unused health care facilities and on state fairgrounds. And he's seeking nearly \$25 million for three counties to experiment with putting those who are deemed mentally incompetent to stand trial into community programs instead of state psychiatric hospitals.

**Wildfires**

Newsom proposed hiring 555 firefighters over five years, providing relief to the existing 4,800 firefighters who sometimes battle blazes for weeks at a time. He also wants to spend \$100 million to make lower-income housing more resistant to wildfires with steps like replacing wooden roofs and filling gaps where embers can alight.

It's part of a \$2 billion emergency services budget proposal that also includes flood protection and high-tech mapping of areas prone to wildfires, floods, tsunamis and mudslides. It would fund a new Wildfire Forecast and Threat Intelligence Integration Center and research on better firefighting equipment and ways to protect firefighters.

Another half-billion dollars would go protecting things like water systems and public medical facilities from wildfires, and creating emergency shelters in places like fairgrounds. Communities would share \$50 million in matching funds to help things like schools and county election offices prepare for utilities' widespread planned power outages. A quarter-billion dollars would go to improving the health of forests.

**Pacific Gas and Electric**

Newsom's proposal includes a possible attempt to take over Pacific Gas and Electric unless the state's largest utility can minimize its chances of endangering lives and its practice of deliberately turning off the power when wildfire danger is high to prevent its transmission lines igniting fires.

Newsom and other government officials have repeatedly threatened to turn the utility into a government-owned entity since it sought bankruptcy protection a year ago as a refuge from an estimated \$50 billion in losses from deadly fires blamed on its outdated electrical grid. Newsom didn't estimate how much this "break the glass" scenario might cost the state but pledged to ensure any takeover wouldn't sink California into a deep financial hole.

A takeover bid would likely cost a lot, given PG&E's current market value stands at \$6 billion after peaking at \$37 billion in 2017. PG&E is currently seeking approval of its own plan that would maintain the company's status as a for-profit business with improved maintenance and operations.



California Gov. Gavin Newsom listens to a question concerning his proposed 2020-2021 state budget during a news conference in Sacramento, Friday, Jan. 10.

**K-12 education**

The governor proposed spending \$84 billion on K-12 education and community colleges, which includes increases to attract more teachers and higher spending on special education programs.

"75% of the districts have teacher shortages," he said.

Referring to a review he requested to study why California's schools are under-performing, Newsom said, "It's not that complicated. Train your teachers, make them the best, brightest. Incentivize."

His proposed budget allocates \$900 million for teacher recruitment and another \$895 million for special education programs that focus on training and diagnosing learning. Newsom also wants a \$20,000 stipend for teachers who stay four years at high-need schools, which alone would eat up \$100 million. Newsom said that's a worthy investment.

Newsom wants to create a new Department of Early Childhood Development and touted the importance of investing in special education programs, noting that he benefited from them as a child who struggled with dyslexia and speech issues. Overall spending per pupil would increase \$496 to \$17,964, combining state and federal funds, though much of that is being eaten up by pension funding costs for teachers.

**Higher Education**

The governor proposed \$21 billion for higher education – including increases of more than 5% each to the University of California and California State University systems. The 10-campus University of California system would see a \$218 million increase,

which Newsom said is dependent on his expectation it will continue focusing on college affordability, improved access for students, more graduations within four years and reducing achievement gaps.

Newsom would also boost the 23-campus California State University system's budget by \$230 million. Democratic Assemblyman Jose Medina applauded the increases as "critical to keeping California's institutions of higher education a pinnacle of excellence." But the Riverside lawmaker said the state needs to do more to address rising college costs and ensure that financially disadvantaged students get tuition help.

**Climate change**

The budget includes plans to invest \$12.5 billion over the next five years for resiliency measures. The funding anticipates that voters will approve a \$4.7 billion bond in November to support the expenditures. An equal share would come from the state's cap-and-trade program for pollution reduction.

Climate resilience is woven through the budget in sections on natural resources, wildfires and transportation.

Spending plans include a \$250 million revolving low-interest loan program – expected to grow to \$1 billion over five years – that would invest in green technology such as clean vehicles, smarter farming practices and better recycling programs.

The focus of priorities would be more about adapting to climate change rather than lessening its impact, Lisa Lien-Mager, representative for the California Natural Resources Agency, said.

**Consumer protection**

The governor is proposing to reorganize the Department of Business Oversight and rename it the Department of Financial Protection and Innovation. Newsom said it would let California protect consumers from predatory businesses in response to President Donald Trump's administration reducing federal consumer financial protections.

**Law enforcement**

Newsom wants to expand on existing programs that let younger inmates participate in more rehabilitative programs by creating campus-like settings within state prisons where 5,800 offenders under age 26 would live, study and work.

He also proposed closing a state prison – but not for several more years, given that the state remains under a federal court-ordered population cap. Newsom similarly hopes to close four of the state's six contract prison facilities in the next fiscal year – three of them operated privately – as the state continues an effort that last year brought the last inmates back from private prisons in other states.

Newsom's corrections department budget would grow by nearly \$1 billion, from a proposed \$12.6 billion a year ago to \$13.4 billion next fiscal year.

The governor proposed to shorten probation to a maximum of two years – down from five for felons – saying that most of the benefit comes in early months. But he also proposed intensifying services for those serving probation for misdemeanors to counter a rash of car burglaries and other property crimes.



# Finding art in Downtown Fallbrook

There are works of art all over Downtown Fallbrook. Some are older than others, but each has a story to tell. Can you identify these sculptures and murals?

Village News/Lucette Moramarco photos



1. Called the "Facts of Life," this sculpture is outside a bank and was installed in 1998. The work of sculptor Glenna Goodacre was donated by the Ingold Foundation. \_\_\_\_\_
2. Save our Forest dedicated this fabricated steel tree to community volunteers supporting the Fallbrook treescape plan in 2012. Melissa Ralston is the artist who made the tree. \_\_\_\_\_
3. This mural depicts a well known sight in Fallbrook; painted by Brett Stokes, it was donated by the Sutliff family in 2006. \_\_\_\_\_
4. This bronze and stainless steel sculpture created by Don Rambadt is one of the newest local artworks installed in a public place, 2012. It is called "The Inner Circle." \_\_\_\_\_
5. Painted by artists Kathleen Gee, Toni Inman, Neill Ketchum and Liz Yamaguchi, Village Mural was created in 1996. It can be found in a popular downtown location. \_\_\_\_\_
6. Fallbrook Village Rotary donated this Ceou Bonnet bronze to the Art in Public Places Program in 2000. The statue was stolen in July 2008 and found unharmed that December. \_\_\_\_\_
7. This little girl loves to read but has no plaque to identify her. She is not part of the Art in Public Places program. Anyone who knows how she got here can email that information to [villageeditor@reedermedia.com](mailto:villageeditor@reedermedia.com). \_\_\_\_\_

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# REAL ESTATE AND HOME & GARDEN

## Seven ways to save the environment at home

FALLBROOK – With the new year come all sorts of New Year’s resolutions: for many people becoming more aware and environmentally conscious is one of them. Being eco-wise is good economics in the home, finances and the earth. Besides recycling, there are simple things people can do to play a small part in taking care of the planet.

**Reduce energy use**  
Coal and oil are quickly disappearing because they are being used at a faster rate than they can be replenished. So shut electronics all the way down or unplug them completely instead of putting them on standby mode. They actually keep leeching energy while not in use.  
When it’s time or when you can, replace appliances for Energy Star-labeled ones. This change helps a home consume less, thus saving homeowners more money.

**Use natural resources**  
If possible, opt for renewable energy sources. Consider solar panels. These are now made more affordable. Check out Tesla’s solar roof. Or why not line dry clothes instead? Or air-dry dishes. Or use the rake instead of a blower. Sure, these will take some effort, but it’ll be worth it.

**Tone down the temperature**  
Producing the perfect temperature will have to consume energy. Tune up the heating system regularly. Make sure to have proper insulation too as it can reduce the cost of heating and cooling throughout the year. Wash clothes in cold or warm instead of hot. Or use a smart thermostat that automatically drops the temperature when no one is home.

**Turn the lights off**  
Lighting can contribute to 20%



Buy reusable containers and utensils instead of disposable ones. Village News/Courtesy of Broadpoint Properties



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Don't turn on lights during the day; open the curtains and let the natural light in.

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of an energy bill. Keep the lights off when no one is in the room. Don’t turn on lights at all for as long as possible, especially during the day. Open the curtains and let the natural light in. It is also a good idea to switch to a compact fluorescent bulb or LEDs. These types last 3-25 times longer and can help save around \$75 each year.

**Make every drop count**  
Only 3% of all the water is freshwater – 1% is available for drinking while the other 2% is locked in icecaps and glaciers. Everyone depends on water for life and with all 8 billion people relying on it, it only makes sense that they must conserve water. So, make sure the home is free of any water leak. Learn to suds up in under 10 minutes. If possible, opt for a low-flow showerhead and fittings to faucets.

**Practice conscious consumerism**  
Somewhere halfway between Hawaii and California is the Great Pacific Garbage Patch, a collection of plastic, floating trash that’s now twice the size of Texas.  
Repurposing glass jars as leftover containers and bulk storage, especially in the kitchen can help minimize waste. Choose cloth rags over paper towels. Opt for reusable items versus disposable plastics.  
Lessen landfill problems by not buying more. If something is broken, see if it can be fixed before throwing it away. More people are becoming into buying secondhand items as they are cheaper too.

**Plant more trees**  
If possible, plant new trees or herbs in the garden. Not only will it make the garden beautiful and purify air, but growing produce will save the family some cash.

These efforts may only be a dot to paint the bigger picture, but it’s good to start somewhere. A whole lot of people doing a little bit adds up to a whole lot to heal the planet. As the saying goes, “A journey of a thousand miles begins with a single step.”  
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# Three factors to consider when choosing a mortgage lender



Picking the right lender makes buying a house easier.

Metro photo

FALLBROOK – A home is the most significant purchase many people will ever make. Perhaps because of that, many buyers, particularly those purchasing a home for the first time, are understandably nervous about the home-buying process. The decision regarding which home to buy warrants ample consideration, but so, too, does the buyers’ choice of lender.

Mortgage lenders can be found all over the internet and the sheer volume of lender options can make it hard for homebuyers to find the right fit for them. Couple that with lending-related terminology that many first-time buyers may be unfamiliar with, and it’s easy to see why prospective homeowners can feel overwhelmed about the process of borrowing money to buy their homes.

When looking for a mortgage lender, prospective homeowners should never forget that the choice of lender is, in most cases, entirely theirs to make.

When making that decision,

a host of variables should be considered. The following three factors may help buyers rest easy knowing they did their due diligence when looking for lenders.

**Reputation and recommendation**

Just like other businesses, lenders have reputations and oftentimes those reputations can be determined via some simple online research. Peruse online reviews to determine what past buyers felt about a given lender. If possible, ask friends, family or colleagues who they worked with to secure a mortgage.

**Fees**

Fees vary from lender to lender. Fees should not be mistaken for interest rates, which change daily and are typically dictated by the financial industry and prospective buyers’ credit history and financial standing.

When speaking with potential lenders, ask for a rundown of their fees and the services those

fees include, and closing cost estimates in writing, then compare and contrast fees and costs of various lenders before making a final decision. Some lenders may charge considerably more in fees than others, so buyers should put in the effort necessary to comparison shop.

**Personal interaction**

Buyers, especially those who have never before purchased a home, will likely have lots of questions. Buyers can make this decision based on their personal interaction with a prospective lender. Securing financing for a home purchase can sometimes seem like an impersonal process, but it doesn’t have to be, and many lenders are happy to answer buyers’ questions.

Lenders who answer questions quickly and clearly can make buyers more comfortable about the home buying process. Buyers may want to avoid lenders who seem evasive or unwilling to answer questions in writing.

# Learn about DIY home security

FALLBROOK – Homes are a safe haven and comfortable retreat for individuals and families. Home invasions can compromise that feeling of safety and security, making people feel uncomfortable and unsafe in their own homes.

Although the FBI Uniform Crime Reporting Statistics indicate property crime rates have seen a significant decline in the last few years, there are still roughly 2.5 million burglaries a year, 66% of which involve home break-ins. Break-ins are 6% more likely to occur between 6 a.m. and 6 p.m., when people are out at work or running errands than at other times of day. Homes without a security system are 300% more likely to be burglarized, according to the National Council for Home Safety and Security.

Installing a security system may be the goal of homeowners looking to protect themselves and their belongings. Thanks to

availability of new, user-friendly products, do-it-yourselfers can, in many instances, install their own home security systems.

Smart home integration, mobile apps and wireless connectivity are hallmarks of modern DIY home security systems, according to www.safety.com. Many have the same components as traditional home security systems, but do not require professional installation or monitoring, even though such options are available.

When shopping for home security systems, people can look for the following features to compare offerings.

**Sensors:** Sensors will detect motion and activity in the house. Sensors also may be attached to doors and windows to determine if either are open. Some systems are designed to send alerts to a phone when triggered.

**Cameras:** Working in conjunction with sensors, cameras

can provide an eye on activity in and outside of a home, adding another layer of protection.

Smart features: With smart home connectivity, security systems can be engaged and turned off from remote locations.

Many DIY versions of home security systems work wirelessly and can be set up in a relatively short period of time. While wired systems use existing electric and telephone lines to connect security components, wireless systems connect components to a main panel via radio frequency. One of the benefits of wireless tech is that it enables DIYers to add components and replace them as needed without major hassle. In addition, wireless security systems do not require construction during the installation process.

More and more homeowners are embracing DIY home security systems to keep their homes safe.

# NFPA and State Farm launch Wildfire Community Preparedness Day application process

QUINCY, Mass. – Home improvement projects that resist flames and embers. Teaching neighbors about wildfire risks and how to reduce them. Removing flammable debris that could fuel a wildfire. These and other related activities are being actively supported by the National Fire Protection Association and State Farm via the national Wildfire Community Preparedness Day campaign.

The seventh annual Wildfire Community Preparedness Day will take place Saturday, May 2. Since 2014, community groups and individuals have taken part in the campaign, completing hundreds of wildfire safety projects across the United States. Preparedness Day gives people of all ages a chance to plan and participate in a risk reduction or wildfire preparedness activity that makes their community a safer place to live.

Financial support from State Farm will once again enable NFPA to provide 150 applicants from across the country with \$500 awards to complete a wildfire risk reduction project Saturday, May 2. Project applications can be submitted through Feb. 28.

Currently, an estimated 43 million homes are in areas prone to wildfire, and wildfire risk is present in every state. In 2018, nearly all of the \$13 billion in property damage and losses from large fire incidents was due to just

six wildfires. That same year, 88 people were killed in wildfires, most in the devastating Camp Fire that obliterated the town of Paradise.

“According to the recent, staggering statistics, preparing our communities for wildfire is more critical today than ever before,” Lorraine Carli, NFPA vice president of outreach and advocacy, said. “NFPA and State Farm work closely together on this yearly campaign in a continued effort to raise awareness and educate homeowners that they have the power to save their homes and communities before a wildfire ignites, and we have the resources and information to help.”

“State Farm finds it important to inform and encourage homeowners and communities to adopt effective wildfire mitigation programs that produce stronger, safer homes where lives are saved and a family’s largest investment is better protected,” Vickie Hodges, State Farm underwriting analyst, said.

For more information about Wildfire Community Preparedness Day, funding awards, project ideas and free resources to download, visit [www.wildfireprepd.org](http://www.wildfireprepd.org).

For more information about NFPA, visit [www.nfpa.org](http://www.nfpa.org). All NFPA codes and standards can be viewed online for free at [www.nfpa.org/freeaccess](http://www.nfpa.org/freeaccess).

Submitted by National Fire Protection Association.

From C-1- Finding art in Downtown Fallbrook

Answers:

1. B - in front of Wells Fargo on Main Avenue

2. E - on south side of Hawthorne east of Main

3. D - Sleeping Indian on north side of Hawthorne

4. A - in Vince Ross Village Square

5. C - in Vince Ross Village Square

6. G - on the southeast corner of Main and Alvarado

7. F - near the southwest corner of Main and Hawthorne

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Real Estate Round-Up: Speaking locally



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Fallbrook is a wonderful place to live. As a community, we have found ways to take care of our town and the people that live in it. As a community, we support our children through the Boys and Girls Club and the Child Development Center. We support our seniors through the Fallbrook Senior Center and the Foundation for Senior Care.

We support the arts, our trails, our parks and the town through our commitment to Fallbrook Art's Inc., Fallbrook Land Conservancy, Fallbrook Beautification Alliance, Save Our Forest and the Fallbrook Village Association.

We do a very good job at helping our own, through the financial and physical support by sponsors and volunteers in all these groups. Despite all of this, did you know that, even in our special town, 1,003 families each week go to the Fallbrook Food Pantry for food?

Since September 2019, the number of families seeking help to provide food for themselves has nearly doubled. This need is truly at the heart or the very core of basic life and with this growing need, I thought it was worthy to make everyone aware of it.

Thirty-eight percent of that figure are children; 20% are seniors and 8% are military. Many of our children are arriving to school hungry. Seniors, who can travel to the food pantry, are supplementing their need for food. Military families, who are serving us, seek food to have enough.

The numbers are so high that I bet many of us know people who are supported by the Fallbrook Food Pantry but remain private about their need because they are embarrassed by it. Afterall, food is a basic, right? We should all be able to have enough food, especially in a well-to-do community like Fallbrook. I think it's just that many of us are not aware of how great the need is and how quickly the need is growing.

The cost of living for those on fixed incomes continues to rise. Every time we have a new tax or regulation that ultimately impacts transportation or production, prices go up on food and basic staples.

How does a mother buy healthy food, basic hygiene items or even milk for her children? For those relying on Social Security, their income hasn't gone up, but the cost of Medicare and prescription drugs has.

Military pay for the enlisted person is so low that we should be embarrassed by it, yet their cost of housing, utilities, gas and food continues to rise.

There is no way that we, as a community, can affect the big picture items. We can however help people, specifically 1,003 families a week, by supporting the Fallbrook Food Pantry.

I recently asked myself and other friends who do not suffer from food insecurity, if they would consider fasting for a few days to make this need feel real. None of us wanted to do that for a few days or even a day, because we know the impact it would have on our ability to function.

Imagine that feeling being with you every day? Thankfully, without fasting or finding ourselves in a state of need, we will never know. But that doesn't change or lessen the great need that exists.

I'm bringing this to your attention first because I believe it is a silent need, a private need that we either don't know about or choose to not be involved with. It could impact any of us or the people we know at any time if life just throws you a curve like a job loss or serious accident or illness.

Secondly there is a remedy to curb the need and that is supporting the Fallbrook Food Pantry. I am reaching out to you personally to ask you to get involved with this 501C3 nonprofit by supporting our upcoming sixth annual charity event, May 15.

The event features dinner, dancing, a live auction and sponsorship activities, preceded by a fun golf tournament, all at Pala Mesa Resort. One hundred percent of the funds raised at this event go directly to support the needs of the growing number of families that need food.

So what does this have to do with real estate? I've begun to feel that everything impacts real estate. Real estate health doesn't exist in a bubble.

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EDUCATION

Longtime Fallbrook resident teaches children anti-bullying through storytelling

Will Fritz  
Associate Editor

A longtime Fallbrook resident is using her artistic and musical talents to educate children about diversity and acceptance from a young age.

Arlene Yates lived in Fallbrook for close to 30 years before she recently moved to Temecula to be closer to her grandchildren. Yates is a professional musician, songwriter and recording artist, with more than four decades of performing experience.

In recent years, she’s taken her skills and put them to use teaching children to be tolerant and kind and not to be bullies through her character Haja, a boy who is teased by his peers for his unusually long arms.

After publishing books about Haja that are aimed at children who are just learning how to read, Yates got the attention of the Murrieta Valley Unified School District and performed for their elementary school students. Recently, she was hired as a teaching artist for the district.

Yates said while she started off her musical career playing in an all-girl rock band, she’s had a long-running interest in writing and performing for a younger audience and wrote her first story for children in the early 1980s. She said she initially wanted to take old nursery rhymes – many of which can be negative and off-putting when their true meanings are analyzed – and turn them into positive stories for children.

For instance, in the original Jack and Jill nursery rhyme, Jack breaks his crown and Jill goes tumbling after.

“I bandaged him all up, and he got well and happy,” Yates said of her version of the rhyme.

And instead of Little Bo Peep who lost her sheep, Yates wrote a song about “Little Bo Peep who found her sheep.”

“So it’s all kind of really positive and fun,” she said.

Those songs were something she wrote for years while her children were growing up, Yates said.

It would be two decades before Yates got the idea for Haja while she was running a restaurant she used to own in Vista, she said.

“In about 2005 or 2006, I went on my lunch break to the Goodwill,” Yates said. “I picked up this doll with its arms down to the floor, and I put it back.”

At first, she said she thought the doll looked quite odd and was almost repulsed by it. But then some ideas started flooding into her head.

“I grabbed him back, and I just had this fabulous story about this little boy. His name is going to be Haja, and the kids are going to tease him,” Yates said.

With that idea, Yates got started working on stories about Haja and the Garden of Tomorrow, which is the setting for all of her stories.

Fallbrook artist Brett Stokes illustrated all three books about Haja, including “Haja,” “Haja Plays Basketball” and “Haja Picks Apples,” which is due out in February. Helping Yates with the publishing process is Jack Kovic of GOT Publishing in Fallbrook.

“The Garden of Tomorrow kind of represents our youth, so there’s the law of the harvest, what you sow is what you reap,” Kovic said of Yates’ stories. “The current harvest we’re reaping is kids who bring guns to school ... so where do you start to create a new generation planting the next garden, you know? What’s it going be? It’s going to be kids who respect others and (have) good citizenship.”

Later, Yates had her own puppet of Haja made. In addition to her books, she writes songs and makes videos about Haja, which can be found on her website, www.ladyarlene.com.

Kovic said the idea behind Yates’ stories is to get teach children not to be bullies early on, while they’re still learning to read.

“That’s the whole gist here is, let’s get into the preschools and the elementary schools and we’ll start good habits,” Kovic said.



Arlene Yates shows off a puppet of Haja, a character she created to teach children anti-bullying messages.



Arlene Yates has written three books about her character Haja, who the other child characters make fun of because he has long arms.

In 2018, Yates said she spoke with the Murrieta Valley Unified School District’s visual and performing arts coordinator Carol Hernandez to see about possibly bringing her lessons to students in the district.

“She had made an appointment with me, and she came in and showed me her wonderful books on her character Haja,” Hernandez said. “I was very impressed by the book, and I thought it would be perfect for her to come into our transitional kindergarten classes and present the book.”

Hernandez said she arranged to have Yates come into a class at Lisa J. Mails Elementary School. It was there, Hernandez said, that she was impressed by Yates’ performing talents.

“It’s truly a performance; she’s truly amazing,” Hernandez said. “She’s not only an author; she’s a ventriloquist. In a half-hour, she did a complete performance; the kids loved her.”

After that, Hernandez said parents asked her where they could find Yates’ books, and she decided to continue bringing Yates into classrooms as part of the school district’s Horizons Unlimited program, through which the district connects artists with local students.

Then, Hernandez said, the district decided to hire Yates to work with students for Our Town, a new program in which the school takes community leaders to third grade classrooms to teach students how to be citizens in their communities.

“She’s going to be one of six people going into the classrooms and talking a little bit about themselves and how they ended up in Murrieta,” Hernandez said.

And of course, Yates will be performing too, Hernandez said.

Apart from that, Yates said now that her third Haja book

is finished, she will be taking a break from him and begin working on a new character, Mindy Mermaid, who will teach children not to steal in her first story. Will Fritz can be reached by email at wfritz@reedermedia.com.

Local students earn honor roll recognition

ST. GEORGE, Utah – In a display of academic achievement, 18% of Dixie State University students earned president’s and dean’s list recognition for the fall 2019 semester.

Specifically, 1,978 students were included on the university’s honor rolls, with 816 students on the president’s list and 1,162 on the dean’s list.

Inclusion indicates students’ strong commitment to their academic pursuits, as they must achieve a semester GPA of 3.9 or higher to be included on the president’s list and a GPA of 3.5 to 3.89 for the dean’s list. Both lists require students to complete a minimum of 15 credits.

The following Fallbrook residents were among the 1,978 students awarded inclusion on

the honor roll for the fall 2019 semester: Natalee Frame and Logan Genduso.

“On behalf of the university, I’d like to commend all of our students whose hard work and dedication to academic excellence have earned them placement on the president’s and dean’s lists,” Dr. Michael Lacourse, vice president of academic affairs, said. “The university’s active learning environment prepares students to succeed in the workforce and graduate programs, and I am proud of our honor roll students for taking full advantage of the opportunities available here at Dixie State.”

To learn more about Dixie State University, visit [www.dixie.edu](http://www.dixie.edu). Submitted by Dixie State University.

Promoting good behavior in your children

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Parents are naturally proud when their children are well behaved. When our kids play well with others, responsibly complete family chores, and interact politely with adults, we feel we’ve done a pretty reasonable job of child-rearing. But getting our kids to be well behaved is not always a simple task.

Children learn behaviors through the consequences that various behaviors bring. If a child earns a reward for doing something well, he’s learned it’s a positive consequence. Poor behavior that brings a punishment is a negative consequence. Over time, as either consequence is repeated, it can lead to a changes in behavior.

This seems simple enough, but there are some complicating factors. Research has found that rewards, those pleasant, positive consequences, are more effective in changing behaviors than unpleasant consequences such as punishments. Such rewards might be tangible, such as a toy or book or favorite food, or intangible, such as praise for a task well done. But regardless of the type of reward, how it is used is important if it is to be effective.

It’s advised to reward only occasionally. When a child figures out that an award or gift will be provided, he or she might produce the desired behavior only if certain the reward is forthcoming.

It’s also important that the reward happens immediately after the desired behavior. Delaying a reward loses its motivational power for most children.

Effective rewarding also means rewarding effort, not just performance. A reward is earned when a child is truly trying to complete a task, even if he or she falls short of the desired goal.

For rewards to be effective, it can help to give children a say in what rewards matter to them. And you want to have a variety of rewards. The repeated use of the same one can cause it to lose its value.

Effective rewarding isn’t just tangible rewards. Positive compliments matter, and when using a tangible reward, you increase its effectiveness by combining it with a positive word or touch.

Rewards shouldn’t be bribes. Children who perform desired behaviors only to earn prizes aren’t really growing and learning to mature positively. It’s important that rewards aren’t the only motivation to perform, because over time rewards will lose their value. But they can be a valuable way to encourage short term behaviors and are often more effective than using threats and punishment to discourage unwanted ones.

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BUSINESS

Things to look for in a new job

FALLBROOK – Change plays a big role as people ring in a new year. At the dawn of a new year, some people resolve to live healthier in the months ahead while others might make financial resolutions in an attempt to improve their bottom lines.

The decision to change jobs is another popular resolution at the dawn of a new year. Professionals change jobs for various reasons. But regardless of what’s behind a career change, many people can benefit by looking for things in a new job that can make them happy both professionally and personally.

**Salary:** Of course, everyone would love to earn more money when changing jobs, but there is more to changing jobs than just improving your bottom line. As you begin your job search, consider how much you currently earn and if that allows you to live a life you love. If so, don’t overemphasize finding a new job that pays considerably more than you currently earn.

On the flip side, young professionals who want to start a family in the years ahead should consider the costs associated with such a decision and how the salaries they earn at their next jobs may affect what they want down the road.

**Work/life balance:** Before beginning your search for a new job, think about why you want to switch careers or companies. Long hours often lead to burnout. If you’re looking for a new job because you’re burned out, try to find a job that affords you a better work/life balance.

A study from the Happiness Research Institute in Copenhagen found that, with the curious exception of people who work more than 55 hours per week, stress rises accordingly with the numbers of hours worked each week. Keep that in mind if your goal is to find a job that affords you a better work/life balance.

**Satisfaction:** When attempting to achieve a better work/life balance, it can be easy to overlook satisfaction at work in exchange for more time at home. But studies have shown that feeling satisfied by what you do can have a profound impact on your overall happiness. It’s possible to find an engaging career that still affords you time away from work, and such a career can ultimately pave the way toward a happier life.

**Commute:** Bending over backward simply to get to work and then get home from work can have an incredibly negative impact on your life. A study from the Office of National Statistics in the United Kingdom found that commuters, especially those who spend between 60 and 90 minutes



commuting to work, have lower life satisfaction and lower levels of happiness compared to people who don’t commute.

Before accepting a job offer, estimate your commute time to and from the new office and try to determine the impact of that commute on your quality of life.

Many people aspire to find a new job at the dawn of a new year. Job seekers should consider a host of factors before switching jobs to make sure they make the best decisions.

Survey finds nearly 30% of Americans have less than \$500 saved

FALLBROOK – Managing money is no box of chocolates, yet three in five Americans (60%) are not just comfortable with it, they’re confident about their finance skills – at least according to a recent financial confidence survey conducted by TopCashback.com, the USA’s most generous cashback site.

The survey polled a cross section of 1,736 adults, aged 18 and over.

**The ABCs of financial confidence**

While “financial confidence” is more of a feeling than a technical term, the basic concepts and practices of saving money, being prepared for an emergency and setting goals can all be categorized under that umbrella.

*Do you have a savings account?*

- Yes (79%)
- No (21%)

*Do you budget your money?*

- Yes (72%)
- No (28%)

**Preparing for the future**

Money can sometimes be a taboo subject in conversations, but 80% of Americans feel comfortable talking about money. It may not come up all the time, but money is on the minds of many.



• More than \$12,000 (35%)

• Less than \$500 (27%)

• \$1,001 to \$3,000 (12%)

With the top two responses being more than \$11,000 apart from each other in terms of how much Americans are saving, more than half, or 57%, do have a retirement fund whether that’s a 401(k), savings, etc.

**Bills, bills, bills**

If bills begin to stack up, it can be a stressful time for anyone. The survey found that less than half of Americans, or 44%, feel financially secure and 29% of Americans do not have credit card debt.

*Do you ever stress over or worry about money? Here are the top three responses:*

- Occasionally (31%)
- Regularly (26%)
- All the time (21%)

*Do you pay your bills on time?*

- Yes (90%)
- No (10%)

*Do you pay more than the minimum on credit card debt?*

- Yes (56%)
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Palomar Health CEO named to California Hospital Association Board

SAN MARCOS – Palomar Health President and CEO Diane Hansen has been appointed to the California Hospital Association Board of Directors for a term ending in December 2022.

CHA is one of the largest hospital trade associations in the nation, serving more than 97% of the patient beds in California, and seeks for every Californian to have equitable access to affordable, safe, high-quality, medically necessary health care.

As a member of the board, Hansen will work with policy-makers statewide to realize this goal.

“Delivering the highest quality health care to all Californians, especially in North San Diego County, is within our reach if we work together,” Hansen said, adding to do so “we need elected officials at all levels of government to put patients’ needs ahead of all other interests.”

Hansen has served as the president and CEO of Palomar Health for the past two-plus years. During her tenure, she has negotiated two union contracts ensuring long-term patient caregiver stability; reduced executive compensation by more than 31%; improved operating income by more than \$10 million, reinvesting the proceeds in medical equipment upgrades and oversaw quality improvements that have led to multiple national awards for providing high-quality patient care.

Previously, she served as chief financial officer of Palomar Health for five years and in financial leadership roles with public and private health care organizations for six years.

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# Live Oak Questers recognizes “This Place Matters” at Hindorff Adobe



Volunteer Harry Clyde installs a “This Place Matters” plaque at the Hindorff Adobe on the grounds of the Reche Schoolhouse.



Posing with the plaque they had installed at the Hindorff Adobe are, from left, Live Oak Questers President Kathleen Gerard, Treasurer Margaret Muller, Preservation and Restoration Chair Marilyn Clyde.

FALLBROOK – A plaque has been installed at the Hindorff Adobe in recognition of its historic significance by the local chapter of The Questers, Live Oak Chapter 1166. The Live Oak Chapter was instrumental in the relocation and restoration of this historic adobe from its original site on the old Hindorff property at the southeast corner of Gird and Reche roads.

The chapter members obtained a matching grant of preservation and restoration funds from the California State Quester organization. The 96-year-old adobe is now located on the grounds of the historic Fallbrook Reche Schoolhouse. The Questers is an international organization which promotes education on antiquities and the

preservation and restoration of historical sites and historical items. The Live Oak Chapter meets on the first Wednesday of the month. If interested in attending a meeting, call (760) 728-6010. For more information on Questers, visit [www.calqest.org](http://www.calqest.org). Submitted by The Questers, Live Oak Chapter 1166.

The Questers, Live Oak Chapter 1166 recognizes the 96-year-old Hindorff Adobe for its historic significance.

Village News/Courtesy photos



# Resolve to be an even better pet owner

**Yvette Urrea Moe**  
San Diego County Communications Office

The new year is always a time to reflect on where people have been, where their headed and how to make improvements. Residents should consider protecting their pets as an area to improve in for this new decade. How can this goal be done when a pet owner already feels they are already doing well? See the seven resolutions below from county Animal Services. Perhaps, San Diego pet owners are halfway there already. Seven pet owner resolutions for the New Year: Make sure dogs and cats are vaccinated against rabies, [www.sddac.com/content/sdc/das/adopt/rabies.html](http://www.sddac.com/content/sdc/das/adopt/rabies.html). License dogs –[www.sddac.com/content/sdc/das/license-laws/license.html](http://www.sddac.com/content/sdc/das/license-laws/license.html). Those first two are legally required for dogs. Register dogs and cats with Finding Rover, which can help pet owners find them if they’re lost –

<https://findingrover.com>. Microchip dogs, cats and rabbits. If they’re already microchipped, make sure the information is current – [www.sddac.com/content/sdc/das/adopt/care/microchip.html](http://www.sddac.com/content/sdc/das/adopt/care/microchip.html). Get dogs and cats spayed or neutered – [www.sddac.com/content/sdc/das/adopt/spay-neuter.html](http://www.sddac.com/content/sdc/das/adopt/spay-neuter.html). Create a disaster plan for the family’s pets – [www.sddac.com/content/sdc/das/adopt/care/pet-disaster-plan.html](http://www.sddac.com/content/sdc/das/adopt/care/pet-disaster-plan.html). Give pets plenty of attention. Play catch with the dog, toss a toy to the cat and give any furry or feathered friend the appropriate interaction. And have fun. Appointments aren’t necessary for microchips or rabies vaccinations. Stop by at either one of the county’s two shelter locations in Carlsbad or Bonita during normal business hours. They’re open from 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Tuesday through Sunday. For general information about county Animal Services, visit [www.sddac.com](http://www.sddac.com).



If you’re looking to adopt, these four dogs and four cats are available for adoption from the San Diego County Animal Services.

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Warriors boys win SoCal High School Classic soccer tournament

Joe Naiman

Village News reporter

Fallbrook High School’s boys soccer team won the SoCal High School Classic tournament’s Boys Premier Division championship.

The Warriors, who also hosted that division’s games, tied their first two round-robin games before a win in Fallbrook’s third match gave the Warriors second place in the division and sent Fallbrook to the championship game against St. Margaret’s of San Juan Capistrano. That game was tied in regulation and in field overtime, and the Warriors prevailed in the penalty kick shootout.

“To come out with a win was gratifying,” said Fallbrook coach Jorge Rojas.

The results from the Dec. 27-28 tournament gave Fallbrook a 2-0-7 record for the 2019 portion of the 2019-20 season. “Overall I’m very pleased. It’s a rather new team,” Rojas said.

The 18 varsity players include seven who were on last year’s varsity. Three of those were starters during the 2018-19 season.

“I’m very pleased with the way the boys have been coachable,” Rojas said. “I couldn’t be happier with the way things started.”

The Warriors’ season started Dec. 6 with a scoreless tie at Carlsbad. Fallbrook goalkeeper Cristian Franco, who is a junior, recorded five saves. Rojas rotates the Warriors’ outside wing back, so five Fallbrook starting defenders assisted Franco’s four shutouts during the Warriors’ first nine games. Outside left back Joseph Bell and outside right back Michael Lopez are seniors, inside left back Ricardo Acosta and inside right back Charlie Paez are juniors, and wing Jeff Leeman is a sophomore.

Fallbrook traveled to Rancho Bernardo for a Dec. 10 game. The Broncos held a 2-1 halftime lead before Fallbrook scored the only goal of the second half and salvaged a 2-2 draw. Both of the Warriors’ goals were scored by junior Bryan Rodriguez while seniors Andres Martinez and Ever Morales had one assist apiece.

The Warriors’ first home game of the season took place Dec. 14 against Vista. The game ended in a scoreless tie, and Franco made five saves.

Sage Creek traveled to Fallbrook for a Dec. 17 contest. The Warriors scored the only goal of the first half with Rodriguez placing the ball into the net and Martinez obtaining the assist. The Bobcats tied the game with a second-half goal and the score remained 1-1 through the final whistle.

Another scoreless tie was played Dec. 19 when Fallbrook was at Rancho Buena Vista. Franco had five saves.

“I was very pleased with some of those ties,” Rojas said. “They’re strong programs.”

Both of Fallbrook’s Dec. 27 round-robin games in the SoCal High School Classic were ties to give the Warriors a season record to that point of 0-0-7. The 2-2 game against St. Margaret’s included a 2-1 halftime lead for the Tartans, Fallbrook goals by Lopez and Rodriguez, and an assist by Acosta. Southwest High School of El Centro overcame a 1-0 Warriors halftime lead in that 1-1 game; senior Daniel Jimenez



Warrior Bryan Rodriguez attempts to keep the ball inbound against an Oceanside Pirate, Jan. 8.



Fallbrook's Andres Martinez heads the ball against Oceanside. The Warriors won the varsity boys soccer game, 1-0.



Warrior Mario Hernandez faces off against a Pirate during a varsity boys soccer game.



Fallbrook's Ever Morales races with the ball against Oceanside opponents.

Village News/Shane Gibson photos

Duran scored Fallbrook’s goal on an assist from Martinez.

Fallbrook’s first victory of the season was in the Warriors’ final round-robin game of the tournament. The Dec. 28 win over Yorba Linda had a 2-0 final score and a 1-0 halftime score. Franco made six saves, Martinez and Bell scored a goal apiece, and Morales contributed an assist.

“It was definitely gratifying to see the boys get past that challenge of acquiring ties,” Rojas said.

The Tartans’ other two round-robin games were a 3-2 victory over Yorba Linda and a 2-1 triumph against Southwest. St. Margaret’s thus had the best pool play record with Fallbrook posting the second-best result to qualify for the final. The championship game had a 1-1 halftime score as well as a 1-1 score at the end of regulation and after the completion of the field overtime period. Rodriguez scored Fallbrook’s goal. The game then went into a penalty kick shootout with Fallbrook making all five shots and St. Margaret’s converting four shots. Franco ended the game with seven saves.

“The difference is really putting away the opportunities we have in front of us,” Rojas said Fallbrook’s two wins.

The Boys Premier Division was one of four boys varsity divisions in the SoCal High School Classic. Los Alamitos defeated Mater Dei (Santa Ana) in the Showcase National Division final, Oceanside won the Showcase West Division championship by defeating Kofa (Yuma, Arizona) in the championship match, and Escondido prevailed over El Camino in the Boys Elite Division final.

Mater Dei and Fallbrook were both in the Junior Varsity Elite Division in which the Warriors posted a record of 0-2-1. Fallbrook lost 1-0 games to Torrey Pines and Mater Dei while obtaining a 1-1 tie against Downey.

“They competed well in the tournament,” Rojas said.

The boys freshman division matches were played Dec. 26-28. Fallbrook’s Dec. 26 competition at Oceanside High School ended as a 2-0 win over Oceanside.

The Warriors’ other three games were at San Dieguito Academy. Fallbrook’s 3-0 victory over San Dieguito Academy in the Dec. 27 round-robin game not only gave the Mustangs their only loss in round-robin play but also accounted for all goals scored against the Mustangs prior to the final. San Dieguito played two Dec. 27 matches with the other game ending as a 2-0 victory over El Camino, and the Mustangs’ Dec. 28 round-robin game was a 3-0 triumph against Oceanside.

Fallbrook’s Dec. 28 round-robin game was against El Camino and was a 3-0 Fallbrook victory. That put the Warriors into the championship game against San Dieguito, and the score of that was also 3-0 in Fallbrook’s favor to give the Warriors a second division championship for the tournament.

“We have a very optimistic perspective on this group of young men,” Rojas said.

This season’s varsity squad includes nine seniors.







# Rugby teams playing at home



Youth athletes train on the scrum machine at Potter Jr. High School.

Village News/Courtesy photo

FALLBROOK – Fallbrook Youth Rugby and the Fallbrook High School varsity rugby teams both have home matches the weekend of Jan. 18. High school varsity rugby plays against Mira Costa High School at the Fallbrook High School Stadium at 12:30 p.m., Saturday, Jan. 18.

Fallbrook Youth Rugby will be hosting teams Saturday, Jan. 18, from Belmont Shores, Temecula

and Valley Center at Potter Jr. High School. Matches start at 8:30 a.m. and will end around 1 p.m.

Youth Rugby President Allen Day encouraging all to support the Fallbrook Rugby programs said, “The youth league is where the kids learn correct positioning and how to play the game while at the high school level those skills are tested at a more advanced level of play. Also, it is a fun sport to

watch.”

The high school varsity rugby schedule can be found on their Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/FallbrookBoysHSRugby/](http://www.facebook.com/FallbrookBoysHSRugby/) and the youth rugby league can be followed on their Facebook page: [www.facebook.com/groups/fallbrookyouthrugby/](http://www.facebook.com/groups/fallbrookyouthrugby/).

*Submitted by Fallbrook Youth Rugby.*

## Fallbrook girls’ basketball improve to 9-6, boys now 12-3

**Jeff Pack**  
*Staff Writer*

The new year has been good to the boys’ and girls’ varsity basketball teams at Fallbrook High School as both teams notched some impressive wins during the waning days of the holiday break.

Head coach Jessica Ramirez’s Warriors varsity girls are now 9-6, despite suffering a tough loss to Rancho Bernardo High School at home Friday, Jan. 10.

The Warriors fell behind early and never recovered, dropping the home game 66-30.

But just two days earlier, Wednesday, Jan. 8, the Warriors came from behind, trailing 20-19 at the half, to defeat San Marcos High School 55-41 on the road, scoring 14 and 22 points in the third and fourth quarter while limiting the Knights to just 21 second-half points.

The Warriors won again Tuesday, Jan. 7, over Classical Academy on the road, scoring early and often to defeat the home side 52-30.

The girls started the new year right with a solid 47-38 win over

Orange Glen on the road Friday, Jan. 3. The teams were tied at the half, but the Warriors exploded for 17 third-quarter points and cruised to the win.

The Warriors said goodbye to 2019 with the thrashing of Valhalla in tournament play Monday, Dec. 30. The Warriors shut out Valhalla in the first quarter while scoring 12 points and then never looked back.

In the same tournament, the Warriors had a tough time scoring against West Hills High School and dropped a 35-21 decision Dec. 28.

The team was scheduled to play at Escondido High School after press time Tuesday, Jan. 14, and will return home to play Maranatha Christian High School at 6 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 16.

The Warriors will go on the road to take on Ramona High School Friday, Jan. 17, and return home to battle San Pasqual High School at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 21.

Boys now 12-3

Head coach Ryan Smith’s boys’ team didn’t start 2020 the way they had hoped but have bounced back to improve the Warriors’ record

to 12-3 heading into league play.

Despite leading at the end of the third quarter against Tri-City Christian High School New Year’s Day in the Del Norte Tournament, they were outscored 20-11 in the fourth quarter and lost the game 50-44.

It didn’t take long for the Warriors to recover, easily dispatching Maranatha Christian 62-42 in their next matchup, easily handing Hilltop High School at 66-52 loss, and taking out visiting Sage Ridge High School of Reno, Nevada, 68-36 Saturday, Jan. 4.

The Warriors made quick work of Escondido Charter High School Friday, Jan. 10, on the road, cruising to a 56-36 victory.

The Warriors were slated to start the league season Tuesday, Jan. 14, on the road against Escondido after press time. They will travel to Ramona Friday, Jan. 17, before returning home to play host to San Pasqual High School at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 21.

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# JV Holiday Duals successful financially and competitively

Joe Naiman  
Village News Correspondent

Fallbrook High School’s wrestling team hosted the JV Holiday Duals meet Dec. 21 at the Fallbrook High School gymnasium, and the tournament met the team’s financial goals as well as the objective of providing experience for younger wrestlers.

“I couldn’t be happier with the way that it went,” Fallbrook head coach Cristian Vera said. “The tournament definitely did its purpose,” Vera said. “It definitely met my expectations both financially and competitively.”

Vera founded the tournament in 2018.

“It’s going to be an annual tournament,” he said.

The tournament had two purposes. The first serves as a fundraiser for Fallbrook’s wrestling program.

“That’s the No. 1 reason why we do a tournament and why we host one,” Vera said.

The second reason is to develop wrestlers at the junior varsity level.

“I really like to do JV events for our younger guys,” Vera said. “I’m a big fan of JV wrestling. It’s really fun to watch the guys develop.”

The tournament raised more than \$2,000. Vera also traded entry fees with four other schools, allowing those schools to enter the JV Holiday Duals at no charge in exchange for those schools waiving Fallbrook’s entry fee for their tournaments.

Del Rey Avocado donated several boxes of avocados to be sold at the snack bar.

“We sold out of avocados. It was a big hit for us,” Vera said.

Instinct Fitness Apparel, a Fallbrook company owned by former Fallbrook High School wrestler Daniel Vilchis, provided gear to the team members.

Vera also noted the support of the parents.

“I’m really humbled by how much effort they put into this,” he said.

Vera said that other donations are still welcome.

“Our tournament expenses are paid, but we’re still looking to raise money for new mats in the future and new equipment in the future,” he said.

Ten schools entered the tournament and were split into two pools of five squads each. Each team wrestled each of the other teams in its pool. The teams which finished first in their pools then wrestled for first and second place, the second-place pool teams had a competition for third and fourth place, and the other teams with the same pool standings finishes faced each other for the remaining positions.

Fallbrook had a 2-2 pool record to place third. The Warriors defeated

Mission Hills and Canyon Crest high school while losing to Mount Carmel and Murrieta Valley high schools. The score of the Warriors’ match against Murrieta Valley was 36-35 in the Nighthawks’ favor.

The Warriors had 10 wrestlers and forfeited the 170-pound, 182-pound, 195-pound and 220-pound weight classes.

Patrick Henry High School took first place by defeating Mount Carmel in the championship match. Murrieta Valley placed third after defeating La Costa Canyon High School in the placing match which gave the Mavericks fourth place.

Fallbrook faced Great Oak High School in the fifth-place match and defeated the Wolfpack to give Fallbrook fifth place in the tournament.

“I’m definitely really proud of our team and I’m proud of the effort they put together,” Vera said. “We were competitive in every dual.”

Although sophomore Ethan Aguila normally wrestles at the varsity level, he was ill during his freshman year and did not compete in the 2018 JV Holiday Duals. Vera honored Aguila’s request to compete in the 2019 JV tournament.

“He wanted a chance to do it, and I had him bump up a weight class,” Vera said. “It was a good test for him.”

Aguila was bumped up two weight classes from his normal 145-pound competition. A wrestler is allowed to compete in the division above his weight level but not in a class below his weight. Aguila scaled above the maximum allowable weight to be in the 145-pound class Dec. 21, so the 160-pound competition was one weight class above the 152-pound division which matched his weight range on the day of the tournament.

Competition against 160-pound junior varsity wrestlers was not an obstacle for Aguila. He won all five of his matches and all of those were on the mat rather than by forfeit.

Fallbrook’s other varsity wrestlers assisted with the tables to help raise money for the program.

Two of Fallbrook’s grapplers won four matches and lost one: Alex Calvillo in the 138-pound division and Nik Allen in the 145-pound class. The losses for both Calvillo and Allen were by decision rather than by pin, and all of their victories were on the mat.

“They definitely impressed,” Vera said.

The feedback from other schools was also positive.

“We got nothing but praise from the other coaches about how well we ran the tournament,” Vera said. “I just want to thank the community of Fallbrook. I’m at a loss for words how much this community cares for us.”

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*Submitted by Fallbrook Seniors Golf Group.*

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Jan. 3		
800 block S. Main Ave	Child molestation	
Jan. 4		
300 block Potter St	Vandalism	
600 block E. Elder St	Found stolen property	
Jan. 6		
4000 block S. Mission Rd	Residential burglary	
900 block E. Mission Rd	Child abuse	
4700 block Pala Rd	Shoplifting	
4000 block S. Mission Rd	Petty theft	
600 block S. Mission Rd	Vandalism	
600 block Minnesota St	Arrest: Outstanding misdemeanor warrant	
100 block S. Main Ave	Vehicle burglary	
2800 block Lakemont Dr	Petty theft	
Jan. 7		
3100 block Rainbow Valley Blvd	Armed robbery	
400 block Ammunition Rd	Residential burglary	
700 block Carnation Ln	Violation of court order	
4500 block Baja Mission Rd	Extortion, fraud	
Jan.8		
Los Conejos Rd @ Reche Rd	Vehicle vandalism	
500 block E. Elder St	Recovered stolen vehicle	
Jan. 9		
1700 block Reche Rd	Arrest: Brandishing a deadly weapon	
Alturas Rd @ Alturas Ln	Arrest: Public intoxication	
Alturas Rd @ Alturas Ln	Arrest: Vandalism, public intoxication	
1000 E. Alvarado St	Death	
3100 block S. Old Highway 395	Arrest: Possession of controlled substance, controlled substance paraphernalia, marijuana more than one ounce, illegal ammunition, parole violation	
E. Mission Rd @ Fallen Leaf Ln	Arrest: Felony bench warrant	
Jan. 10		
500 block Golden Rd	Death	
500 block Ammunition Rd	Arrest: Felony warrant	
5500 block Mission Rd	Arrest: Possession of controlled substance, controlled substance paraphernalia	
Jan. 11		
500 block Ammunition Rd	Domestic abuse	
2100 block Green Hills Pl	Arrest: Criminal threats	
300 block Womack Ln	Arrest: Assault with a deadly weapon	
2400 block S. Stage Coach Ln	Domestic abuse	
300 block Natalie Ln	Arrest: Criminal threats	
1000 block E. Mission Rd	Shoplifting	



Francisco Salmerón passed away Wednesday, Jan. 1, 2020, at the age of 85. He was born May

11, 1934, in El Ocotito, Guerrero, Mexico.

Francisco first came to California on contract as part of the Bracero program. He married Susana Perez, his wife of 49 years, Oct. 11, 1970, and later moved to Fallbrook, California in 1972 where he lived for 47 years. He worked in agriculture in the avocado groves and nurseries until his retirement.

He loved and took care of his family the way he knew best. He enjoyed horticultural and took pride in having a vegetable garden.

Francisco was a member of the St. Peter The Apostle Catholic Parish and a member of La Unión

Mutualista de San José and La Sociedad Progresista Mexicana.

Francisco is survived by his wife, Susana Pérez Salmerón and four children, Martha Vera, Martha Leticia Salmerón, Susana Muriel Salmerón, Francisco Javier Salmerón and eight grandchildren, Abad Vera, Cecilia Vera, Sarai Vera, Jamin Vera, Eunice Vera, Javier Adrian Salmerón, Andrew Francisco Salmerón and Arianna Salmerón.

There will be a mass for Francisco, Friday, Jan. 17, at 10 a.m. at St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Parish, 450 S. Stagecoach Lane in Fallbrook.



Thomas Edward Conley, 85, died peacefully Jan. 3, 2020, with his wife and children by his side. Tom was born Nov. 6, 1934, in Buffalo, New York, to Dan and

Charlotte Conley.

Tom joined the U.S. Navy in 1953 as an aviation storekeeper and spent almost two years of his tour at Naval Air Station Port Lyautey, Morocco. Upon his discharge, he graduated with a bachelor’s degree in social studies and a minor in political science from Le Moyne College in Syracuse, New York.

Tom spent 37 years in the auto industry. Early in his career, he joined the Buick Division of General Motors. He worked for Volkswagen of America, Toyota Motor Distributors and American Isuzu Motors as a sales executive.

After retiring from Isuzu in 1994, Tom signed on as a volunteer consultant with Citizen’s Democracy Corps in Washington and Samsung South Korea. Tom’s favorite post retirement job started

in 1998 at Shelby American Inc. in Las Vegas, helping to run the Cobra operation with Carroll Shelby.

Tom married Mary Louise “Molly” Drake Feb. 3, 1968. They were married for almost 52 years and together raised four children. Tom loved classic cars and was an active member of the Fallbrook Vintage Car Club.

Tom left an indelible mark. He was a true gentleman, good natured and thoughtful, humorous and kind. He was a gifted mentor to many in the auto industry and a loving husband, father and grandfather.

Tom is survived by his wife, Molly; son Dan and his wife, Kimmy; son John and his wife, Tiffany; daughter Megan and her husband, Ken; daughter Susan and her husband, Steve; and 11 beloved grandchildren.

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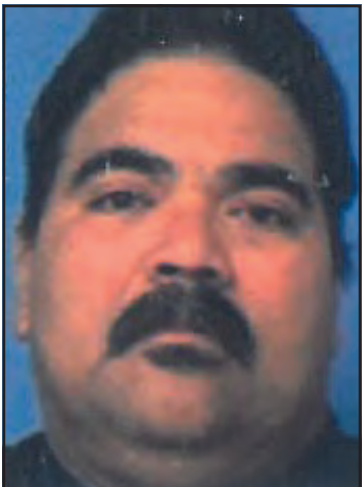
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Joseph Jesus Castillo, 61, of Pala died Dec. 29, 2019. The oldest of eight siblings, he grew up in Pala. He worked as a truck driver for many years and served in tribal law enforcement. He loved to build models.

Joseph was predeceased by two of his children, Jacob and Candace Castillo. He is survived by his children Alesha Castillo, Joseph Castillo Jr., Jordan Castillo and Jeremiah Castillo; three brothers, three sisters and two grandchildren.

There will be a graveside service Saturday, Jan. 18, at 10 a.m. at the Pala Indian Cemetery in Pala.

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WINE & DINING

Match food to your favorite brews

FALLBROOK – The rise of craft and home brewing has created more beer flavor profiles than ever before. In fact, there’s likely a beer for everyone, whether you’re a novice or connoisseur.

The Brewer’s Association, a trade association that represents small and independent American craft brewers, said that, in 2018, small and independent brewers collectively produced 25.9 million barrels and experienced a 4% total market growth.

The Brewer’s Association also said that these small brewers achieved a collective retail dollar take-in of \$27.6 billion.

While wine will always have its enthusiasts, beer is fast on its heels as a popular mealtime beverage. Much in the way wines are paired with certain foods, it has become the natural course of action to pair certain foods with particular styles of beer.

“Beer is a great match for food because of the complexity of its flavors, its ability to provide refreshment and to interact with many food flavors,” Marc Stroobandt, a master beer sommelier for the Food and Beer Consultancy, UK, said.

Although each person has their preferences, here is a brief listing of generalized pairings, courtesy of the Brewer’s Association and

CraftBeer.com.

- American Amber Lager: Creamy risotto, wild rice, polenta
- American Pale Ale: Game birds, such as duck and quail
- Belgian-style Dubbel: Pork chops, sausage, tenderloin
- Belgian-style Flanders: Grilled ribeye, root vegetables
- Blonde Ale: Chicken, salads, salmon, nutty cheese
- Dark Lager: Barbecue, sausage, roasted meat
- Hefeweizen: Weisswurst, seafood, sushi
- Imperial Stout: Smoked goose, foie gras, strong cheeses
- IPA: Spicy foods, curries
- Porter: Roasted or smoked foods, blackened fish

The Brewer’s Association recommends matching delicate dishes with delicate beers and strong dishes with assertive beers. Commonalities, like aromas and sub-flavors, also work together. A beer with roasted notes may pair well with chocolate, for example.

Opposites also attract, in that a spicy food may taste best when paired with a sweet beer.

Pairing might once have been limited to matching wines with certain foods. But the booming craft beer business has popularized pairing flavorful beers with foods to make meals even tastier.



Belgian-style Flanders pairs well with root vegetables.

A night out means experiencing the latest trends



FALLBROOK – Who doesn’t enjoy a night out on the town? Restaurants fulfill people’s desires for new experiences and enable them to sample new cuisine they may not prepare at home.

The Restaurant Performance Index, a monthly composite index that tracks the health of and the outlook for the United States restaurant industry, reached 101.6 as of May 2019. A value of over 100 is considered a time of good performance.

Plus, Toast’s 2019 Restaurant Success Report said 20% of American diners eat out at least once a week, with a whopping

45% dining out multiple times per week.

As the restaurant business thrives, diners may be interested to learn how their fellow foodies are spending their dining dollars.

**Increased online ordering**

Convenience is key, and the National Restaurant Association said delivery and takeout are very popular. UBS, a leading investment bank, states that delivery sales could rise by more than 20% annually, reaching \$365 billion worldwide by 2030. To facilitate the process, many restaurants have online menus and ordering

services that increase the ease of ordering and help reduce errors.

**Experimental foods**

Many restaurants are scaling back on size and putting more effort into experimental, creative foods that focus on niche menus. Open kitchens, tasting menus and varied offerings are trending, according to Food & Wine magazine.

**Wellness options**

Data from Upserve, a restaurant management service, indicated a rise in mainstream restaurants featuring menus that are designed

to provide specific health benefits, such as dishes that reduce inflammation or improve the gut microbiome.

**Plant-based options**

Using fresh, plant-based ingredients as the main component of the meals has become more the norm, which is a boon to vegetarians and vegans. And

it’s not necessarily a matter of replacing meats with meat alternatives; these are entirely plant-based meals for the sake of being plant-based meals – with a focus on plant proteins.

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# Gershon Bachus embraces kosher-style winemaking, autonomy



Gershon Bachus Vintners features an impressive lineup of aged red wines at the winery that are made in the kosher-style.

Jeff Pack  
Staff Writer

Since 2014, Gershon Bachus Vintners has been making its wines in a kosher-style, paying homage to the namesake the winery on the De Portola Trail in Temecula Wine Country.

Gershon Bachus is the grandfather of Kenny Falik, who owns the winery with his wife, Christina Falik.

“We felt that we should honor

the heritage of the man as well as the wine,” Falik said. “So, we thought that this would be a nice way to bring in some of our history, our ancestry and our culture to our business. The business is benign; it doesn’t matter whether you’re Catholic, Jewish, Muslim or otherwise. It just means your passion, your integrity of making fine wine is what really makes the wine sell. Not whether or not it’s kosher or non-kosher, but for the small population that wants



Gershon Bachus Vintners now has a barrel room on the property, allowing them more control over the development of their wines.

Valley News/Jeff Pack photos

that, we wanted to make sure that we were doing that. and whether or not it’s, um, it’s a, you know, whether it’s, you can’t find your return on the investment of doing it.”

Falik is quick to point out the differences between being kosher and kosher-style and why they made the decision to go kosher-style. She said a lot of the reason has to do with being able to create a better-tasting wine and avoiding having to abide by all the Orthodox Union rules of how their wines are made, including pasteurization.

“We are not devout Jews. We’re Jewish by nature, but we’re not devout,” Falik said. “In order to be Orthodox, you would have to be devout. That means that everybody that picks the grapes, everyone that works on the grapes and everybody that pours the wine has to be Jewish. We don’t have that option here.”

The winery’s rabbi is Rabbi Mark Rubenstein of Congregation B’nai Chaim, and he inspects everything at the winery to ensure they doing everything by the book. It appears they are doing things right at Gershon Bachus because they will be hosting a free members party – guests are \$30 per person – Saturday, Jan. 25. They will have traditional Jewish foods and, of course, their wines on hand for their guests to enjoy.

“The food’s going to be incredible, the wines outstanding,” Falik said. “It’s going to be, a good event and inexpensive for somebody that understands Jewish food.”

Falik said the winery has a membership base that is close to 1,000 members, which is an impressive number for a winery that doesn’t



Gershon Bachus Vintners makes their wines in concrete wine tanks, located just outside the barrel room.

allow bus tours and started out just more than a decade ago by doing tastings by appointment only.

It is an intimate, calm experience that the Faliks want for their members.

“At the beginning, we were appointment only primarily because we were trying to keep our wine in barrel and in bottle aging so that when we did open it was going to be perfectly beautiful,” Christina Falik said. “After we eliminated the appointment only, we determined that by minimizing the party buses and the party people, while it turns away some people, for the people that are loyal here, our members, our clickers. They appreciate it.”

This year they completed the building of a barrel room on the property which allows them to begin saving storage facility money and have greater autonomy.

“We hold 308 barrels in the

racks, but we do all the work on the spot so we don’t ever have to move the barrel unless we’re getting rid of it,” winemaker Dakota Denton said while standing in the new facility, which can be used in tours and during weddings on the property.

According to Falik, the rack system they brought in from France was more expensive than the building itself, but it eliminated the cost of storing wine at nearby wineries as they had been.

It also affords Denton the benefit of having more time with his wines as he doesn’t have to travel between facilities to monitor and work on the wines.

“You have your own home,” Falik said. “The temperature is being controlled; you know that everything is within your powers to make the wine great. There’s absolutely no guesswork. We know that if something happens with heat or whatever, it’s up to us.”

After what Falik said was a good harvest of full, juicy grapes this year, she expects to see some great wines coming out of the winery – with one more change included.

“One of the other things that we’ve decided as of this year is we will no longer be serving white wine in the tasting room,” Falik said. “We will be all reds. That is our focus. That is our passion.”

They will produce from 12 red varietals from grapes grown on the property and grapes purchased from nearby properties. Denton said he can almost see all the grapes they buy from the Gershon Bachus Vintners property.

“We will make a small batch of white wine for the events that we do, where that’s necessary,” Falik said. “But in the tasting room, we’ll be all red. Only big bold reds. We’re starting with light reds and going to the boldest of reds.”

Gershon Bachus Vintners is at 37750 De Portola Road in Temecula. For more information, visit [www.gershonbachus.com](http://www.gershonbachus.com) or call (877) 458-8420.

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# It's all about the burgers during Temecula Valley Restaurant Month

**Jeff Pack**  
Staff Writer

Visit Temecula Valley, in partnership with the Temecula Valley Chamber of Commerce and Visit California, is currently promoting Temecula Valley Restaurant Month which features the classic hamburger for January.

“Burgers are one of the top menu items people love to order when they travel, and we have some great burgers,” Annette Brown, director of public relations for Visit Temecula Valley, said when asked why they chose to feature burgers this year.

According to Brown, Temecula Valley Restaurant Month is part of the 10th annual California Restaurant Month, designated by Visit California.

“Dozens of destinations are participating in California Restaurant Month this year,” Brown said. “We have had restaurant month as part of Visit California’s campaign since it began 10 years ago.”

Throughout the Temecula Valley, residents and guests are invited to try each participating restaurant’s best burger all month long with exclusive specials attached.

“We hope people will try restaurants they’ve never been to before and be impressed by the quality of food our region has to offer,” Brown said.

Another reason for the event is because restaurants are typically a little slower in the first month of the year.

“Visit Temecula Valley hopes to boost business with this promotion,” Brown said. “We also want to showcase the great culinary experiences in our region. We have some amazing chefs offering foods that can compete with the best of them.”

Below is a list of the burgers each participating restaurant is featuring:

**The Craft Burger at Devilicious Eatery**

Brisket, short rib and Angus beef patty, bacon jam, beer cheese sauce, chipotle aioli, crispy bacon on a pretzel bun

**Triple 333 Burger at Mad Madeline’s Grill**

Hand crafted classic artisan, Thousand Island dressing, half pound certified Angus beef patty, sweet relish-onion jam spread, seasoned pork belly, four types of cheeses, marble crumbled blue cheese and straw onions.

**Classic Burger at South Coast Winery Resort & Spa**

Swiss cheese, bacon, arugula and pickled onions on a brioche bun.

**Red Card at Matty G’s Steakburgers & Spirits**

Two classic steak patties, Ortega chile, cream cheese, jalapeno, tomatoes, iceberg lettuce and spicy ketchup on a brioche bun.

**1909 Burger at 1909 Temecula**

This fully stacked burger is made with an 8-ounce special blend patty. Served with housemade bacon-onion jam, sharp white cheddar, tomato, wild baby arugula, garlic aioli all placed on a brioche branded bun.

**Toast Burger at Toast Temecula**



The Black and Blue Burger at Cork Fire Kitchen incorporates the savory flavors of blue cheese, cremini mushrooms, bacon and dijonaise and pairs perfectly with their on-tap craft beers selection.

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Loaded to the brim with goodness, the Toast burger is created with a special blend patty, smoked cheddar, avocado, crispy bacon, tomato and red leaf lettuce then placed on brioche slathered with a bourbon-maple bacon aioli.

**Cheeseburger Fry Pizza at Garage Brewing Co.**

A Cheeseburger Fry Pizza is made with red sauce, cheese, beef crumble and more cheese, and fries are added after it’s baked in a fast-fire oven.

**Palomar Burger at Mount Palomar Winery**

A brioche bun, Angus beef, provolone cheese, Thousand Island dressing, blue cheese, bacon, tomato, lettuce and caramelized onions.

**Italian Mob Grass-Finished KETO burger at Earth Bistro**

An organic portobello cap, grass-finished patty, organic basil pesto, organic grilled red onions, artichoke hearts and sun-dried tomatoes.

**Hangover Burger at Avensole Winery**

A grass-fed Angus beef patty with bacon, egg, potato galette, jicama, salsa verde, shallot aioli, Hawaiian bun and cotija fries.

**Black and Blue Burger at Cork Fire Kitchen**

This burger is built to incorporate the savory flavors of blue cheese, cremini mushrooms, bacon, and dijonaise and pairs perfectly with their on-tap craft beers selection.

**El Paso Burger at Texas Lil’s**

A 6-ounce juicy, fresh and healthy bison patty. Lil’s El Paso burger is grilled and loaded with cheese, lettuce, tomato, red onion, pickles, Thousand Island and mustard and is served on a fresh brioche bun with crisp Parmesan and parsley fries.

**California Burger at Pinnacle Restaurant at Falkner Winery**

A half pound Black Angus beef patty topped with a fried egg, bacon, avocado, roasted poblano chilies, remoulade sauce, pepper jack cheese with lettuce and tomato

served with fries and a pickle.

**Canard à l’Orange at Meritage at Callaway Vineyard and Winery**

This dish is not a burger, but is a succulent roasted duck breast nestled delicately atop a rosemary pumpkin puree with baby heirloom carrots and sweet potato chips gracing the dish. A French classic brought together with a velvety citrus sauce that tastes like concentrated sunshine.

**Jalapeño Popper Burger at Bailly’s Old Town Temecula**

A half pound chuck patty ground in-house with peppers and grilled onions, cream cheese mousse, fried jalapeno slices, lettuce, tomato, freshly baked brioche bun is served with hand-cut fries.

**Bistro Burger at Lobby Bar and Grill at Pechanga Resort Casino**

Prepared with a house blend of fresh ground beef, garlic aioli, lettuce, sliced tomato, red onions, applewood-smoked bacon and cheddar cheese. Turkey burger and vegetarian options of the Bistro Burger can also be configured. It comes with hand-cut, herbed fries.

**Crush Burger at Crush & Brew**

Crush & Brew burger blend, pancetta, Brie, balsamic fig chutney, brioche bun and fries.

For more information about special events in conjunction with Temecula Valley Restaurant Month, visit [www.visitemeculavalley.com](http://www.visitemeculavalley.com) or call (888) 363-2852.

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The Cheeseburger Fry Pizza at Garage Brewing Co. is technically a pizza, but it is made with red sauce, cheese, beef crumble, more cheese, and fries are added after it’s baked in a fast-fire oven.



The Jalapeño Popper Burger at Bailly’s Old Town Temecula is a half pound chuck patty ground in-house with peppers and grilled onions, cream cheese mousse, fried jalapeno slices, lettuce, tomato and a freshly baked brioche bun, served with hand-cut fries.



The Italian Mob Grass-Finished KETO burger at Earth Bistro features an organic portobello cap, grass-finished patty, organic basil pesto, organic grilled red onions, artichoke hearts and sun-dried tomatoes.

# Wine Country Events Calendar

FRIDAY, JAN. 17	
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, George and Grace, Cougar Vineyard and Winery
5-9 p.m.	Live Music, Masia de la Vinya
6-9 p.m.	Live Music, Mickie Arnett, Miramonte Winery
6-9 p.m.	Live Music, Shea Givens, Avensole Winery
6-9 p.m.	Live Music, Mrs. Jones' Revenge, Lorimar Winery
6-9 p.m.	Live Music, John Rankin, Lorimar Winery in Old Town Temecula
6-10 p.m.	Live Music, Full Effect, Bel Vino Winery
SATURDAY, JAN. 18	
11 a.m. to 5 p.m.	Craft Faire, Maurice Car'rie Winery
Noon to 4 p.m.	Live Music, Kings of Karma, Bel Vino Winery
Noon to 4 p.m.	Live Music, Dustin Jake, Wilson Creek Winery
Noon to 4 p.m.	Live Music, Erin McAndrew, Masia de la Vinya
12:30-3 p.m.	Live Music, Charles Sacayan, Carol's Restaruant at Bailly Winery
1-5 p.m.	Live Music, Gaby Aparicio, Fazeli Cellars
1-5 p.m.	Live Music, Jason Weber, Danza del Sol Winery
3:30-5:30 p.m.	Happy Hour, Vineyard Rose, South Coast Winery
6-9 p.m.	Live Music, Bluefish, Miramonte Winery
6-9 p.m.	Live Music, Endeavor, Lorimar Winery
6-9 p.m.	Live Music, The Troubadour Road, Lorimar Winery in Old Town Temecula
SUNDAY, JAN. 19	
11 a.m. to 2 p.m.	Brunch Specials at Meritage Restaurant, Callaway Winery
11 a.m. to 5 p.m.	Craft Faire, Maurice Car'rie Winery
11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.	Dog Day Sundays, Carol's Restaurant at Bailly Winery
Noon to 4 p.m.	Live Music, Southern Rocket, Bel Vino Winery
1-4 p.m.	Live Music, Astra Kelly, Europa Village
1-4 p.m.	Live Music, Shoot 4 Tuesday, Lorimar Winery
1-4 p.m.	Live Music, Vince Mendoza, Avensole Winery
1-5 p.m.	Live Music, John Rankin, Fazeli Cellars
1-5 p.m.	Live Music, George and Grace, Danza del Sol Winery
2-5 p.m.	Live Music, Will Sumner, Cougar Vineyard and Winery
3:30-5:30 p.m.	Happy Hour, South Coast Winery
3-6 p.m.	Live Music, Willy Wilfax, Lorimar Winery in Old Town Temecula
UPCOMING	
Jan. 22 is Paint Your Pet on Framed Glass Wednesday at Cougar Winery, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.	
Jan. 24 is Wilson Creek's Winemaker's Dinner at 6:30 p.m.	
Jan. 25-26 is Temecula Valley Winegrower's Association's annual Barrel Tasting from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.	
Jan. 26 is Europa Village's Cooking Class with Sarah Faherty at noon.	



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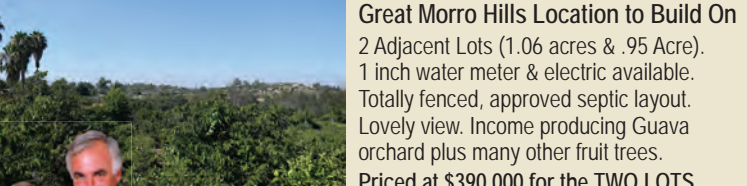
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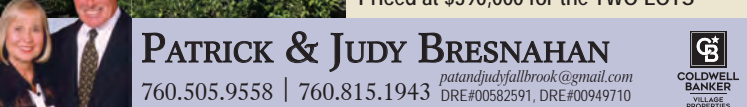
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