

Singh chronicle continues, settlement not covered by insurance

Rick Monroe
Special to the Village News

As trustees of the Fallbrook Union Elementary District begin plans to select a successor to the former superintendent, there seems to be a movement to challenge the settlement of nearly \$400,000 for Dr. Candace Singh.

That amount was approved by the board on Nov. 7. Board President Suzanne Lundin explained that the settlement ended what would have been a protracted and expensive legal battle. The board voted to approve the settlement agreement by a 4-1 vote.

Lundin said the threatened lawsuit that the board prevented centered around Singh's allegations of harassment, intimidation, bullying and retaliation, and allegations of a hostile work environment, which stemmed from the comments and behavior of a board member, Caron Lieber.

However, there are three new board members, elected Nov. 8 as a conservative slate, and vocal community members have questioned the previous board's decision.

New board president Dr. Stacey McRae explained at the board's Feb. 6 meeting, "I understand that this has been a challenging situation for the district and the community. Please know that your governance team has worked in this matter thoroughly and explored all reasonable options."

She also announced that after hearing comments from the public, she asked staff to contact the district's insurance provider to check if the \$387,000 settlement was covered. Cindy Martin, acting superintendent, reported that insurance would not cover the settlement.

"The JPA (insurance) does not provide coverage or reimbursement for this type of situation because the payments to Dr. Singh are the result of a settlement agreement reached between the district and Dr. Singh," Martin said. "In lieu of a lawsuit being filed, the JPA would possibly provide coverage if this was a judgment ordered, was a result of a lawsuit."

Martin said she explained this information directly with members of the public who addressed the board about the settlement, adding it was also important to share this with the public.

A school district spokesman did not respond by the newspaper's deadline if Singh had received money from the settlement yet, or from what account the money would be drawn from. McRae also did not reply.

Also at the Feb. 6 meeting, Dr.

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Three shot, one dead

Suspected shooter identified as father of victim

Julie Reeder
Publisher

A mass shooting was reported last Friday, Feb. 10, in Fallbrook, shattering the silence in the typically safe and quiet town. In one of the well-known nurseries, Atkin's Nursery, Fallbrook Sheriff's deputies found three people shot, including one deceased, in response to a radio call of an assault with a firearm at the nursery.

"All parties involved are employees of Atkin's Nursery," said San Diego Sheriff Homicide Lt. Chris Steffan during a press event later that evening. "As far as motive, we don't know," Lt. Steffan reported, adding that when Fallbrook Sheriffs arrived, there were several surviving people on the property who were running from the scene.

The suspect, later identified as 76-year-old Enrique Barajas, was then taken in without incident, processed and questioned in the Fallbrook substation, then taken to the Vista jail, booked and charged with First degree murder and two charges of Assault with a firearm on a person.

The Fallbrook Sheriff's deputies arrived on scene in the 3100 block of Reche Road just before 3 p.m.



San Diego Sheriff Kelly Martinez addresses the media at a news conference staged at Crossway Church at the corner of Reche and Stagecoach. Standing with her are, from left, NCFPD Chief McReynolds, NCFPD Division Chief Brian MacMillan, Sheriff's COPPS Deputy Jim Bennetts, and Valley Center Lt. Jim Emig.

and found the first two victims just outside a barn on the property. The victims all had gunshot wounds to their upper torsos, according to San Diego Sheriff Kelly Martinez.

Reche Road was closed from Gird Road to Old Hwy 395 for several hours while the crime scene was active.

North County Fire Protection

District PIO John Choi was able to confirm early on for Village News that there was an active crime scene

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Wellness Center completion put on hold



The Fallbrook Regional Health District's plan to remodel the main building at the Health & Wellness Center into a modern multi-purpose room has been put on hold.

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Plans for upgrading the Health & Wellness Center are not well financially. The architectural plans ordered last year by the board of directors of the Fallbrook Regional Health District include major remodeling of the main building into a modern multi-purpose room. Those plans have been put on hold.

The cost of about \$10.7 million is prohibitive, explained Bill Leach, president of the board. He made the comment when interviewed a couple days after a Feb. 6 special board meeting to discuss the Wellness Center.

The district purchased the Wellness Center property in April 2018 for \$1.8 million. Located on 4.5 acres at 1636 E. Mission Road, the complex consists of three buildings: the original church sanctuary, a building with six classrooms, and a house that was the parsonage. The board decided on March 11, 2022, to begin a potential \$7.9 million renovation with a design architect.

Since then, three of the five board members have been replaced. Leach was appointed in May and then re-elected in November. Terry Brown was also elected in November, replacing long-time

board president Howard Salmon. Mike Stanicek was selected to a board vacancy in December. The only incumbents are Jennifer Jeffries and Barbara Mroz.

Leach said that at a special planning workshop in mid-January, the new board learned the estimated price, given by two contractors at the meeting, had jumped to \$10.7 million for completion of the project.

The district's Facilities Committee, led by Jeffries and Mroz, was directed to present a list of priorities for the district at its Jan. 18 meeting. However, Leach said the directors wanted input from the entire board, the reason for the special meeting on Feb. 6.

"The \$10.7 million was just too much for the district," Leach said. "We're serious about the center being needed. We will get the parking lot done and the education building completed, but we need other options for the main building with better estimates."

Leach said the board is committed to providing health-related services for the community but is not inclined to create an event center or wedding venue. He said continuing to retain the architect, Taylor Design, is also on hold.

The preliminary design by the architect was for all-glass in the

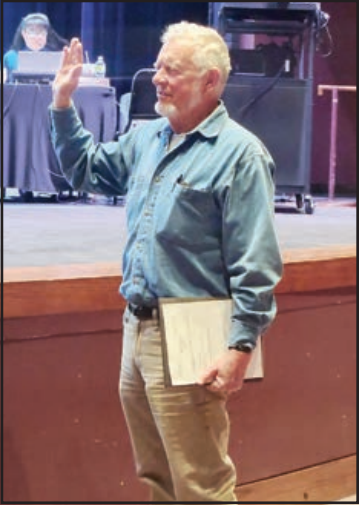
front and rear of the tall building that is 1,717 square feet. A slide show presented to the committee, which then included directors Barbara Mroz and Stephanie Ortiz, showed the multi-purpose room with seating of up to 120 for a banquet with 10 round tables, a 60-person training room, or a 150-person lecture.

The board said at the March 2022 meeting that the conference center should include state-of-the-art sound and presentation technology. The exterior should be aesthetically pleasing, and the outside should be treated as a room with inviting spaces, a walking path or par course, and a useful pavilion area.

There was a coordinated public effort to question the board about the center at the Jan. 6 special meeting, Leach said, though there apparently was also a lot of misinformation.

Rachel Mason, CEO of the district, agreed there was a lot of confusion and lack of understanding by the public. She said it was time for the district to hold public forums and explain district priorities. Mason also noted the Wellness Center is becoming a greater asset to the community with additional classes and programs.

Dooley set to fill FUHSD Zone 1 seat



Jim Dooley is sworn in as trustee of the FUHSD Board, Feb. 13.

Village News staff

At a special meeting of the Fallbrook Union High School District Board of Trustees, Monday night, Feb. 13, Jim Dooley was appointed to fill a vacancy for the Zone 1 seat, left when Courtney Hilborn resigned shortly after being sworn in.

The special meeting ended about 5:30 p.m. and the regular board meeting started at 6 p.m. with the swearing in of Dooley.

The positives noted about Dooley were his 45 years in Fallbrook and the fact that he and his wife Jean hosted 12 foreign exchange students in their home. The one concern was that possibly his many connections in the community wouldn't be the young parents served by the school, as would be Kelly Hansen who was a candidate with four kids in Fallbrook schools and sports.

Vice President Oscar Caralampio made the motion to appoint Dooley to the seat. Board President Eddie Jones seconded the motion. Paul Christensen voted no. The motion carried with a 2 to 1 majority.

There is still a vacant seat for Zone 2 which includes Camp Pendleton. Jones and one speaker addressed the issue that the board members are currently all men and it would be helpful to have a woman on the board.

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Email to villageeditor@reedermedia.com.

Garden club presents ‘Nature Restoration Landscaping’

FALLBROOK – Dennis Mudd, a self-taught native plant enthusiast, will be the speaker at the Fallbrook Garden Club Feb. 28 general meeting. He believes that nature is the most beautiful and environmentally responsible model for landscaping in California. This presentation is meant to give native plant gardeners the information they'll need to recreate nature in their gardens through biomimicry plant selection, irrigation, mulching, weed control and pest control practices.

The program will include a number of photos of native plants and associated wildlife that will convey how beautiful and amazing it is to live surrounded by nature, and perhaps convince some traditional gardeners to give nature restoration landscaping a try.

Mudd founded Calscape in 2010. The website is primarily focused on showing homeowners which plants are likely native to any location in the state, and helping them figure out ones they want, where to buy them and how to grow them.



Native plants are the topic for the Fallbrook Garden Club's Feb. 28 meeting at the Fallbrook Community Center.

Mudd donated Calscape to the California Native Plant Society (CNPS) in 2014, and led development of the site in partnership with CNPS and the Jepson eFlora group at UC Berkeley until 2019. Calscape is now the largest California native plant website with over two million unique users. His native garden in Poway won the San Diego Home and Garden's Garden

of the Year Award in 2012. The FGC meetings are held at the Fallbrook Community Center, 341 Heald Lane, with social time at 12:30 p.m., business at 1:00 and the program at 2:00. The public is welcome. For further information relating to the club and its activities visit www.fallbrookgardenclub.org. Submitted by the Fallbrook Garden Club.

Hear about Amtrak’s Net Zero and Climate Resilience Strategy



Nechama Lowy, program specialist at Amtrak, will present Amtrak's net zero and climate resilience strategy, Feb. 28 at 6:30 p.m. on Zoom.

FALLBROOK – Fallbrook Climate Action Team will present Nechama Lowy, program specialist at Amtrak, to discuss Amtrak's net zero and climate resilience strategy on Tuesday, Feb. 28 at 6:30 p.m. on Zoom.

To further strengthen its role as a provider in sustainable transportation, Amtrak set a target of net-zero emissions by 2045, as part of an overall climate commitment, across the national network and all business functions. Climate change is a global crisis requiring bold collective action to curb emissions and mitigate irreversible environmental and societal damage.


Nechama will discuss Amtrak's Net Zero and Climate Resilience Strategy, with time for a Q&A at the end. She is the program specialist for sustainability at Amtrak where she leads communications and programming throughout the year

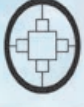
to educate, promote, and raise awareness of sustainability at Amtrak.

Her main projects include the annual Sustainability Report, CDP Response, Earth Day events, and helping departments integrate sustainability into their educational materials. She joined Amtrak in April 2022 and has since become an avid rail advocate, making it her life's mission to ask her friends if they considered taking Amtrak instead of driving or flying.

Fallbrook Climate Action Team is an all-volunteer group. FCAT presents monthly (except December) presentations about climate change and mitigation, usually on the last Tuesday of the month on Zoom. To receive the Zoom link, sign up for the group's eblast at <https://fallbrookclimateactionteam.org/>.

Submitted by the Fallbrook Climate Action Team.





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FGMS meeting to feature mineral auction

FALLBROOK – Fallbrook Gem & Mineral Society will be showing videos from recent Tucson Mineral Shows, followed by a silent auction of selected mineral-related items at its next meeting, Feb. 16, 7 p.m.

The FGMS meeting room is at 123 W. Alvarado St. All are welcome to attend, no fee. Refreshments will be provided; all donations are appreciated.

Submitted by the Fallbrook Gem & Mineral Society.

CALENDAR

Feb. 19 – 2-4 p.m. – Fallbrook Music Society presents internationally renowned, Grammy-nominated pianist John Novack in concert at the Mission Theater, downtown. Novack has toured throughout Asia, Europe and North America and has performed with dozens of orchestras. This program features Mozart, Brahms, Chopin and John's own Ragtime selections. Admission is free. For more info, visit www.fallbrookmusicsociety.org.

Feb. 21 – 10-11:30 a.m. – Michelle's Place Cancer Resource Center hosts its monthly Wellness Group. February's group will learn about nutrition from Shae Gawlak, executive director of the Fallbrook Food Pantry, at the Michelle's Place office on the Health & Wellness Center campus, 1636 E. Mission Road, Fallbrook. It is free to attend. For more info, call 951-699-5455 or email fallbrook@michellesplace.org.

Feb 22 – 12:30-2:30 p.m. – Wellness Wednesday Event with free health screenings and workshop on Discovering Our Relationship with Food at 12:30 p.m. and in Spanish at 1:30. All happening at the Fallbrook Regional Health District's Community Health & Wellness Center, 1636 E. Mission Road. For more info or to register, call 760-731-9187 or visit <https://www.fallbrookhealth.org/health-screenings>.

Feb. 25 – 12-4 p.m. – Philanthropic Educational Organization Chapter PF is hosting a Bunco fundraiser benefiting women's education. The cost is a \$25 donation. Lunch is served at noon; the game starts at 1 p.m. Bunco prizes will be given and there will be raffle items. Event is

at the Health & Wellness Center, 1636 E. Mission Road, Fallbrook. For tickets, call 760-717-3262.

March 18 – 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. – Bark in the Park will be held at Live Oak County Park, 2746 Reche Road. Event includes a Blessing of the Animals, community dog walk, contests, vendors, food trucks, raffle prizes, demos and more. For more info, go to <http://fallbrookdogpark.com> or email liveoakdogpark@gmail.com.

March 25 – 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. – Wildfire Preparedness Symposium will be held at Fallbrook Union High School, 2400 S. Stage Coach Lane. The community is invited to attend this multi-agency event to learn what to do before, during and after a wildfire. For more information contact Dani Vargas at 760-723-2053 or dvargas@ncfire.org.

April 23 – 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. – Fallbrook Avocado Festival in downtown, Main Avenue, is a free event with craft & food vendors, artisan walk, free shuttles, beer & wine garden, live bands, guacamole contest, community stage entertainment, contests for kids. No pets are allowed. For more info, visit www.fallbrookchamberofcommerce.org.

April 30 – 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. – Rally for Children will hold its 28th year of "Arts in the Park" at Live Oak Park. Admission is free. All are invited to a day filled with activities for families. Free bus shuttles will run every 30 minutes from 10:45 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., departing from both the Maie Ellis Education Center and Potter Jr. High to Live Oak Park, and back again. This event is co-sponsored by the Fallbrook Union Elementary School District.





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LET'S TALK! – Sharon

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FALLBROOK – Fallbrook Propane Gas Company, sponsor of the “Art of the Avocado” art competition is now calling for entries. This year marks its 17th year. The art competition is part of Fallbrook’s annual Avocado Festival.

Any artistic medium may be submitted – the only restriction is that an “avocado” must be easily identifiable in all pieces.

Cash prizes will be awarded in each of the three categories. For 2-dimensional and 3-dimensional art: first place – \$300, second place – \$200, and third place – \$100. The photography category cash prizes are: first place – \$150, second place – \$125 and third place – \$100.

Additional cash prize awards are for the Merrill Everett Memorial Award, Holy Guaca-Moly Award, George Bamber Memorial Award, Honorary Mayor Award and the Avocado Chairman Award. Awards will be presented at a private reception.

The Fallbrook Chamber of Commerce will award a prize for their “Chamber’s Pick” and the winner of this award will be invited to design a piece of artwork that will be used in the 2024 Avocado Festival logo.

Entries should be delivered to the Fallbrook Chamber of Commerce office, Saturday, March 25 from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., located at 111 South Main Avenue.

The community is invited to vote for the People’s Choice Award during the month of April at the Fallbrook Chamber of Commerce



The 2022 Merrill Everett Memorial Award winner is “Peacado” by Christine J. Cannariato of Escondido.

office as well as the day of the Avocado Festival, Sunday, April 23. The winner will be notified that evening.

To register or request the Rules and Entry Form, contact Anita Kimzey, 714-222-2462 (cell) or fpgcartcompetitions@gmail.com.

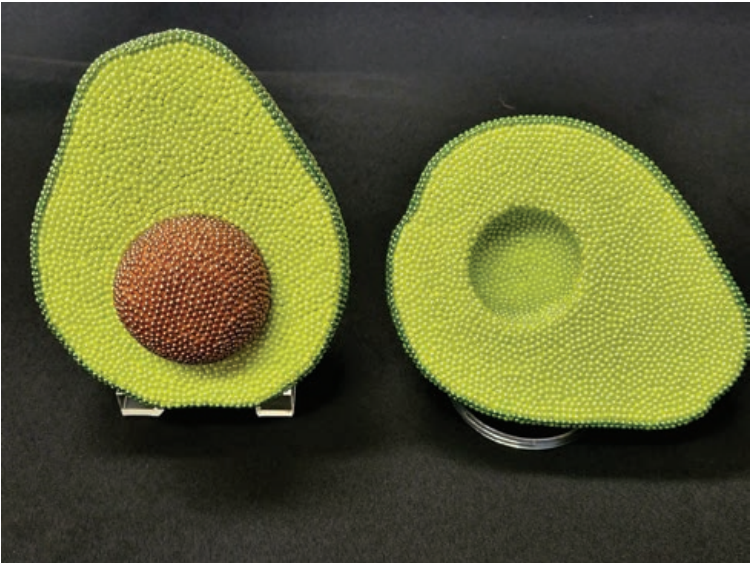
Rules and Entry Form can also be picked up at Fallbrook

Propane Gas Company, Fallbrook Chamber of Commerce office, The Gallery, FAA (300 North Brandon), the Green Art House at Pala Mesa Resort or downloaded from the Chamber of Commerce website: www.fallbrookchamberofcommerce.org

Submitted by Anita Kimzey, event coordinator.



The 2022 Fallbrook Chamber's Pick is “Fresh Fruit” by Dunya Shaw of Fallbrook.



The 2022 Avocado Festival Chairman Award winner is “Untitled” by Gretchen Martin, Fallbrook.

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Yolanda Rogers of the San Diego County Office of Education made a presentation about options for selecting a new superintendent.

“One thing I want to really emphasize here is that the superintendent search is the single most important decision that a school board makes,” she said. “When choosing the right individual to serve as superintendent, the search should be handled with transparency and objectivity.”

Rogers outlined three methods for the board to consider in the process of making the selection:

- Recruitment handled by the district’s internal human resources team.
- Letting a national or regional search team handle the process.
- Using the services of the San Diego County Office of Education.

She noted that typically, districts are not adequately able to assign the responsibility to their HR department because of the amount of research and vetting.

The board directed staff to select 2-3 private search teams to make presentations to the board, preferably at the next board meeting on Feb. 27.

During the public comments portion of the Feb. 6 meeting, Leticia Maldonado/Stamos commented, “I would just like to once again urge those of you that are in the position of making decisions about how we’re going to move forward to select a new Superintendent. Please take the time to think about how this person is going to be affecting this entire community – and the fact that over half of the students involved in this district are from Spanish speaking families, low income, and the person that you hire should be someone that the whole community can relate to.”

Maldonado suggested a community advisory group to interview and help to vet candidates.

“I know the high school did that a few years ago and it was a very successful process,” she added. “Everybody felt like they were invested. I just urge you again to please take that into consideration and give credit to the community, because we know this community.”



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Rez Radio celebrates 12 years on the air



The Pala Rez Radio studio has some newer equipment, installed Feb. 2021. Village News/Courtesy photo

John Fox
Special to the Village News

It was 12 years ago, Feb. 3, 2011, that we received our FCC license, first as KOPA, and for the past four and a half years as KPRI. It is a FM radio station of the Kupa/Pala Rez Indians. Since first signing on, Rez Radio has never unintentionally gone off the air and has always stood ready to convey important official information in any emergency.

We developed news and other local programming that has earned more than 20 San Diego Press Club awards for Excellence in Journalism, as well as recognition from the Southern California News Association for Best Small Station Newscast. This includes stations in Los Angeles, San Diego, the Inland Empire, upper and lower deserts, and the Central Valley all the way to Fresno. Rez Radio news is the only locally-based broadcast news outlet anywhere between San Diego, Los Angeles, and Riverside.

Three of our shows, “Back in the Day With Doots and Dar,” “FutureSound with Cuscino,” and Joel Rafael’s “Rockin’ the Rez,” have entered the world of syndication. They are also heard on other stations in multiple states. “Pala Life Past and Present” with Eric Ortega preserves the legacy of the tribe and the reservation by drawing from and creating new archived interviews with elders, and those whose experiences involve Pala and Kupa.

Other music-based shows offer unique playlists and insight, exclusively on Rez Radio, including “Mark’s Groovy Trip,” have been with us about 11 and a half years, and “Jack’s Tracks” with Chris Carmichael, and “Rez Dub Reggae” with Pala’s Elijah Duro, for almost that long. Also included are “The Vinyl Resting Place” with Jim McInnes, “Party on the Rez” with Tony Pepper, “Café Rez” with Ric Nicastro, and “Janine Hart’s Record Party.”

For several years, we’ve broadcast time checks in Pa’enexily to familiarize listeners with numbers in the native language. They’re from the tribe’s ancestral home of Kupa. It’s part of a cultural revitalization that has led

now to a college credit course. The language is being taught to Bonsall High School students three days a week at Pala Learning Center, and to grade schoolers at Vivian Banks Charter school in Pala.

Rez Radio’s promotional appearances – some with our hippie bus Daisy Sunshine, ably driven to events by Pala’s Robert Gonzalez – spread awareness of Pala at the Del Mar Fair, Fallbrook Christmas Parade, Valley Center Western Days, Christmas in the Valley at Bates Nut Farm, Pala Fire Department Open House, Earth Day at La Jolla, and a number of one-time events.

Rez Radio news has provided complete live coverage of events including Gregory Canyon landfill and state Congressional election public forums, Kupa Days, the Honoring Traditions Powwows and Gatherings. Just-for-fun remote broadcasts have included the Del Mar Fair and softball games at local reservations.

We maintain active social media with Facebook, Twitter and our own RezRadio.FM. We just completed a year-long project resulting in the free Rez Radio App. With additional volunteer help in these areas, we could even generate some income.

Coming this year – maybe this month – we’re getting a small power increase. Very small. But anything helps. Plans are underway to open a new, more far-reaching FM station in the northeast corner of San Diego County to be owned and operated by a coalition of all local tribes within the next two years which will simulcast Rez Radio.

Everything to this point has happened courtesy of the Pala Band of Mission Indians and free of the constraints and demands of commercial radio’s need to cater to advertisers. The full 60 minutes of every hour are devoted to informing and entertaining.

We don’t even browbeat listeners for donations for a solid week every three months like other non-commercial stations. Thank the Pala Band of Mission Indians for that. And thanks to station volunteers, using this model we’ve created something far more than the tribe ever envisioned.

SHOOTER

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and there were three victims, two transported to Palomar Hospital and one deceased. Choi said, “Two people have been transported.”

One victim was reported by Steffan as a 35–40-year-old female believed to be the daughter of the shooter. The other victim was a 65–70-year-old male. Both victims were taken to a local hospital for treatment. Martinez, who came to Fallbrook for a press conference earlier in the day, reported, “Both victims are expected to survive.”

Steffan reported, “As deputies continued their search for a suspect, they located a third victim who was deceased inside the barn. This victim was a male, 55-60 years-old and appeared to have gunshot wounds to his upper torso.” He continued, “While inside the barn, deputies contacted a subject who was later identified as the shooter in this incident. Gutierrez was arrested and transported to the Fallbrook Sheriff’s Station without incident.”

Steffan also said, “The Sheriff’s Homicide Unit responded and assumed responsibility for the investigation. At this point in the investigation, the identity of the deceased victim is known. We are not releasing that information until the family has been notified. The motivation and circumstances are still under investigation.”

“The two victims in the hospital underwent surgery and are expected



SDSO Homicide detective Lt. Steffan addresses the media at a news conference given at 8:30 p.m., Feb. 10, at Crossway Church. Village News photo

to survive. We are still identifying the relationship between Gutierrez and the other victims,” Steffan said. All the victims were reported to be employees of Atkins Nursery.

Steffan reported that witnesses are still being questioned and a motive hasn’t been identified. The firearm used was believed to be a rifle, but the type and caliber are currently unknown.

The suspect, Gutierrez, was arrested by Fallbrook Sheriffs, processed at the Fallbrook Sheriff’s station, and was booked into the Vista Detention Facility for 187 PC - Murder.

Sheriff Martinez and Fallbrook Substation Lt. Hernandez both conveyed their appreciation for the multiple local agencies who assisted, including Carlsbad Police

Department, Escondido Police Dept., Oceanside Police Dept., California Highway Patrol, North County Fire and the Carlsbad Fire Department.

According to Lt. Steffan, rumors of a second shooter or a second crime scene were unsubstantiated.

Anyone with information about this incident is asked to call the Homicide Unit at 858-285-6330/ after hours at 858-565-5200. You can remain anonymous by calling Crime Stoppers at 888-580-8477.

To watch a video of the press conference given by Homicide detective Lt. Steffan, go to <https://fb.watch/iD8fLOqSxv/>. To watch a video of the press conference given by San Diego Sheriff Kelly Martinez, go to <https://fb.watch/iDAzRKMDT4/>.

Residents share pizza with the sheriffs



Members of the Sheriff’s department, Fallbrook substation, attend the Pizza with the Sheriffs event, Feb. 9, from left, Crime Prevention Specialist Heather Mitchell, Deputy W. Hatfield, and Lt. Aldo Hernandez. Village News photos

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January showers bring February flowers



Flowering pear trees can be seen all over Fallbrook, including in Vince Ross Village Square at the corner of Alvarado Street and Main Avenue. Village News/David Landry photo



African daisies bring bright colors to Fallbrook. Village News/David Landry photo



A large patch of blooming African daisies splashes an embankment with color near the southbound Interstate 15 CHP inspection station at the San Diego County and Riverside County lines, Feb. 7. Village News/Shane Gibson photo



The hillsides on South Mission Road are green with grass after a month full of rain. Village News/David Landry photo



Ice plant thrives in rainy weather, producing flowers for an early spring bloom. Village News/David Landry photo



Avocado trees usually bloom from March to May but are getting a head start this year. Village News/David Landry photo

HEALTH

Tai Chi is for seniors too

Inglis Carré
Special to the Village News

If you are looking for fun and gentle exercises that can improve your mental and physical health, Tai Chi could be the answer. This ancient art that has been practiced in China for centuries along with its companion art, Qigong, is known for its many physical and mental health benefits.

The flowing movements of these internal arts are designed to develop the life force to increase awareness, protection from attack and the power of kicks and punches, and to extend the life span. According to 2022 results of a Shanghai study of 60,000 men over a period of five years, those who practiced Tai Chi lived significantly longer than those who didn't.

Higher levels of immunity was likely a factor in the longevity of the Tai Chi participants in the Shanghai study. This is corroborated by a California study comparing two groups of subjects that both received a Shingles vaccine. The Tai Chi group's immunity level measured twice as high as the other group, which took a health education class.

Longevity, increased immunity, and other positive outcomes of Tai Chi practice are being studied by Dr. Parco Siu from the University of Hong Kong. He cites a recent study that compared the risk factors of heart disease between a group that did brisk walking and a group that did Tai Chi. The Tai Chi group was found to have a significant reduction in blood pressure, blood sugar levels, and cholesterol compared to the walking group.

Dr. Siu ran his own study of cognitive flexibility in older adults that compared a group practicing Tai Chi with a group doing traditional aerobics and muscle strengthening exercises. Both groups practiced for three hours a week. There was an improvement in cognitive function in both groups, but the improvement appeared sooner in the Tai Chi group.

According to Dr. Siu: "We found that Tai Chi actually can induce greater and earlier improvements in global cognitive function and cognitive flexibility." Dr. Siu added that, "It seems to train up your brain as well. There has been evidence from brain imaging studies that suggests that your brain would adapt at both the structural and functional levels... Conventional exercise can change the brain a little bit but not to the extent of what we observe from Tai Chi training."

Tai Chi, often called "Meditation in Motion," is an elegant, yet easy-to-learn way to maintain and increase our health and longevity. As we practice to improve our physical body, we also work with our Chi or life force, to enhance our spiritual development and elevate the quality of our lives.

Inglis Carré is a Certified Tai Chi Practitioner, ingartist@yahoo.com



"White Crane Spreads Her Wings" is performed in Live Oak Park.

Village News/Courtesy photos



Liz Styron performs "The Bear" from "The Frolic of the Five Animals."



Catherine Wegener performs "White Crane Spreads Her Wings" from "The Frolic of the Five Animals."

Grant period open for nonprofits

Rick Monroe
Special to the Village News

The window is open for area organizations to apply for funding grants from the Fallbrook Regional Health District. Applicants must turn in paperwork by Feb. 28 and announcement of the grant recipients will be in April.

Last year, 15 organizations – of the 23 formal requests – shared more than the half million dollars budgeted for from the Community Health Contract grants. Organizations are required to meet the health and wellness needs of the community and be consistent with the district's mission, all spelled out on the district's web site: <https://www.fallbrookhealth.org/community-health-contract-grants>.

Community Health Contract funds must benefit the residents of the communities served by the district – Fallbrook, Bonsall, Rainbow and De Luz. The service area and sphere of influence covers 110.57 square miles and

an estimated population of 50,985 (US Census, 2020).

Applicants must have a nonprofit, tax-exempt status or be a public/governmental agency, program or institution.

All CHC funding requests are reviewed by the district CEO and board directors. During the review process, the district may require additional information from applicants. This information may include oral or written clarification of a requested detail. The district may also appoint a panel of community stakeholders to review the completeness and merit of the applicants and provide feedback to the district. Final funding decisions will be made by the board of directors at a public meeting.

While not a required element of proposals, programs that demonstrate collaborations with other agencies in the provision of the services will be viewed favorably in the reviewing process, said CEO Rachel Mason.

The board of directors may call

a special meeting or announce the awards sometime within the month of April. The date and location for this meeting will be announced publicly and all applicants will be notified.

Last year, \$541,106.35 was awarded, considerably less than the \$717,254 requested by applicants. The Fallbrook Food Pantry received the largest grants totaling \$140,000 for two programs.

The board decided to fund six other organizations for the full amount they requested: \$60,000 to Palomar Family Counseling Services, \$17,844 to Hospice of the Valleys, \$47,148 to D'Vine Path, \$40,679.10 to Fallbrook Senior Center, \$55,624 to Boys & Girls Club, and \$47,406 to Michelle's Place.

The other partial grants were to the Foundation for Senior Care for multiple program requests, totaling \$122,004.82.

This year's grant application period opened Feb. 1.

Listening sessions scheduled to ensure local access to new CalAIM services

Cassie Klapp
County of San Diego
Communications Office

The County of San Diego Health and Human Services Agency is hosting two community listening sessions to review new services for Medi-Cal members with complex health and social needs and gather community input on how those services should be implemented.

The two virtual sessions will share an overview of the new Enhanced Care Management and Community Supports offered through the California Advancing and Innovating Medi-Cal (CalAIM) initiative.

"These sessions will help identify some of the challenges people are experiencing and point us to solutions. That will result in better coordinated efforts that improve services for the over one million Medi-Cal beneficiaries in San Diego County," said Dr. Eric McDonald, Chief Medical Officer. "These conversations are the first

step in ensuring whole-person care coordination and related services now available through CalAIM."

Healthcare organizations, community-based organizations, consumer advocates and anyone who supports someone on Medi-Cal with complex health and social needs are encouraged to attend.

The first session was Feb. 15, but registration is open for the second virtual session on Tuesday, Feb. 21, 3:30-5 p.m.

To register, go to <https://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/hhsa/programs/mcsd/SDAIM/>. To request language interpretation or other special accommodation, please register at least three business days prior to the session. You will receive a confirmation email with information on how to join the meeting after registering. Email any questions to SDAIM.HHSA@sdcounty.ca.gov.

NOTE: This press release was received Feb. 7, after the Feb. 9 issue went to print.

Culinary Adventures come to FUESD After School Programs

FALLBROOK – Exciting culinary adventures are to come for the students of Fallbrook Union Elementary School District, thanks to a driven group of district team members. This group of secretaries, classroom aids, playground supervisors, cafeteria assistants and more have embarked on an exciting culinary training program, "Kitchenistas."

"Kitchenistas" is a successful cooking and nutrition education program from Olivewood Gardens in National City. Lilly Perez, Director of Expanded Learning, discovered their program and knew she wanted to bring the Kitchenistas to Fallbrook.

The program is designed to teach participants how to make positive lifestyle changes and learn to prepare healthy and delicious meals. These classes will prepare them to teach students healthy eating habits and how they can be a leader in the kitchen. They plan to start these student cooking sessions with the FUESD Afterschool Program.

Child Nutrition Services Director Amy Haessly is excited about the future opportunities the "Kitchenistas" will bring to the district. Haessly said, "Food is one of the few daily constants of our students' lives. We are excited to empower them to lead in the kitchen and learn healthy recipes and eating habits they can share with their families and community. These lessons reinforce what they



FUESD team members attend their first Kitchenistas class.

Village News/Courtesy photo

see offered in our cafeterias every day. Choosing to eat more fruits and vegetables is healthy and delicious!"

These future FUESD "Kitchenistas" will be awarded certificates of completion and Food Handlers licenses at the end of the eight-week program.

Submitted by Fallbrook Union Elementary School District.

Rock Steady Boxing benefits people with Parkinson’s

FALLBROOK – The Fallbrook Parkinson’s Support Group’s next meeting is Friday, Feb. 24, 10 a.m. to noon, at the Fallbrook Regional Health and Wellness Center, 1636 E. Mission Road.

The guest speakers will be Amanda and Stephen Fritscher of West Coast Fitness who will talk about Rock Steady Boxing.

West Coast Training Center was created in order to serve people through health and fitness. Its mission was to heal and help people mentally, physically and spiritually.

Amanda Fritscher said, “In order to achieve optimal physical results you must build yourself mentally and physically first. I believe I was called into this world

to give people the power to believe in themselves. The power to push their limits...The power to heal and gain the best state of mind.”

Her husband is a lead coach and trainer. Stephen Fritscher said, “Training is more than just counting reps and recommending the best protein supplement. In my own experiences, training has been my outlet, my meditation, my purpose and my mission. My goal has always been to not only help people improve their health and performance but to expose them to lessons that training naturally imposes.”

Rock Steady Boxing is the soul of our gym, Stephen said, “It was created to help those with Parkinson’s to fight their

disease by providing non-contact boxing-style fitness programs that improve their quality-of-life and sense of efficacy and self-worth. Recent studies also suggest that intense exercise programs may be “neuro-protective,” actually working to delay the progression of symptoms.

“RSB provides encouragement through a “tough love” approach, inspiring maximum effort, speed, strength, balance and flexibility. Boxing works by moving your body in all planes of motion while continuously changing the

routing as you progress through the workout. RSB classes have proven that anyone, at any level of Parkinson’s, can actually lessen their symptoms and lead to a healthier/happier life.”

A study conducted by Dr. Stephanie Combs-Miller and colleagues from the University of Indianapolis specially studied participants is the Rock Steady (RSB) program – <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=F4Lj6sGMb-I>

In addition to the speaker presentation, breakout groups

held for a time of sharing, coffee and refreshments will follow the program.

This meeting is held in support of persons with Parkinson's disease, care partners and people interested in improving the world of those affected by Parkinson's disease.

For more information, call Irene, 760-731-0171 or Lorie, 760-453-3045 or email NCPSGF@gmail.com.

Submitted by the Fallbrook Parkinson's Support Group.

Southwest Healthcare to host Women’s Health Expo

RIVERSIDE COUNTY – Southwest Healthcare which includes Temecula Valley Hospital, Rancho Springs Hospital and Inland Valley Hospital, is hosting the Women’s Health Expo on Thursday, March 9, from 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Pechanga Resort and Casino Summit Ballroom.

The event will feature education of the heart, stroke, nutrition, and gynecological health for women. The event is just \$10 per person to attend and features a fabulous Pechanga lunch provided for all attendees. Registration is required and can be completed at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/temecula-valley-hospital-womens-expo-2023-tickets-490774338257>.

This expo will provide education and resources to assist women in making lifestyle changes that can help them learn more about their health. Free screenings will be available for women to learn their numbers in terms of measurements that put them at risk. These screenings are available to ensure that every woman who attends knows her numbers.

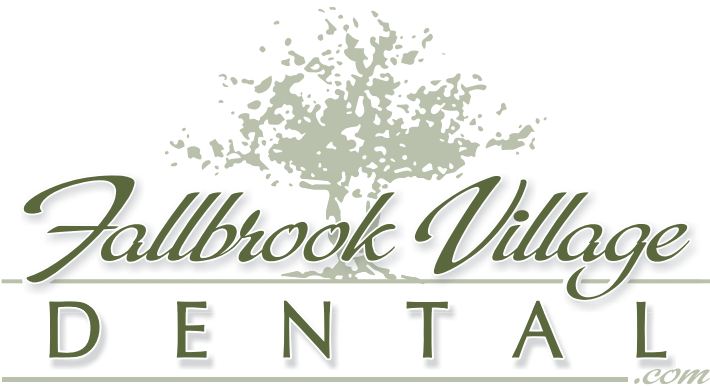
There will be informational


booths providing education on nutrition, exercise, smoking cessation, stroke, heart disease and stress management. Local businesses will be attending and offering healthy lifestyle options to attendees. There will also be opportunity drawings to win fun prizes as well as a grand prize drawing that includes a spectacular spa experience at the Pechanga Resort.

The lunch portion of the event will include physician speakers who will discuss risk factors, lifestyle changes, and latest healthcare issues related to women of all ages. The speaker panel will conclude with an audience Q & A session.

All women are encouraged to attend this informative event to receive education on their health, including heart disease, stroke, gynecological health, as well as empower themselves to make lifestyle changes that may help save their life. Seating is limited so they should register soon.

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ENTERTAINMENT

Internationally renowned pianist Novacek to perform in Fallbrook

FALLBROOK – Critically-acclaimed and highly sought-after pianist John Novacek will perform in concert at the Mission Theater on Sunday, Feb. 19, at 2 p.m. Novacek regularly tours the Americas, Europe, Australia and Asia as a soloist and chamber musician – it will be a rare opportunity for the community to hear him in this not-to-be-missed Fallbrook performance.

Fallbrook Music Society President Bob Freaney said, “Piano virtuoso John Novacek will impress our audience with an intimate and inspiring afternoon of works by well-known classical composers, and a few surprises: three of his own original ragtime compositions.

“This is an opportunity for our community to experience the superb talents of this world-class pianist,” he added.

The Fallbrook program features “Rondo in A minor” by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, “Variations and Fugue on a Theme of Handel” by Johannes Brahms and one of Frédéric Chopin’s best works, “Polonaise-Fantaisie” as well as his “Waltz No. 7” and “Ballade No. 1.”

Novacek has performed with such notables as Joshua Bell, Yo-Yo Ma and Leila Josefowicz, and his major American performances have been heard in New York City’s Carnegie Hall, Lincoln Center, Avery Fisher Hall and the Kennedy Center, among many others.

Novacek took top prizes at

both the Leschetizky and Joanna Hodges international piano competitions, among many others. He studied piano with Polish virtuoso Jakob Gimpel at California State University where he earned a Bachelor of Music degree, summa cum laude. Subsequently, he earned a Master of Music degree from New York City’s Mannes College of Music.

Novacek begins his new season with a recent appointment to the Piano and Collaborative Piano faculty of The Mannes School of Music. He has recorded over 35 CDs, encompassing solo and chamber music by most major composers from Bach to Bartók, and has been seen and heard on The Tonight Show with Johnny Carson, Entertainment Tonight and CNN International. Novacek is a Steinway Artist.

The John Novacek concert will take place Sunday, Feb. 19 at 2 p.m. in Fallbrook’s Mission Theater, 231 N. Main Ave. Doors open at 1:30 p.m.; seating is general admission and free – no tickets are required.

Donations are always welcome to help support the society’s tradition of delivering excellence in live music to Fallbrook and its surrounding communities. Fallbrook Music Society is a 501 (c) (3) not-for-profit organization.

For more information go to <https://fallbrookmusicsociety.org/>, or call 760-451-8644.

Submitted by Fallbrook Music Society.



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Fallbrook Music Society presents internationally renowned pianist John Novacek in concert at Mission Theater, Sunday, Feb. 19 at 2 p.m. This concert is free admission.



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OPINION

Natural gas, oil, and the California Public Utilities Commission



Assemblymember Marie Waldron
75th District

For years, California has had the nation’s highest energy costs. Recent price increases for natural gas have added to the misery and have led to renewed interest in the California Public Utilities Commission, which has held hearings on the price increases under its authority to regulate and oversee utilities.

The CPUC was created in 1911 when voters approved a constitutional amendment to reorganize the Railroad Commission. Commission authority was expanded in 1912 to cover utilities such as gas, electric and telephone companies, and in 1946, voters approved renaming the Railroad Commission the California Public Utilities Commission. The CPUC’s commissioners are appointed by the Governor and approved by the Senate. All five current commissioners were appointed by Governor Newsom.

The CPUC has sole authority to establish rates charged by investor-owned utilities through its “revenue requirement,” based on the costs of maintaining, operating and financing utility operations. This requirement is the basis for determining rates paid by customers. However, decisions by the Governor and other policymakers outside the CPUC can have a huge impact on utility costs.

For example, between 1985

and 2021, California’s natural gas production decreased by 72%. We now import over 90% of our natural gas, making us vulnerable to price spikes that result from decreased national production, pipeline interruptions, weather fluctuations, and federal policies that export gas overseas, despite current shortages.

California has vast reserves of natural gas and oil, mostly in the Central Valley. Over the years, state policymakers have limited exploitation of those resources, policies that have accelerated in recent years. Shortages and cost increases are the inevitable result.

Obviously, we need to protect the environment. But we can do that without cutting local production that results in self-induced shortages. It makes no sense to reduce production here, limiting supplies and driving up costs, only to purchase more expensive oil and gas that we must have, elsewhere. California’s hard-pressed ratepayers can’t be squeezed any more.

Re: The 50 year plan [Village News, Letters, 2/2/23]

In response to Mr. Smith’s letter, please don’t mail your application to Mensa just yet. Your logic, or lack of, is down right scary. Don’t cross any streets without adult supervision.

It reminds me of a question from a college educated friend of mine. Times were hard and he was worried about people not having enough money, so he said, “Why doesn’t the government just print more money?” I had to reevaluate his intelligence from that point on, and yes, he was a Democrat.

Using your flawless logic, 99.99% of most people polled would want “a better life.” So why would we want to stop the activities of the Mafia and cartels? They just want “a better life.” Who are we to stand in the way?

I’m sure you are smarter than all the countries in the world, going back thousands of years, who were so evil and stupid as to have controlled borders in their countries.

Joseph Schembri

Who evaluates defensible space?

I live on 1.5 acres in Fallbrook, a couple miles from town. My home insurance went up 50% when I renewed in October because of new Fire Hazard Severity Zones (FHSZ) implemented by CalFire.

I checked around with a few big name insurance companies and when I gave them my address, they said we couldn’t do business. They are creating an insurance nightmare for rural dwellers in this state.

When you check out the FHSZ Map, you will see a very broad brush has been used to paint millions of acres.

I’ve done a ton of clearing and cleanup each year since buying this property in 2009, installed 7000 sf of concrete around my house, replaced wood siding with cement fiber board, ensured all vent screening is per code, and planted ice plant on canyon hillsides.

They send out the annual Abatement Reminder and push the clearing to achieve defensible space, yet I don’t recall CalFire coming by to inspect my property.

I don’t recall my insurance provider coming by to inspect my property.

I look out my window to a view of multiple properties in our canyon. I see a couple that look like a jungle, a few with relatively clear land with a few trees, and some with wide open spaces.

Yet if you look at the FHSZ Map, it is all painted the same.

How do we get insurance relief for those who maintain their property?

What is the incentive for people that bust their butt clearing trees and growth, paying for equipment, chippers, maybe hiring help to maintain our defensible space?

Where do we sign up for an evaluation of defensible space?

Last point... Has the insurance doubled for all the homes in sub-divisions across this state where houses are less than 10 feet apart and built prior to flammable material codes?

I doubt it because they were not the focus of this self-inflicted state fiasco called FHSZ.

Greg Brush

SANDAG has failed both drivers and taxpayers – and now a complete overhaul is needed

San Diegans are being forced to drive on some of the worst roads in the nation – but we’ve been paying the highest gas and car taxes in the nation and have been paying an extra sales tax for road repairs for nearly 40 years. So where is all the money going?

Local politicians have repeatedly diverted our road repair funds from projects we were promised. For example, in 1987 and again in 2004, local politicians put the TransNet tax hike on the ballot to raise our local sales taxes and included language on the ballot promising the funds would be “earmarked” for specific projects.

The “promised” projects included widening Interstates 5, 8, 15 and 805 and Highways 52, 56, 67, and 78. The result? Only a partial expansion has been completed on I-15 with a completely inadequate expansion underway on I-5. In fact, 15 promised projects from TransNet remain unfinished.

In light of the projects not getting done, questions were raised as to whether this is a case of dishonesty or theft. The answer is “both.”

At the center of this scam is an agency called the San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG) – the supposed regional transportation authority for San Diego County. Not only has SANDAG not fixed our roads as promised, but it has found itself

mired in controversies over the years for its policies and missteps.

When SANDAG sought to extend the TransNet Tax in 2004, they knowingly outright lied to voters on the ballot measure for their support. Independent investigations now show that the SANDAG Board knew the TransNet extension would not bring in the \$14 billion in revenue needed for the projects they promised on the ballot.

In 2016, SANDAG tried to raise the sales tax yet again (voters wisely rejected it) while promising that the 2016 TransNet tax hike would collect \$18 billion for new projects. Internal emails and documents have now come to public light that prove that SANDAG knew this was false.

SANDAG is also wasting taxpayer funds. Audits of the agency between 2017 and 2022 have found millions of dollars in inappropriate spending – lavish travel and dinners for staff, installation of unused bike lanes that cost \$6-9 million per mile, and even \$290 million in contracts awarded to agency vendors without proper justification.

Recently SANDAG politicians voted to double the overhead charges on projects to cover staff and bureaucracies – leaving less money for roads. They also have adopted a Regional Transportation Plan that virtually eliminates any additional interstate and

highway projects. Instead they propose simply installing bike lanes, expanding bus routes, and building a massive \$130 billion dollar “high-speed rail” network which will replace our freeways and highways.

That’s why SANDAG politicians that stole our road funds are now proposing a massive countywide sales tax hike in the 2024 election – and want to impose a crazy “Mileage Tax” on top of that.

The “Mileage Tax” alone would charge San Diegans up to 4-6 cents per mile that they drive – costing drivers an extra \$600-900 per year. The politicians say the Mileage Tax will not only raise funds for transit projects, but will force drivers to stop using their cars in favor of buses and bikes.

SANDAG is completely out-of-touch with the needs of San Diego drivers.

The bottom line is SANDAG’s long track record of abandoned projects, deceit, and misuse of taxpayer funding has eroded their reputation with San Diegans – and the agency’s sales tax hikes and Mileage Tax proposals should be rejected by voters.

I urge you to join our fight to block these costly tax hikes and force much-needed reform at SANDAG to get our tax dollars back where they belong by visiting www.StopTheMileageTax.org.

Carl DeMaio

Our kids are our greatest natural resource



Julie Reeder
Publisher

Our greatest natural resource is our people. All kinds, colors, and backgrounds. And especially our children

We know this locally as people, mostly volunteers, make our town great and our kids are our future, literally and completely.

I was reminded of it Monday night at our high school board meeting.

Parents and educators were both voicing their concerns about books that some parents were saying needed to not only be removed from the library, but the books in question needed to have access removed from their Chromebooks unless their parents opted in.

Or, the students can get them from other places.

Other speakers, against banning the books, said that it was parents and groups with far-right ideologies, censorship, book burning, who may also want to burn the classics like Mark Twain and the Scarlet Letter, the Constitution and the Bill of Rights.

But those people that were mischaracterizing and slandering don’t want to ban any of those books. That’s another crowd.

The classics aren’t the problem. I think the hope is that the students are good enough readers to be able to read the classics.

I agree that the conversation is worth having though.

Certainly, our kids are worth the effort.

We worry so much about what is going on all over the world in Ukraine, China, Turkey, and Syria. We focus on spy balloons and the missteps of our political leaders, and how our taxes are being spent.

It’s all very important, I agree, but overwhelmingly the priority is our most precious natural resource – our children – our country’s literal future. Our hearts, our priority, our commitment and investment of time and resources.

It’s uncomfortable, and for some parents maddening to read out loud what some of these books for kids have in them.

Honestly, I couldn’t reprint what I’ve read in these books because they are too graphic and especially when they involve little children.

I have to believe that some people advocating for these books haven’t actually read them.

If a grown man gave your child some of these books, with sexually explicit descriptions of sex and even drawings, they may be arrested. When is it considered indoctrination, grooming or sexual harassment?

How far is too far? It’s a fair question.

Why is it ok for the school to offer them these books but not a grown man?

Are we not supposed to use good judgment when choosing what students should be exposed to?

Should people you don’t know be able to introduce your child to anything? Any topic? Any ideology?

Again, how far is too far?

Let’s talk about it and try to come to a consensus. Both sides may not see eye to eye, but maybe there is a middle ground somewhere if we really hear each other and the priority is the children.

I know some of the people on both sides. Neither hates kids. Neither is a criminal.

I wonder what could happen?

I’m putting together a roundtable. If you are interested in participating and you can stay calm and reasonable, contact me at jreeder@reedermedia.com and just put “roundtable” in the subject line.

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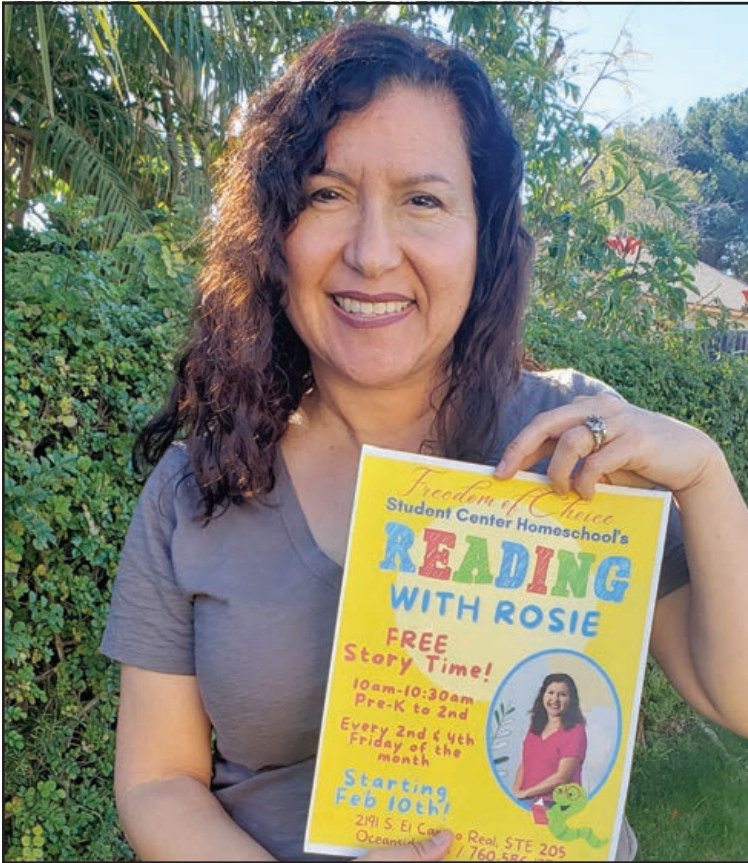
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California Republican Assembly holds organizational meeting



Susan Custer, president of the California Republican Assembly in North County San Diego, introduces patriot grassroots groups at a kick-off organizational meeting. CRA has many chapters in California. Their next meeting will be at Grace Church in Oceanside, March 6, 6 p.m.

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Rosie Higuera teaches at Freedom Of Choice Student Center Homeschool, in Oceanside. She spoke to the large crowd about her reading program, Reading With Rosie. She's a warrior against pornography in schools and the sexual grooming of children. Some other organizations represented were North County Patriots, Health Choice Advocates, and Urban Youth Collaborative.



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Kari Moreno, LVN,
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The community of Fallbrook will always be near and dear to my heart. I worked as a nurse at Fallbrook Community Hospital from 2001 until its closure in 2014. Anyone who worked at Fallbrook Hospital knows the sense of family working there brought to each of us. I had the opportunity to return to Fallbrook in 2017 to work at Regency Assisted Living, first as the Wellness Director and now as the Executive Director. I have always had a heart for the senior population and feel so grateful that I get to serve the seniors in our Regency community daily. The residents and their families have become an extension of my family and it's an amazing feeling to know that some of the seniors residing at Regency now were connected to me in some way back in my Fallbrook Hospital years. It's the true meaning of "Smallbrook" that nothing will ever compare to and I'm so happy to be working with a team of people that share my same love and passion for our residents and families.



Dulce Fierro, LVN,
Wellness Director

As a local "Fallbrookian" born and raised in this small town, I take a lot of pride in serving my amazing community. During my 20 plus years of working in the medical field, providing care for others has been my greatest passion. Coming to work and seeing the smiling faces of my residents fills my heart with joy. I consider myself very fortunate to be the Wellness Director at Regency and being a part of the Regency team. They are my family and my home away from home.





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Inspiring college at Career Day at Potter Junior High

FALLBROOK – Potter Junior High School held its Annual College and Career Day Wednesday, Feb. 1, with visits from service men and women of the Armed Forces, first responders, and local professionals from all over San Diego.

These volunteers visited classrooms where they shared details about their professions, answered questions from students, and helped guide students with their next steps. These special guests included USMC officers, the San Diego Sheriff's office, North County Fire, local artists, business owners, and more.

FUESD Spokesperson Seth Trench shared the district's gratitude for those who attended, "All of us at FUESD are incredibly grateful for our first responders, armed forces, and local professionals who took time from their busy schedules to encourage our students for what's ahead. Their investment in our students will inspire the young people of Fallbrook to know nothing is impossible, and any dream can be achieved with hard work and empathy for others."

The event culminated with a Leadership Rally that included special musical numbers from Potter Junior High students and words of encouragement from local leaders.

Submitted by Fallbrook Union Elementary School District.

Fallbrook local Brisa Maldonado, a local baker and business owner, told Potter students how she turned her baking creations into a business, Sweets by Bri. Her dream is to expand her resources as a teacher and baker to Mexico where she can show the students just how possible it is to chase your dreams and make it happen despite any challenges.

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Business owner Liz Leszczynski talks about massage therapy with students during Potter Career Day, Feb. 1.

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A local Sheriff's officer speaking with Potter students for Career Day.

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Local artist Daniel Martinez shows students a sketch for one of his current projects.

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Potter Junior High students gather for a culminating Leadership Rally after their Career Day sessions.

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REAL ESTATE & HOME and GARDEN

Seven characteristics of modern houses

Homes contain a variety of components that appeal to homeowners with different ideas about the perfect place to call home. That starts with the style of a home.

Buildings are classified according to shared components.

A Craftsman style home will have a covered porch with a set of wide base columns, while a Cape Cod home is often defined by a gabled roof and dormer windows. Modern houses, which are sometimes called contemporary homes even though the terms are not interchangeable, will have their own sets of unique characteristics.

Here’s a look at seven features that make modern homes unique.

1. Minimalist approach: Contemporary and modern homes both employ an approach that leans toward minimalism, including clean design lines. Spaces are open and airy without the clutter of too many ornate architectural details. While modern homes may have some curvature to their design, contemporary ones are all about an angular look.

2. Neutral color palette: Modern homes tend to utilize a neutral color palette. Modern homes may use “earthy” elements, such as wood and brick, in ways that do

not look rustic. Contemporary homes rely on a color palette of black and white with shades of gray or other neutral colors.

3. Geometric shapes: Modern homes have strong horizontal and vertical elements that showcase geometric shapes in their designs. Contemporary homes often have flat roofs, while modern homes may not.

4. Large, unadorned windows: Most modern homes showcase a lot of natural light by utilizing large windows that are not covered up by heavy window treatments or elements like shutters and thick trims. Large windows are the focus of the interior and shift attention to the view outdoors.

5. Open floor concept: A hallmark of modern interior design, the open concept floor plan removes many of the walls that tend to separate common areas of a home. This helps to foster the spread of natural light and maintains the emphasis on simplicity of design.

6. Smart elements: Thanks to the proliferation of smart technology, smart homes are cropping up with greater frequency. While smart devices can be included in any home style, they tend to feel like they were designed



The clean lines and attention to technology and open space generally extends to modern kitchens.

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specifically for modern homes. In a similar vein, modern homes may include environmentally friendly elements, such as solar panels, upcycled materials, added insulation, and energy efficient lighting.

7. Updated kitchen spaces: The clean lines and attention to technology and open space generally extends to modern kitchens. Modern kitchens tend to feature efficient, top-tier appliances with additional storage

and space amenities that keep the room from feeling cluttered.

While some may consider modern homes austere, many others are right at home among their clean lines and airy spaces.

County to fund millions toward affordable housing

Cassie Klap
County of San Diego
Communications Office

On Feb. 7, the San Diego County Board of Supervisors unanimously approved recommendations that will allow the county’s Housing and Community Development Services to leverage millions of dollars in state funding for the development and preservation of affordable housing.

The action came after the board announced last October its goal to produce 10,000 units by 2030. The effort is part of the county’s framework for ending homelessness through permanent housing and support targeted at the root cause and prevention.

“This is a huge step forward to advocate for San Diegans in need of safe affordable housing,” David Estrella, director of County HCDS said. “It will allow us to reach our vulnerable neighbors and provide equitable housing opportunities.”

In 2022, the county provided

financial support for new affordable housing units that will serve 1,151 people, a group that includes seniors, families, veterans, and those experiencing homelessness.

HCDS also received board approval to apply for new and existing state funding through three state housing programs:

- Permanent Local Housing Allocation Program
- Prohousing Incentive Pilot Program
- CalHome Program

The Permanent Local Housing Allocation Program increases the supply of low-income housing and housing to assist those at risk of or experiencing homelessness, while the Prohousing Incentive Pilot Program helps create and preserve affordable housing. The CalHome Program provides support for first-time homebuyers through down payment and closing cost assistance.

The board also provided \$3.3 million to help build Kettner Crossings. The \$45 million development at the corner of Cedar Street and Kettner Boulevard will include 65 units for low-income seniors. It is being built on surplus county property and expected to break ground later this year.

HCDS helps more than 35,500 people live in safe affordable housing. As part of that housing, the department maintains nearly 7,600 affordable units in 109 developments throughout the county. More than 16,700 people call those units home.

State declares citrus quarantine in Rancho Bernardo

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The California Department of Food and Agriculture has declared a new citrus quarantine in a 95 square-mile area of Rancho Bernardo after detecting a potentially threatening citrus tree disease during routine inspections.

The bacterial disease, known as Huanglongbing (HLB), is a major threat to San Diego’s \$115 million annual citrus crop. Trees infected with HLB can produce misshapen, bitter fruit and the disease can eventually kill the tree.

This new quarantine comes after HLB was found in a residential lime tree in the area and is in addition to the existing HLB quarantine in the city of Oceanside. It covers the area bordered on the north by the intersection of I-15 and Auto Park Way; to the south by Poway Road; to the west by Via De Las Flores; and to the east by Lake Ramona.

The intent of the quarantine is to protect the region’s food supply and support the agricultural economy and environmental sustainability by restricting people and businesses from moving citrus nursery stock, plant parts and fruit outside the

quarantine boundaries and off their properties. The only exception is for agricultural businesses that must adhere to specific requirements for treatment, cleaning, and packing commercial fruit prior to movement.

HLB is not harmful to people or animals but could be devastating to the county’s citrus industry. The disease is spread by the Asian citrus psyllids, tiny insects that can carry the bacteria when they feed on citrus trees.

“Unfortunately, Huanglongbing is fatal to citrus,” said San Diego Agricultural Commissioner Ha Dang. “Our goal is to prevent this disease from spreading any further. By working together, we can all protect our food supply, local agriculture, and environment from this devastating disease.”

The County Department of Agriculture, Weights and Measures is partnering with state and federal regulators to limit the impact on the public and help prevent the spread of the disease. County and state officials will work with residents in the affected area to arrange for treatment of citrus trees as a protective measure against the disease.

County officials are also

proactively notifying local citrus growers, plant nurseries and other related businesses.

Samples from trees on the affected property and the surrounding area are undergoing tests for HLB. If HLB is detected in additional citrus trees in the quarantine area, state agricultural officials will follow up with treatment and removal of the infected trees.

Residents in the quarantine area are urged to take the following steps:

- Do not move citrus plants, leaves or foliage into or out of the quarantine area.
- Cooperate with agricultural officials who are inspecting trees, taking samples and treating for the pest.
- Consider removing your citrus tree if you no longer need it.
- Buy citrus trees only from reputable local nurseries.

Report citrus trees that seem to be sick or dying by contacting the San Diego Department of Agriculture, Weights and Measures at 760-752-4700 or visit <https://www.sandiegocounty.gov/awm/>.

Residents can also call CDFA’s toll free Pest Hotline at 800-491-1899 or visit <https://www.cdca.ca.gov/citrus/>.

FCPG elects officers, appoints positions

Joe Naiman
Village News Reporter

The Jan. 16 meeting of the Fallbrook Community Planning Group included the election of officers and appointment of committee chairs and liaisons. Jeniene Domercq will be the planning group’s new representative to the I-15 Corridor Design Review Board and Scott Spencer will be the planning group liaison to the Fallbrook Historical Society.

The officer elections and appointments were approved on a 14-0 vote with Anna Strahan absent. All four officers were re-elected: Eileen Delaney will continue as planning group chair, Roy Moosa will return as the first vice-chair, Stephani Baxter will once again be the second vice-chair, and Jim Loge will serve another term as secretary. Domercq, who was also

reappointed as the planning group’s liaison to the Fallbrook Chamber of Commerce, takes over the I-15 Corridor Design Review Board representative position from Victoria Stover, who was not re-elected to the planning group. “We’re excited for her new opportunity,” Delaney said. “I’m looking forward to her representing us and she’ll be learning more.”

The I-15 Corridor Design Review Board consists of seven members. Representatives from the Bonsall Sponsor Group, Fallbrook Community Planning Group, Hidden Meadows Sponsor Group, Rainbow Community Planning Group, Twin Oaks Sponsor Group, and Valley Center Community Planning Group serve on the design review board, as does one at-large member.

The I-15 Corridor Design Review Board was created to preserve the

visual aesthetics of the corridor, and if the County of San Diego believes that a proposed project may impact the visual aesthetics of the corridor, that project is sent to the I-15 Corridor Design Review Board for input. While the community design review boards only review commercial properties, the I-15 Corridor Design Review Board reviews all structures and also signs.

The I-15 Corridor Design Review Board only addresses aesthetics and does not address issues such as traffic or environmental impacts and thus usually only debates aspects of specific projects rather than the projects themselves. The I-15 Corridor Design Review Board works with developers to ensure that no aesthetic objections exist.

Spencer joined the planning group after being elected in November 2022. There had not previously been a planning group liaison to the Fallbrook Historical Society.

“This is a new position,” Delaney said.

Spencer has been active with the Fallbrook Historical Society. He is the landscape and outdoor displays curator and has been involved with Railroad Heritage Park.

Moosa is the planning group’s representative to the Fallbrook Community Forum and to the Fallbrook Village Association. He had previously represented the planning group in those positions.

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Review of all things Real Estate: Lot-land build factors



Bob Hillery
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If there aren't enough resale homes on the market then the next logical discussion is, what about buying raw land and building a new custom home which meets all your wants and needs?

I represented a great local builder for over 12 years who taught me so much about the concerns of new construction, and I'll pass along some of the bullet points associated with building new construction in this article.

I will identify wavetop issues and if it whets an appetite within you to consider building new construction then my strongest recommendation is to contact our local trusted general contractors and engage in detailed discussions about building your dream home.

Financing for new construction is different from residential resale purchases and few lenders have those kinds of programs. Different lenders have different down

payment requirements, different draw schedules and different lengths of time to refinance out of the construction loan into the take-out loan (permanent financing). The best advice is to deep dive into the internet because loan programs are different between lenders so research the best program that meets your building needs.

Electrical power is always a prime concern when building. If the project will be within 300' of a transformer then it is mostly just a connection fee, but if there is a requirement to install additional power poles or there's a requirement that the utilities must be underground, then standby for some eye-watering expenses. And no, generators cannot be the primary source of power. Power must be provided by SDG&E or solar. Generators can only be back-up power sources.

Water: It costs approximately \$16,000-26,000 to install a water meter with the proviso that there is a water main nearby. If not, then digging a well may be the solution. A new well will cost about \$40,000 to drill, case, install the pump and storage tank plus there will need to be electrical power to the pump.

Sewer/septic: If the property is

in a sewer district, does the parcel have a sewer reservation to join the district? If not, there must be approval to join. Hooking up to sewer isn't cheap as the road must be closed for up to two days with accompanying traffic control and subsequent road repair. A sewer lateral from the parcel is required to join the sewer line.

If a septic system is going to handle the sewage requirements, the land must first pass a percolation test (separate expense of approximately \$3,200), then the cost to install a traditional septic system is approximately \$16,000-18,000. A septic system needs to have enough land for 100% of the leach lines plus there needs to be room for a 100% reserve leach field. There are required setbacks for leach fields from property lines and riparian waterways.

Legal access: Just because the parcel abuts a road doesn't mean it has legal access from the road to the parcel; check with a title officer. California law allows for the sale of landlocked parcels which means the owner might have to buy easements over adjacent parcels to get to their own property.

Permits and fees, which can be a crazy amount of money, include

traffic impact fees, schools impact fees, environmental impact studies plus other fees. My builder once told me they pay up to \$80,000 before a shovel of dirt is turned. Design review is part of permits and fees. If using a previously approved structure design that will fit the lot, some fees are mitigated, if not then factor in architect fees.

Grading and watershed, not all lots can be graded to conform with environmental and fire department requirements (20% gradient is the maximum driveway slope due to

county rugged terrain fire engine limitations).

Expense to build new construction is approximately 15-25% more than residential resale because the project is starting from unimproved raw dirt.

All dirt is not of equal value. If the parcel price is inexpensive there is a reason. Always consult with a local general contractor before finalizing a land lot purchase to ensure the intended utilizations can be accomplished.

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Pilot program for older adults offers rental subsidy



Cassie Klapp
County of San Diego
Communications Office

The County of San Diego Department of Homeless Solutions and Equitable Communities is launching a pilot program to provide 222 seniors at risk of experiencing homelessness a rental subsidy.

This program was approved by the San Diego County Board of Supervisors last September. Eligible adults over 55 years old would be provided \$500 a month for 18 months to help them stabilize. Assistance payments are anticipated to begin this spring.

San Diego’s 55 years or older population is expected to balloon to more than 1.1 million people by 2030.

“Older adults, in particular people on fixed incomes, are struggling with rising rents and represent a growing part of our homeless population,” said Barbara Jiménez, Community Operations Officer who oversees the Department of Homeless Solutions & Equitable Communities. “This pilot program will help people remain in their homes while also offering light

case management services to connect participants to supportive services.”

According to the 2022 We All Count Point-in-Time Count, 25% of people who were unsheltered were 55 years and older.

Eligible applicants must:

- Have a household income at or below 50% of the Area Median Income.
- Be using more than half of their income toward housing.
- Have their name on the lease or rental agreement.
- Have a landlord willing to participate in the program.
- Not receiving any other rental subsidies.
- Sign consent forms to participate in the program.

Pilot program participants who meet the eligibility criteria will be selected at random.

To apply for this rental subsidy, email your full name and contact information to HSEC-OHS.HHSA@sdcounty.ca.gov or call 619-980-4168. Application assistance and translation services will be provided.

EDCO will provide waste & recycling services on Presidents’ Day

FALLBROOK – There will be no delay in waste and recycling collection services on Monday, Feb. 20, and all customers will be serviced on their regularly scheduled service day.

EDCO’s customer service

offices, including its public disposal sites and recycling buyback centers, will also remain open. This includes Fallbrook Waste and Recycling Services.

Submitted by EDCO.

Changing Times in Real Estate

Ken Follis
Compass Real Estate

Long ago, in the dark ages when I started in Real Estate, our bible was the MLS book. We carried it everywhere. I would study that book nightly. I would keep it with me while watching TV. No, it was not allowed to go to bed with me!

The purpose of all of those hours of constant studying was to become informed on the current market. It was the same for most realtors who were or wanted to become the best of their profession. It was our way of staying ahead of everyone else.

I remember clearly when the book was going to be discontinued. There was a feeling of doom as it was now time to learn something new and I have been told by my beautiful and loving wife that I do not like change! I have no idea why she could think that, but nonetheless, there it is, and yes, she is right.

It was time to embrace the changes coming and for all of us in the real estate industry, we either embraced the change or we would be totally left behind. That is not something I wanted, so I learned new skills, embraced the coming technology, added a computer and cell phone, I-pad, Laptop, Bluetooth thingies for talking and listening and much more, you get the picture.

Things like SEO, AI, IA, Metrics and a multitude of other acronyms were sneaking in and before you knew it, alas, Zillow, Realtor.com, Redfin, Movoto and a multitude of websites came into being, all creating a huge mass of information and misinformation available to our treasured customers.

Our tried and true line of “Contact me for a free market evaluation” was being overshadowed by a multitude of online estimated valuation metrics including the dreaded Zestimate! Consumers had at their fingertips all of the information I would have spent hours, if not days, to acquire.

It all leads to the question of where will our value lie now as a realtor, a trusted confidant, a valued negotiator and a service professional? What would we do now? Some of these sites offer “Buy it Now” buttons, click if you want to list your home, talk to a professional realtor, schedule a showing, apply for a loan, you name it. It was just a click away. Oh my, things have changed! So again, we, as realtors must change as well and, as always, the good ones have.



The COVID “Era” also created further changes and advancements for our industry. Video Walk-thru, Zoom meetings, video conferencing, video sales meetings and what seemed to be the end of another era and the hardest part for me was no hugs! I believe with the changes and the inclusion of Matterport and video walk-thru for our listings, it helped our customers narrow down their home search and for sellers, helped display their homes in a more complete light.

For me, with all the changes and advancement, learning the requirements of the different consumer demographics including The Silent Generation, Baby Boomers, Millennials, Gen X, and much more, we were still missing something. It was something I believe all good Realtors would agree with. You see, at least to me, we are not a profession of sales people.

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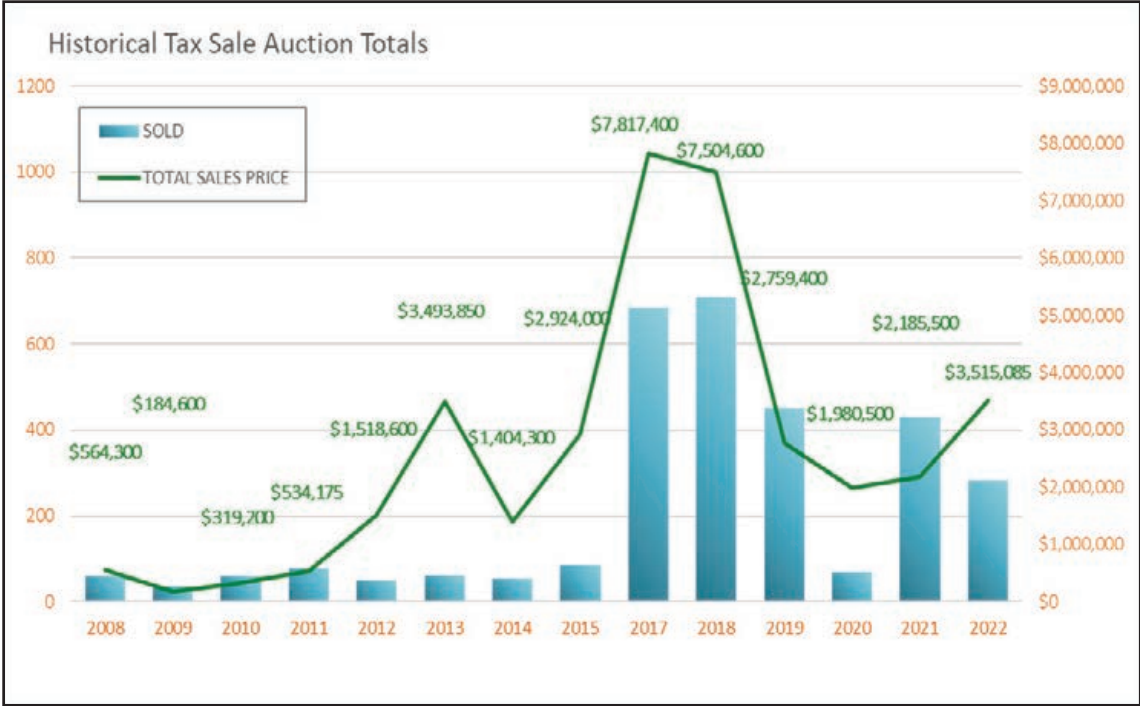
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Ken Follis, 760-803-6235 and Sharon Robinson, 949-295-1161 can also be reached at their downtown location at 100 N. Main in Fallbrook.

County auction of properties could bring in Over \$4,800,000

Bidders must register by March 3 to participate



*The TTC did not hold a tax sale auction in 2016.

SAN DIEGO – San Diego County Treasurer-Tax Collector Dan McAllister announced bidder registration is now open for the 2023 online property tax auction. A total of 448 properties have been in default for over five years and, in accordance with the California Revenue & Taxation Code, are now for sale.

“These properties have been in tax default for five or more years. It’s time to get the properties back on the tax roll generating revenue for important public services,” said McAllister. “Our online system makes it simple to research and bid on a variety of properties across

San Diego County.”

Anyone can bid during the online property tax auction from March 10-15. To participate, bidders must register before March 2 at the Treasurer-Tax Collector’s tax auction website, <https://www.sdttc.mytaxsale.com>. They must also submit a refundable \$1,000 deposit and a non-refundable \$35 processing fee (some parcels may require a larger deposit).

“We have 66 residential or commercial properties, 301 timeshares, and 81 parcels of land for sale. The county stands to bring in \$4,800,000 in tax revenue if all the properties are sold for

the minimum bid,” McAllister continued. “Potential bidders are encouraged to sign up for e-notifications at <https://www.sdttc.com/>.”

All sales are final, so this is a buyer beware sale. The TTC recommends beginning the research process on its website.

Owners of the auctioned properties can still avoid going to sale; they have until 5 p.m. on March 9 to redeem their parcels and pay all taxes and fees owed. Before the sale, every effort is made to contact the owners of these properties to notify them about the impending sale.

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BUSINESS

Voices for Children appoints Muñoz president and CEO



Jessica Muñoz has been named President & CEO of Voices for Children, She lives in Fallbrook. Village News/Courtesy photo

SAN DIEGO – Jessica Muñoz, Esq., MFS has been named President & Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Voices for Children, the regional nonprofit organization designated by the San Diego and Riverside County Superior Courts to recruit, train, and support Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) volunteers. CASAs serve as consistent, caring adults for children who are in foster care after experiencing abuse, neglect, or abandonment. In addition, CASAs advocate on behalf of children in foster care by providing critical information to judges making decisions about the children’s futures. Muñoz has been with the organization since January 2016 as the Executive Director for the Riverside County program and more recently as the Executive Vice President for the entire organization. She succeeds Kelly Capen Douglas, Esq. who has served as President & CEO since October 2019 and has been named the next General Counsel at Santa Clara University. During her term as President & CEO, Douglas guided Voices for Children through the many challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic, created financial strength and stability for the organization, and led the implementation of a new Strategic Plan which provides a holistic framework for Voices for Children’s strength and success in the years to come. Chair of the Voices for Children

Board of Directors, Annette Bradbury, said, “The board is delighted to promote Jessica to the role of President & CEO of Voices for Children. Her appointment is a natural progression in a career she has devoted to vulnerable children, youth, and families affected by legal systems.” “During her seven years leading the Riverside County program Jessica has developed authentic, long-lasting relationships with community leaders, child welfare partners, and supporters leading to year-on-year growth in the number of children served and revenue. She has demonstrated her extraordinary ability to inspire others to embrace our mission by becoming CASA volunteers, investing in Voices for Children, and providing platforms to tell our story,” continued Bradbury. “We would also like to express our profound gratitude to Kelly Capen Douglas for her leadership, dedication, and strategic vision over the last three and a half years. Kelly has successfully guided Voices for Children through the ever-changing landscape during the pandemic, building on our financial health, community support, and advocacy for vulnerable children in San Diego and Riverside Counties.” Muñoz is an attorney and practiced for more than seven years, including four years as a trial attorney in juvenile dependency courts in both Los Angeles and San Diego Counties. Prior to joining

Voices for Children, she developed and coordinated a program at UC San Diego to provide support services to students who are undocumented. In addition to her law degree, she holds a Master of Forensic Science degree and a professional certificate in nonprofit management. Muñoz is a past chair of the County of San Diego Juvenile Justice Commission and served on the board of the San Diego Civic Youth Ballet. Her professional affiliations include the State Bar of California, the Riverside County Bar Association, Leadership Riverside, and the Fieldstone Leadership Network. Muñoz was named the 2022 Juvenile Law Attorney of the Year by the Riverside County Bar Association. She is a resident of Fallbrook. “I am grateful for and humbled by this opportunity to be of greater service to our CASA volunteers, Board of Directors, staff, community stakeholders, and - most importantly - the children who count on us every day,” Muñoz said. “I’m excited to continue working alongside my colleagues at Voices for Children to make the advocacy CASA volunteers possible for children across San Diego and Riverside Counties.” Douglas and Muñoz will work closely during the transition. Muñoz will be responsible for leading the entire organization beginning March 1.

Worker of the Week waits on the public



Rob Arboneaux is a waiter for La Cucina Trattoria located at 1415 S. Mission Road. The family Italian restaurant opened Jan. 12. Arboneaux loves working with and for the public. Village News/David Landry photo

Chamber plans events into March

- FALLBROOK – The Fallbrook Chamber of Commerce has several upcoming events planned. They are:
- Friday, Feb. 17 – After Hours Networking at Village Roots Deli & Taproom, 4-6 p.m.
 - Thursday, Feb. 23 – Dinner Mob at Harry’s Sports Bar & Grill, 5 p.m.
 - Monday, March 6 – First Monday Coffee at Chamber, 9 a.m.
 - Thursday, March 9 – SunUpper at Care-Rite Vocational Services, 9 a.m.
 - Monday, March 13 – Educational Seminar presented by Rosenstein & Associates –
 - Employment Law Workshop at Chamber, 10 a.m.
 - Wednesday, March 15 – SunDowner hosted by Fallbrook Historical Society, 5:30 p.m.
 - Friday, March 17 – Business Breakfast Club at Bakin it Up, 9 a.m.
 - Friday, March 24 – Lunch Mob at Coal Bunker, Noon
 - Wednesday, March 29 – Wine Down Wednesday at Fallbrook Winery, 4:30-7:30 p.m.
- Call the chamber for more details on any of these events, 760-728-5845. Submitted by Fallbrook Chamber of Commerce.

Townsend-Smith joins Rainbow water board

Joe Naiman
Village News Reporter

Patti Townsend-Smith is the newest member of the Rainbow Municipal Water District board. Townsend-Smith, who was elected to the Division 4 seat in November, was sworn into office Jan. 3 and attended her first board meeting as a director Jan. 24. “The work will begin now. I have a lot to learn, but I’m ready, willing, and able to do so,” Townsend-Smith said. She and her husband moved from Lake Elsinore to the Horse Creek Ridge community in September 2019. “We love it here,” she said. She is originally from suburban Buffalo, living in Williamsville and then Tonawanda. She attended State University of New York at Buffalo before becoming a registered nurse. Her husband at the time had family in California, so they moved to Anaheim Hills. “It’s probably the best thing that he did for me,” she said. They bought a home in Dana Point in 1980 and lived there until their divorce in 2008. Townsend-Smith remarried in 2015. She had moved to Lake Elsinore after her divorce. “I love my community there, but I love Fallbrook so much more,” Townsend-Smith said. The property Townsend-Smith and her husband own includes

citrus and wine grapes. Townsend-Smith had four children from her first marriage and added two children after marrying her current husband. Her children range in age from 44 to 29. She was a nurse for 40 years before retiring in 2014. During her first marriage, she and her husband owned a home interior store in Dana Point. “I feel like I have some managerial skills,” Townsend-Smith said. Even prior to her retirement she was involved in Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA). “I’ve always volunteered throughout my life,” Townsend-Smith said. The managerial skills and the volunteer work gave Townsend-Smith experience for a water district board seat. Concerns about Rainbow’s water quality gave her the desire. “I’ve always been interested in water quality,” Townsend-Smith said. “That’s probably going to be one of my main objectives.” Townsend-Smith notes that many Rainbow district residents are purchasing bottled water rather than using tap water provided by the district. “They’re feeling the need to buy clean water,” she said. She hasn’t personally visited a water store but knows residents who have, and she plans to determine district resident feelings about Rainbow’s water. “I would personally like to talk with

ratepayers,” Townsend-Smith said. The San Diego Aqueduct began delivering water from the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California in November 1947. The Rainbow Municipal Water District was formed in 1953 to serve the Bonsall Heights Water District (which remained a separate retail agency until it was dissolved in 1975) and the Canonita, Morro, San Luis Rey Heights, Vallecitos, and Yucca mutual water companies. “Some of the infrastructure that we have here in Fallbrook was given to us by Camp Pendleton in the 1940s,” Townsend-Smith said. “Maybe we need to do some infrastructure changes.” During January, Townsend-Smith was able to look out her window at the rainfall, and she desires storage so that Rainbow can take advantage of the free water. Townsend-Smith defeated incumbent Bill Stewart in the November 2022 election. Stewart had been on Rainbow’s Budget and Finance Committee, and Townsend-Smith was appointed to that committee Jan. 24. She had desired to serve on the Budget and Finance Committee. “So far I’ve met some very nice people at the district, so I look forward to working with some very nice folks,” Townsend-Smith said.

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EDUCATION

Therapy dogs gaining approval by FUESD board

Rick Monroe
Special to the Village News

Therapy dogs will soon be welcome at schools in the Fallbrook Union Elementary School District. Brian Morris, assistant superintendent of human resources, presented the first reading of a “Therapy Animals at School” resolution at the Feb. 6 board meeting.

Alida Leonard, speech therapist at La Paloma Elementary – accompanied by her dog Sandy – also shared at the meeting. Leonard had been bringing Sandy to the school the past three years after the dog was certified by Pet Partners as a therapy dog. At a board meeting in October, Leonard explained that Sandy provided practical solutions for students in emotional or traumatic situation. However, when a teacher at another school in the district wanted to bring her dog to school and was denied, Sandy was restricted while district administrators determined a policy.

That policy was explained and unanimously approved at the Feb. 6 meeting. The second reading is scheduled at the next board meeting on Feb. 27.

“The governing board supports the use of therapy dogs for the benefit of its students subject to the conditions of this policy,” the report stated. “Benefits from working or visiting with a therapy

dog may include reduced stress, improved physical and emotional well-being, lower blood pressure, decreased anxiety, improved self-esteem and normalization of the environment, and increased likelihood of successful academic achievement.”

Examples of activities that students may engage in with a therapy dog include petting and/or hugging the dog, speaking to the dog, giving the dog simple commands that the dog is trained to respond to and reading to the dog.

Morris explained that a therapy dog is a dog who has been individually trained, evaluated and registered with his/her handler to provide animal assisted activities, and animal assisted interactions within a school or other facility. Therapy dogs are not emotional support animals or service animals.

A handler is a school district employee, or volunteer, who owns a therapy dog and who has been individually trained, evaluated and registered with a therapy dog to provide animal assisted activities, and animal assisted interactions within a school or other facility.

A therapy dog is the personal property of the handler and is not the property of the school district. The handler shall assume full responsibility for the therapy dog's care, behavior and suitability for interacting with students and others in the school while the



A photo of Sandy can be seen on La Paloma Elementary’s website, <https://lap.fuesd.org/>.

dog visits shall be developed with the principal or the principal’s designee.

The handler must submit a copy of an insurance policy that provides liability coverage (minimum general liability \$1,000,000) for the work of the handler and therapy dog while the two are on school district property.

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Molloy participates in Emerson Stage production of ‘Paris’

BOSTON, Mass. – Ozzy Molloy from Bonsall participated in Emerson Stage's production of “Paris,” Jan. 26-29 in the Jackie Liebergott Black Box Theater at Emerson College in Boston.

Paris features Emmie, one of the only Black people living in Paris, Vermont. The play touches on isolation and invisibility.

Molloy, class of 2026, served as assistant production supervisor for the play and is majoring in Stage

and Production Management.

Emerson Stage and the Department of Performing Arts are where the next generation of actors, designers, stage managers, technicians, administrators, and educators work alongside distinguished faculty, professional staff, and visiting artists to bring skills learned in the classroom to vibrant life on stage.

Submitted by Emerson College.

Palomar hosts Black History Month workshops

SAN MARCOS – For the third year, educators and students from Palomar College and around the country are exploring the history and creativity of Black History Month with a series of workshops available on Zoom and in person at the College’s San Marcos campus.

“To be able to offer this many workshops and have this much collaboration is just monumental,” said Amber Colbert, assistant professor of sociology and founder of the Palomar Black Faculty and Staff Association, which is hosting the events.

“It’s a way to expose everyone, regardless of race, to the history of Black America that has led us to today – and to issues happening right now,” said Colbert. “It’s America’s history, it’s Black history, and I’m glad that Palomar and the PBfSA are able to provide these workshops.”

“It is inspiring to see so many dedicated and talented educators coming together to provide our students and community with inspiring, informative Black History workshops,” said Palomar Superintendent/President Dr. Star

Rivera-Lacey. “We encourage everyone to join us in learning and imagining a stronger, more inclusive future.”

The series will conclude with a barbecue and fundraiser at Mesa Rim Climbing Center in San Marcos. For more information about the workshops, including biographies of the presenters, visit www.palomar.edu/pbfsa/black-history-month-2023-workshop-series/.

Submitted by Palomar College.

Michelle’s Place offers educational scholarships

FALLBROOK – Applications are open until March 15 for three educational scholarship opportunities through Michelle’s Place Cancer Resource Center. Applicants must live within the counties of Riverside and San Bernardino, or North San Diego County.

Each scholarship specifies its own criteria which can be found at <https://michellesplace.org/programs-designed-to-empower/>. Awardees will be selected by a review committee of volunteers and community members who support continuing education and the vision of Michelle’s Place, that no one should face cancer alone.

The Michelle’s Place Scholarship will award two applicants, one who lives in Riverside or San Bernardino counties, and one from North San Diego County. The awardee must demonstrate need for financial assistance for educational purposes and is someone who has been affected by cancer, either themselves or through a family member or friend.

The Shanen Skinner-Pearson Spirit of Life Scholarship will be awarded to an individual who has

been impacted by breast cancer, either themselves or through an immediate family member, and who has used the experience to inspire others and to live a more fulfilled life. Applicants must live in the counties of Riverside, San Bernardino, or North San Diego County.

The Patricia Deroeux Scholarship is made possible by the Temecula Chamber of Commerce, to selected individuals in the City of Temecula who are in need of financial assistance for educational purposes, and who is a child of a parent who passed as the result of cancer. Applicants must maintain a permanent residence in the City of Temecula.

Michelle’s Place empowers individuals and families impacted by cancer through education and support services. Programs and services include financial resources, mental health resources, wigs and prosthetics, educational seminars, social support, and much more. With 22 programs that take place more than 50 times per month, clients seek community and find hope.

Brauer named to fall deans’ list at Nebraska

LINCOLN, Neb. – Ava Brauer of Fallbrook has been named to the deans’ list at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln for the fall semester of the 2022-23 academic year.

Brauer, a freshman majoring in mathematics, was named to the dean’s list for the College of Arts and Sciences.

More than 6,900 students at Nebraska were named to the deans’

list for the fall semester.

Qualification for the deans’ list varies among the eight undergraduate colleges and the Explore Center. All qualifying grade-point averages are based on a four-point scale and a minimum number of graded semester hours. The qualifying GPA for the College of Arts and Sciences is 3.7.

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IRS won't tax most relief payments made by states last year

David Sharp
Associated Press

The IRS announced Friday, Feb. 10 that most relief checks issued by states last year aren't subject to federal taxes, providing 11th hour guidance as tax returns start to pour in.

A week after telling payment recipients to delay filing returns, the IRS said it won't challenge the taxability of payments related to general welfare and disaster, meaning taxpayers who received those checks won't have to pay federal taxes on those payments. All told, the IRS said special payments were made by 21 states in 2022.

"The IRS appreciates the patience of taxpayers, tax professionals, software companies and state tax administrators as the IRS and Treasury worked to resolve this unique and complex situation," the IRS said in a statement.

The states where the relief checks do not have to be reported by taxpayers are California, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Hawaii, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Maine, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, Oregon, Pennsylvania and Rhode Island. That also applies to energy relief payments in Alaska that were in addition to the annual Permanent Fund Dividend, the IRS said.

In addition, many taxpayers in

Georgia, Massachusetts, South Carolina and Virginia also avoid federal taxes on state payments if they meet certain requirements, the IRS said.

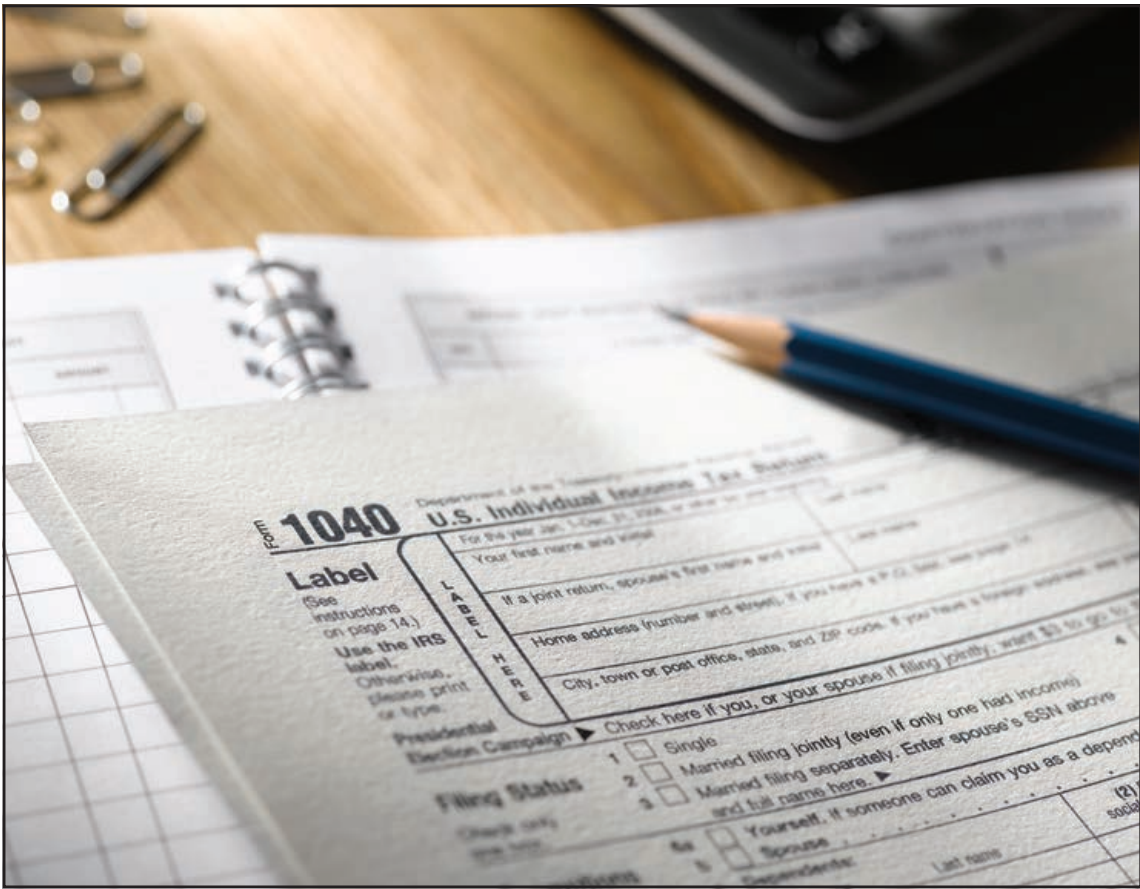
In California, most residents got a "middle class tax refund" last year, a payment of up to \$1,050 depending on their income, filing status and whether they had children. The Democratic-controlled state Legislature approved the payments to help offset record high gas prices, which peaked at a high of \$6.44 per gallon in June according to AAA.

A key question was whether the federal government would count those payments as income and require Californians to pay taxes on it. Many California taxpayers had delayed filing their 2022 returns while waiting for an answer. The IRS said on Friday, Feb. 10 it would not tax the refund.

Maine was another example of states where the IRS stance had created confusion. More than 100,000 tax returns had already been filed as of Thursday, Feb. 9, many of them submitted before the IRS urged residents to delay filing their returns.

Democratic Gov. Janet Mills pressed for the \$850 pandemic relief checks last year for most Mainers to help make ends meet as a budget surplus ballooned.

Her administration designed the



relief program to conform with federal tax code to avoid being subject to federal taxes or included in federal adjusted gross income calculations, Sharon Huntley, spokesperson for the Department of Administrative and Financial Services, said.

Senate President Troy Jackson called the confusion caused by the IRS "harmful and irresponsible."

"Democrats and Republicans worked together to create a program that would comply with federal tax laws and deliver for more than 800,000 Mainers," the

Valley News/Metro Creative Graphics photo Democrat from Allagash said in a statement Friday, Feb. 10.

Sharp reported from Portland, Maine. Associated Press writer Adam Beam in Sacramento contributed to this report.

US says China balloon could collect intelligence signals

Matthew Lee and Eric Tucker
Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — The U.S. was equipped to detect and collect intelligence signals as part of a huge, military-linked aerial surveillance program that targeted more than 40 countries, the Biden administration declared Thursday, Feb. 9, citing imagery from American U-2 spy planes.

A fleet of balloons operates under the direction of the People's Liberation Army and is used specifically for spying, outfitted with high-tech equipment designed to gather sensitive information from targets across the globe, the U.S. said. Similar balloons have sailed over five continents, according to the administration.

A statement from a senior State Department official offered the most detail to date linking China's military to the balloon that was shot down by the U.S. over the Atlantic Ocean. The public details outlining the program's scope and capabilities were meant to refute China's persistent denials that the balloon was used for spying, including a claim on Feb. 9 that U.S. accusations about the balloon amount to "information warfare."

President Joe Biden defended the U.S. action.

And, asked in an interview with Spanish language Telemundo Noticias whether the balloon episode represented a major security breach, he said no.

"Look, the total amount of intelligence gathering that's going on by every country around the world is overwhelming," he said. "Anyway, it's not a major breach. I mean, look ... it's a violation of international law. It's our airspace. And once it comes into our space, we can do what we want with it."

On Capitol Hill, the House voted unanimously to condemn China for a "brazen violation" of U.S. sovereignty and efforts to "deceive the international community through false claims about its intelligence collection campaigns." Republicans have criticized Biden for not acting sooner to down the balloon, but both parties' lawmakers came together on the vote, 419-0.

In Beijing, before the U.S. offered its new information, Chinese Foreign Ministry spokesperson Mao Ning repeated



In this image provided by the FBI, FBI special agents assigned to the evidence response team process material recovered from the high altitude balloon recovered off the coast of South Carolina, Thursday, Feb. 9, 2023, at the FBI laboratory in Quantico, Va., (FBI via AP)

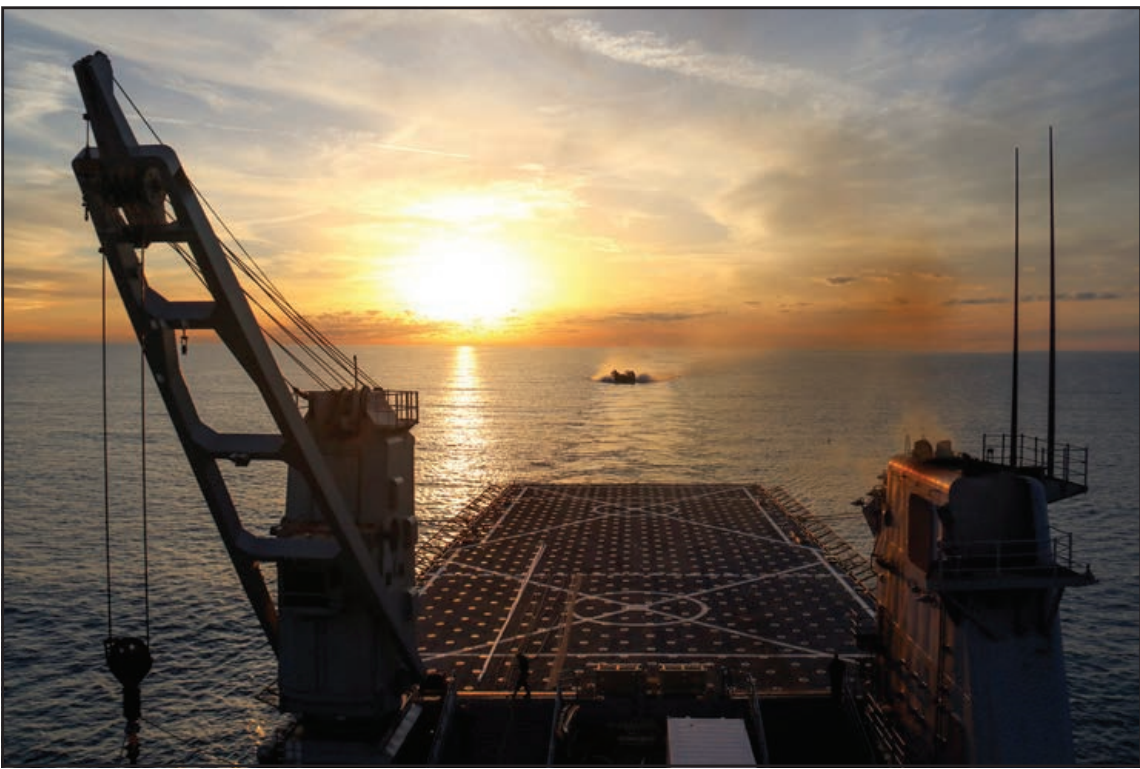
her nation's insistence that the large unmanned balloon was a civilian meteorological airship that had blown off course and that the U.S. had "overreacted" by shooting it down.

"It is irresponsible," Mao said. The latest accusation, she said, "may be part of the U.S. side's information warfare against China."

Underscoring the tensions, China's defense minister refused to take a phone call from Defense Secretary Lloyd Austin to discuss the balloon issue on Saturday, the Pentagon said. Secretary of State Antony Blinken canceled a planned weekend trip to Beijing.

The U.S. flatly contradicted China's version of events, saying that imagery of the balloon collected by American U-2 spy planes as it crossed the country showed that it was "capable of conducting signals intelligence collection" with multiple antennas and other equipment designed to upload sensitive information and

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In this image provided by the U.S. Navy, a landing craft air cushion (LCAC) assigned to Assault Craft Unit (ACU) 4 approaches the well deck of the Harpers Ferry-Class dock landing ship USS Carter Hall (LSD 50), as the search for debris from the Chinese high altitude balloon continues off the coast of Myrtle Beach, S.C., on Feb. 7, 2023. (Jerry Ireland/U.S. Navy via AP)

SPORTS

Lady Warriors start February with shutout

Joe Naiman
Village News Reporter

Fallbrook High School's girls soccer team began January with seven consecutive shutouts before Valley Center scored a second-half goal on Jan. 31. Fallbrook's first February game was in Ramona, and the Warriors obtained their ninth shutout of the season with a 3-0 victory Feb. 2.

"These girls are working so hard. They're finally coming together; coming along," said Fallbrook coach Nico Guerra. "They work together as a team."

The three goals were the most for Fallbrook since Dec. 12, when the Warriors had a 3-1 victory over Vista which did not count in the league standings. Fallbrook played 11 games between the win against Vista and the shutout against Ramona. The first three of those were losses Dec. 14 at home against Murrieta Mesa, Dec. 16 at home against El Camino, and Dec. 21 at Mission Vista.

Fallbrook's first four games of January were all 0-0 ties. The Warriors preceded Valley League play with home games Jan. 4 against Oceanside and Jan. 9 against San Pasqual. League competition for the Warriors began Jan. 12 at Valley Center, and the Jan. 17 home game against Ramona was also a 0-0 tie.

In the first half of Fallbrook's Jan. 19 home game against Vista the Warriors scored their first goal in league play when junior Abby Petersen scored on a pass from freshman Anahi Briones. That would be the only goal of the 1-0 game. Fallbrook completed the first round of league play Jan. 24 at Escondido, and that game ended as a 0-0 draw.

Because this year's Valley League has only five teams Fallbrook traveled to Chula Vista for a Jan. 26 non-league game at Hilltop. The Warriors prevailed in that 1-0 contest.

Fallbrook began the second round of league play Jan. 31 at home against Valley Center. The Warriors scored the only goal of the first half, but a second-half Jaguars goal created a 1-1 final score while also breaking the Warriors' streak of seven consecutive shutouts.

Feb. 2 was Senior Night for Ramona, and the Bulldogs honored their two seniors. Ramona also recognized the six Fallbrook seniors who faced the Bulldogs. One of those Fallbrook seniors, Lizeth Algeria, took advantage of a play in which Ramona was able to touch a ball played by Fallbrook junior Alexa Van Eik, but not obtain possession. Algeria scored a goal 9:12 after the start



The Lady Warriors who are seniors pose with roses given to them at Ramona High's senior night game, from left, Jade Boltinghouse, Jennefer Diaz, Lizeth Alegria, Jasmine Salgado, Mikayla Gioia and Panther Espinosa. Village News/Kotinca Palma photo



Lady Warrior Lizeth Alegria keeps the ball away from a Bulldog defender during the varsity girls soccer match, Feb. 2. Village News/Lenny Kerbs photo

of the game.

"It was a beautiful pass, and I was there for the rebound," Algeria said. "Glad I was there for the rebound."

That was the only goal of the first half, but 56 seconds into the second half junior Rori Gartner scored on a pass from senior Panther Espinoza to give Fallbrook a 2-0 lead.

"A really great cross. I really like playing with her," Gartner said.

The final goal was scored with 39:12 elapsed in the second half.

Van Eik and sophomore Kylie Boulanger combined for that score.

"Great goal," Boulanger said. "It was a team effort," Van Eik said.

The whistle to end the game blew shortly after that goal was scored to give the Warriors the victory and gave goalkeeper Aaliyah Arce another shutout. Arce credits her defenders: Espinoza, sophomore Kaylie Diaz, Petersen, and junior Jasmine Uresti. "They held it during the whole game," Arce said.



Fallbrook's Panther Espinosa takes the ball downfield during her team's 3-0 win over Ramona. Village News/Lenny Kerbs photo

"Tonight's game was a little frustrating," said Ramona coach Candy Dinero. "At their house it was basically a 50-50 game."

The loss gave Ramona a Valley League record of 0-3-4 and an overall record of 2-10-5. Fallbrook improved to 2-0-4 in league play and 5-4-6 overall.

"We should have done a lot better," Guerra said. "We create a lot of opportunities. We're just having a hard time scoring."

Opponents are having a harder time scoring against the Warriors.

The score against Ramona gave Fallbrook an overall season total of 14 goals scored and nine goals allowed. The three goals against Ramona gave Fallbrook a total of five in league play, but with only one goal allowed while no other team had allowed fewer than eight goals as of Feb. 2.

"That's because of the teamwork," Guerra said. "Everybody is supporting each other. It's a really good group of young kids."

CIF approves girls flag football

Joe Naiman
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The CIF San Diego Section's Board of Managers approved the addition of girls flag football as a CIF sport.

The vote at the Jan. 18 Board of Managers meeting was unanimous. "It's going to be a great thing," said CIF commissioner Joe Heinz. "We're excited to get it going, and I think it will be a great thing for women's sports."

Flag football was initially approved as a fall sport for the San Diego Section. "We need to look at it as a section to make sure our governance wants to keep it as a fall sport," Heinz said.

Field availability, player availability, and compatibility

with other CIF sections may alter the plans for flag football to be a fall sport. "We're still having discussions when we're going to offer it," Heinz said.

Currently girls cross country, field hockey, girls golf, girls tennis, and girls volleyball are fall sports while boys football utilizes stadium fields during the fall. Boys soccer and girls soccer are winter sports as are girls basketball and girls water polo, and co-ed competitive cheer is also during that season. During the spring boys lacrosse, girls lacrosse, boys track and field, and girls track and field have practices and events in stadiums while girls also participate in gymnastics, softball, and swim; badminton is a co-ed spring sport albeit in the

City Conference only.

The CIF San Diego Section has had girls swim since 1973 and added girls basketball, field hockey, gymnastics, softball, girls tennis, girls track and field, and girls volleyball for 1974-75. Girls cross country races have been held since 1977. The CIF added girls soccer for 1981-82. Girls basketball had been a spring sport, and in 1983 girls basketball was moved to winter to be compatible with other sections competing in the state tournament while field hockey, girls swim, girls soccer, and softball also had their seasons changed.

The CIF added girls water polo in 1996 and girls golf in 2000. In 2002, both boys lacrosse and girls lacrosse became CIF sports. State legislation led to the addition of competitive cheer as a CIF sport in 2017.

Since flag football is currently scheduled to begin in fall 2023, the CIF will need to finalize a season prior to then. "We have to make some final determination," Heinz said.

Competitive cheer is a single-day event with advanced, intermediate, novice, and non-tumbling divisions. Prior to 2013, CIF playoff divisions for team sports were based on enrollment rather than competitive balance, so girls flag football will be the first new sport since the transition to divisions based on historical team strength. Developing playoff divisions will be one of the tasks

the CIF will need to complete for flag football.

"We really haven't gone down the road on divisions," Heinz said.

The National Intramural-Recreational Sports Association, which focuses on the college level, has a rulebook for flag football. The National Federation of State High School Associations is developing a rulebook for high school flag football based on the NIRSA rules. Girls flag football at the CIF San Diego Section level is expected to have seven girls from each team on the field at one time with fields measuring 80 yards by 40 yards.

Boys football is a contact sport, and the CIF requires a team to have had 14 days of practice prior to the first game while each player must have at least 10 days of practice before being allowed to compete in a game. Because flag football is a non-contact sport, the CIF only expects to require five days of practice before a game.

The CIF Board of Managers normally meets four times each academic year. The master calendar which determines the first permissible dates of practices, scrimmages, and games for each sport along with the maximum number of permissible contests, the final allowable date for regular-season games, and the playoff dates, is usually adopted at the third meeting which this year will be April 5. The first permissible practice date for flag football thus has not been determined.

"We haven't done that yet," Heinz said. "That will also be followed by a sit-out period."

The CIF San Diego Section has a "dead period" in which contact between coaches and student-athletes is not allowed. The two-week dead period, which was implemented in 2002, prohibits participation or scheduling of organized practices, student-led team practices, team participation in tournaments or clinics, issuance of equipment, school site physical examinations, and organizational meetings.

Individual students are allowed to attend a clinic or tournament, and a weight training school class an athlete is not required to attend does not violate the regulation. The prohibition against team activity rather than activity involving an individual student-athlete allows student-athletes with a relative coaching at the school to discuss athletic matters or participate in informal athletic activities.

CIF championship matches are played at a predetermined site rather than at the venue of the higher-seeded team. A venue for the CIF flag football championships is still to be determined. "We'll need that as well," Heinz said.

Other organizational matters will also need to be resolved prior to the start of CIF flag football competition. "We've got to worry about officials and everything else, so there are a lot of pieces to it," Heinz said.

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Senior Night triumph avoids winless soccer season for Legionnaires



Bonsall High School's boys soccer team is ready to play their last game of the season.

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Bonsall High School’s boys soccer team was in jeopardy of a winless season prior to Feb. 2 when a home game against O’Farrell Charter followed the Senior Night recognition ceremony. A 4-2 win over the Falcons gave Bonsall what would be the Legionnaires’ only win during the 2022-23 season.

“Outstanding team performance. Everybody played to their top. They applied everything we had talked about in practice,” said Bonsall coach Ennis Pipe. “A true team effort.”

Bonsall took a 1-0 lead on an own goal, but an O’Farrell goal later in the first half created a 1-1 score which held through the halftime whistle. Bonsall then scored three unanswered goals to take a 4-1 lead.

The first goal of the second half was scored by Braylen Hoyer. A goal by Eddy Nicolas gave Bonsall a 3-1 lead. “The ball bounced around and he was in the right place,” Pipe said.

Jabez Rios scored the fourth Bonsall goal. “I felt it was an amazing goal,” Rios said.

An O’Farrell score narrowed the deficit, but Bonsall held on for the victory after the Legionnaires began the season with 14 consecutive losses.

Nicolas, who played center back and forward, was one of the Bonsall seniors honored Feb. 2. Roman Ibarra, who played center back, was the other senior on the team.

Bonsall and O’Farrell were both in the Patriot League. The teams had played Jan. 17 at O’Farrell, and the Falcons won that game by



Bonsall High Coach Ennis Pipe, center, recognizes seniors Roman Ibarra Ponce, left, and Eduardo Nicolas before the soccer team’s last game of the season.

a 4-1 margin.

The Legionnaires concluded their season with league games in the East County backcountry on consecutive days. A Feb. 6 trip to Mountain Empire was a 3-1 Redhawks win. Bonsall’s season concluded Feb. 7 with a game at Joan MacQueen Middle School in Alpine, where Liberty Charter home games are played. The Lions were on the preferred end of the

5-0 final score.

“Today was fatigue. We played last night and the boys were tired,” Pipe said.

The loss to Liberty Charter finalized Bonsall’s season record at 1-16, including 1-9 in Patriot League play. “It was a tough season, but the boys have played with heart all season long,” Pipe said. “Good group of boys.”

Seniors needed for softball season

FALLBROOK – Fallbrook Senior Softball is currently looking for new players 50 plus years of age for its next season starting the week of March 7. Games are played at Ingold Sports Park Mondays through Thursdays at 4 p.m. with warm-ups beginning at 3:30. Each team is scheduled to play two games per week.

Potential players must show for a screening prior to being placed on a team so that appropriate team placement can be made. The

current season is under way and the teams welcome all potential players to come for a screening, practice and get into game shape by attending any of our pre-game warm-ups at 3:30 p.m.

Interested players may email Chuck at ChuckMattes19@gmail.com. Additional preliminary information and an overview of the league can be found at <http://fallbrookseniorsoftball.org/>.

Submitted by Fallbrook Senior Softball.

Fallbrook Wrestling Club hosts youth tournament

Flahive, Johnson, Wilson win divisions

Joe Naiman
Village News Reporter

The Fallbrook Wrestling Club hosted a San Diego-Imperial Kids Wrestling Association tournament Jan. 29, and three of the Fallbrook wrestlers won their divisions.

“Definitely went well,” said tournament organizer Cristian Vera.

Part of Vera’s satisfaction was the performance of the 22 Fallbrook Wrestling Club members who participated on the mat. “They did really well,” he said. “We had a handful of kids medal.”

The fact that the Fallbrook Wrestling Club had 22 participants was also pleasing to Vera. “It was really cool to see,” he said. “I’m really enthusiastic about the kids we have in this program.”

The tournament had 18 teams. “It was a fundraising effort for our team, not only for our club team but also a fundraiser for our high school team,” Vera said.

Vera had been the Fallbrook High School head wrestling coach before a reorganization allowed Vera to focus on the youth program which will provide the high school with more experienced wrestlers once the youth grapplers reach ninth grade. Tom Brockson is the current high school head coach while Vera is now an assistant coach for the high school team.

“This is the way to build a program,” Vera said. “Ultimately this is where you’re going to get the bigger results.”

The high school wrestlers ran the scoring tables and set up and took down the mats. The tournament used both Fallbrook High School gyms; four mats in the new gym and two mats in the old gym allowed for six matches at a time.

Fallbrook had not previously hosted a SDIKWA tournament. “It was kind of special to have another first,” Vera said.

The volunteers for the Fallbrook tournament also included wrestling alumni who refereed matches. Traci Wilson, who has two children in the high school program and two in the Fallbrook Wrestling Club, donated tournament T-shirts which were sold at the concession stand along with food and beverages. Parents of the wrestlers staffed the concession stand.

“I couldn’t be happier with the effort put forth,” Vera said. “It was an all hands on deck type of event.”

The tasks also included keeping parents in line when they desired to be with their children on the mat. “We did a pretty good job of policing it,” Vera said.

Vera began his affiliation with Fallbrook wrestling as a Fallbrook High School freshman in 2007. “Since then I’ve never had so many compliments for a tournament,” he said.

Those compliments about the Jan. 29 tournament were from those involved with other teams. “They really enjoyed the way we ran the event,” Vera said.

The 12-and-under and 14-and-under matches utilized 90-second periods with three regulation periods in the absence of a pin or a technical fall. The 10-and-under, 8-and-under, and 6-and-under wrestlers had 60-second periods. There was no limit on how many matches an individual could wrestle in the single-day

tournament.

Three Fallbrook grapplers won their age and weight classes. Mattis Wilson took first in the 6-and-under 50-pound division; Tucker Johnson won the 10-and-under 49-pound division, and Dexter Flahive was the 10-and-under 71-pound division champion.

Most of the classes utilized round-robin competition rather than brackets. Wilson had five matches and won all five: a 10-9 decision over Maverick Mann of Team Temecula/Pin Club, a 19-1 technical fall against Walter Krug of Poway Wrestling, a 15-0 technical fall against Mia Marcotte of SoCal Grappling Wrestling, a 9-2 decision against Abijah Barajas of Junior Panther Wrestling, and a pin of Zyler Ortega of Team Temecula/Pin Club 49 seconds into that match.

The 10-and-under 49-pound class had five wrestlers, so Johnson wrestled and won four matches. He pinned Jaxon Dean of Team Temecula/Pin Club 49 seconds into the second period, pinned Uriah Ledesma of SoCal Grappling Wrestling 56 seconds into that match, pinned Jaren Mann of Rancho Bernardo Wrestling Club 27 seconds after that bout began, and pinned Joseph Hernandez of Junior Panther Wrestling 50 seconds after the start of the match.

The 10-and-under 71-pound division had three entries. Flahive won a 4-1 decision over Traton Nelms and pinned Natalie Key of Ramona Dawg Pound Wrestling Club 27 seconds into their match.

The 8-and-under 49-pound bracket had eight wrestlers, so a bracket competition was utilized. Fallbrook Wrestling Club grappler Tobias Ruvalcaba took second in that division. Ruvalcaba won a 7-2 decision over Carter Lo of Rancho Bernardo Wrestling Club and an 8-6 decision over Zachariah Naylor of Imperial Valley Panthers to reach the final against Noah Choi of Rancho Bernardo Wrestling Club. Choi won the championship by pinning Ruvalcaba with 16 seconds remaining in the third period.

The 12-and-under competition included both boys brackets and girls brackets at the higher weight classes. The 108-pound boys included Colton Haughey, and the Fallbrook Wrestling Club member placed second in the round-robin competition.

Haughey pinned Liam Flores of Wine Country Wrestling Academy 36 seconds into that match, was pinned by division winner Zachary Zentner of Team Temecula/Pin Club with 16 seconds remaining in the first period, pinned Cole Lewis of Rancho Bernardo Wrestling Club 15 seconds after the match began, pinned Ryker Jocson of Rancho Bernardo Wrestling Club 20 seconds after the start of competition, and won by forfeit when Samuel Navarro of Junior Panther Wrestling was unable to participate in the final match.

Vera noted that because the Fallbrook Wrestling Club is new, all of the SDIKWA tournament participants are first-year wrestlers. “For now I couldn’t be happier with where they’re at,” Vera said.

“The wins and losses really don’t matter right now. It’s about development,” Vera said. “The goal is to keep doing stuff like this.”

Warriors to play in rugby championship match

Joe Naiman
Village News Reporter

Fallbrook High School’s boys rugby team advanced to the Southern California Interscholastic Rugby Federation’s championship match.

The Warriors will play Cathedral Catholic for the championship Feb. 24 at Cathedral Catholic. The game will begin at 7 p.m. Fallbrook earned a berth in the final with a 14-13 victory Feb. 11 at St. Augustine which closed out the Warriors’ regular season.

“It was a very tough game,” said Fallbrook coach Sierra Arteaga.

Fallbrook and St. Augustine both entered the Feb. 11 game with one loss, so the winner would play in the championship match against Cathedral. The Dons were responsible for Fallbrook’s only loss; the Jan. 21 game at Cathedral had a 41-17 final score.

“I just think we were a little bit inexperienced at the time,”

Arteaga said. “We were definitely tested, and we just didn’t come out with the victory.”

The 2022-23 Fallbrook varsity roster has 26 players including nine seniors. (Only one freshman is on this season’s varsity.) Approximately half of the players were on last year’s varsity.

Fallbrook was in a four-team league for 2021-22 and played each league opponent twice. The Warriors opened 2022 with a 33-24 home win over Cathedral but lost the second 2022 match at Cathedral by a 72-10 margin.

Both 2022 games against St. Augustine were won by the Saints. The game at Fallbrook had a 38-0 score while the St. Augustine home match saw the Saints leverage a 42-14 halftime lead into a 56-33 victory. Fallbrook finished the 2021-22 season with a 5-3 record, and the Warriors were 3-3 in league competition.

Fallbrook’s final home game of 2022-23 took place Jan. 27 and

was a 40-0 triumph over La Costa Canyon. “It was a fun game. It was really good to have our last home game be a shutout,” Arteaga said.

The Warriors settled for a non-shutout victory over St. Augustine. Fallbrook had a 7-3 halftime lead with Thomas McSheehy scoring the try and Tyler Craven kicking the conversion. The Warriors increased their advantage to 14-3 in the second half with Alan Leon scoring the try and Craven making the conversion kick.

St. Augustine narrowed the deficit. “In the final minutes they scored two tries,” Arteaga said. “They didn’t convert on either one.”

The victory placed Fallbrook into the championship match while giving the Warriors a final regular season record of 7-1. “We’re really excited,” Arteaga said. “We’ve built a really good foundation, and we’re excited for the opportunity to compete.”

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solar panels to power them.

Jedidiah Royal, the U.S. assistant defense secretary for the Indo-Pacific, told a Senate Appropriations subcommittee that the military has “some very good guesses” about what intelligence China was seeking. More information was expected to be provided in a classified setting.

Senior FBI officials who briefed reporters on the condition of anonymity under ground rules set by the bureau said just a few pieces of the balloon had arrived at the FBI’s Quantico, Virginia, lab for investigation. So far, investigators have parts of the balloon canopy, wiring, and what one official called “a very small amount of electronics.” The official said it was “very early for us to assess what the intent was and how the device was operating.”

According to two U.S. officials, the balloon recovery efforts

were temporarily suspended on Thursday, Feb. 9, due to high seas. They said some balloon debris was intact on the ocean floor and divers had recovered potentially high-value equipment over the past day and a half. Another official said that some of the recovered equipment components had English writing or markings on them but it wasn’t clear if they were American parts or from another English speaking country. The official said the more highly technical parts recovered did not have any overt markings.

Much of the debris is concentrated in two separate sections of an area 15 football fields long and 15 fields across, according to the officials who spoke on condition of anonymity because of the sensitivity of the collection process.

The State Department official, providing details to reporters by email, also on condition of anonymity, said an analysis of the balloon debris was “inconsistent” with China’s explanation that it

was a weather balloon that went off course. The U.S. is reaching out to countries that have also been targeted, the official said.

The U.S. has confidence that the manufacturer of the balloon shot down on Saturday, Feb. 4, has “a direct relationship with China’s military and is an approved vendor of the” army, the official said, citing an official PLA procurement portal as evidence.

State Department spokesman Ned Price would not identify the other countries the U.S. says have also been targeted. Nor would he reveal how the U.S. knows there have been Chinese incursions over those countries’ territory, saying to do so could compromise intelligence sources and methods.

The release of new information appeared part of a coordinated administration response, with multiple officials appearing before congressional committees to face questions about the balloon.

Testifying before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee,

Deputy Secretary of State Wendy Sherman said officials had taken “all necessary steps to protect sensitive information” and had been able to study and scrutinize the balloon and its equipment.

“We will continue to answer the dangers posed by the PRC with determination and resolve,” Sherman said, referring to the People’s Republic of China. “We will make clear to the PRC that violations of our sovereignty and the sovereignty of other countries are unacceptable.”

At a separate Senate subcommittee hearing, lawmakers repeatedly pressed administration officials, including Pentagon military leaders, about why the balloon was not shot down over sparsely populated areas of Alaska. And they questioned whether allowing the balloon to transit such a large area set a precedent for future spying efforts by China and others.

“It defies belief that there was not a single opportunity to safely shoot this spy balloon prior to the coast of South Carolina,” Sen. Susan Collins, R-Maine, said. “By the administration’s logic we would allow the Chinese to

fly surveillance balloons over the Pentagon or other sensitive sites and populated areas.”

Melissa Dalton, assistant defense secretary of Homeland Defense, and Lt. Gen. Doug Sims, director of operations for the Joint Chiefs of Staff, said the U.S. wanted to avoid any injuries or deaths from the debris field if the balloon was shot down over Alaska.

And they added that shooting it down over the frigid, icy waters in that region would have made it more difficult and dangerous to recover the pieces for more analysis.

“We thought before we shot,” Sims said. This is not the first time the U.S. government has publicly called out alleged activities of the People’s Liberation Army. In a first-of-its-kind prosecution in 2014, the Obama administration Justice Department indicted five accused PLA hackers of breaking into the computer networks of major American corporations in an effort to steal trade secrets.

Associated Press writers Nomaan Merchant and Lolita C. Baldor in Washington contributed to this report.

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OBITUARIES

Lee Caperton Forman passed away Jan. 11, 2023, surrounded by friends and family. Lee was born Aug. 26, 1949, in Long Beach, Calif. He graduated from Woodrow Wilson High school in 1967 and earned his bachelors in history at CSULB.

In 1983, he moved to Fallbrook and worked at the post office where he met his late wife Judy Garrett. Lee was a wonderful friend, husband and father.

A celebration of life will be held in Fallbrook, Feb. 26, 2023. Contact Megan for details at sandcat_1@msn.com.



Kathleen Beverly (Peters) Larson (95) passed away Feb. 2, 2023, at her home in Fallbrook, California.

She was born Aug. 8, 1927, in Auburn, Indiana.

Kathleen married her love, Glenn Larson, on Aug. 25, 1946, in Auburn. Glenn started his professional career with Lockheed which had them move from Ohio to Texas, then Missouri where they

would start their family. Their first son, Brad, arrived Feb. 11, 1951. Their journey continued, bringing them to California where they added daughter Jan March 9, 1954, and son Blair Sept. 9, 1959.

After Glenn's retirement from Boeing in 1984, they settled in Fallbrook to live out their remaining years. Kathleen found her church community at Christ the King Lutheran Church in Fallbrook where she spent the last 30 years volunteering.

Kathleen is survived by her daughter Jan Schardin (Chris), son Blair (Kirsten), daughter-in-law Janice Larson and brother Max Peters (Jan).

Kathleen was a loved Grandma to eight grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

Her husband Glenn and son Brad predeceased her.

Pastor Phil Tukua of Christ the King Lutheran Church officiated a private family interment at Fallbrook Masonic Cemetery on Feb. 10, 2023.

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Feb. 5	
2500 blk Los Cerritos Ln.	Domestic violence - Battery: spouse/ex spouse/date etc.
2300 blk Rainbow Valley Blvd.	Unknown trouble - Disorderly conduct - Arrest made
300 blk Meadowood Rd.	Grand theft - Motor vehicle parts/acc.
3900 blk Citrus Dr.	Disturbance - Contempt of court: Disobey court order - Arrest made
900 blk Alturas Rd.	Battery - Simple
700 blk Alturas Ln.	Domestic violence - Spousal/cohabitant abuse w/ minor injury - Arrest made
700 blk Alturas Ln.	Petty theft - Motor vehicle parts
Feb. 6	
1300 blk Reche Rd.	Assist other agency - Found narcotic/narcotic seizure
4200 blk Entrada Al Sol	Found property
3200 blk Brook Hollow Rd.	Mental health crisis - 5150 - Mental disorder - 72 hr. observation
Feb. 7	
600 blk E. Elder St.	Battery - On person - Citizens arrest made
Citrus Cove @ Orange Trail	Subject stop - Possess/purchase for sale for narcotic/controlled substance - Arrest made for possession of narcotic controlled substance, controlled substance and paraphernalia with purpose to sell
3200 blk Brushwood Ln.	Grand theft - Motor vehicle parts/acc.
600 blk E. Elder St.	Battery - Obstruct/resist executive officer w/ minor injury - Arrest made
1200 blk S. Main Ave.	Shoplift - Petty theft from building
1300 blk Reche Rd.	Mental health evaluation - 5150 - Mental disorder - 72. Hr observation
Feb. 8	
1000 blk Winterhaven Rd.	Mental health evaluation - 5150 - Mental disorder - 72. Hr observation
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IN COMPENSATION FOR MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF
DIRECTORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on February 27, 2023, the Board of Directors of the Fallbrook Public Utility District will hold a public hearing at 4:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as practicable, as part of the Regular Meeting of the Board. Due to the COVID-19 State of Emergency and pursuant to waivers to certain provisions of the Brown Act under Government Code Section 54953(e), the meeting will be held both in person and via Webconference/Teleconference. The Board will hold the public hearing in order to receive oral and written testimony regarding the proposed adoption of Ordinance No. 355. Instructions for members of the public to observe the Board Meeting and the public hearing in person or via Web Conference / Teleconference will be included in the February 27, 2023 meeting agenda.

Members of the public who wish to address the Board of Directors regarding Ordinance No. 355 may submit written testimony for receipt no later than 3:00 pm on February 27, 2023 (with a reading limit of no more than 3 minutes), by mail to the attention of the Board Secretary, at 990 E. Mission Rd., Fallbrook, CA 92028, by deposit in the District’s payment drop box located at the above-mentioned address, or by e-mail the to the Board Secretary at leckert@fpud.com. Written testimony will be read to the Board during the public hearing. Members of the public may also provide oral testimony during the public hearing in person or via Webconference/Teleconference by following the instructions for public comment included in the February 27, 2023 meeting agenda. These public comment procedures supersede the District’s standard public comment policies and procedures to the contrary.

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Date of Birth 03/15/2009
RESPONDENT
ROOY GUADALUPE ALVAREZ
Case Number: 22AD000302C
Superior Court of California, County of San Diego
2851 Meadow Lark Drive, San Diego, CA 92123
To ROOY GUADALUPE ALVAREZ
You are ordered to appear in the Superior Court of the State of California, County of San Diego, in Department JC-02 at the court location indicated above on February 24 , 2023 at 1:30 pm to show cause, , why ROY ALEXANDER ALVAREZ should not be declared free from parental custody and control (for the purpose of placement for adoption) as requested in the petition.
This hearing will be conducted by video or telephone through the 2851 Meadow Lark Drive, San Diego, CA 92123 See attached instructions and call the court to have the video link emailed to you.
At the hearing, the will read the petition and, if requested, will explain the effect of the granting of the petition, any term or allegation contained therein and the nature of the proceeding, its procedures and possible consequences and may continue the matter for not more than 30 days for the appointment of counsel to give counsel time to prepare.
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If you wish to seek the advice of an attorney in this matter, you should do so promptly so that your pleading, if any, may be filed on time.
Date: 1/9/2023
Tilisha T. Martin, Judge of the Superior Court
Legal #: 6070
Published: January 26,
February 2, 9, 16, 2023

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DESIGN REVIEW BOARD
Chair, Eileen Delaney
Eileen.fallbrook@gmail.com
Regular Meeting
Wednesday, February 22, 2023
7:00 PM
Fallbrook Public Utilities District Board Room
990 E. Mission Rd. Fallbrook

For their convenience, members of the public may attend in-person or virtually through Zoom
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AGENDA
1. CALL TO ORDER
2. STATEMENT (just cause) and/or consideration of a Request to Participate Remotely (emergency circumstances) by a Group Member, if applicable. Voting item as necessary.
3. ROLL CALL
4. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
5. APPROVAL of the January 16, 2023 meeting minutes.
6. PUBLIC FORUM. Opportunity for members of the public to speak to the Group on any subject matter within the Group's jurisdiction but not on today's agenda. Three-minute limitation. Non-voting item.
7. Important Reminders/ Meeting protocol.
8. Report and update on RMWD projects. Tom Kennedy, General Manager of Rainbow MWD. Community Input. Planning Group. Non-voting item.
9. Report and update on FPUD projects. Aaron Cook, FPUD. Community Input. Planning Group. Non-voting item.
10. Presentation on the North County Multiple Species Conservation Plan. County Planner: Stephanie Neal, Stephanie.neal@sdcounty.ca.gov Community input. Non voting item.
11. Update on the Railroad Park. Fallbrook Village Association. Community input. Non voting item.
12. Request for Waiver /Exemption from Site Plan Permit for 1. Removal of 27 parking stall; 2. Courtyard addition of a 10 ft. fence around new courtyard; 3. Exterior door and addition of 400 sf patio cover and drinking fountain. Location: Crestwood Behavioral Health, Inc., 624 East Elder, Fallbrook. Contact/Agent: Steve Miller, steve@m2larchitecture.com Design Review Board Committee. Community Input. Voting item.
13. Request from Community Member Vicki Swensen for help regarding the loud daily noise from the park directly adjacent to her backyard. Parks & Rec Committee. Community Input. Voting Item.
14. Request by Community Members Susan Nikkel and Vickie Lewis to discuss concerns regarding public toilets. Public Facilities Committee. Community input. Voting item.
15. Fallbrook Land Conservancy Presentation and their accreditation. Karla Standrige, Executive Director, karla@fallbrooklandconservancy.org Community Input. Voting item on letter supporting their accreditation (as needed).
16. Request from Community member, Chris Shaw. Cee.bee.ess@gmail.com, for DPW to investigate the need for an additional guardrail/s on Reche Road just east of Carriage Lane. Circulation Committee. Community Input. Voting item.
17. Second Reading: Revision to the By-laws to clarify Committee Membership. Community Input. Community Input. Voting Item.
(ARTICLE VI – AMENDMENTS
Section 1 Amendments to the By-Laws may be made at any regular meeting of the Group by a two-thirds (ten {10}) vote of the membership, provided the amendment is presented in writing at the previous regular meeting.)
ARTICLE V – STANDING COMMITTEES
Current:
Section 2 Committee Membership: The Chair of each committee shall be a member of the Group and appointed by the Group Chair (Policy I-1Art. V). Membership is open to the public. Committees shall consist of a maximum of eleven (11) members with a majority being from the members of the Group. There shall be no more than seven (7) members of the Group on any Committee.
Proposed:
Section 2 Committee Membership: The Chair of each committee shall be a member of the Group and appointed by the Group Chair (Policy I-1Art. V). Membership is open to the public. Committees shall consist of a maximum of eleven (11) members: Seven (7) members of the Group and four (4) members of the public.
18. PLANNING GROUP BUSINESS AS NEEDED:
Announcements & Correspondence: Location for Committee meetings
Reports:
Chair's report: Upcoming agenda items.& Committee Chairs
Committees/ Chairs'reports: Committee openings
Parliamentary Procedure: Lee DeMeo & Steve Brown
Technical Advisor in-person meetings: Tom Harrington & Ross Pike
NCFPD & SD Sheriff Reports and information: Tom Harrington
Social Media, Zoom, meeting recordings: Jim Loge
Project updates: Steve Brown and Jim Loge
Procedure for selection of Community Members on Committees: Domercq & Baxter
Trails Council & CSA-81: Stephani Baxter
County Decarbonization Plan, Climate Action Plan & SANDAG: Stephani Baxter (Tom Harrington-Fire perspective)
Palomar College: Jacqui Kaiser
Local Schools: Kelly Hansen
Fallbrook Historical Society: Scott Spencer
Fallbrook Regional Health District: JJ Neese
Representative to the I-15 DRB: Jeniene Domercq (effective March 2023)
Representative to the Fallbrook Community Forum & Village Association: Roy Moosa
Representative to the Fallbrook Chamber of Commerce: Jeniene Domercq
19. ADJOURNMENT
***Planning Group project plans and other reference materials can be found at www.fallbrookplanninggroup.org
NOTE: The Fallbrook Planning Group occasionally has openings on its Committees for non-elected community members. Interested parties should contact the respective Committee Chairs:
Land Use Committee Chair: Steve Brown, Steve.fallbrook@aol.com
Circulation Committee Chair: Roy Moosa, roymoosacalifornia@gmail.com
Parks & Recreation Committee Chair: Stephani Baxter, stephani.fallbrook@gmail.com
Design Review Board Committee Chair: Eileen Delaney, eileen.fallbrook@gmail.com
Public Facilities Chair: Jeniene Domercq, jeniene.fallbrook@gmail.com
Ad-Hoc Cannabis Committee Chair: Jeniene Domercq, jeniene.fallbrook@gmail.com
There are currently openings on the Public Facilities Committee.
This is a preliminary agenda. If any changes are made, a final agenda will be posted on the Planning Group's website and at the Chamber of Commerce at least 72 hours prior to the meeting.
Eileen Delaney, Chairperson, Fallbrook Community Planning Group & Design Review Board.
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Name of Business
JACK IN THE BOX #13
3850 Clairmont Mesa Blvd, San Diego, CA92117
Mailing address: 41760 Ivy St Suite 201, Murrieta, CA 92562
County: San Diego
This business is registered by the following:
Beshay Foods, Inc, 41760 Ivy St Suite 201, Murrieta, CA 92562
This business is conducted by a Corporation
This Corporation is registered in the state of CA
Registrant first began to transact business under the fictitious name listed above as of 6/1/2022
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File Number: 2023-9001507
Name of Business
JACK IN THE BOX #15
802 3rd Avenue, Chula Vista, CA 91911
Mailing address: 41760 Ivy St Suite 201, Murrieta, CA 92562
County: San Diego
This business is registered by the following:
Beshay Foods, Inc, 41760 Ivy St Suite 201, Murrieta, CA 92562
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
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Name of Business
ADU IS ALL WE DO
2249 Brookhaven Pass, Vista, CA 92081
Mailing address: 2249 Brookhaven Pass, Vista, CA 92081
County: San Diego
This business is registered by the following:
Bennet Patrick Manning MR, 2249 Brookhaven Pass, Vista, CA 92081
This business is conducted by an Individual
Registrant first began to transact business under the fictitious name listed above as of 12/29/22
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number: 2023-9002202
Name of Business
WHEN IN ITALY
716 Silver Dr, Vista, CA 92083
Mailing address: SAME
County: San Diego
This business is registered by the following:
a. Claudia Aker, 716 Silver Dr, Vista, CA 92083
b. Alexia Aker, 716 Silver Dr, Vista, CA 92083
This business is conducted by a General Partnership
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name listed above as of 1/30/2023
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number: 2023-9002329
Name of Business
XTREME DRAINWORKS INC
9851 Prospect Ave Ste A, Santee, CA 92071
Mailing address: PO Box 2464, La Mesa, CA 91943
County: San Diego
This business is registered by the following:
Xtreme Drainworks Inc, 9851 Prospect Ave Ste A, Santee, CA 92071
This business is conducted by a Corporation
This Corporation is registered in the state of California
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number: 2023-9002289
Name of Business
SILKY STUDIOS
817 Avenida Cordoniz, San Marcos, CA 92069
Mailing address: 2712 Loker Avenue West #1006, Carlsbad, CA 92010
County: San Diego
This business is registered by the following:
Soros Industries Inc, 2712 Loker Avenue West #1006, Carlsbad, CA 92010
This business is conducted by a Corporation
This Corporation is registered in the state of CA
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number: 2023-9000031
Name of Business
LUCENT POOLS CLEANING AND SERVICE
3629 Lake Circle Drive, Fallbrook, CA 92028
Mailing address: 3629 Lake Circle Drive, Fallbrook, CA 92028
County: San Diego
This business is registered by the following:
Paul Michael Kreul, 3629 Lake Circle Drive, Fallbrook, CA 92028
This business is conducted by an Individual
Registrant first began to transact business under the fictitious name listed above as of 10/3/2021
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number: 2023-9002737
Name of Business
GENESEE AUTO ELECTRIC
635 Mercantile St, Vista, CA 92083
Mailing address: 635 Mercantile St, Vista, CA 92083
County: San Diego
This business is registered by the following:
Polo Isaias Roman, 920 Sycamore Ave., Vista, CA 92081
This business is conducted by an Individual
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number: 2023-9002089
Name of Business
TOP NOTCH BODY SCULPTING
2650 Jamacha Rd #135, El Cajon, CA 92019
Mailing address: 1918 Millenia Ave, #308, Chula Vista, CA 91915
County: San Diego
This business is registered by the following:
Mistie Dawn Schauer MS, 1918 Millenia Ave, #308, Chula Vista, CA 91915
This business is conducted by an Individual
Registrant first began to transact business under the fictitious name listed above as of 6/1/2022
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number: 2023-9003108
Name of Business
STUDIO M
16777 Bernardo Center Drive, San Diego, CA 92128
Mailing address: 34022 Abbey Rd, Temecula, CA 92592
County: San Diego
This business is registered by the following:
Melissa Marie Steinell, 34022 Abbey Rd, Temecula, CA 92592
This business is conducted by an Individual
Registrant first began to transact business under the fictitious name listed above as of 1/25/2023
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number: 2023-9002823
Name of Business
DENTAL HYGIENE PRACTICE OF MELODY SWAROOP
1117 La Casa Lane, San Marcos, CA 92078
Mailing address: 1117 La Casa Lane, San Marcos, CA 92078
County: San Diego
This business is registered by the following:
Melody Swaroop, 1117 La Casa Lane, San Marcos, CA 92078
This business is conducted by an Individual
Registrant first began to transact business under the fictitious name listed above as of 8-9-2011
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number: 2023-9001115
Name of Business
D&M WATER
805 E. Mission Rd, San Marcos, CA 92069
Mailing address: 805 E. Mission Rd, San Marcos, CA 92069
County: San Diego
This business is registered by the following:
Blu Bulk Transport Inc, 805 E. Mission Rd, San Marcos, CA 92069
This business is conducted by a Corporation
This Corporation is registered in the state of CA
Registrant first began to transact business under the fictitious name listed above as of 12/27/2022
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number: 2023-9002076
Name of Business
YOUR GO-TO HOME IMPROVEMENT GUY
825 College Blvd Ste 102 #511, Oceanside, CA 92057
Mailing address: 825 College Blvd Ste 102 #511, Oceanside, CA 92057
County: San Diego
This business is registered by the following:
a. Pesamino Faletto, 5294 Willow Walk Rd, Oceanside, CA 92057
B. Cori Faletto, 5294 Willow Walk Rd, Oceanside, CA 92057
This business is conducted by a Married Couple
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name listed above as of N/A
THIS STATEMENT WAS FILED WITH THE RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK OF SAN DIEGO COUNTY ON Jan 27, 2023
LEGAL: 6072
PUBLISHED: February 2, 9, 16, 23, 2023

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number: 2023-9001500
Name of Business
J.O. FABRICATIONS
1046 Marbo Terrace, Vista, CA 92084
County: San Diego
This business is registered by the following:
Jarrod Olinger, 1046 Marbo Terrace, Vista, CA 92084
This business is conducted by an Individual
Registrant first began to transact business under the fictitious name listed above as of 01/23/2023
THIS STATEMENT WAS FILED WITH THE RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK OF SAN DIEGO COUNTY ON Jan 23, 2023
LEGAL: 6073
PUBLISHED: February 2, 9, 16, 23, 2023

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number: 2023-9000878
Name of Business
SACRED GROVE
742 Sleeping Indian Road, Oceanside, CA 92057
Mailing address: 742 Sleeping Indian Road, Oceanside, CA 92057
County: San Diego
This business is registered by the following:
a. Guadalupe Gonzalez, 742 Sleeping Indian Road, Oceanside, CA 92057
B. Louis Pierce III, 742 Sleeping Indian Road, Oceanside, CA 92057
This business is conducted by a Married Couple
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name listed above as of 01/01/2023
THIS STATEMENT WAS FILED WITH THE RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK OF SAN DIEGO COUNTY ON Jan 13, 2023
LEGAL: 6068
PUBLISHED: January 26, Feb. 2, 9, 16, 2023

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number: 2023-9001282
Name of Business
ROCK ATHLETIC CLUB
5029 Summerhill Drive, Oceanside, CA 92057
Mailing address: 4225 Oceanside Blvd H197, Oceanside, CA 92056
County: San Diego
This business is registered by the following:
Ziggy Rock, 5029 Summerhill Drive, Oceanside, CA 92057
This business is conducted by an Individual
Registrant first began to transact business under the fictitious name listed above as of 10/24/2014
THIS STATEMENT WAS FILED WITH THE RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK OF SAN DIEGO COUNTY ON Jan 19, 2023
LEGAL: 6069
PUBLISHED: January 26, February 2, 9, 16, 2023

Change of Name

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Case Number: 37-2023-00001931-CU-PT-CTL
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS
Petitioner:
MARIA KATHLEEN SIMMONS
Present Name:
MARIA KATHLEEN SIMMONS
Proposed Name:
MARIA DELILAH RAMSEY

THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.*

NOTICE OF HEARING
Date: 3/1/23 Time: 8:30 AM Dept: 61
The address of the court is 330 West Broadway, San Diego, CA 92101, Hall of Justice Courthouse
A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Village News
NO HEARING WILL OCCUR ON THE DATE SPECIFIED IN THE ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE.
The court will review the documents filed as of the date specified on the Order to Show Cause for Change of Name (JC Form #NC-120).
If all requirements for a name change have been met as of the date specified, and no timely written objection has been received (required at least two court days before the date specified), the Petition for Change of Name (JC Form #NC-100) will be granted without a hearing. One certified copy of the Order Granting the Petition will be mailed to the petitioner.
If all requirements have not been met as of the date specified, the court will mail the petitioner a written order with further directions.
If a timely objection is filed, the court will set a remote hearing date and contact the parties by mail with further directions.
A RESPONDENT OBJECTING TO THE NAME CHANGE MUST FILE A WRITTEN OBJECTION AT LEAST TWO COURT DAYS (excluding weekends and holidays) BEFORE THE DATE SPECIFIED. Do not come to the court on the specified date. The court will notify the parties by mail of a future remote hearing date.
Date: JAN 17 2023 Signed: Michael T. Smyth, Judge of the Superior Court.
LEGAL: 6074
PUBLISHED: February 2, 9, 16, 23, 2023

Fictitious Biz. Name

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number: 2023-9002323
Name of Business
DENKI'S BOBA
2240 Otay Lakes Rd #303, Chula Vista, CA 91915
Mailing address: 787 Jefferson Ave UnitA, Chula Vista, CA 91910
County: San Diego
This business is registered by the following:
Sensei's Boba, 787 Jefferson Ave Unit A, Chula Vista, CA 91910
This business is conducted by a Corporation
This Corporation is registered in the state of California
Registrant first began to transact business under the fictitious name listed above as of N/A
THIS STATEMENT WAS FILED WITH THE RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK OF SAN DIEGO COUNTY ON Jan 31, 2023
LEGAL: 6083
PUBLISHED: February 9, 16, 23, March 2, 2023

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number: 2023-9000591
Name of Business
CONTRIVE LLC
221 Eneidy Ct Apt 27, Oceanside, CA 92058
Mailing address: 221 Eneidy Ct Apt 27, Oceanside, CA 92058
County: San Diego
This business is registered by the following:
Contrive LLC, 221 Eneidy Ct Apt 27, Oceanside, CA 92058
This business is conducted by a Limited Liability Company
This LLC is registered in the state of California
Registrant first began to transact business under the fictitious name listed above as of N/A
THIS STATEMENT WAS FILED WITH THE RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK OF SAN DIEGO COUNTY ON Jan 10, 2023
LEGAL: 6088
PUBLISHED: February 16, 23, March 2, 9, 2023

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number: 2023-9003273
Name of Business
A CLEANING SERVICE PROFESSIONAL BY RINA
1015 Armoritte Dr 211, San Marcos, CA 92069
County: San Diego
This business is registered by the following:
Rina Michelle Lopez, 1015 Armoritte Dr 211, San Marcos, CA 92069
This business is conducted by an Individual
Registrant first began to transact business under the fictitious name listed above as of N/A
THIS STATEMENT WAS FILED WITH THE RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK OF SAN DIEGO COUNTY ON Feb 10, 2023
LEGAL: 6089
PUBLISHED: February 16, 23, March 2, 9, 2023

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number: 2023-9001876
Name of Business
a. R4YM INC.
b. RESOURCES 4 YOUR MANAGEMENT INC.
2100 Palomar Airport Rd Suit 214-34, Carlsbad, CA 92011
Mailing address: 2100 Palomar Airport Rd Suit 214-34, Carlsbad, CA 92011
County: San Diego
This business is registered by the following:
R4YM Inc, 2100 Palomar Airport Rd Suit 214-34, Carlsbad, CA 92011
This business is conducted by a Corporation
This Corporation is registered in the state of CA
Registrant first began to transact business under the fictitious name listed above as of 01/12/2023
THIS STATEMENT WAS FILED WITH THE RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK OF SAN DIEGO COUNTY ON Jan 26, 2023
LEGAL: 6090
PUBLISHED: February 16, 23, March 2, 9, 2023

Change of Name

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Case Number: 37-2023-00004102-CU-PT-NC
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS
Petitioner:
CLIFFORD LEE COULSON
Present Name:
CLIFFORD LEE COULSON
Proposed Name:
CLIFFORD LEE JOHNSON

THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.*

NOTICE OF HEARING
Date: 3/21/2023 Time: 8:30 am Dept: 25
The address of the court is 325 South Melrose Dr., Vista, CA 92081

A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Village News
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If all requirements have not been met as of the date specified, the court will mail the petitioner a written order with further directions.
If a timely objection is filed, the court will set a remote hearing date and contact the parties by mail with further directions.
A RESPONDENT OBJECTING TO THE NAME CHANGE MUST FILE A WRITTEN OBJECTION AT LEAST TWO COURT DAYS (excluding weekends and holidays) BEFORE THE DATE SPECIFIED. Do not come to the court on the specified date. The court will notify the parties by mail of a future remote hearing date.
Date: JAN 31 2023 Signed: Brad A. Weinreb, Judge of the Superior Court.
LEGAL: 6084
PUBLISHED: February 9, 16, 23, March 2, 2023

Change of Name

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Case Number: 37-2023-00002650-CU-PT-NC
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS
Petitioner:
JENNIFER ANN MURPHY
Present Name:
JENNIFER ANN MURPHY
Proposed Name:
JENNIFER ANN ANDRUS-DALEY

THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.*

NOTICE OF HEARING
Date: 3/14/23 Time: 8:30 am Dept: 25
The address of the court is 325 South Melrose Dr., Vista, CA 92081

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Date: 1/23/23 Signed: Brad A. Weinreb, Judge of the Superior Court.
LEGAL: 6093
PUBLISHED: February 16, 23, March 2, 9, 2023

APN: 162-185-07-00 TS No.: 22-03155CA TSG Order No.: DEF-520806 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE SALE UNDER DEED OF TRUST YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED OCTOBER 27, 2005. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. Affinia Default Services, LLC, as the duly appointed Trustee, under and pursuant to the power of sale contained in that certain Deed of Trust Recorded November 3, 2005 as Document No.: 2005-0958245 of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of San Diego County, California, executed by: IOSEFAT LETULI and MONAK LETULI, HUSBAND AND WIFE, as Trustor, will be sold AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER for cash (payable in full at time of sale by cash, a cashier's check drawn by a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association, or savings bank specified in section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state). All right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said deed of trust in the property situated in said county and state, and as more fully described in the above referenced deed of trust. Sale Date: April 3, 2023 Sale Time: 10:00 AM. Sale Location: At the entrance to the East County Regional Center by the statue, 250 E. Main St., El Cajon, CA 92020 File No:22-03155CA;9987-7234 The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 1222 TYLEE ST, VISTA, CA 92083. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be made in an "AS IS" condition, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said note(s), advances, if any, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, estimated fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust, to-wit: \$255,187.33 (Estimated). Accrued interest and additional advances, if any, will increase this figure prior to sale. It is possible that at the time of sale the opening bid may be less than the total indebtedness due. NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call, (916) 939-0772 for information regarding the trustee's sale or visit this internet website, www.nationwideposting.com, for information regarding the sale of this property, using the file number assigned to this case, T.S.# 22-03155CA. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the internet website. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. NOTICE TO TENANT: You may have a right to purchase this property after the trustee auction pursuant to Section 2924m of the California Civil Code. If you are an "eligible tenant buyer," you can purchase the property if you match the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. If you are an "eligible bidder," you may be able to purchase the property if you exceed the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. There are three steps to exercising this right of purchase. First, 48 hours after the date of the trustee sale, you can call (916) 939-0772, or visit this internet website www.nationwideposting.com, using the file number assigned to this case 22-03155CA to find the date on which the trustee's sale was held, the amount of the last and highest bid, and the address of the trustee. Second, you must send a written notice of intent to place a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 15 days after the trustee's sale. Third, you must submit a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 45 days after the trustee's sale. If you think you may qualify as an "eligible tenant buyer" or "eligible bidder," you should consider contacting an attorney or appropriate real estate professional immediately for advice regarding this potential right to purchase. File No:22-03155CA;9987-7234 If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. For Trustee Sale Information Log On To: www.nationwideposting.com or Call: (916) 939-0772. Dated: January 25, 2023 By: Kellee Vollendorf Foreclosure Associate Affinia Default Services, LLC 301 E. Ocean Blvd., Suite 1720 Long Beach, CA 90802 (833) 290-7452 NPP4020644 To: VILLAGE NEWS INC 02/09/2023, 02/16/2023, 02/23/2023

Fictitious Biz. Name

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number: 2023-9003339
Name of Business
a. RARE URBAN FRUIT FARM
b. RUFF
1352 Hedionda Ave, Vista, CA 92081
Mailing address: 1352 Hedionda Ave, Vista, CA 92081
County: San Diego
This business is registered by the following:
a. Raymond Earl Patterson, 1352 Hedionda Ave, Vista, CA 92081
b. Lisa Joelle Patterson, 1352 Hedionda Ave, Vista, CA 92081
This business is conducted by a Married Couple
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name listed above as of N/A
THIS STATEMENT WAS FILED WITH THE RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK OF SAN DIEGO COUNTY ON Feb 13, 2023
LEGAL: 6091
PUBLISHED: February 16, 23, March 2, 9, 2023

Fictitious Biz. Name

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number: 2023-9003353
Name of Business
a. REV WORK
b. REV MY LIFE
c. LEAD INCLUSIVELY
d. UNIVERSAL CONSENSUS
e. REV SOLUTIONS GLOBAL LLC
f. REV INCLUSION
3899 Kenwood Drive, Spring Valley, CA 91977
County: San Diego
This business is registered by the following:
Rev Solutions Global Life, 3899 Kenwood Drive, Spring Valley, CA 91977
This business is conducted by a Limited Liability Company
This LLC is registered in the state of California
Registrant first began to transact business under the fictitious name listed above as of 02/13/2023
THIS STATEMENT WAS FILED WITH THE RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK OF SAN DIEGO COUNTY ON Feb 13, 2023
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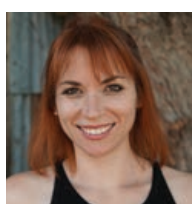
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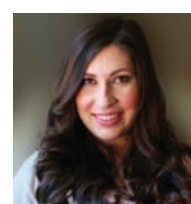
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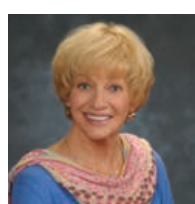
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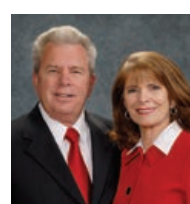
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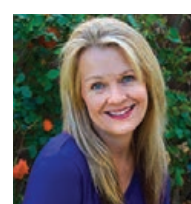
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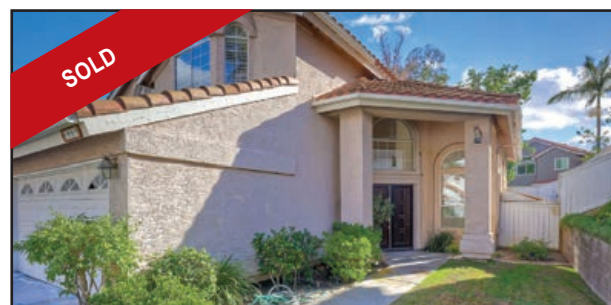
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