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Artist creates Dia de los Muertos exhibit



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#### Registrar reminds voters to vote

Fallbrook has two drop off locations. Fallbrook Library, 124 S. Mission Road, and VFW Post 1924, 1175 Old Stage Road, while Bonsall has one drop off location, the Bonsall Chamber of Commerce office, 5256 S. Mission Road, Suite 311.

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#### County updates COVID-19 figures

As of Oct. 26, San Diego County's state-calculated, adjusted case rate is 7.0 per 100,000 residents, placing the county in the Red Tier. The testing positivity percentage is 3.3%, placing the county in Tier 3 or the Orange Tier. The county's health equity testing positivity percentage is 5.5. This metric does not move counties to more restrictive tiers but is required to advance.

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#### FHS alumna Gutierrez earns **National FFA** degree

When she was in eighth grade, Karina Gutierrez had no idea how important FFA would become to her and how much of an impact it would have on her future. Now, she is a sophomore in college and a national degree holder in the FFA, she has some advice for all the incoming highschoolers considering joining FFA.

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## DAR Monserate Chapter donates to Fallbrook Food Pantry

FALLBROOK - The Daughters of the American Revolution Day of Service was established to honor the anniversary of DAR's founding in Oct. 11, 1890. The members engage in meaningful service projects in their communities each year on or around Oct. 11.

This year the DAR Monserate Chapter of Fallbrook chose the Fallbrook Food Pantry to support the needs of its community especially during the pandemic. The members were excited to donate funds as well as needed goods to their cause.

Submitted by Daughters of the American Revolution Monserate Chapter.

Participating in The Daughters of the American Revolution Day of Service presentation are, from left, Carolina Miller, programs manager of Fallbrook Food Pantry; Young Milton, board member of Fallbrook Food Pantry; Laurice Johnson,

DAR vice regent; Sue Malarkey, DAR treasurer; Pat Hall, DAR registrar; Dawn Byrd-Beresovoy, DAR state organizing secretary; Barbara Romero, DAR recording secretary, and Suzanne Lemoine, DAR regent.



## Fallbrook/Ingold Sports Park facing huge deficits due to COVID-19, uncertain future

Jeff Pack

Fallbrook's largest community sports facility, Ingold Sports Park, is enduring financial difficulties brought on by restrictions imposed by San Diego County because of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Last week, the Fallbrook Sports Association, the nonprofit entity that manages the park, launched a fundraising campaign, hoping to raise some \$100,000 to keep the park afloat.

"If the park goes under, nothing will happen with the sports park and no one in Fallbrook will be able to use it," FSA Board President Bryan Hanewinckel put it bluntly.

"The risk is the park closes down and the park goes back to the back to county air park land, and it is not available for use within the community unless somebody else takes it over.

"In the past there's been many

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Village News/Shane Gibson photo Ingold Sports Park manager Josh Guerrettaz hopes donations will help keep the park active as they navigate pandemic closures and limited use of the park in Fallbrook.

## Fallbrook faces power shut-offs

Staff Writer

Power was shut off to nearly 3,000 utility customers in the Fallbrook area amid increased fire danger as Village News was going to press Monday, Oct. 26.

San Diego Gas and Electric on Saturday, Oct. 24, had warned more than 21,000 ratepayers in northern San Diego County and southern Orange County that they were at risk of having their power turned off Oct. 26 and 27 if wind conditions warrant.

"Customers who were notified should be prepared to activate their personal emergency plan to keep their family and pets safe," SDG&E said on Saturday.

"SDG&E will continue to provide customers with updates when there is more certainty about forecasted weather conditions."

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A sign warns drivers coming into Fallbrook on East Mission Road that power Village News/Will Fritz photo shut-offs were likely on Monday, Oct. 26 amid wind conditions ripe for wildfire. San Diego Gas and Electric shut off electricity to nearly 3,000 customers in the Fallbrook area that morning.

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### Bonsall Woman's Club to hold Christmas Fundraiser

BONSALL - The Bonsall Woman's Club found a creative way of presenting their annual Christmas Fundraiser this year.

The "Let's be Merry" theme will be staged over a three-day period: Thursday, Dec. 3, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Friday, Dec. 4, 11 a.m. to 7 p.m., and Saturday, Dec. 5, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Suite 704 in the River Village, Bonsall, will be the location. Suite 704 is located behind Daniel's Market and near the Postal Annex.

Items available will consist of the ever popular and beautifully decorated Designer Wreaths and lighted, 3' to 4' Christmas trees. Attendees can also win one of the several themed gift baskets. Handcrafted jewelry will also be available. To win one of the aforementioned items, simply purchase your ticket(s), place it in the container next to the item you wish to win and cross your fingers.

Various sized Poinsettias and other craft items will be available to purchase. Craft items are as follows:

Microwave bowls which are cotton, padded, bowl-shaped holders (similar to a potholder) used to take hot bowls, cups, or plates out of the microwave. Many of the microwave bowls are sewn with the same fabric as the kitchen "cuties" towels, so people can buy matching sets.

Reversible bags or large fabric 'purses" that are crescent-shaped and "slouchy" when set down.



Pictured is a tree similar to ones available at the Village News/Courtesy photos Bonsall Woman's Club Christmas Fundraiser.

They are designed to be worn over the shoulder, and are versatile enough to be used for shopping, or really anything else for which a purse or bag is used. Sometimes this style is referred to as a "hobo" bag. They are completely reversible with different fabric on the inside and outside.

Earrings, which like all the crafts for sale, are made by the members. Most are"drop" style, with a large variety of different colored beads.

The ladies are also making snowman ornaments and wind chimes, made from terracotta pots.

Kitchen scrubbies, children's hair accessories, and aprons will also be available.

All are invited to mark their calendars to come visit this "Let's Be Merry" affair to see the creativity of the BWC members. Purchases are a win-win situation as this is an opportunity to purchase a unique Christmas gift, and proceeds go to local charities while also contributing to the BWC scholarship awards program.

All appropriate and mandatory county coronavirus rules for retail businesses, including face masks and social distancing will be



Patty Merriam shows some of the crafts that will be available at the Bonsall Woman's Club Christmas Fundraiser.

enforced. For more information go to www.bonsallwomansclub.org. Submitted by the Bonsall

#### Annual Christmas parade will be 'Home for the Holidays'



wife Julia prepare for the Christmas Parade.





FALLBROOK - It will be "Home for the Holidays" in the Friendly Village this year, the theme for the annual Fallbrook Christmas Parade chosen by the Fallbrook Chamber of Commerce.

Participants are encouraged to incorporate this theme in their window decorating downtown and on Christmas Parade floats. This year marks the 39th anniversary of this cherished nighttime event.

The annual Christmas Parade will be held on Saturday, Dec. 5 at 5 pm. This much-loved local tradition will be different this year, but it will still be a very special holiday gift that the Fallbrook Chamber of Commerce delivers to the community.

The parade will be presented as a reverse parade, with static entries stationed throughout town in designated areas. Spectators will drive through in their cars to see all the special groups and displays.

Planning for this year's drive-by parade is already underway, and entry forms have

started arriving at the chamber office. A limit of 100 entries will be accepted, with the deadline for

entry being Wednesday, Nov. 18. If you would like to be a part of this year's festivities, stop in and pick up an entry

application at the chamber office, or download an entry form at the Fallbrook Chamber of Commerce website by visiting www. fallbrookchamberofcommerce. org and click on the Events tab.

Sponsorship packages are now available as well. The Christmas Parade is a gift to our community and you can be a part of it! If you would like to make a contribution to this revised, but very special holiday event, contact the chamber for details at 760-728-5845.

Submitted by the Fallbrook Chamber of Commerce





## Egkan ready to serve North County Fire Protection District

Staff Writer

Jeff Egkan in District 4, along with Cindy Acosta in District 5, is running unopposed in the upcoming election for a director seat on the North County Fire Protection District board of

In District 1, however, candidates Lee De Meo and David Kennedy will be put to a vote to decide who joins Egkan and Acosta on the board that will certainly be overhauled when it's all said and

Village News posed questions to all the candidates, De Meo and Kennedy had their answers published in previous editions of the newspaper, and Egkan responded as well. Acosta has not responded.

Though he isn't challenged in this race, Village News thought it would be beneficial for the public to read his responses and understand a little more about the future NCFPD director.

Jeff Egkan

Why do you feel you are uniquely qualified to represent your district on the NCFPD

I believe it is our responsibility to be civically engaged. That engagement can take many forms, including volunteerism, support for local businesses and participation on local boards. As residents of Fallbrook in unincorporated San Diego County, our local boards are essentially our city council. All of our local boards and districts – school, planning and health are important. Because our police services are county-controlled, our local fire district is the only public safety agency that we have control of, and therefore it is extremely important.

I have been engaged in my community for the past few years, both politically and through volunteering, most recently with the Fallbrook Food Pantry. My political activities have included outreach through email, calls and knocking on numerous doors

throughout Gird Valley and Rancho Monserate. From these conversations with hundreds of residents, I have a good sense of local concerns. As a NCFPD board director I will continue to speak to the community to keep abreast of, and try to respond to, concerns related to fire safety and medical emergencies.

Proposition A not passing was a huge blow to the district. How can you help guide the district through future funding issues?

The defeat of Proposition A in 2019 was indeed a huge blow to the district. Proposition A would have raised \$20 million and the cost to each property owner would have been only \$60 per year. Unfortunately Proposition A was a parcel tax, not a general obligation bond, and therefore required two-thirds voter approval, whereas general obligation bonds require only 55% approval to pass. It is difficult to get two-thirds of voters to agree on anything, much less a tax increase, even a relatively small one. Proposition A did receive about 58% approval, which would have meant passage had it been a general obligation

Proposition A funds would have been used strictly for repairs and remodeling of existing facilities and construction of a new fire station. Station 4 at Pala Mesa is an old doublewide trailer and its limitations impact both emergency response times and the safety of personnel. Station 4 is responsible for nearly all of District 4, stretching from Lake Rancho Viejo, the new communities east of Interstate 15, all the way down to Gird Valley and Live Oak Park

In the last 15 years, I have worked on six bond campaigns, both for and against. Most recently I was vice president of a stateregistered ballot committee.

If it becomes necessary to address long-term facility needs through a bond, I feel that my experience will be an asset to that

What are the top three issues facing the district in the coming

As I previously mentioned, the district faces challenges in funding of deferred facility maintenance, and it will eventually need to replace the inadequate building that houses Station 4.

The second challenge, related to the previous, is the closure in 2014 of our hospital. All of the three area hospitals are a minimum 25-minute drive. This increased travel, including the additional time away from the district for the paramedic and EMT, puts a financial burden on the district. Maintaining this increased cost has exacerbated the issue of deferred maintenance. Unlike many fire districts that contract private ambulance services, NCFPD trains and staffs its own paramedic and ambulance services. Private ambulance services typically charge much more for transport, sometimes twice as much as currently charged by NCFPD, so maintaining that local control not only means better quality, it is a good value for district residents.

The third challenge is the dramatic increase in wildfires throughout the state. When, due to mutual-aid agreements, our district firefighter crews are away, it can leave our local resources stretched thin. There is no longer a fire season as evidenced by the November Camp Fire and our own Lilac Fire in December. We need to make sure that we have adequate staffing to cover both the mutual aid requirements and a growing population throughout the year.

What are three things you would like to accomplish or shore up with the district if you are elected?

Aside from the aforementioned issues, I would like to see enhanced communication between the community and the district. One advantage I see to the recent redistricting is that the new bydistrict versus at-large system can facilitate dialogue with residents. While all communities share certain fire and emergency

Jeff Egkan is running unopposed for the District 4 Village News/Courtesy photo seat on the North County Fire Protection District board of directors.

concerns, there are concerns specific to each neighborhood or community. I have started reaching out to the communities that comprise District 4 to talk about these issues.

Related to that issue, I'd like to make sure that there is dialogue between all district stakeholders. To make an objective and informed decision on behalf of the district, it is important to first hear from multiple perspectives.

Long-term I'd like to ensure that we retain both district independence and retain local control over our emergency medical response. There is fire service consolidation throughout the state and maintaining local control will retain our community connection to our fire services and retain the service and value provided by our medical emergency response.

What do you bring to the board personally or professionally that is currently lacking or will add to the board in your opinion?

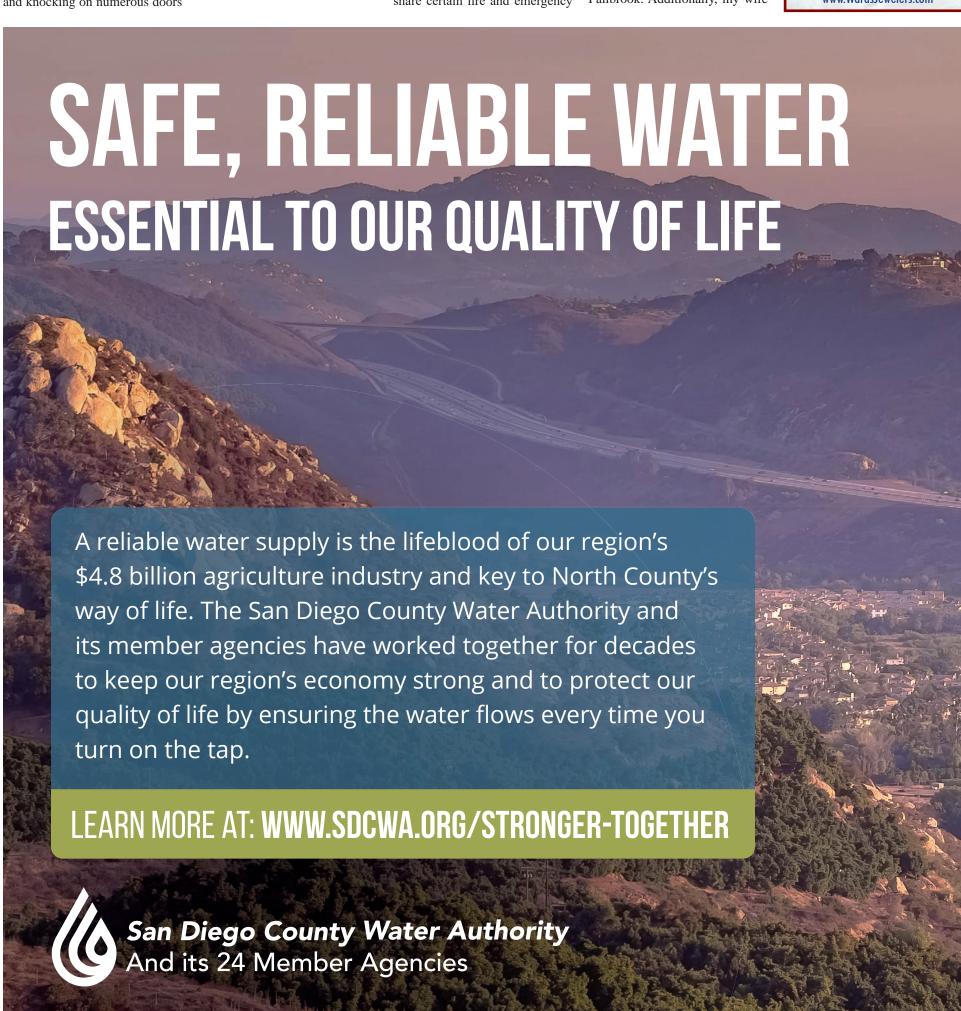
I currently operate and manage our small avocado grove here in Fallbrook. Additionally, my wife

and I have recently developed a wedding and event venue on our property in Big Bear. As a smallbusiness owner, I am familiar with working with budgets, albeit one with fewer zeros. In developing a new business, I am aware of the need for prudence, while staying mindful of opportunities for growth.

Over the past 15 years, I've had the opportunity to work with both major parties and independents. I am looking forward to working alongside the other board directors in serving our community.

Jeff Pack can be reached by email at jpack@reedermedia.com.





## **OPINIONS**

#### The entire public health picture



**Supervisor Jim Desmond** Fifth District

As we now come upon the seventh month of lockdowns in San Diego County, I see us getting further and further away from our original goal. As I'm writing this, COVID-19 patients make up 5% of current hospitalizations, which is a credit to our public health officials and the people of San Diego. We have done an outstanding job of protecting our most vulnerable. While positive cases may be rising, our hospital capacity remains strong.

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However, businesses are still suffering. We still have thousands out of work and San Diego County is estimated to lose \$12.4 billion in 2020. This isn't an argument for putting public health before the economy, but the economic loss due to the response is leading to a different public health crisis.

For our next board meeting, I've asked County staff to provide a more complete picture of the effects of the COVID-19 response. While we normally receive an update on the latest numbers of positive cases, hospitalizations and outbreaks, I'm asking for a more holistic view.

I would like to receive an update on accidental overdose deaths, suicide rates and other behavioral health challenges that have emerged over the past seven months. I also would like the latest figures when it comes to the unemployment rate, lost wages and losses to regional tourism. I believe all of these will paint the entire public health picture.

While we should focus on the issues at hand - protecting our most vulnerable and maintaining our hospital capacity - I also believe we should not let a bigger problem develop. Lost wages, plus a rising unemployment rate and lockdown orders combine for much larger issues on the horizon.

#### Re: 'A simple idea for relief from quarantining' [Village News, 10/22/20]

Last week's full page article, written by my neighbor Dolly Harty, tells the story about how our extended neighborhood has found a way to safely socialize during the pandemic by participating in a weekly neighborhood walk with live music and socially-distanced

It's typical of Dolly that she did not take credit for this idea – she uses the word "we" often. There are many caring neighbors in this community that surrounds the old Fallbrook Golf Course, now Monserate Winery. A few of those neighbors are directly responsible for finding a buyer for the golf course, a buyer who had the vision to create a beautiful winery.

Dolly is the glue that holds this community together, using her email list of nearly every neighbor's contact to inform and connect the neighborhood. She shares neighbors' occasional security concerns, information on upcoming events like yard sales, and general useful information.

Last year when my two big dogs wandered from my property I immediately asked Dolly to put out an email. Within 20 minutes I had a response from a neighbor two blocks away. She was holding my two dogs in her yard and even fed them for me!

I'm sure the world would be a better place if every neighborhood had a Dolly Harty keeping it connected.

Jeff Egkan

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#### Secede from the county?

When the Fallbrook/Bonsall area excels, for example by succeding in the war against the virus as compared to the county as a whole, it would be nice to see those statistics reported in this, our local newspaper, if nowhere else. Up until and including the Oct. 8 issue, I could always find the number of new cases reported for our two ZIP codes: 92028 and 92003.

However, the last two issues failed to report the local counts that contribute to these very important metrics, which have been dropping steadily since July in our area.

I looked up the total number of cases that have accumulated for Fallbrook, Bonsall, and the county in general on the HHSA website as of the morning of Oct. 24, so that I could fill in the missing information for the readers of this paper.

Before I get to the numbers and the calculations, let me explain why you should care. Mainly, it is because San Diego County as a whole is very close to toppling over the edge and falling into the dreaded purple tier.

But instead of taking action to identify locations with higher than average virus transmission rates,

and shutting down activities that are spreading the virus, our elected officials talk about suing the state if it declares (as it is about to do) that the county as a whole needs to be hammered with the restrictive purple tier.

Can you imagine? Lawyers representing both sides (all paid for by you and me) battling it out in a courtroom (paid for by us) before a judge. bailiffs and clerks (on salaries furnished by taxes); instead of examining the wayward ZIP codes to see what precise activities need to be shut down to avoid the state shutting down the whole county, including Fallbrook.

Here are the statistics: The Oct. 8 issue reported the following coronavirus accumulated totals (as of Oct. 4): Fallbrook - 558 cases, Bonsall – 45 cases (for an area total of 603 cases), San Diego County as a whole – 48,436 cases. HHSA reported on the Oct. 24: Fallbrook – 613 cases, Bonsall – 50 cases (totaling 663), San Diego County -54,314.

Subtracting, we find that the Fallbrook/Bonsall area experienced 60 new cases in the 20 days, while the county registered 5,878 during the same period.

Although the standard to remain

in the less restrictive red tier is seven cases per 100,000 per day, it was reported a few days ago by KPBS that, even though the week of Oct. 4 through 10 saw that metric at 7.8 in this county, the state adjusted it down to 7 (they let us slide) by taking into account other data. OK, so what happens next?

The population of the county is estimated to be 3.35 million, so its new cases (5,878) need to be divided by 33.5 to find the amount per 100,000. Then divide by 20 days. The result? 8.8 – way above 7.0. The governor is gonna be mad.

How about Fallbrook/Bonsall? Our area reportedly has a population of 52,500. Dividing 60 by 0.525 yields 114.3, which is also divided by 20. The result? 5.7. One-third less spreading of the virus here than there! If we were a separate county the governor would give us a medal – but we are not. Looks like we are about to get hammered together with the virus spreaders to our south.

But then again, if we were to secede ...

Jeffery Jones

#### Sacrifices for citizenship

Julie Reeder **Publisher** 

Many people, veterans and families have made serious, meaningful and permanent sacrifices for their country. The least we can do is vote and there are record numbers of people voting this year.

True or false, because of the many issues we've heard about across the country with ballots and voter fraud, many people are still expected to stand in line and vote in person. This is despite there being fewer polling places locally, so the lines may be quite long.

My mom recently considered her health and the fact that she is unable to stand for a long time in line, but she wants to make sure her vote is counted, so she purchased a walker - just so she could stand in line for as long as she needs to and vote.

Whether you consider voting in person important or not, I'm thankful for a mom who believes fulfilling her civic responsibility is more important than convenience or comfort.



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## FUESD board candidate Ricardo Favela

Staff Writer

With Fallbrook Union Elementary School District Governing Board members Siegrid Stillman and Lisa Masten not running for reelection, that leaves two vacancies on the board this November. And while Stillman and Masten were elected to their seats at-large - that is, representing the entire district – 2020 will be the first year in which FUESD elects its board members on a trustee area system.

The seats in trustee areas 2 and 3 are the ones up for election this year. Village News previously interviewed Suzanne Lundin, running unopposed in trustee area 2. This week, Village News has interviewed Ricardo Favela, also running unopposed in trustee area 3, which covers the central part of Fallbrook.

#### Ricardo Favela

What is your motivation for wishing to serve the Fallbrook **Union Elementary School District** and more specifically, the district you serve?

First, I would have to say that the community motivated me to serve on the Fallbrook Union Elementary School District (board) based on the concern for having adequate representation for parents in the downtown district. Secondly, I have three children who attend FUESD schools, including a first grader at Maie Ellis, a fourth grader at Maie Ellis and an eighth grader at Potter Jr. High School. Our family strongly believes in education as the foundation upon which their futures will be built upon, and this applies to our community of Fallbrook in the broader sense. As a parent, I want to assure that our students' interests are taken into account in all decisions made at the district.

I will be serving District 3, which is the downtown district, and which is the majority Latino voter district. For the first time in Fallbrook's history, these districts will provide the basis for equity and adequate representation in the decision-making in our local boards. This is critical, keeping in mind that student enrollment at FUESD is 62% Latino and 68% socioeconomically disadvantaged. Coming from a migrant family that established roots in Fallbrook since the early '50s and having grown up in what is now the downtown district, I know I can represent and serve this district well.

#### In the upcoming term, what are your top three goals to address or accomplish for the district?

My first goal is to be accountable and accessible to families who live in the district. I believe it is important for families to know they have a representative who lives in their district and is open to listening to and serving them. Along with this goal is to make sure we have effective communication with parents regarding what takes place at the district and the options they have to assure their students are receiving the education they need and deserve.

Secondly, my goal overall for the school district is for students to be as safe and successful as possible while learning amidst a global pandemic. We are in a very challenging time and I am encouraged to see our school district serving as a lighthouse for our community where not only education is taking place, but our schools are also feeding all youth who are hungry and providing the technology needed to bridge the digital divide. Additionally, different learning options are available to our families and it is critical for all parents to be aware of their options and to know they have the right to advocate for the

safety and success of their children. Third, I value the cultural and historical wealth of our communities and I believe it is critical for students to learn to appreciate themselves and each other as part of their learning experience. Our schools should nurture selfesteem, mutual understanding and appreciation for the rich cultural heritage our families have as well as the diverse historical presence that has always been in Fallbrook. Doing so helps motivate learning and I look forward to exploring how we can not only educate our students but also appreciate and celebrate our students.

What do you bring to the board of trustees that is lacking if any? Or what do you bring to the table that makes the board better or more well-rounded?

I may be the only FUESD trustee born and raised in Fallbrook and who attended Fallbrook schools (Potter Jr. High and Fallbrook High School). I am very much a product of local Fallbrook schools having been a migrant student and an AVID student. I am very familiar with the migrant experience many of our students are navigating and having someone on the board with this background will definitely help make our board well-rounded.

What are the two biggest issues facing the Fallbrook Union **Elementary School District in the** next four years that you hope to

The COVID-19 pandemic, along with inequities in our students' education and in our district are critical issues. We are still amidst the COVID-19 pandemic with no clear end in sight. Some reports tell us that in the best-case scenario, vaccines may be widely available in 2022. This means that our approach to education is being reinvented in the moment and will need to continue to adapt to best meet our student's needs while observing public health guidelines and best practices. I believe our district has done a great job trying to meet student and parent needs by applying a blended-learning model to begin to return to face-toface instruction while still offering a 100% distance learning option through the Fallbrook Virtual Academy. Regardless of the approach, our board still bears the responsibility of assuring student success. I also believe our schools should be active in further educating our community about reducing the risk to COVID-19 and should collaborate with the (Fallbrook Regional) Health District to promote education, access to testing and resources at our school sites, including De Luz.

Equity is also a concern I have regarding support for students to make sure they have the resources they need to achieve success and learning in the midst of a pandemic. I am very concerned about students in special education. To this end I am willing to listen to teachers who are on the front lines carrying out our educational goals while keeping our students and families safe. I believe equity goes across the board and our administration must exemplify equity as well.

#### What qualifications or personality/intellectual traits do you have that make you appropriate or the right person for the job?

Living and growing up in Fallbrook has cultivated my leadership skills since I was a student. I learned to always question anything that was not right and to take risks to address issues that need addressing. This has since become a passion that sometimes puts me in unexpected situations, like running for school board, where I continue to test, practice and confirm my values of fairness, equity and justice.

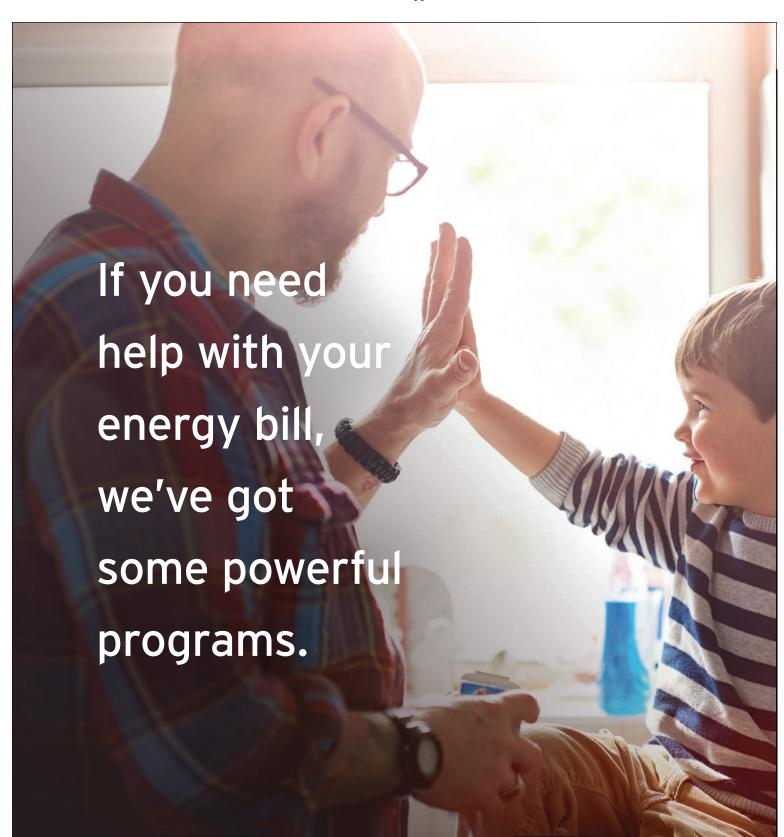
Locally, I have been very involved in the community serving over 10 years on the County Service Area-81 committee, which maintains

and oversees our local parks and represents Fallbrook before the San Diego County Departments of Parks and Recreation. I am proud to say that I was a part of advocating for Clemmens Lane Park and am happy to see a large multi-use park being planned at this moment on Fallbrook Street that will include a skate park!

I am also a parent representative at Maie Ellis' School Site Council which makes recommendations on the use of funds earmarked for our students who need the most support.

Having my children involved in local sports, I also volunteer with Fallbrook Girls Softball assisting with their digital communications needs. I encourage collaboration with local sports organizations with our local schools.

Finally, I am fluent in English and Spanish which I believe is an essential trait for serving the students and parents in our district. I support the nurturing of languages students already speak at home as part of a holistic approach to developing English language skills.



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## Real Estate Round-Up: What the housing supply in 2021 looks like



Kim Murphy Murphy and Murphy Southern California Realty

2020 started out as a year poised for some great reform in the housing arena. The California State Legislators sponsored multiple bills focused on streamlining the process to expe dite bus ing deve lopment as well as modifications to zoning to allow for additional housing along transit corridors.

The bills were crafted to provide solutions to the lack of housing supply. Then COVID-9 arrive d, and all legislative plans shifted focus on emergency response to the virus. The California Legislature generally considers

b lls in a session. This year most every bill was stalled in committee or appropriations, and therefore never voted on. Only 400 bills were addressed and those that passed were related to emerg ncy response for COVID-9

The new year is almost here, and er n though no one is expecting things to be normal by January, hopefully the legislature will be ab e to re-focus on the shr tag of

bus ing and the refore the lack of affordability.

Did ou know that the current average price of a home in Fallb ook is ov r 9 yur self, if yu h d to g t a loan today for a 🖲 hm e, could you qa lify

Or better yet, if you had to purchase the home you're currently living in, would you be able to afford your own home? Many people that I speak with openly acknow ledg that the y would not be qualified to purchase the home the ylive in.

Don't g t me wrong Ev ryne who owns a home, worked hard to create their personal financial, employment and credit package, so the y could purchase the them e, and they deserve the equity that h s been accrued. It is ex ctly that hard earned equity, that makes moving away possible for the many seniors wh are move ng out of California.

So, I ask you, do you have a h art for the current g neration of people under 45 who are renting and still trying to find a way to own a hm e? I do.

We all know that the best way to bi ld wealth is by owning yur own hm e. The best way to bild stable communities is through homeownership. Homeowners are the people who sit on the schol ba rd, the planning g oup, the fire district, or hospital board. They are the volunteers who g e g nerously of the ir time and money to all the local nonprofits.

Homeowners also deliberately support their local businesses. Why? Because they are committed to the community when they become a homeowner. Tenants are transient. The refore, in sting time into a community has no long term **x** lue.

Look at cities like San Diego. The reason it thrives is because at its financial core are residential owners. Compare it to cities that don't have homeownership within the city center, and you see a crumbling, financially strapped cityl ik Detroit or Cleve land.

The demand for housing is reflected in the 15.9% increase in average sales price from September 2019 to September

Homes are selling twice as fast as last y ar. Total hm e sales are up 12.8% for the rolling 12 month, Septemb r to Septemb r.

Put all these facts together, low in ntory of hm es for sale, increased sales prices **b** cause of supply and demand, and despite the low inventory, 12.8% more homes have sold this year than last.

This is g eat if you are selling your home. But what about the people who are hoping to buy a home. Well-qualified buyers can expect a bidding war on almost any home they write an offer on. Once again, this is great news if you're a seller, bt what abut the by rs? The only solution for by rs is an increase in supply.

The California Association of Realtors will be supporting and likely sponsoring two bills to encourage the construction of more housing. Both bills are requesting ministerial approvals. In other words, the approval is granted based upon determinations that the proposal complies with estab ish d standards.

Imagine a checklist, with all boxes checked off. That uncomplicated process would lead to ministerial approx 1. Currently, project proposals g th oug th discretionary approx 1 process. A discretionary approx 1 is one that requires the exercise of judgement or delib ration by a pub ic ag ncy

in determining whether the project will be approved, or if a permit will **b** issued.

It is a lengthy process, reviewed by many different county departments, that adds cost and time to a project. The discretionary approval process can get derailed at many different points. A crisis requires a quick response. Ministerially approval provides that for the housing crisis.

The first bill would require local ge rnment, in Fallb ook s case, San Diego County, to ministerially approve housing development: (a) on lots zoned for office, retail or commercial use within a residential neighborhood and (b) by request of property owners seeking to convert an existing vacant commercial property, located near a residential neighborhood, from a commercial use to a residential or mix d use residential and commercial use.

Fallb ook currently h s Villag zones that allow for multi-use or comb ned use of commercial with residential, and is considering through its revitalization committee, epa nding h mix duse zoning, specifically for the downtown area.

Th s k nd of dev lopment lends to the walk b lity of a community, and therefore provides support for local retail, restaurants, and medical businesses.

The second bill would require local ge rnment to ministerially approve simple lot splits and duplexes in urbanized areas if: (a) one of the units will be owner occupied for three years after constructions, (b) owners are permitted to apply for simple lot split or a permit to construct a duplex bt not bt h and (c) the states accessory dwelling unit law is limited to the sing e family detach d units that are located on

the lots resulting from a simple lot split.

Th s b ll's focus is on urb nized areas, so would most likely not have an impact on Fallbrook. I particularly like the aspect that the property would h & to b owner occupied for three years after construction, so owners would not build something that they the mselve s would not want to live in or live near.

I hear many comments from long ime Fallb ook residents wh say they want to retain Fallbrook's rural charm and feel. Doing that and adding homes for our yung r g neration and work ng class families are not mutually exclusive. You can do both and we shul d do bt h

The world is clearly not the same as it was 30 years ago, or even last year. Homeownership has always been the American dream. That dream is alive and shul d b ax ilab e, especially in a town lik Fallb ook

I am proud of CAR for continuing to propose bills that will encourage housing construction, so that everyone who wants to own a home, has the opportunity to do so.

Home affordability is directly linked to housing availability. This is not some other community's responsibility; it is every community's responsibility. The shortage of housing and affordability is a crisis. We need heroes to step up and fix it. Are vu on ba rd?

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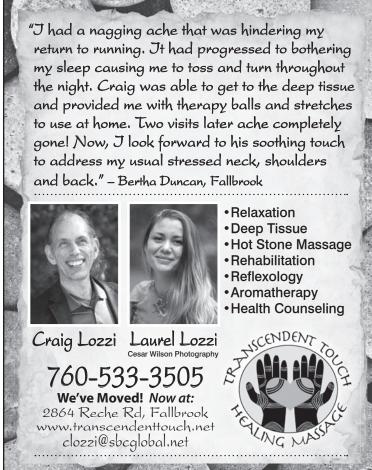
## Registrar reminds voters to return your mail ballots

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The Registrar sent over 1.6 million reminder postcards to registered voters in San Diego County who had not returned their mail b llot as of Oct. 4

Don't delay If you h w b en hl ding onto yur h llot, act now and vote from the comfort and safety of your home. Sign and date your return envelope, seal your completed **b** llot inside and return it to a trusted source.

Fallbrook has two drop off locations. Fallb ook Lib ary, 4 S. Mission Road, is open **0** a.m. to 4 p.m. now through Nov. 2. On Nov. 3, it will be open 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. VFW Post 1924, 1175 Old Stag Road, is open 4 8 p.m. Monday through Saturday and will be open Nov. 3, from 7 a.m. to 8p.m.

In Bonsall, the Bonsall Chamber of Commerce office, 5256 S.

Mission Road, Suite 3 1 will b open to accept ballots Thursday, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.; Friday, 0 a.m. to 2 p.m. and Tuesday, Nov. 3, 7 a.m. to 8p.m

The sooner the Registrar's office receive s your b llot, the sooner it is processed for the first release of Election Nig results.

If you have not received your mail ballot, contact the Registrar's office at 858-565-5800.

If you do h w your mail h llot but you need to vote in person that option is available too. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Registrar's office encourages older adults and people with underly ng medical conditions to avi d long lines and crowded polling places inge arly. You can do so:

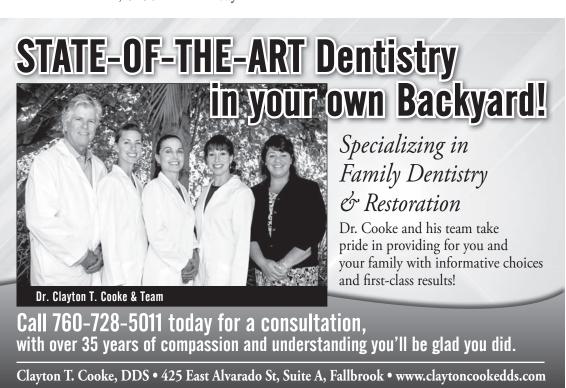
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All will again be open on Election Day, Nov. 3, when the voting hours change to 7 a.m. to 8p.m .

If yu plan to yt e in person, b prepared. Wear your face mask, go to yur assige d polling place and plan to maintain social distance. Your polling place h s most like ly changed so check the back of your sample ballot and voter information pamphlet for your poll location or look it up at sdvote.

Already voted? You can confirm th twur mail b llot was receive d by the Registrar of Voters online at sdot e.com.



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## Residents show support for the President Trump



Jerry Sayre, left, wearing a mock Continental soldier uniform from the Revolutionary War attends a Trump rally in Bonsall, Oct. 23.





A counter protester holds signs opposing the efforts of President Trump supporters at a rally in Bonsall.



Frankie Voges, 13, holds a Trump flag at a rally in support of President Trump at the rally on the corner of



Sylvia Colton gathers with others to express their support for the reelection of President Trump at a rally in Bonsall.



People arrive at a Trump rally in Bonsall in an effort to rally support for Trump's reelection.



Darrel Williams attends a rally in support for the reelection of President Trump at the intersection of South Mission Road and Highway 76 in Bonsall.



Dozens of people gather in an effort to rally support for President Trump at the intersection of South Mission Road and Highway 76 in Bonsall.

#### San Diego County updates COVID-19 figures, Oct. 26

#### Katie Cadiao

County of San Diego Communications Office

Here is a COVID-19 update from the County Health and Human Services Agency with data through Oct. 25.

#### **State Metrics:**

- San Diego County's state-calculated, adjusted case rate is currently 7.0 per 100,000 residents, placing the county in the Red Tier.
- The testing positivity percentage is 3.3%, placing the County in Tier 3 or the Orange Tier.
- The state's health equity metric looks at the testing positivity for areas with the lowest healthy conditions.
- The County's health equity testing positivity percentage is 5.5. This metric does not move counties to more restrictive tiers but is required to advance.
- The California Department of Public Health will assess counties on a weekly basis, with the next report scheduled

for Tuesday, Oct. 27, after the Village News press deadline.

#### **Community Setting Outbreaks:**

- One new community outbreak was confirmed Oct. 25 in a youth sports setting.
- In the past seven days (Oct. 19 through Oct. 25), 27 community outbreaks were confirmed.
- The number of community outbreaks remains above the trigger of seven or more in seven days.
- A community setting outbreak is defined as three or more COVID-19 cases in a setting and in people of different households over the past 14 days.

#### **Testing:**

- 7,827 tests were reported to the County Oct. 25, and the percentage of new laboratory-confirmed cases was 5%.
- The 14-day rolling average percentage of positive cases is 2.8%. Target is less than 8.0%.
- The 7-day, daily average of tests is 10,981.
- People with and without

symptoms who are at higher risk for COVID-19 should be tested. Health care and essential workers should also get a test, as well as people who had close contact to a positive case or live in communities that are being highly impacted.

#### Cases:

- 358 new cases were confirmed among San Diego County residents Oct. 25. The region's total is now 54,941.
- 3,859 or 7.0% of all cases have required hospitalization.
- 892 or 1.6% of all cases and 23.1% of hospitalized cases had to be admitted to an intensive care unit.

#### Deaths:

• No new deaths were reported Oct. 25. The region's total remains at 870.

Editor's note: As of Oct. 24, Fallbrook has had 615 cases of coronavirus; Bonsall, 52; Pala, 78 and Pauma 30.

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conversations about the county taking us over, because there were early promises when the park was built that within 10 years, the county would take it over as a county park. Those promises had fallen short when they completed the riverwalk, they were going to take us over. And then if they ever opened up another county park here in Fallbrook, they would take us over as well and run us and acquire us. Of course, Horse Creek has been in construction and now they have a new one that's being built. And all that we've heard is, we're just a Pandora's box because now the county doesn't want to have a county park where there is leased land. They want to own

"Members are just trying to keep the park alive for the community since it is one of our largest sports complexes in Fallbrook."

the land. They don't want to lease

According to the GoFundMe page created by the association, the park "was a vision of two great men, Bob Ingold and Bob Hegardt, who along with a group of local sports enthusiasts selflessly wanted to create a facility for organized youth sports in our local community – a single place that could provide a variety of sports experiences for our children.

"As the only such facility within a 15-mile radius, the park now serves over 3,500 individuals weekly of all ages, from 5 to 85. We promote healthy lifestyles and enriching lives through facilitating sports and a variety of activities."

That all changed when COVID-19 struck.

"2018 was not the best year for the park," park manager Josh Guerrettaz, the only paid employee on staff, said. "I took over in December of 2018, but the park ran on a deficit for 2018 and in 2019. When I took it over, we actually made money and were able to replenish most of what we lost in 2018. Then 2020 was looking pretty, looking to grow even on the growth we had made in 2019. We had more bookings and more field reservations for more income than we had in 2019.

"Then the coronavirus hit and everything stopped. I mean the whole world stopped for a while, you know, but with youth sports and adult sports not being able to be opened for quite a long time, it really hit the park hard."

Currently, youth sports teams are allowed to practice with guidelines in place and that has helped a little.

"About two-thirds of our income came from our adult sports," Guerrettaz said. "Youth sports, while it's able to be there, is hampered by county ordinances and state ordinances and things like that. Regulations that don't allow them to scrimmage, play games, really do anything. While they get the practice, they have to stay 6 feet away from each other at all times. So it's baseball and softball. It's a little easier with soccer, which is one of our major tenants, but it's kind of hard to stay 6 feet apart and have a true practice."

Hanewinckel said the association filed for a PPP loan, but that hardly made a dent in what was being lost.

"Obviously we have paid staff at the park to run it," he said. "We qualified for that, but of course we have limited payroll. Our PPP loan was right around \$22,000. Of course you had to use that within an eight week period and 75% of it had to go toward payroll and the other 25% could go toward rent and some operating expenses. We've well expired that fund.

"There were some grants in the beginning that we were unaware of, but the hard part for us in the early stages, when some of these things came out, was we were kind of being led by a leash from our county parks and rec director, saying, 'Oh, we're hoping that we can get this open and hoping we can get that open. Oh, they won't do tournaments. Oh, they won't have a reopening plan until the holiday, but we're hoping we're going to get more.'

"So, we were kind of being strung by, at least for the first two months, thinking, 'Hey, this is going to be a quick action, right?' Since youth sports was one of the ones that was on a table and that has completely fizzled out. I mean, we have zero direction that we'll be able to open the sports park until about a year's anniversary of

the coronavirus."

Hanewinckel said it's taken a toll on the park's fundraising efforts completely.

"I did talk to Jim Desmond's office yesterday," he said. "There are no programs available with the exception of taking a loan. Being a nonprofit, that's very hard for us to want to take a loan or desire to take a loan. But it is an avenue that we're going to approach.

"We do have a GoFundMe account right now, that's been open for the past seven to 10 days. Originally our goal was \$30,000, but as the board met on Tuesday, we felt that that was kind of a short ask. So, we increased our GoFundMe limitation to \$100,000. Because again, we're trying to get to that March through May survival date in hopes that the county will allow us to open back up."

As of Friday, \$3,035 of the \$100,000 goal has been raised. To contribute to the fund, visit <a href="https://charity.gofundme.com/o/en/campaign/ingoldsportspark">https://charity.gofundme.com/o/en/campaign/ingoldsportspark</a>.

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#### One shot in Fallbrook, homicide detectives investigating

#### **City News Service**

A person was fatally shot in Fallbrook late Thursday and detectives were continuing to investigate Friday, Oct. 23.

Reports of "multiple shots fired" near South Vine and East Fallbrook streets came in just before 10:30 p.m., San Diego County sheriff's Lt.

David Gilmore said.

Sheriff's deputies headed to the scene and found a man with trauma to his upper body, according to Gilmore.

Paramedics pronounced the man dead at the scene. His identity was not immediately known.

Witnesses told deputies they saw a vehicle leave the area at the time

of the shooting, Gilmore said.

The sheriff's department asked anyone who may have information on the shooting to call homicide detectives at 858-285-6330 (after hours at 858-565-5200). Anyone who wishes to provide information anonymously can also call Crime Stoppers at 888-580-8477, according to the sheriff's department.

## FPUD news Keeping Fallbrook informed



# Progress: All Good News with Construction on River Project

In just over a year, more than half of the water that pours from Fallbrook taps will be from our own backyard – the Santa Margarita River.

Now one year into construction, about 7,000 feet of pipeline have been installed, making the pipeline portion about 60% complete. The new segment runs from Alturas Road through part of town, ending at McDonald and Mission roads.

It will then be tied in to the existing water main at Mission Road. During November through February, there will be targeted shutdowns in isolated areas of town as we complete this work. The project as a whole includes some 11,000 feet of pipe.

A new 4-million-gallon water tank has been built, and a water treatment plant is under construction at the wastewater treatment plant on Alturas Road. The entire project is on schedule and on budget.

#### River is a Natural Gem

The Santa Margarita River is in pristine condition, say researchers. It is studied extensively by biologists and students studying at San Diego State University. It is one of the last surviving rivers in Riverside County and environmental experts say the river has been preserved like no other in Southern California. Biologists call it a natural gem that holds drinking water and vast research opportunities.

Gaining access to the river was monumental for FPUD. There were more than six decades of legal hurdles, water-rights litigation with Camp Pendleton, environmental permitting and some bureaucratic red tape, in getting a river-sharing settlement agreement with Camp Pendleton, while at the same time protecting and preserving the river.

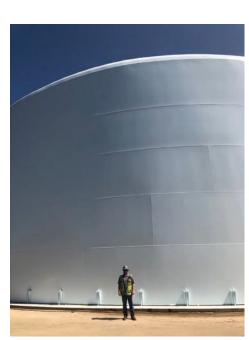
That agreement was approved by the board of directors in May 2019 and building began shortly afterward.

## Moving forward with securing our own, local water supply

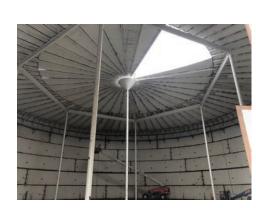
Once built, using water from the river will provide a buffer from escalating imported water costs and an additional shield against drought. That's important because it will allow us to reduce water purchases from our wholesaler.



Crews install pipeline on Palomino Road.



The new Martin Tank on Mission Road will be able to hold 4 million gallons of water.



The empty Martin Tank under construction.



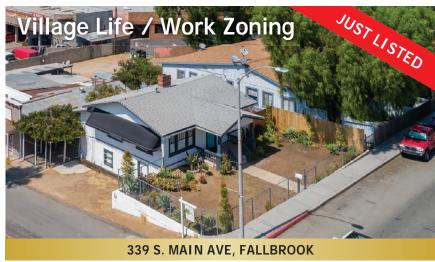
happening in Fallbrook, Bonsall, Pala, De Luz and Rainbow. Whether it is breaking news, local youth sports, or information on events and activities, you will find it quickly and easily at

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This country cutie is zoned Village-4, which means it is both commercial and residential use. The original structure faces Main Avenue and is a prime location to promote your local business or retail store. Behind this structure are two additional buildings that can be used for residential or additional small business ventures. This is a prime location looking for the right person with the vision to get vested into the future of Fallbrook. If you've always had a dream to own your own business and are willing to commit your time to making it thrive, this is the place for you.

Seller will entertain offers between \$429,000 & \$499,000



I can see for miles and miles and miles. The moment you step inside this grand estate, you will never want to leave. The views are unparalleled. The grand entry opens into a massive LR with a wall of doors to the outside patio and the majestic hills of De Luz, with Rock Mountain as the centerpiece. The main floor boasts an equally impressive formal DR, cook's kitchen with adjoining FR, a perfect home office, sewing or hobby room, and the spacious master and ensuite bath. The downstairs has 2 addit'l bdrms and shared bathroom. There are 5 fireplaces. Cherry wood cabinetry is throughout. Marble floors gleam. The backyard features a "spool" and has a fantastic party room for endless hours of entertaining. 5299 sf sited on 1.78 acs at the end of a privately gated enclave of homes. No HOA.

Seller will entertain offers between \$1,100,000 & \$1,300,000



Opportunity Knocks! This property features two complete homes sited on 1.65 acres. Panoramic Views to the Santa Rosa plateau and Santa Margarita River Valley. Both homes combined provide 3659 square feet of living space. The original home has 3 bedrooms and 2 baths. The attached second home features 2 bedrooms and 2 baths. Bring your handyman skills and your dreams to create your personal retreat. Zoned for horses and close to trails. Quiet yet close to town and easy access to the freeways.

Seller will entertain offers between \$725,000 & \$800,000



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Seller will entertain offers between \$625,000 & \$675,000



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Seller will entertain offers between \$665,000 & \$735,000



Tailored Tudor home with multi generation living opportunity. 3,734sf, 4BD, 3.5BA. 1.55 acre property is suitable for horses with easy access, 3/4 + acre flat corral area. Downstairs 532 sf 1BD/1BA apartment has dedicated access. Home also features designer kitchen, 3 fireplaces, hardwood floors, study, vaulted ceilings, big views, Trex style deck for entertainment off of family room with outdoor spa, 3 car garage with fresh epoxy floors and new overhead doors. Home has freshly painted interior. Move in ready.

Seller will entertain offers between \$750,000 & \$850,000

## THERE HAS NEVER BEEN A BETTER TIME TO SELL! Now more than ever, we NEED listings!

Inventory in Fallbrook is at an historic low with less than 100 homes in all price points, to choose from. Interest rates are at an historic low. It's the perfect storm to sell your home. America is fed up with liberal big city life. Agents with absolutely no Fallbrook experience are bringing buyers to Fallbrook in search of the conservative country lifestyle. For the 1st time in many years, families with young children are moving here for our schools. A record number of buyers are making the move from renting in the big city to home ownership in the country. Local experience has never been more important. Now more than ever, the unique Murphy & Murphy marketing and concierge service is our strength. Our personal attention to your specific needs gives you peace of mind. Health and safety are paramount. This change in the market is opening up buying power at all levels. Our many years of experience can achieve results for you at the highest possible sale price. Please give us a call. Give us an opportunity to show you how we will accomplish success for you and your family. We have been award-winning Realtors in the community since 1997. In times like these you need specific market place knowledge and experience representing you.

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## Scarecrow stolen before judging

This wonderful crow, made by Bonnie Roesger of AcupunctureRN for the Scarecrow Contest, did not make it to the judging date, It was stolen from the lobby where her office is located before it could be viewed by the public as well as the judges. The ScareCREW, as they call themselves, wanted everyone to see it, and is grateful for all who cheered the community by participating.

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#### POWER

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The shut-offs began around 10 a.m., Oct. 26 in parts of Fallbrook, Rainbow, Bonsall and De Luz, and there was no word at press time as to when they would be lifted.

Power shut-offs are approved by state regulators to mitigate fire risk during dangerous weather conditions like the Santa Ana winds that were forecast for the Southern California region this week. San Diego County was under a wind advisory until 5 p.m. Oct. 26, and other parts of the region, including Riverside County just to the north of Fallbrook, were scheduled to be under a red flag warning until the evening of Oct. 27.

Although there were no fires in the Fallbrook area as of the afternoon of Oct. 26, the Silverado Fire in Orange County that broke out the morning of Oct. 26 forced the evacuations of more than 60,000 people and had charred more than 4,000 acres by the afternoon.

SDG&E set up a community resource center at the Fallbrook Branch Library for those whose power was turned off.

The Fallbrook community

resource center on Oct. 26 was offering things like water, wi-fi, medical device charging, phone charging, snacks, ice, water trucks for livestock and more should the need arise, SDG&E said.

The utility company also set up another community resource center in San Clemente for any ratepayers affected by the shut-offs in that area, although shut-offs were limited to North San Diego County at press time.

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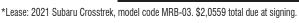






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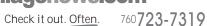
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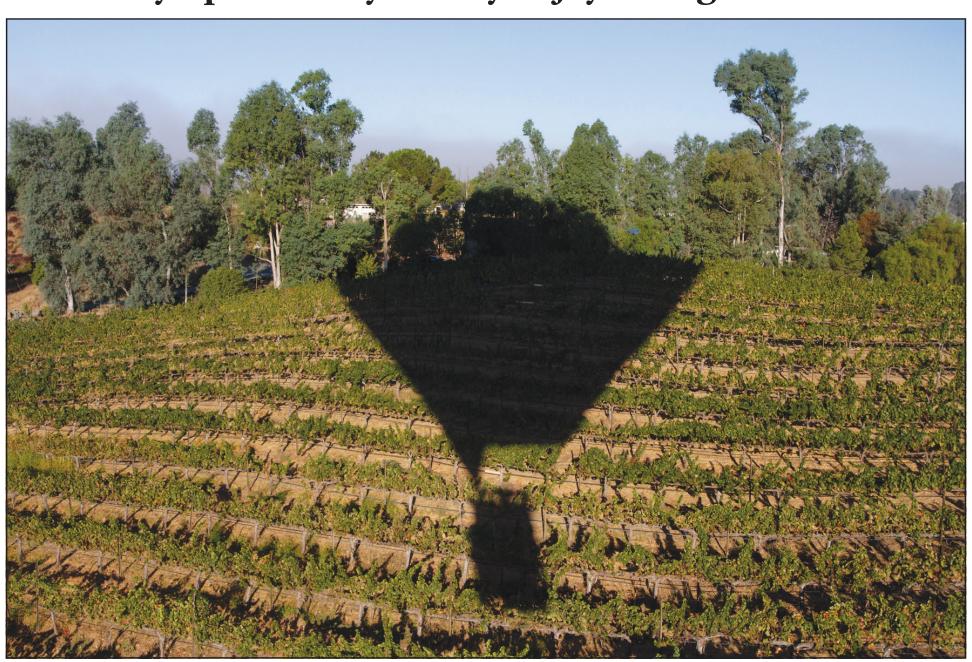


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## Guests fly up and away as they enjoy a Magical Adventure



The shadow of the Magical Adventure hot air balloon is seen cast across grapevines in Temecula Valley Wine Country as the pilot navigates the balloon to its landing site.

### **Lexington Howe** Staff Writer

The air was cool, and guests began to make a large circle as they watched what lay before them: a giant balloon sprawled out over a massive blue tarp, getting prepped for its morning flight.

Magical Adventure Balloon Rides, a hot air balloon company that flies in Temecula Valley Wine Country, Palm Desert and Del Mar, was started in 2003 by CEO Denni Barrett.

Along with ballooning, Barrett also flies helicopters and airplanes and captains sailboats.

"Most people are afraid of heights," he said, including himself in that category. "In a balloon, it is very stable and you don't experience any turbulence or things you might feel on a roller coaster. In fact, you will feel more motion in an elevator than you feel in a hot air balloon."

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Barrett hadn't been looking to start a hot air balloon business. In fact, he had started to grow grapes and make wine privately but ended up selling his land and bought the supplies needed to start his own hot air balloon business – after one day experiencing a balloon ride for

himself.

"The fact is that every flight is different, and hot air ballooning is an imperfect science," Barrett said. "In most cases, you can't see your destination when you take off. However, in hot air ballooning, we are at the mercy of the wind. We pick our launch site with our landing site in mind but must have about a dozen working plans in mind throughout the flight should things change."

This unpredictability is what makes it fun.

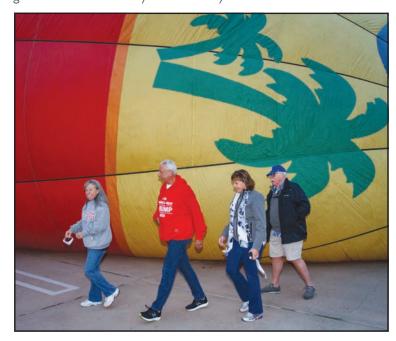
"It is a very peaceful feeling like you are standing still and the earth is slowly turning beneath you," he

On Oct. 21, 20 people gathered together at 6:30 a.m., waiting for their balloon ride. Some had been before, while others were experiencing it for the first time. Couples celebrated anniversaries or birthdays and came out from places like Colorado to come to Temecula Wine Country for a ride with Magical Adventure.

Just as the sky began to dance with orange light, four of the grounds crew helped roll out the balloon. Then, they turned a large industrial fan on and pointed it toward the inside of the balloon, helping fill it with air as they opened up the rest of it.



Crewmembers of the Magical Adventure Balloon Rides company prepare the balloon for hot air before taking off with a basket full of guests in Temecula Valley Wine Country.



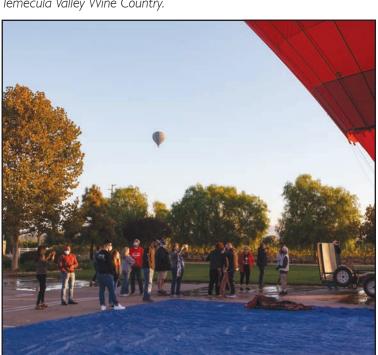
A group of guests await a hot air balloon ride with the Magical Adventure company in Temecula.



The Magical Adventure Balloon Rides company crew fills the balloon with hot air, making the balloon stand upright for guests to enter the basket.



Crewmembers of the Magical Adventure Balloon Rides company prep the balloon for hot air before taking off with a basket full of guests in Temecula Valley Wine Country.



Nearly two dozen guests wait to float above Valley News/Shane Gibson photos Temecula Valley Wine Country during an early morning flight.

## REGIONAL

## Scripps Medical Center Jefferson opens in Oceanside

North County site includes primary care, specialty care, urgent care, outpatient surgery



Scripps Health has opened Scripps Medical Center Jefferson in Oceanside.

Village News/Courtesy photo

OCEANSIDE – Scripps Health announced the opening of Scripps Medical Center Jefferson, Monday, Oct. 19, giving the region's leading health system its largest North County outpatient health center in the city of Oceanside.

Located at 2205 Vista Way near state Route 78, the new 85,915-square-foot, three-story site is designed as a one-stop-shop for patients, with a wide range of outpatient services including primary care, cardiology, neurology, obstetrics/gynecology, oncology, ophthalmology, orthopedics and pediatrics, along with comprehensive imaging, outpatient surgery, urgent care and same-day walk-in care through Scripps HealthExpress.

"We are excited to open this comprehensive outpatient medical center, which offers a new option to people living in communities throughout the North County region to access high-quality outpatient care in an easily accessible and convenient location," Dr. Richard Walker, president and CEO of Scripps

The center features state-ofthe-art medical technology in 93 exam rooms, 12 procedure rooms, 12 cancer treatment bays, four operating rooms and two gastroenterology suites. Solar power arrays and other design features promote energy savings and conservation, while patients can enjoy free parking and an onsite coffee bar.

#### High-quality, convenient care

A patient-focused layout of the center's spaces promotes collaboration and efficiency among caregivers and with patients. Visiting patients can check in on their own using 13 electronic kiosk stations spread throughout the center's three floors. Curbside arrival is also available through MyScripps, allowing patients to check in and wait in their vehicle until the care team is ready for them to enter the building.

"Scripps Medical Center was designed with our patients in mind to be a premier health care home, providing an incredibly wide range of medical services close to where people live and work," Dr. Kevin Hirsch, president and CEO of Scripps Coastal Medical Center, said. "Extended hours and a mix of in person and virtual visit options ensure that the right care is available when patients need it."

Medical staffing will include 48 physicians from Scripps Clinic and Scripps Coastal, representing 40 different specialties.

Scripps Medical Center Jefferson cost \$85 million to build, equip and furnish, and it was funded with operating cash flow. The building was designed by San Diego architectural firm Hanna Gabriel Wells and construction was overseen by general contractor McCarthy.

Center hours run from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Limited weekend services also are available between 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. Scripps HealthExpress is open 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Friday and 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on weekends and holidays. Urgent care is open from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. seven days a week. Virtual care options also are available seven days a week at <a href="http://myScripps.org">http://myScripps.org</a>.

Appointments can be made by calling 760-704-5600.

Founded in 1924 by philanthropist Ellen Browning Scripps, Scripps Health is a nonprofit integrated health care delivery system based in San Diego.

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## Statement on 2020 Election security from California's Homeland Security Advisory

SACRAMENTO – Ten days out from the 2020 Presidential Election, Governor's Office of Emergency Services Director Mark Ghilarducci, who serves as California's Homeland Security Advisor, released the following statement on the efforts underway to ensure a safe election for all Californians:

"The right to a free and fair election is the foundation of our democracy in California and across our nation.

"The Governor's Office of

Emergency Services is working closely with local, state, federal law enforcement as well as private sector partners and the Secretary of State to ensure voters are safe, have free access to voting locations and that no matter the outcomes of the election the results will be respected.

"As California's Homeland Security Agency we will not tolerate foreign interference in our elections or domestic criminal activity including, voter intimidation that threatens the sanctity of your vote or undermines public confidence in the outcome of the election.

"We are working closely with the Secretary of State's Office as well as County Election Offices to mitigate any potential cyber intrusions or physical infrastructure vulnerabilities to ensure safe and secure voting.

"We are in close contact with the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) who is the primary investigative agency responsible for malicious cyber activity against election infrastructure, malign foreign influence operations, and election-related crimes, like voter fraud and voter suppression.

"We're also coordinating closely with the private sector - including social media companies - to make sure that their platforms are not used by foreign actors to spread misinformation, disinformation and propaganda.

"In the days to come we will remain vigilant, we will remain organized, and we will not rest until all Californians can make their voices heard.

"It is important to have a voter plan no matter how you cast your ballot. If you see something suspicious, please report it to local authorities. Given the COVID environment, if you are voting in person, be patient, wear a mask, practice social distancing and vote early if you can."

Submitted by California's Homeland's Security Agency

## Rep. Levin wants resident inspector at nuclear plants being decommissioned

**City News Service** 

Democratic Congressman Mike Levin, whose district includes portions of southern Orange and northern San Diego counties, Friday, Oct. 23 introduced federal legislation that would require the Nuclear Regulatory Commission to keep a resident inspector at nuclear power plants being decommissioned until all spent fuel is transferred from spent fuel pools to canisters, his office said.

"While the NRC refused to implement a resident inspector at the San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station during its spent fuel transfer process, Levin's legislation "builds on the lessons

learned by that failure and would ensure that other decommissioning plants have the added safety benefit of a resident inspector," the office said in a statement.

The bill mirrors recommendations made by the SONGS Task Force, convened by Levin in January 2019. Two Democratic members of the House from Orange County, Katie Porter and Harley Rouda, cosponsored the bill.

"My top priority is keeping my constituents safe, which is why I repeatedly called for a resident NRC inspector at San Onofre during its spent fuel transfer process," said Levin. "While the NRC refused to take that necessary

measure at San Onofre despite multiple safety incidents, we can learn from that failure and improve safety at other decommissioning plants across the country."

The statement said Levin's act, Increasing Nuclear Safety Protocols for Extended Canister Transfers, or INSPECT, will ensure that NRC inspectors are in place during the spent fuel transfer process," preventing incidents such as one on Aug. 3, 2018, when a canister loaded with spent nuclear fuel got caught on an inner ring while being loaded into an coastal dry storage structure at the San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station and almost dropped 18 feet in a near-miss that triggered

an NRC inspection.

An independent review by the Union of Concerned Scientists determined that the drop wouldn't

have posed an immediate threat or risk to the public but could have damaged the spent fuel rods contained inside the canister.









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## NATIONAL

## Child abductors can use social media or social networks to lure victims

warns the public of the potential threat of individuals posing as minors on popular social media or social networks to lure victims in lieu of immediate, in person ruse with the intent to abduct.

Due to COVID-19 related school closures, minors likely will be at greater risk for encountering offenders online as they seek to occupy their free time with increased social media use.

#### **Definition**

The FBI defines child abduction as the unexplained disappearance of a minor, especially very young minors (generally, any child under 12). Additionally, the FBI defines "social media" as websites and mobile applications that allow users to create and share content or to participate in social networking. "Social networks" however, are defined as websites and mobile applications used to interact with other users or to find people with similar interests.

#### Methodology

While criminals exploit social media and social networks to commit crimes involving child sexual abuse material, sex trafficking of a minor, and child sex tourism, the use of these platforms to facilitate child abductions is lesser known.

FBI investigations indicate child abductors can use social media, social networks and dating applications to identify, initiate contact, and gain access to children before their abduction.

Potential child abductors use these tools as lower-risk methods of gaining access to and luring child victims, compared to other

WASHINGTON – The FBI methods such as an in person ruse. In some cases, child victims are groomed online, enticing the victim to meeting with an abductor in person, which can then lead to them being taken against their will.

Due to the availability of the internet to all age groups, potential abductors can mislead children by pretending to be someone in their age group and creating a relationship of false trust. While the stated minimum age for most social media and social networking websites and applications is 13, younger children can and often do, find alternate ways to gain access.

Before the COVID-19 pandemic, children had access to playgrounds, bus stops, malls and public spaces more frequently. And while the risk of abduction existed, a criminal abducting a minor in person in a public place was at greater risk of exposure due to potential witnesses.

The risk of immediate detection is much lower online. Although the number of abductions in which offenders used social media and social networks as the initial contact accounts for a small percentage of FBI child abduction investigations, as children spend more time on a computer or mobile devices with access to social media or networks, the FBI expects the percentage of offenders using social media or networks as the initial contact method to

Open source research indicates 22% of teenagers log on to their preferred social media website more than 10 times per day and 50% of children log on more than once a day. Due to their limited capacity for self-regulation and their heightened susceptibility to peer pressure, children are at greater risk of falling prey to potential child abductors as they navigate social media.

With current restrictions due to the COVID-19 pandemic, schools in many areas of the United States are likely to remain closed, resulting in children being left at home and potentially unsupervised due to reduced daycare options and parents having to return to work. As a result, they are likely to spend more time on the internet, further increasing their vulnerability.

#### Representative example

During and before COVID-19 restrictions, the FBI identified instances where social media or social networks were used to facilitate child abductions, such as in the following examples:

In June 2020, a 13-year-old girl was reported missing by her father, who stated she met someone on social media the week prior. The 13-year-old used social media to communicate with a 21-year-old man who traveled from Louisiana to Texas to pick up the girl. Customs and Border Protection intercepted the abductor's vehicle, recovered the victim, and arrested and charged the abductor with aggravated kidnapping and sexual assault. The victim later revealed she believed she found a new friend online who would help her run away to Mexico.

In October 2019, an 11-yearold girl was reported missing. She had been using a social media application to connect with two people who communicated with the child over the course of several months. The individuals later revealed they planned to abduct the girl and instructed her to bring her passport and immunization records when they met. The victim was recovered and reunited her with her family before the abductors could fully follow through with their plan.

In March 2016, a 13-yearold girl left her home to meet with an individual she had been communicating with online, whom she thought was a young boy. When she arrived at the agreed upon meeting place, she realized he was not who he claimed to be, but he forced her into his car and sped away. The abductor physically and sexually assaulted her. The FBI recovered the victim four days after the kidnapping, when the abductor posted online images of himself abusing the victim.

#### Victim reporting

If you believe you are or someone you know is the target or victim of child abduction:

Contact your local law enforcement agency or your local FBI field office (contact information can be found at https://www.fbi.gov/contact-us/ field-offices

File a complaint online with the FBI's internet Crime Complaint Center at www.IC3.gov

Report child abductions and/ or attempted child abductions to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children at 1-800-THE-LOST (1-800-843-

Victims are encouraged to keep all original documentation, emails, text messages, and logs of communication with the subject. Do not delete anything before law enforcement is able to review it; and

Tell law enforcement

everything about the online encounters. It may be embarrassing for the parent or child, but it is necessary to find the offender. When reporting online scams, be as descriptive as possible in the complaint form by providing:

- Name and/or username of the subject
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- with the subject What to do if your device has
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- Consult with your corporate IT department, ensuring they are notified of any significant changes.
- If there is no IT department, consult with qualified thirdparty cyber security experts.
- · Report cyber attacks or scams to the internet Crime Complaint Center at IC3.gov.

It is helpful for law enforcement to have as much information as possible to use in the course of investigating these incidents; however, it is not required in order to receive assistance.

The FBI produced this public service announcement to bring awareness to parents and children of the threat posed by child abductors and increase awareness of the dangers of sharing details with or trusting strangers on social media or social network platforms.

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## NATIONAL

## Justice Department announces global resolution of investigations with opioid manufacturer

Department of Justice recently announced a global resolution of its criminal and civil investigations into the opioid manufacturer Purdue Pharma LP, and a civil resolution of its civil investigation into individual shareholders from the Sackler family. The resolutions with Purdue are subject to the approval of the bankruptcy court.

"The abuse and diversion of prescription opioids has contributed to a national tragedy of addiction and deaths, in addition to those caused by illicit street opioids," said Deputy Attorney General Jeffrey A. Rosen. "With criminal guilty pleas, a federal settlement of more than \$8 billion, and the dissolution of a company and repurposing its assets entirely for the public's benefit, the resolution in today's announcement reaffirms that the Department of Justice will not relent in its multipronged efforts to combat the opioids crisis."

Today's resolution is the result of years of hard work by the FBI and its partners to combat the opioid crisis in the U.S.,' said Steven M. D'Antuono, assistant director in Charge of the FBI Washington Field Office. "Purdue, through greed and violation of the law, prioritized money over the health and well-being of patients. The FBI remains committed to holding companies accountable for their illegal and inexcusable activity and to seeking justice, on behalf of the victims, for those who contributed to the opioid crisis."

The opioid epidemic remains a significant public health challenge that impacts the lives of men and women across the country," said Gary L. Cantrell Deputy Inspector General for Investigations at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' Office of Inspector General. "Unfortunately, Purdue's reckless actions and violation of the law senselessly risked patients' health and well-being. With our law enforcement partners, we will continue to combat the opioid crisis, including holding the pharmaceutical industry and its executives accountable.

"This resolution closes a particularly sad chapter in the ongoing battle against opioid addiction," said Drug Enforcement Administration Assistant Administrator Tim McDermott. "Purdue Pharma actively thwarted the United States' efforts to ensure compliance and prevent diversion. The devastating ripple effect of Purdue's actions left lives lost and others addicted. DEA will continue to work tirelessly with our partners and the pharmaceutical industry to address the damage that has been done and bring an end to this epidemic that has gripped the nation for far too long.

Purdue Pharma has agreed to plead guilty in federal court in New Jersey to a three-count felony information charging it with one count of dual-object conspiracy to defraud the United States and to violate the Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act, and two counts of conspiracy to violate the Federal Anti-Kickback Statute.

The criminal resolution includes the largest penalties ever levied against a pharmaceutical manufacturer, including a criminal fine of \$3.544 billion and an additional \$2 billion in criminal forfeiture. For the \$2 billion forfeiture, the company will pay \$225 million on the effective date of the bankruptcy and, as further explained below, the department is willing to credit the value conferred by the company to state and local governments under the department's anti-pilling on and coordination policy.

Purdue has also agreed to a civil settlement in the amount of \$2.8 billion to resolve its civil liability under the False Claims Act. Separately, the Sackler family has agreed to pay \$225 million in damages to resolve its

civil False Claims Act liability. The resolutions do not include the criminal release of any

individuals, including members

WASHINGTON - The of the Sackler family, nor are any of the company's executives or employees receiving civil releases.

While the global resolution with the company is subject to approval by the bankruptcy court in the Southern District of New York, one important condition in the resolution is that the company would cease to operate in its current form and would instead emerge from bankruptcy as a public benefit company (PBC) owned by a trust or similar entity designed for the benefit of the American public, to function entirely in the public interest.

Indeed, not only will the PBC endeavor to deliver legitimate prescription drugs in a manner as safe as possible, but it will aim to donate, or provide steep discounts for, life-saving overdose rescue drugs and medically assisted treatment medications to communities, and the proceeds of the trust will be directed toward State and local opioid abatement

Based on the value that would be conferred to State and local governments through the PBC, the department is willing to credit up to \$1.775 billion against the agreed \$2 billion forfeiture amount. The department looks forward to working with the creditor groups in the bankruptcy in charting the path forward for this PBC so that its public health goals can be best accomplished.

The criminal pleas As part of the plea, Purdue will admit that from May 2007 through at least March 2017, Purdue conspired to defraud the United States by impeding the lawful function of the DEA by representing to the DEA that Purdue maintained an effective anti-diversion program when, in fact, Purdue continued to market its opioid products to more than 100 health care providers whom the company had good reason to believe were diverting opioids and by reporting misleading information to the DEA to boost

Purdue's manufacturing quotas. The misleading information comprised prescription data that included prescriptions written by doctors that Purdue had good reason to believe were engaged in diversion. The conspiracy also involved aiding and abetting violations of the Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act by facilitating the dispensing of its opioid products, including OxyContin, without a legitimate medical purpose, and thus without lawful prescriptions.

In addition, Purdue will admit to conspiring to violate the Federal Anti-Kickback Statute. Between June 2009 and March 2017, Purdue made payments to two doctors through Purdue's doctor speaker program to induce those doctors to write more prescriptions of Purdue's opioid products.

Similarly, from approximately April 2016 through December 2016, Purdue made payments to Practice Fusion Inc., an electronic health records company, in exchange for referring, recommending, and arranging for the ordering of Purdue's extended release opioid products - OxyContin, Butrans and Hysingla.

#### The civil settlements

The department's civil settlements resolve the United States' claims as to both Purdue and its individual shareholders, members of the Sackler family.

The civil settlement with Purdue provides the United States with an allowed, unsubordinated, general unsecured bankruptcy claim for recovery of \$2.8 billion. This settlement resolves allegations that from 2010 to 2018, Purdue caused false claims to be submitted to federal health care programs, specifically Medicare, Medicaid, TRICARE, the Federal Employees Health Benefits Program, and the Indian Health Service.

The government alleged that Purdue promoted its opioid drugs to health care providers it knew were prescribing opioids for uses that were unsafe, ineffective and medically unnecessary, and that often led to abuse and diversion.

For example, Purdue learned that one doctor was known by patients as "the Candyman" and was prescribing "crazy dosing of OxyContin," yet Purdue had sales representatives meet with the doctor more than 300 times. It also resolves the government's allegations that Purdue engaged in three different kickback schemes to induce prescriptions of its opioids.

First, Purdue paid certain doctors ostensibly to provide educational talks to other health care professionals and serve as consultants, but in reality to induce them to prescribe more OxyContin. Second, Purdue paid kickbacks to Practice Fusion, as described above. Third, Purdue entered into contracts with certain specialty pharmacies to fill prescriptions for Purdue's opioid drugs that other pharmacies had rejected as potentially lacking medical necessity.

Under a separate civil settlement, individual members of the Sackler family will pay the United States \$225 million arising from the alleged conduct of Dr. Richard Sackler, David Sackler, Mortimer D.A. Sackler, Dr. Kathe Sackler, and Jonathan Sackler.

This settlement resolves

allegations that, in 2012, the Named Sacklers knew that the legitimate market for Purdue's opioids had contracted. Nevertheless, they requested that Purdue executives recapture lost sales and increase Purdue's share of the opioid market.

The Named Sacklers then approved a new marketing program beginning in 2013 called "Evolve to Excellence," through which Purdue sales representatives intensified their marketing of OxyContin to extreme, high-volume prescribers who were already writing "25 times as many OxyContin scripts" as their peers, causing health care providers to prescribe opioids for uses that were unsafe, ineffective and medically unnecessary, and that often led to abuse and

The civil settlement also resolves the government's allegations that from approximately 2008 to 2018, at the Named Sacklers' request, Purdue transferred assets into Sackler family holding companies and trusts that were made to hinder future creditors, and/or were otherwise voidable as fraudulent transfers.

This resolution does not resolve claims that states may have against Purdue or members of the Sackler family, nor does it impede the debtors' ability to recover any fraudulent transfers.

Today's announcement was made by Deputy Attorney General Jeffrey A. Rosen; Acting Assistant Attorney General of the Civil Division Jeffrey Clark; U.S. Attorney for the District of

Vermont Christina Nolan; and First Assistant U.S. Attorney for the District of New Jersey Rachael Honig.

The criminal investigation was conducted by the U.S. Attorney's Offices for the Districts of New Jersey and Vermont, the Consumer Protection Branch of the Department of Justice's Civil Division, and the FBI's Washington, D.C. and Newark Field Offices, with assistance by the DEA and the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Northern District of Ohio.

The civil settlements were handled by the Fraud Section of the Commercial Litigation Branch of the Department of Justice's Civil Division, and the U.S. Attorney's Offices for the Districts of New Jersey and Vermont, with assistance from the Department of Health and Human Services, Office of General Counsel and Office of Counsel to the Inspector General; the Defense Health Agency; and the Office of Personnel Management.

The Purdue bankruptcy matter is being handled by the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Southern District of New York and the Civil Division's Commercial Litigation Branch, Corporate/ Finance Section.

Except to the extent of Purdue's admissions as part of its criminal resolution, the claims resolved by the civil settlements are allegations only. There has been no determination of liability in the civil matters.

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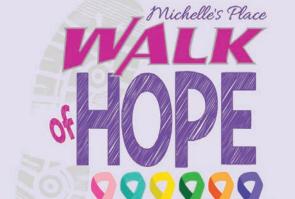
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Pu'éska Mountain in Temecula is seen from the Magical Adventure hot air balloon, poking through early morning fog.

Valley News/Shane Gibson photos

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The pilot, Phil Brandt, has been flying for 30 years and would be leading the flight that morning. The balloon was called the Red Dawn Raider and had a large pirate skull across its sides.

Guests watched as the balloon began to be fueled with fire, heating up the inside and causing it to slowly rise off the tarp. Just as it rose, the basket, which had been on its side attached to the balloon, now stood upright.

Once guests had made their way into the basket, the balloon made its ascent.

It doesn't quite feel like moving – in fact, some didn't realize the basket had even left the ground.

After rising above the clouds, a faint outline of a circular rainbow could be seen around the outlined shadow of the balloon.

"The reason you see the bottom part of the rainbow, which you normally wouldn't see if you're standing on the ground... this, because you're suspended in the air, the rainbows a full circle, and it's centered where you're standing in the basket," Brandt said.

The more heat that's added, the more the balloon will rise – less heat, the balloon will descend.

As the balloon made its way across Temecula Valley Wine Country, the balloon was constantly being fueled. There are four different burners, and Brandt alternated between them to draw the fuel out.

Barrett's first balloon flights were in Napa, but when he decided he wanted to do it full time, he started in Temecula.

"From my 33 years of flying experience, I can tell you Temecula is one of the best places to experience a hot air balloon ride," Barrett said.

At the Temecula location, balloons fly in the mornings, while they fly in the afternoons at Del Mar. Their Palm Desert location is seasonal, flying from October through April in both mornings and evenings.

While weather is a factor, they manage to get around 300 flyable days a year, according to Barrett.

The flight landed on a patch of land by one of the nearby winery owner's houses. Before guests were given drinks and refreshments, Brandt quoted them the balloonist prayer.

"The winds have welcomed you with softness; the sun has blessed you with his warm hands. You have flown so high and so well that God has joined you in laughter and set you gently back into the loving arms of mother earth."

For more information on Magical Adventure Balloon Rides and their flights, visit <a href="https://www.hotairfun.com/">https://www.hotairfun.com/</a>.

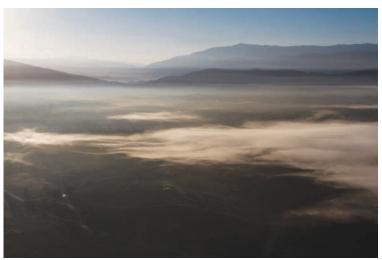
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Hot air balloons rise over Temecula Valley Wine Country, carrying guests to experience unique views of the valley, Wednesday, Oct. 21.



The Magical Adventure balloon rises into the sky, joining other hot air balloons floating above wine country in Temecula.



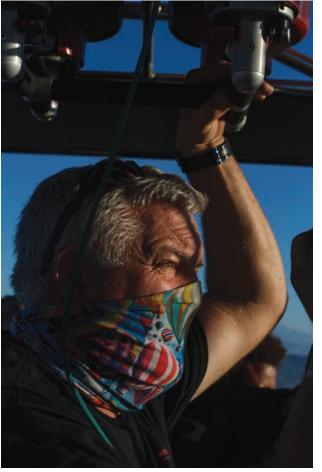
Early morning fog is seen stretching across Valley News/Shane Gibson photos Temecula Valley Wine Country as the Magical Adventure hot air balloon floats above.



Hot air balloons float above Temecula's wine country during an early morning flight with ideal weather conditions for ballooning.



The Magical Adventure balloon pilot fills the balloon with hot air while floating peacefully above Temecula's wine country.



The Magical Adventure pilot, Phil Brandt, offers guests a tour of unique views of the Temecula Valley during a morning hot air balloon ride.



The roundabout at the intersection of Anza and Rancho California roads in Temecula Valley Wine Country is seen from the Magical Adventure hot air balloon.

## NATIONAL

## Investigation prompts schools to report \$6.5 billion in undisclosed foreign gifts and contracts

Ivan Pentchoukov

The Epoch Times

NEW YORK - American Universities failed to report \$6.5 billion in foreign gifts and contracts, an investigation by the Department of Education found.

Federal law requires schools to disclose substantial foreign gifts and contracts to the Department of Education twice a year. Many have for years failed to do so, while others severely underreported the income. The deluge of the financial disclosures poured in as the department opened investigations into 12 elite universities.

Universities reported receiving a total of more than \$19.6 billion in foreign gifts and contracts from 2014 to 2020, including nearly \$1.5 billion from China, almost \$3.1 billion from Qatar, and more than \$1.1 billion from Saudi Arabia, according to historical DOE data and most recent figures posted on its new online reporting

Carnegie Mellon University reported receiving almost \$1.61 billion in foreign gifts and contracts, the most of any university. Harvard tops the list in terms of total funds received from China, reporting nearly \$116

Education Secretary Betsy DeVos unveiled the findings of the investigation at an event on Oct. 20, alongside officials from the Justice Department and the State Department.

"The threat is real, so we took action to make sure the public is afforded the transparency the law requires," DeVos said. "We found pervasive noncompliance by higher-ed institutions and significant foreign entanglement with America's colleges and universities."

The vast majority of the foreign funds went to America's largest and most prestigious universities, which have received billions of dollars through a bevy of intermediaries, according to a report released by the DOE on Oct. 20 All of the institutions involved are in the meantime dependent on tens of billions of U.S. taxpayer subsidies while operating largely "divorced from any sense of obligation to our taxpayers or concern for our American national interests, security, or values," the DOE report states.

For the first half of 2020 alone, U.S. universities retroactively reported \$2 billion in foreign gifts and contracts. One school, which isn't identified in the report, failed to report \$760 million in foreign funding. University officials told the DOE they were "dumbfounded" by the reporting error. Another unnamed school failed to report \$1.2 billion in foreign gifts and contracts.

Universities have long been on notice that a substantial amount of foreign money is coming from sources hostile to the United States seeking "to project soft power, steal sensitive and proprietary research, and spread propaganda,"

the report stated. Section 117 of the Higher Education Act mandates the reporting of foreign gifts or contracts exceeding \$250,000 by universities. The act empowers the DOE to refer compliance failures to the Department of Justice, which can then carry out an enforcement action to obtain the records and recover the cost of compliance.

"Institutions manage to track every cent owed and paid by their students; there is no doubt they can - and indeed do - track funds coming from foreign sources, including those adversarial to American interests," the report stated. "Nevertheless, our investigations confirm a Senate subcommittee's finding that Section 117 reporting is systemically underinclusive and inaccurate."

The department called the failures to report foreign funding "extremely troubling." Yale University failed to report any foreign gifts and contracts for four years, and Case Western Reserve University for 12 years, "precisely when both were rapidly expanding their foreign operations and relationships – including with China and Iran." Yale failed to report \$375 million in foreign gifts and contracts, according to the report.

In addition to underreporting, some universities have been anonymizing gifts from foreign sources, including more than \$1.14 billion in unidentified gifts from China, Saudi Arabia, Qatar, and Russia since 2012.

"American higher education is a critical human and technological strategic resource," the report stated. "The intellectual dynamism created by our nation's historic commitment to academic freedom, free inquiry, and free speech on campus has substantially contributed to America's economic and national security."

"Accordingly, for decades, foreign state and non-state actors have devoted significant resources to influence or control teaching and research, to the theft of intellectual property or even espionage, and to the use of American campuses as centers for propaganda operations and other projections of soft

The vast majority of the foreign gifts and contracts flow to a select group of the biggest and most influential schools, which either severely underreport or fail entirely to disclose the funds. Universities have self-reported \$6.6 billion in funds from Qatar, China, Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates, and the DOE estimates the true total to be far greater, based on congressional and executive branch probes. A 2019 Senate investigation found the industry's foreign funding sources to be a "black hole."

The report stresses that foreign funding disclosures are crucial since hostile governments are actively targeting the U.S. higher education sector to pilfer intellectual property and research, influence curricula, and recruit talent. The report cited several recent indictments to illustrate the problem, including charges brought against the chair of Harvard University's chemistry department and a visiting Stanford University researcher who lied about her active status with the military forces of the Chinese Communist Party.

Stanford has reported \$64 million in unidentified, anonymous gifts from and contracts with China since May 2010. Notably, the university stopped reporting detailed information on foreign gifts and contracts two months before it opened the Stanford Center at Peking University in China. The department's notice of investigation (pdf) suggested that the university's ties to the CCP are illustrated by a banner on the center's website, which shows Stanford students standing before a monument of railroad tracks that helped Chinese troops enter North Korea to attack United Nations

forces defending South Korea. "As you know, Communist Chinese troops attacked United Nations forces defending non-Communist South Korea from unprovoked North Korean aggression. North Korea was then, and remains today, a brutal communist totalitarian dictatorship," the letter, signed by principal deputy general counsel Reed Rubinstein, states. "According to the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, 54,246 U.S. service members gave their lives to defend South Korean [sic] from the North Koreans and the Communist Chinese between 1950-53,3 making this a particularly bizarre (and extremely indecorous) image for Stanford to highlight."

The DOE report arrives at a time when the administration of President Donald Trump is taking an aggressive stance against the influence of the CCP in the United States. The Department of Justice's China Initiative is conducting thousands of investigations across every state. Some of the initiative's prominent cases have involved the CCP's influence operations on U.S. campuses. The DOJ has brought 20 cases concerning "economic espionage, trade secret theft, and research control since 2018," according to the report.

In November 2019, the DOE informed Congress that its investigations determined that six schools have failed to report \$1.3 billion in foreign funds, including one university that was "was pressured by a foreign government

to hide its donations," another that "held an agreement with a foreign government to promulgate foreign propaganda," and others that "held direct agreements with the Chinese Communist Party."

A major prong of the CCP's influence campaign at U.S. universities is the Confucius Institute, which has been flagged as a political instrument of the CCP by the U.S. Senate Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations. The committee found that the CCP has invested \$158 million in Confucius Institutes on campuses at U.S. universities. Despite the many red flags raised about these institutes, nearly 70 percent of the schools failed to report the related gifts and contracts with the CCP, the committee found.

The committee found that the DOE previously failed to conduct regular oversight of compliance with required foreign gift reporting by universities and failed to update U.S. school reporting requirements. The DOE's ongoing investigations and report address the committee's findings.

The department created an online reporting portal that schools were mandated to use beginning July 31. The portal resulted in a "significant increase in compliance with reporting obligations," according to the DOE.

The DOE is still reviewing document productions from Harvard, Yale, University of Texas, and Case Western, so the report doesn't include a full accounting of foreign funding to these schools. The department hasn't yet received document productions from Stanford and Fordham.

It isn't illegal for universities to accept foreign gifts and contracts, but the schools are required to report the transactions.

The CCP

The DOE drew particular attention to funding from the CCP and Chinese corporations, including CCP-tied telecommunications giant Huawei. Nearly every institution under investigation received funds from Huawei, which has been flagged by U.S. authorities as a national security risk. The company received \$75 billion in government grants, suggesting that the CCP can wield it as a tool of influence.

U.S. universities received more than \$19.5 million in gifts and contracts from Huawei and affiliated entities, according to the report. Cornell University took in more than \$6 million from the Chinese firm, according to data from the Foreign Gifts and Contracts Report. An unnamed school has held \$11 million in contracts and agreements with Huawei since 2013, including donations for specific research projects, according to the report. Huawei's gifts and contracts strategically target sensitive topics and competitive industries, including nuclear science, robotics, semiconductors, and online cloud

Some schools accepted money directly from the CCP. One school has been under contract with the CCP's Central Committee since 2006. Another school has an ongoing academic exchange program with the Party School of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China, which trains officials who are joining or are already within the ranks of the CCP. A third school entered into an agreement with the State Administration for Religious Affairs of the People's Republic of China, which tightly regulates religious expression.

Meanwhile, Chinese conglomerate HNA Corporation offered \$15 million in "talent" scholarships to an unnamed U.S. university, likely Cornell. While the HNA program isn't the same as the CCP's Thousand Talents Plan, it was created for a similar purpose. HNA was founded by a Chinese Communist Party official. In 2018, the firm's chairman, Chen Feng, said HNA would "consciously safeguard the Communist Party's central authority with General Secretary Xi Jinping as the core" and "unswervingly follow the party." The name of the school that works with HNA is blacked out from the report, but the DOE gifts and contracts report shows Cornell accepting \$2.5 million via two gifts from "HNA Group" in 2016 and 2017.

The report also outlines soft power operations via funding for universities originating in Russia, Saudi Arabia, and Qatar.



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## **OBITUARIES**



Jeannette Vermette Shields, 84, passed away Oct. 17, 2020, in Oceanside, California. She was born Aug. 22, 1936, in the farming community of St. Jean Baptiste, Manitoba, Canada.

In 1958, Jeannette graduated as an X-ray technician from Misericordia Hospital in Winnipeg, Manitoba, but decided she was destined for fair weather and, by1965, she relocated to Los Angeles, to oversee an X-ray department at City View Hospital.

In 1972, Jeannette and Elden Shields were married in Las Vegas, Nevada, surrounded by family and friends. They eventually chose to work and live in the smaller community of Fallbrook where they ran a successful doctor's office and then real estate venture through Sunshine Properties.

Jeannette and Elden loved to travel and to entertain and always made guests feel welcome.

Jeannette was preceded in death by her husband Elden Shields; her parents, Leo Joseph and Alma Louise Vermette; brother Denis, sister and brother-in-law Theresa (Jules) Menard, brother-in-law Walter Linkiewicz and nephews Normand and Guy.

She is survived by her sisters, Yvonne Linkeiwicz, Winnipeg; Lorraine (Leo) Letourneau,

Winnipeg; children Barbara (Ray) Johnson, West Bountiful, Utah; Marilyn (Terry) Webber, La Crescenta, California; Dale, Laguna Hills, California; numerous nieces and nephews; 12 grandchildren and 32 great-

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Jeannette was laid to rest with her eternal companion Oct. 24, 2020, in Fallbrook. Condolences are welcome through Berry Bell & Hall Funeral Home, www.berrybellandhall.com.



Rigoberto Guillen Vasquez, 73, was born June 18, 1947, and passed away Oct. 17, 2020. He was born in Zacatecas, Mexico, and arrived in the United States as a teenager with his family.

Rigoberto loved his job as a truck driver and the many sights he was able to see along the way. He enjoyed the years he was able to spend and grow up with his three sisters and five brothers. He took delight in the little things like

listening to his oldies, watching

the flowers bloom, drinking a cup

of coffee in the morning sun, and

watching his baseball games. He is survived by his wife Martha; three daughters, Cristina, Cynthia and Patricia; grandson Jordan, and his seven remaining siblings. Rigoberto's family is deeply saddened by his departure but take comfort in the fact that he is being reunited with his son,

Rigoberto's funeral will be

Rigoberto Vasquez Jr.

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## Winners of 2020 Scarecrow Contest named

FALLBROOK - Fallbrook's visiting witch came back this year after a run in with a light pole from last year. She came in from a different direction in order to avoid the pole but to no avail! She can be seen with her witch friends, along with many other scarecrows, on the streets of Fallbrook, at businesses and at residences.

Judging has been done and the winners have been selected - one winner from each of the nine

The coronavirus pandemic did not deter the ScareCREW volunteers from accomplishing their goal to stimulate business and promote tourism to make Fallbrook a special destination. In switching from in person workshops to virtual Zoom meetings, the best way to execute Fallbrook Scarecrow Days was determined.

Updating old and building new scarecrows was done at home. Instructions and information for those building scarecrows was provided on the Fallbrook Chamber Of Commerce website.

New this year is the Scarecrow Fall Fun Kids Zone. It is accessible on the chamber's website under Events/Scarecrow Days/ Kids Corner at www. fallbrookchamberofcommerce. org. A fall-themed or scarecrow activity, craft and kid-appropriate recipe has been posted every two weeks through Oct. 31.

The highlights are the 'write a letter to Mr. and Mrs. Scarecrow' and in return will receive a letter back including a surprise. The letters were to be dropped in the scarecrow mail box at the chamber office or mailed to their address.

The coloring contest for ages 3-6 and 6-12 will have a winner in each division with a prize and picture in paper. Details and printouts are on the chamber's website. Winners will be announced Nov. 1.

The ScareCREW appreciates all the support of the businesses, residents, nonprofit groups, Bonsall and Fallbrook chambers of commerce who joined in on Fallbrook Scarecrow Days.

It is a venture of a fantastic group of people who work together to benefit the business community and the enjoyment of all. Hopefully the goal was met.

All the scarecrows are awesome; Fallbrook made it happen!

Submitted by BJ Maus of the



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The Reduce, Recycle, Reuse winner is Angel – Vets Art Project; 300 E. Alvarado St.



The Iconic winner is Beethoven – The Music Society – Spoiled Avocado: 116 N. Main Ave.



The Kids winner is Curious George at the Farm – residence; 1115 Rancho Ryan



see more photos on page **C-10** 



The Traditional Scarecrow winner is Mrs. Gardener – residence; 1722 Alturas



The Promoting Business winner is Hair Hustler – Hanna Salon; 5256 JS, Mission Road, Bonsall

## HOME & GARDEN AND REAL ESTATE

## Input needed for Food Vision 2030

SAN DIEGO – The San Diego Food System Alliance invites all San Diego County residents to provide input as they develop the final set of strategies for Food Vision 2030. After a robust community engagement process earlier this summer, SDFSA has developed a short survey for residents to select strategies that are most important to them and their communities.

Food Vision 2030 is a bold, 10year plan and movement to cultivate a healthier, more sustainable, and more just food system in San Diego County. Responses will be used to create a first-of-its-kind roadmap one that will uplift food workers, allow more equitable access to nutritious food and easily withstand future catastrophic events like the coronavirus pandemic.

The survey is open now through Thanksgiving Day (Thursday, Nov. 26, 2020) at engage.sdfsa.org.

Led by the San Diego Food System Alliance and a diverse steering committee, Food Vision 2030 will culminate in a dynamic report and interactive website that includes research and findings; community stories; consumer education; and priority goals, objectives and strategies for the region. The goal of Food Vision 2030 is to inform planning, policy, program, and investment opportunities that will transform San Diego County's food system over the next 10 years.

#### The time to reimagine the local food system is now

"This year's pandemic, climate disasters, and events highlighting deeply entrenched racial injustices reinforce that transforming many of our systems is more important than ever," said Elly Brown, executive director of SDFSA. "The food system, in particular, can be a powerful lever for elevating social, environmental and economic equity for all. Changing the way we grow food, move food, share food, and think about food ultimately changes the way we treat the planet and each other."

Key statistics that underscore the importance of creating a more resilient food system:

- Globally, the food system is an enormous driver of climate change, contributing anywhere from 21-50 percent of global greenhouse gas emissions.
- According to the San Diego Hunger Coalition, over 212,000 people in San Diego County perform essential work in the food system, yet they earn an average of just \$28,00 per year—the lowest annual wages across all sectors.
- According to the County of San Diego Department of Agriculture, Weights and Measures, land in agriculture in San Diego County has decreased by over 24% in the last decade.
- According to the San Diego Hunger Coalition, before the pandemic, one in seven people in San Diego County were already experiencing food insecurity. Food insecurity rates have exponentially increased since the pandemic.
- Since March 2020, 50,000 jobs have been lost across San Diego County's food & beverage industry.



Farmers tend to strawberries at Solidarity Farm, a cooperative family farm in Pauma Valley stewarding land owned by the Pauma Band of Luiseño Indians.

Village News/San Diego Food System Alliance photo

#### Building a plan and movement

To develop Food Vision 2030, the Alliance has created an inclusive process that engages the full community, including people who produce, prepare, distribute, serve and eat food. "We need to build a shared vision," says Sona Desai, associate director of the San Diego Food System Alliance. "One that includes the voices of all community members, particularly those most affected by current inequities in the food system."

Earlier this summer, SDFSA invited San Diego County residents to share their needs and aspirations related to food in their communities. Over 2,200 individuals participated, far exceeding the Alliance's goal of 1,200 responses. 55% of the respondents were food workers or residents of marginalized communities.

Based on this initial input, the Alliance developed a set of key strategies for cultivating a healthier, more sustainable and more just food system, and is now aiming for 2,000 additional responses from San Diegans sharing which strategies are most important to them.

"A just food system depends on the active participation of all people," says Brown. "We're relying on our community to help shape this vision for a food system that belongs to all of us."

The Alliance encourages the public to take five minutes to share their input now at engage. sdfsa.org. This is open to all and available in multiple languages.

For more information about Food Vision 2030, visit <a href="https://">https://</a> www.sdfsa.org/vision.

Submitted by San Diego Food System Alliance

## NFPA urges caution when decorating for Halloween

As families find creative ways to celebrate Halloween in response to COVID-19, the National Fire Protection Association urges everyone to keep fire safety in mind, particularly when decorating

with candles and electrical lighting.

"Because typical Halloween activities like trick-or-treating may be curtailed or even canceled in some communities, we suspect an even bigger focus on Halloween decorating in and around homes this year," said Lorraine Carli, NFPA's vice president of Outreach and Advocacy. "We urge everyone to carefully consider fire safety to ensure that celebrations remain

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are among the leading causes of U.S. home fires. NFPA's latest U.S Home Candles Fire Report shows that an annual average of 7,610

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home fires are started by candles, resulting in 81 deaths, 677 injuries and \$278 million in direct property damage. In addition, an average of 770 home fires started when decorations ignited. These fires caused an average of two civilian deaths, 20 civilian injuries, and \$11.1 million in direct property damage per year.

NFPA offers these reminders to make sure everyone's Halloween celebrations don't go from "boo" to "boo-hoo":

Use a battery-operated candle

or glow stick in jack-o-lanterns. Dried flowers, cornstalks, and crepe paper catch fire easily. Keep all decorations away from open flames and other heat sources like

light bulbs and heaters. When using electrical lighting to decorate your home, make sure it is used in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. Some lights are only for indoor or outdoor use, but not both.

Use clips, not nails, to hang lights so the cords do not get

damaged. Remember to keep exits clear of decorations so nothing blocks escape routes. Make sure all smoke alarms are working.

For families still planning to attend Halloween parties or go trick-or-treating:

When choosing costumes, stay away from long trailing fabric that could come in contact with open

flames or other heat sources. Teach children to stay away from open flames, including jack-

o-lanterns with candles in them. Provide children with flashlights to carry for lighting or glow sticks

as part of their costumes. Visit the NFPA Halloween safety page for more resources on

how to stay safe. Frightfully fun activities for kids can be found at http://www.sparky.org/.

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3847 Alta Vista,







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## TAC recommends lowering McDonald Road speed limit to 40 mph

Village News Reporter

The county's Traffic Advisory Committee recommended lowering the speed limit on McDonald Road from 45 mph

A unanimous TAC vote Oct. 23 recommended that the San Diego County Board of Supervisors lower the speed limit on McDonald Road between Fallbrook Street and Pepper Tree Lane while retaining radar certification for that 1.0-mile segment. The county supervisors are expected to consider the speed limit reduction Feb. 10.

In order for a speed limit to be enforceable by radar, a speed survey must show that the speed limit is within an adjacent 5 mph increment to the 85th percentile speed. Periodic recertification, including a supporting speed survey, is required for continued radar enforcement and the county's Department of Public

Works or a contractor typically conducts speed surveys every seven years.

The speed limit may be rounded either up or down from the 85th percentile speed. The speed limit may also be rounded down an additional 5 mph if findings are made that the road has conditions which would not be apparent to a motorist unfamiliar with the road.

The speed limit on McDonald Road had been 40 mph before 2006. The 2005 speed survey had an 85th percentile of 47.6 mph with 67% of drivers within a 39-48 mph pace; the community input was for a higher speed limit with radar enforcement, so the TAC recommended the 45 mph speed limit, and the Board of Supervisors raised the speed limit

The 45 mph speed limit was retained in 2013 when a speed survey of 273 drivers 200 feet south of Gerald Way found an 85th percentile of 44.0 mph but with only 46.9% of drivers within the 10 mph pace of 34-43 mph.

McDonald Road is a twolane roadway with centerline striping which prohibits passing. "It changes grade throughout," said DPW engineering technician

Although the road continues south of Pepper Tree Lane, the striping for prevailing traffic is for southbound vehicles to turn left onto Pepper Tree. A 15 mph advisory sign precedes that curve.

The road is 24 feet in width. It is not classified on the mobility element of the county's general

The lack of a mobility element classification was a factor in the TAC support for rounding down to 40 mph rather than rounding up and retaining the 45 mph speed limit. "This is a local roadway," said county traffic engineer Zoubir Ouadah. "It makes a lot of sense to lower it to 40."

A traffic survey was taken south of Gerald Way Oct. 6, 2020. The

two-way volume of 2,299 vehicles consisted of 1,175 northbound and 1,124 southbound motorists. The heaviest hourly volumes were 216 drivers between 4 p.m. and 5 p.m., 207 motorists from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m., and 191 vehicles between noon and 1 p.m. The morning hour with the highest volume was 7 a.m. to 8 a.m. when 164 vehicles crossed the survey point.

The previous traffic surveys for McDonald Road were taken at Fallbrook Street. The two-way average daily volume was 2,280 vehicles in October 2012 and 1,830 drivers in 2007.

A speed survey was conducted 200 feet south of Gerald Way Sept. 28 between 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. The 127 vehicles had an 85th percentile speed of 43.4 mph with 73 drivers, or 57.0%, within a 10 mph pace of 34-43 mph.

The fastest drivers were one at 57 mph and one at 55 mph. The slowest motorists were one driving at 25 mph and one traveling at 26 mph. The most

frequent speed was 43 mph with 11 drivers while 10 vehicles apiece were clocked at 33 mph and 36 mph and nine motorists apiece crossed the survey point at 39 mph and 41 mph. The average speed was 38.5 mph and the 50th percentile was 38.1 mph.

During the 36-month period from June 1, 2017, to May 31, 2020, two collisions were reported along McDonald Road. That created a collision rate of 0.80 per million vehicle miles. The statewide average for similar suburban conventional roads two lanes or less with speeds under 55 mph is 1.32 collisions per million vehicle miles.

The collision at 7 a.m. May 8, 2019, was between Palomino Road and Pepper Tree Lane and was caused by improper turning. Unsafe speed caused a May 4, 2020, collision at the intersection of Gerald Way which occurred at 2:08 p.m. and resulted in one

## Children beware: 82% of parents admit they steal Halloween candy from their children's haul

While 2020 has been a scary year, October's spooky season is in full effect. According to Rebecca Gramuglia, a consumer expert at TopCashback.com, 64% of Americans still plan to celebrate Halloween this year with 62% celebrating from home.

The survey "Trick-or-Treat... Steal My Treats?" polled a cross section of 1,637 adults, aged 18 and over.

Do you steal candy from your child's Halloween haul?

Parents answered yes (82%) or no (18%).

On average how much of your child's candy haul do you keep

Parents answered 10% (57%), 25% (29%), 50% (8%), 75% (5%) and 100% (1%).

#### Favorite Halloween candy?

Here are the top four responses: Reese's at 44%, Kit Kats at 20%, Milky Way at 9% and Three Musketeers at 6%.

#### Lamest Halloween treat?

Here are the top four responses: No such thing as a lame treat with 46%; Pencil, erasers and pencil toppers with 21%; Anything that's not candy with 13% and Spooky accessories such as vampire teeth, spider rings, etc., with 13%.

Next, they were asked about getting in the spooky spirit.

Will you be decorating your home for Halloween this year? Parents answered yes 79% or

#### If decorating, will your decorating style be more spooky or fall-themed?

They answered: Both spooky and fall-themed at 50%, spooky at 26% or fall-themed at 24%.

Between stocking up on candy, buying costumes and ensuring they have the spookiest house on the block, Halloween can get expensive for parents. Yet the survey found that compared to 2019, respondents will spend the same amount (48%) or less (42%) this Halloween.

#### How much do you spend on **Halloween decorations?**

Here are the top four responses: \$26 to \$50 (26%); \$51 to \$100 (26%); Less than \$25 (23%) or \$101 to \$200 (16%).

#### Where do you buy the majority of your Halloween decorations?

Here are the top four responses: Walmart (29%), Dollar Stores (26\$), Target (19%) and Amazon

#### What will you spend the most money on during Halloween?

The top four responses showed sweets for trick-or-treating at 36%, decorations at 25%, costumes at 17% and fall activities such as apple picking, pumpkin picking,

With Halloween creeping around the corner, it's easy to spend a scary amount of money. But luckily, shoppers don't have to play trick-or-treat with their budget. Here are six tips from TopCashback.com to make the best of spooky season and save

#### Get crafty with decorations.

You don't have to break the bank to give your home a charmingly spooky atmosphere inside and out. A lot can be accomplished with basic Halloween decor from the dollar store, some spray paint and glue. With a little creativity, a set of plastic pumpkins can become a tower of spooky pumpkins right out of a home decor magazine.

#### DIY your costume.

Buying new costumes for your crew can cost hundreds of dollars. Not to mention, you'll likely only wear them once. To save money, raid your closet or the local thrift store for inexpensive, DIY costume pieces and material. If you can't DIY the costume, don't forget to look outside of the Halloween aisle. For example, if your child is set on being Cinderella, look in the dress-up section of the toy department. Chances are that the dress-up section is cheaper than a seasonal Halloween costume.

#### Stack the savings.

Score fang-tastic deals by bundling coupons, browsing sales and using credit card rewards when shopping for Halloween Plus, make the savings extrawicked by shopping through a cashback site like TopCashback. com to score a percentage of your purchase back in cashback on all qualifying purchases from stores

like SpiritHalloween, Walgreens, HalloweenCostumes.com, Dollar Tree and more.

#### Check the supermarket.

While the supermarket may not give off the ultimate fall vibe that a pumpkin patch does, you can still score pretty mums and pumpkins for less. If you are looking to buy new fall decorations, always compare prices no matter where you are shopping to ensure you're getting a great deal.

#### Buy in bulk.

Whether you're counting on stealing a few Kit Kats from your child's Halloween basket or want a sweet treat or two, candy is a Halloween-must regardless of how you're celebrating this year. Look for deals at your local grocery stores, wholesale clubs and drugstores to stock up on your favorite goodies. And make sure to buy candy that you like. Candy has a decent shelf life so you can keep your favorite treats in stock for a while. Otherwise, if there's a lot leftover once expired, you may end up throwing it out and wasting money.

#### Shop for Halloween 2021 in November.

While it might feel odd to shop for next year's scary celebrations right after Halloween, doing so can save you a few hundred bucks. Retailers like Michaels, Kohl's and Home Depot make room for Christmas merchandise in November, so you'll find Halloween items marked down at more than half-off.

Submitted by TopCashback.com.





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## Remembering the wildlife on Red Mountain



**Wayne Yonce**Special to Village News

"You've got to come see what's happening!" was the urgent phone message from our nearest neighbor. My wife, Ann, and I rushed down our long driveway, past their house, and down the road to the gully where they stood pointing at something very few people have seen.

Two huge Western Diamondback rattlesnakes, at least 6 feet long, with heads as large as my hand, were passionately engaged in their mating ritual.

Their bodies were wrapped around each other, like the entwined serpents of the medical caduceus. Standing on rattling tails, they weaved about, fanged mouths finally touching. They threw themselves backward, landing apart in the brush, then quickly reuniting.

We have witnessed many acts of nature. After buying four acres of brush-covered Red Mountain hillside, we asked the Fallbrook representative of the U.S. Department of Agriculture what crop our land was best suited for. His answer, "Actually your land is best suited for what it is now, a wildlife preserve."

We disregarded his professional opinion and, after much bulldozer work, planted avocado trees and built a house. Over the years we would share our hillside with a variety of creatures.

We would see many snakes, but my worry was not for the snakes seen, but for those close by but unseen. I once went down the deck's stairs carrying a load for the trashcan. When I turned and started back I saw a rattlesnake lying the length of the step I'd just crossed. Fortunately, his belly was swollen with a rodent he'd recently swallowed. He lay lethargic, digesting his meal.

Our white, odd-eyed Turkish Angora littermates, Priscilla and Penelope, had grown from kittens to adult cats while the four of us lived in a twenty-foot trailer during the year spent building our house. The cats' beauty, their long white fluffy fur and expressive blue and gold eyes could have made them blue ribbon winners at cat shows, but our domesticated cats retained the instincts of their wild cousins.

They hunted together, killing and eating mice, rats, gophers, even ground squirrels. They stalked rabbits, but I doubt they ever caught one. The pair attacked a rattlesnake that fatally struck Penelope.

Our sadder but wiser Priscilla lived another 15 years as our indoor-outdoor pet.

Ann hung bird houses and feeders around our backyard deck. Multitudes of birds landed and fed, but we never had a bird book to identify the many colorful species that flew our way. Some took up residence, and laid eggs that became families.

We watched hawks circling, wings spread, riding updrafts, then folding their wings, diving, then rising from the brush, prey clutched in talons. We also watched hawks fighting for hunting territory. We watched one dive on another, feathers flying when talons struck the competitor.

Working in the grove, I walked within a few feet of a large owl perched in an avocado tree. The nocturnal bird was having his midday snooze. We eyeballed each other for several seconds before he rose, and with a sideward goodbye glance, flapped his wings and flew away.

Other times when walking the driveway Ann or I would be startled by the sound of a multitude of beating wings as a covey of dove or quail rose from nearby vegetation.

But we felt most privileged when watching a male quail protecting his family. Mama and daddy were



walking their little, black, dot-like, brood near a stone wall. When daddy bird thought we'd gotten too near, he flew to the top of that wall and in quail language loudly shouted, "Hey, look at me! I'm up here! Pay no attention to attention to my family!"

We watched roadrunners; they are a fun bird to watch. Their cocky attitude is not that different from the cartoon character outwitting Wile E. Coyote. It's easy for sympathies to be for the cartoon coyote.

A real life coyote captured our sympathies. If the leader of a pack is the alpha male this little guy was the omega. We were watching, from a window, a pack of five coyotes traveling the grove road beside our house.

The omega was following a short distance behind, wanting to be accepted by the pack, but one of the members would turn and nip him, letting the outcast know he was not welcome. When the enforcer ran to catch up with the pack the outcast would rise from his subservient position and resume his effort to be accepted.

I rooted for the underdog. I hope his life got better, that he established his own hunting territory, found a mate and lived happily ever after.

One evening Ann and I were walking our driveway at dusk. In the dim light, a fearsome mass of black and white fur approached us. When it got closer we saw that it was not one large animal. A mother skunk, her tail aloft, was keeping a steady forward pace as her four, nearly adult size, offspring ran hurried circles around her. We stepped aside, not wanting to arouse motherly protection. The bushy tailed family continued down the drive and disappeared into the brush.

There was a little (about the size of your thumb to the first knuckle) lime green frog that lived in our waterfall fountain. He would sit and let his little head be stroked. Naturally, we named him Kermit.

There were other frogs and toads, even horny toads. Actually a horny toad is a lizard, and we knew a variety of lizards.

When unloading a pickup truck load of trash at the dump, I noticed a long, black lizard that'd come along for the ride. I picked him up and set him atop the truck's cab, where he sat, his head up, taking in the scene.

When I had removed the trash, I placed him back in the truck's bed, drove home, and set him on the ground. He scurried away. I like to think he reunited with friends and family with the exclamation, "You won't believe where I've been, and what I've seen!"

We saw possums but didn't make pets of them. I'm sure a mother possum thinks her babies are cute, but they don't have the lovable faces of raccoons.

Ann did make pets of a raccoon family. She had the habit of throwing Priscilla's dry food leftovers into the flower bed when putting fresh food in the cat's bowl. This attracted a family of raccoons. She then began putting out fresh food just for the raccoons.

I managed to convince her that was not a good idea, we were changing their lifestyle. But, the raccoons were not convinced that free food was a bad thing. They'd adjusted to the welfare state.

A pottery crock, with handles of wire and wood, sat near the back door. The alpha male learned to pick up a handle, then let it fall, causing a bell-like ringing sound. He'd repeat this until we'd opened the door, and there were all those cute little masked faces asking, "Where's our dinner?"

A favorite memory did not directly involve any wild animals. An owl may have hooted, or perhaps a coyote yipped and

howled, serenading the full moon. Arriving home, after a night shift at the San Onofre Nuclear Generating Plant, I too was emotionally affected by that, directly overhead, 2 a.m. full

Low-lying white clouds filled the lowest elevation of the Santa Margarita Valley. Bright moonlight highlights and contrasting shadows accentuating the smallest details. The vegetated hills and highlands appeared as the shoreline of a lake with a scattering of small islands.

I stood alone in the driveway

shown down upon those clouds,

absorbing the beauty of that once in a lifetime scene. Then unexpectedly the silence and solitude were broken by three softly spoken words, "Beautiful, isn't it?"

I turned to see my wife standing at the railing of our upper level deck, her blond hair and white nightgown gloriously aglow in the moonlight.

I ran up the steps, wrapped my arms around my favorite animal, and answered, "And so are you, Bertha Anna." . . . We'll have this moment forever, But never, never again." (Lyrics from the 1948 song "Again.")

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Oct. 12	
S. Mission Rd @ Ammunition Rd	Arrest: Possession of controlled substance
Oct. 14	
900 block Buena Capri	Violation of court order
40100 block De Luz Rd	Stolen vehicle
29900 block Disney Ln	Petty theft
2100 block Calle Caralene	Vandalism
Oct. 15	
3600 block Palomar Dr	Commercial burglary
800 block Magarian Rd	Violation of court order
1100 block Alturas Rd	Battery
900 block Alturas Rd	Recovered stolen vehicle
3000 block Jicarilla Dr	Petty theft
3400 block S. Old Highway 395	Arrest: Possession of controlled substance controlled substance paraphernalia
Oct. 16	
Rainbow Crest Rd @ Rainbow Heights Rd	Vandalism
400 block S. Ridge Dr	Battery
1600 block S. Mission Rd	Arrest: Possession of controlled substance under the influence of controlled substance vandalism
35100 block Horse Ranch Creek Rd	Arrest: Possession of controlled substance paraphernalia
6000 block Rainbow Heights Rd	Death
Oct. 17	
31900 block Del Cielo Este	Vehicle theft
2700 block Los Alisos Dr	Vehicle theft
2100 block Calle Corredor	Death
4700 block Via Serra	Petty theft
1400 block S. Mission Rd	Arrest: Robbery
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Oct. 18		
1400 block S. Mission Rd	Domestic abuse with minor injury	
300 block Spanish Spur Arrest:	Possession of controlled substance	
1000 block S. Main Ave Arrest:	Commercial burglary	
100 block E. Dougherty St	Arrest: Obstructing an officer with minor injury	
200 block Bottlebrush Wy	Arrest: Commercial burglary, residential burglary	
Oct. 19		
600 block Hillcrest Ln	Vandalism	
100 block Gardenside	Ct Fraud	
Oct. 20		
E. Mission Rd @ N. Main Ave	Arrest: Domestic abuse	
600 block E. Alvarado	St Petty theft	
Palomino Rd @ Farrand Rd	Driving without a license	
100 block W. College St Arrest:	Commercial burglary, petty theft	
Oct. 21		
900 block Alturas Rd	Arrest: Probation violation	
Almond St @ S. Hill Ave	Arrest: Possession of controlled substance	
Oct. 22		
5400 block Rainbow Heights Rd	Domestic abuse with minor injury, vandalism	
5500 block Mission Rd Arrest:	Possession of controlled substance, controlled substance paraphernalia	
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**Change of Name** 

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE

OF NAME

Case Number: 37-2020-00026734-CU-PT-CTL

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS

Petitioner:
NOREEN OLAGUER ON BEHALF OF

NADINE ANN OLAGUER ALICDAN

Present Name: NADINE ANN OLAGUER ALICDAN

Proposed Name

NADINE ANN CADELINA OLAGUER

ested 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 writ-

ten objection that includes the reasons for the

objection at least two court days before the mat-

ter 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

NOTICE OF HEARING

Date: 11/12/2020 Time: 8:30 am Dept: C-6

The address of the court is Superior Court, 330

West Broadway, San Diego, CA 92101

A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be

published at least once each week for four suc-

cessive weeks prior to the date set for hearing

on the petition in the following newspaper of

general circulation, printed in this county: Village

Other parent must be served. \*Due to the CO-

VID-19 pandemic, which poses a substantial risk to the health and welfare of court personnel

and the public, rendering presence in, or access

to, the court's facilities unsafe, and pursuant to

the emergency orders of the Chief Justice of the

State of California and General Orders of the

Presiding Department of the San Diego Supe-

NO HEARING WILL OCCUR ON THE DATE

SPECIFIED IN THE ORDER TO SHOW

The court will review the documents filed as of

the date specified on the Order to Show Cause

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-

120) will be granted without a hearing. One cer-

tified copy of the Order Granting the Petition will

If all requirements have not been met as of the

date specified, the court will mail the petitioner a

If a timely objection is filed, the court will set a

remote hearing date and contact the parties by

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Date: September 16, 2020 Signed: Daniel F.

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Link, Judge of the Superior Court.

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without a hearing.

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#### **LEGALS**

#### **Change of Name**

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

Case Number: 37-2020-00036881-CU-PT-NC TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS Petitioner: ASUCENA ARROYO Present Name

**ASUCENA ARROYO** Proposed Name:
GLADIOLA ASUCENA SOTO ARMENTA

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: 12/1/2020 Time: 8:30 am Dept: 23 The address of the court is North County Division, 325 S. 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

Other parent must be served. \*Due to the CO-VID-19 pandemic, which poses a substantial risk to the health and welfare of court personnel and the public, rendering presence in, or access to, the court's facilities unsafe, and pursuant to the emergency orders of the Chief Justice of the State of California and General Orders of the Presiding Department of the San Diego Supe-

rior court, the following Order is made:
NO HEARING WILL OCCUR ON THE DATE SPECIFIED IN THE ORDER TO SHOW

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

Any Petition for the name change of a minor that is signed by only one parent must have this Attachment served along with the Petition and Order to Show Cause, on the other non-signing parent, and proof of service must be filed with

Date: OCT 15, 2020 Signed: Sim von Kalinowski, Judge of the Superior Court. **LEGAL: 5328** 

PUBLISHED: October 29, November 5, 12, 19, 2020

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME Case Number: 37-2020-00037965-CU-PT-NC TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS

Petitioner: RUTH KAVANAUGH Present Name: **RUTH KAVANAUGH** Proposed Name: RUTH DELUCA KAVANAUGH

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Date: 21 OCT 2020 Signed: Sim von Kalinowski, Judge of the Superior Court. **LEGAL: 5329** 

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#### **Fictitious Business Name**

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File Number: 2020-9016417

#### NORTH COUNTY MYOFUNCTIONAL THERAPY

3130 Alta Verde Drive, Fallbrook, CA 92028 County: San Diego
This business is registered by the following: Natasha Marie Chumbley, 3130 Alta Verde

Drive Fallbrook CA 92028 This business is conducted by an Individual THIS STATEMENT WAS FILED WITH THE RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK OF SAN DI-

EGO COUNTY ON Oct 01, 2020 LEGAL: 5322 PUBLISHED: October 15, 22, 29, November 5, 2020

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File Number: 2020-9016714

Name of Business PACHECO RANCH COMPANY

729 Burma Road, Fallbrook, CA 92028

County: San Diego This business is registered by the following: Jaime Diane Pacheco, 729 Burma Road, Fallbrook, CA 92028

This business is conducted by an Individual Registrant first commenced to transact business under the above name as of 08/20/2020 THIS STATEMENT WAS FILED WITH THE RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK OF SAN DIEGO COUNTY ON Oct 08, 2020 LEGAL: 5323

PUBLISHED: October 22, 29, November 5, 12, 2020

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File Number: 2020-9017034 Name of Business

MURRIETA AUTO WORKZ LLC 219 W. Mission Rd, Fallbrook, CA 92028 County: San Diego

This business is registered by the following: Murrieta Auto Workz LLC, 219 W. Mission Rd, Fallbrook, CA 92028

This business is conducted by a Limited Liability Company

This LLC is registered in the state of California Registrant first commenced to transact business under the above name as of 07/15/20 THIS STATEMENT WAS FILED WITH THE RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK OF SAN DIEGO COUNTY ON Oct 13, 2020

LEGAL: 5324 PUBLISHED: October 22, 29, November 5, 12, 2020

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File Number: 2020-9015963

Name of Business MY LASH JOURNEY

9462 Owl Court, San Diego, CA 92129 County: San Diego This business is registered by the following: Royce Leon, 9462 Owl Court, San Diego, CA

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LEGAL: 5325 PUBLISHED: October 22, 29, November 5, 12, 2020

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File Number: 2020-9016557 Name of Business

**FALLBROOK SKILLED NURSING** 325 Potter Street, Fallbrook, CA 92028 County: San Diego

This business is registered by the following: Fallbrook Healthcare Center Operating Company, LLC, 325 Potter Street, Fallbrook, CA 92028 This business is conducted by a Limited Liability

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File Number: 2020-9017244

Name of Busines SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WELL SERVICE

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92128 County: San Diego

This business is registered by the following: a. Travis Clay Sego, 750 S. Wisconsin St., San Diego, CA 92028 b. Brighton Pryor Scala, 11998 Stoney Peak

Drive, San Diego, CA 92128 This business is conducted by a General Part-

Registrant first commenced to transact business under the above name as of 10/05/2020 THIS STATEMENT WAS FILED WITH THE RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK OF SAN DI-EGO COUNTY ON Oct 17, 2020

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#### NOTICE OF LIEN SALE

Notice is given that pursuant to sections 21700-21713 of the Business and Professions Code, Section 2328 of the Commercial Code, Section 535 of the Penal Code that Citrus Plaza Self Storage LLC, at 202 West College Street, Fallbrook, CA 92028 will sell by competitive bidding, on or after November 17, 2020 at 8:45am, property belonging to those listed below. Auction to be held at the above address. Property to be sold as follows: Household, office & business goods, furniture, appliances, personal items, clothing, electronics, tools, duffle bags/suit cases, electronics, sporting and exercise equipment, miscellaneous boxes, containers & bags with unknown contents belonging to the following:

Stasik, Sarah Jones, Charles

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NOTICE OF SALE OF ABANDONED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT PUR-SUANT TO SECTIONS 21701-21715 OF THE BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL CODE SECTION 2328 OF THE COM-MERCIAL CODE SECTION 535 OF THE PENAL CODE TAYLOR SELF STORAGE 1200 EAST TAYLOR ST. VISTA CA 92084 WILL SELL BY COMPETITIVE BIDDING ON NOVEMBER 17TH, 2020 AT 1:00 PM AUCTION TO BE HELD AT THE ABOVE ADDRESS, PROPERTY TO BE SOLD AS FOLLOWS:MISC GOODS, PERSONAL ITEMS. FURNITURE AND CLOTHING.

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## **EDUCATION**

## FHS alumna Karina Gutierrez earns National FFA degree



Karina Gutierrez wins high individual for floriculture at a judging competition.

#### **Christal Gaines-Emory**

As an FFA student, the highest form of recognition you can receive is your American FFA degree. Fallbrook FFA alumna Karina Gutierrez was able to earn this degree after completing five years in the program.

Gutierrez did not know that she would thrive in the FFA program at Fallbrook High School. However, after the presentation in her 8th grade science class, she was determined to join FFA so she would have the opportunity to raise a livestock project.

"It's ironic because I never actually raised an animal," she

After joining the program, Gutierrez realized her passion for nursery projects and floriculture. She decided to join the floriculture judging team her freshman year, and participated in public speaking competitions. In her sophomore year, Gutierrez began to place at



Karina Gutierrez creates a floral design for a customer at Major Market.

the floriculture competitions, and this gave her the motivation to get more involved and work harder in the program.

"After I started to place at competitions, I realized that I wanted to be at the top," she said. "When I started placing high, my mindset changed. I wanted everyone to know about all that FFA had to offer."

In her junior year, she was able to serve as a chapter officer and she began placing consistently as the high individual in floral. Then she was hired as a seasonal floral employee at Major Market, but after impressing her manager, they hired her as a regular employee. Her floral design experience from the floriculture judging team made her a perfect candidate for the job. She also began her own floral business, Hummingbird Creations, to help her work towards her FFA

"I spent over 500 hours working at Major Market, operating my small floral business, and raising my nursery stock. It was an amazing opportunity," she said. "I was constantly making arrangements, negotiating with customers, and caring for my nursery project."

Before joining the FFA program, Gutierrez believes that she was much more shy than she is now. After being involved in the public speaking competitions, the floral judging team, and serving as a chapter officer, she has become more outgoing.

Her favorite memory from her time in FFA was the State Judging Finals in San Luis Obispo. Her team was able to qualify for state finals for the second time, and she was very proud of how high her team placed.

"The best part was the outcome, all our hard work paid off. Our chapter placed second out of the entire state of California," she said. "Aside from that, I also made the best unforgettable memories."

Looking back on her experience in FFA, she is very thankful to



Karina Gutierrez wins an award for her proficiency in diversified horticulture.

have had the opportunity to make many friends, learn new things, as well as grow as a person.

"FFA made me who I am today," she said. "If it weren't for my advisors pushing me to try new things, then I wouldn't have these memories. I wouldn't have had these great opportunities."

Not only that, because of her time in FFA, Gutierrez has been able to find her passion. She enrolled in MiraCosta Community College in order to become a teacher, and also realized that her future goals also include owning her own floral shop in Fallbrook, her hometown.

Being able to earn her American FFA degree is a huge accomplishment, and Gutierrez is very proud of herself. To obtain this degree, you must be able to either earn at least \$10,000 and productively invest \$7,500 in your projects or invest \$2,000 and work 2,250 hours towards your FFA projects. This is a huge commitment and achievement, and she was not alone on this journey. " I would like to thank all

my agricultural advisors I had throughout high school, Ms. Chapman, Mr. Duffin, Mr. Sehnert, and Mrs. Alvarez. Thanks to their effort and the opportunities they offered, I now hold the title of the highest degree in FFA and I am so thankful to have had their support," she said. "I would also like to thank my family and friends for being there for me every step of the way."

When she was in eighth grade, Gutierrez had no idea how important FFA would become to her and how much of an impact it would have on her future. Now, she is a sophomore in college and a national degree holder in the FFA, she has some advice for all the incoming highschoolers considering joining FFA.

"Try out FFA," she said. "The most amazing part of this organization is the opportunities it gives you, and there is something for every one of you."

## Scouts donate chocolate to seniors



On behalf of Boy Scout Troop 731, Star Scout Leo Preston, 12, delivers candy bars Village News/Courtesy photo to the concierge at Regency Fallbrook, Saturday, Oct. 17. Between Regency and the Silvergate Retirement Community, the troop donated 300 chocolate candy bars for the seniors and staff's enjoyment. The troop is chartered by and meets at St. Peter the Apostle Parish in Fallbrook.



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## Ortiz appointed to Seat 5 of Vallecitos school board

Joe Naiman

Village News Reporter

Vallecitos School District board seats which was to be decided in the Nov. 3 election, so the school district sought applicants and Maria Ortiz was selected to fill

The decision to select Ortiz as the Seat 5 trustee was approved by the school board Oct. 13. She will be sworn in for her four-year term at the Dec. 8 board meeting. The Seat 5 trustee area is the western part of the district.

"We're excited to have a community member who is interested in being a part of our board," Maritza Koeppen, superintendent of Vallecitos School District and principal of Vallecitos Elementary School,

The district transitioned from at-large elections to elections by trustee area last year. The board members were allowed to

keep their at-large seats until the expiration of their terms. The terms of Kathy Mack and Kyle No candidate filed for one of the Wheeler will end in December, but neither lives in one of the trustee areas subject to election in 2020.

> Ortiz sought the Seat 5 position. "I want to be a little more involved," she said.

> Board president Michael Darnley said that Ortiz has a vested interest in the school district and also some familiarity due to her two children attending Vallecitos Elementary School.

"That's really valuable. I think that's a good start," he said.

Ortiz attended Vallecitos Elementary School as a child as well. "I've lived in Rainbow my whole life," she said.

She acknowledged that activities of board members will be new experiences for her. "I am willing to learn," Ortiz said.

Joe Naiman can be reached by email at jnaiman@reedermedia.

### Palomar ranks among top institutions for Latinx students

SAN MARCOS – Palomar College was named one of the Top 100 Colleges and Universities for Hispanics in the U.S. and was featured in the Oct. 12, 2020, edition of The Hispanic Outlook in Higher Education, the magazine announced.

The rankings place Palomar 20th in overall Latinx enrollment for the 2018-2019 school year, and 42nd in total associate degrees conferred on Latinx students in 2019. The rankings were based on data provided in U.S. Department of Education surveys.

"As a Hispanic serving Institution, Palomar has long been known as a welcoming and empowering place for Latinx students," Jack Kahn, interim superintendent and president of Palomar College, said. "We are grateful for this recognition, and grateful to the students who

contribute to the wonderful diversity of our campus. "These figures also remind us that we still have much work to do. Our faculty and staff remain committed to removing barriers and supporting Latinx students in meeting their educational goals," he said.

The Hispanic Outlook said that the Top 100 list is a means of charting "the national progress of Hispanics in higher education and to recognize the institutions that are committed to serving Hispanics' educational needs."

The journal's website describes it as a "national monthly magazine that provides education news, innovations, networking, resources and the latest trends impacting students from kindergarten through graduate school all while maintaining a unique Hispanic perspective.'

Submitted by Palomar College.

## **SPORTS**

## McGiboney takes world championship in Cowboy Mounted Shooting



Keelyn McGiboney shoots a balloon while riding her horse, Lily, on her way to winning the championship for her class in the CMSA World Championships.

Village News/Courtesy photos



During the Cowboy Mounted Shooting competition Oct. 13-17, Keelyn McGiboney, on her horse, Lily, rides through a course while shooting at balloons.



Keelyn McGiboney holds the belt buckle she won at the CMSA World Championships in Amarillo, Texas.

VISTA – A 2020 graduate of Mission Vista High School who attended Bonsall Elementary and Sullivan Middle schools, Keelyn McGiboney is returning from the CMSA World Championships in Amarillo, Texas, Oct. 13-17.

There, she won her class and walked away with a buckle and prize winnings.

Cowboy Mounted Shooting involves shooting balloons with two single-action revolvers using black powder blanks while riding a horse on a variety of courses at top speeds.

In each stage of the match, the rider has to run the course in the fastest time possible, shooting 10 balloons. For each ballon missed she gets a five second penalty. Each stage is run in 14 seconds on average, so a penalty can cost the rider that match.

McGiboney started in the sport a little over four years ago and has partnered with her spunky mare, Lily, for the last two years. The two have also earned several state, regional and national titles.

McGiboney is trained by Kenny Lawson at Silver Dollar Ranch in Valley Center and sponsored by Brothers & Arms USA.

Submitted by Tamara McGiboney.

## Dominant Soul leads most of Twilight Derby

#### Joe Naiman

Village News Reporter

San Luis Rey Training Center colt Dominant Soul led for most of the Grade 2 Twilight Derby stakes race Oct. 18, at Santa Anita Park.

Dominant Soul led for the first three-quarters of a mile in the 1 1/8-mile race for 3-year-olds on Santa Anita's turf course before falling to third entering the stretch and finishing last among the nine horses when jockey Edwin Maldonado let the colt relax at the end.

"He ran hard. I wasn't disappointed in his effort," trainer Paula Capestro said. "He basically just got outrun. The fractions were three seconds faster than the Del Mar Derby.

The Grade 2 Del Mar Derby was run Sept. 6 at the Del Mar Thoroughbred Club and was also a 1 1/8-mile turf race. Dominant Soul led through the first mile of that race and finished third, 1 1/4 lengths behind winner Pixelate.

Pixelate had a winning time of

1:50.25. Smooth Like Strait won the Twilight Derby in 1:46.89. Dominant Soul reached the Del Mar stretch in 1:38.38 and Smooth Like Strait needed 1:35.14 to reach the stretch Oct. 18.

The first three-quarters of a mile of his two most recent races took Dominant Soul 1:14.74 in the Del Mar Derby and 1:11.74 in the Twilight Derby. The fractional times after half a mile were 49.77 seconds Sept. 6 and 47.84 seconds Oct. 18, and for the first quarter of a mile the fractional time dropped from 24.63 seconds to 23.60

"They just overpowered him at the end. It was a really tough race," Capestro said. "He ran his race the best he could."

Dominant Soul was foaled in Kentucky April 7, 2017.

"Those 3-year-olds were just bigger and more masculine than him," Capestro said of the Twilight Derby competition. "Some horses get big and strong early and he's going to be a lighter horse. He's not going to be a real big horse."

he has Forest Melody for his dam.

The June 6 Cinema Stakes was also a 1 1/8-mile turf race at Santa Anita. Dominant Soul also led that race for the first three-quarters of a mile before Hariboux took the lead before the stretch. Dominant Soul finished fourth in his first stakes race, 2 1/2 lengths in back of Hariboux.

Capestro entered Dominant Soul in a maiden special weight race July 27 at Del Mar. He won that 1 1/16-mile turf race in 1:41.45 and crossed the finish line a length in front of second-place No Slo Mo.

Maldonado also rode Dominant Soul for the Del Mar Derby, so Capestro dispensed with pre-race instructions to the jockey for the Twilight Derby.

"I didn't need to. The jockey rode perfectly. There wasn't much we could do," she said. "The rider did the right thing. He didn't go out way too fast. The horse ran

Smooth Like Strait broke second and was in second until overtaking

He was sired by Dominus, and Dominant Soul late in the race. I wouldn't be surprised if that Dominant Soul built up a lead of 1 1/2 lengths over Smooth Like Strait by the end of the first quarter of a mile and was two lengths in front of Smooth Like Strait after half a mile.

> "He just got outrun at the end," Capestro said. "That's the bottom

> Dominant Soul finished 7 1/4 lengths in back of Smooth Like Strait and 1 1/4 lengths behind eighth-place Express Train.

"Once he knew he wasn't going

to get fifth, the rider didn't push him," Capestro said. "The race was pretty much over for us."

Maldonado's decision to ease up on Dominant Soul maintained the horse's well-being. 'He came out of the race in good

condition," Capestro said. The Twilight Derby is the fourth

stakes race Smooth Like Strait

"It was a good win for him. Well done," Capestro said. "The one that won is a very nice horse.

horse goes to the Breeders' Cup and maybe one or two of the others (who ran in the Twilight Derby).'

Dominant Soul, Kiss Today Goodbye, and K P All Systems Go were the only horses in the Twilight Derby who also competed in the Del Mar Derby.

"Most of the horses in that race were back east at the time," Capestro said. "I don't think we were really that caliber of horse with that caliber of runners. We need to run him a little easier race a time or two until he gets a little more mature."

When that next race will be is to be determined.

"We'll just see how he feels," Capestro said. "You've got to give him a little time to recover.'

Capestro expects the level of competition to be lighter than the Twilight Derby.

"We'll look for something that's a little easier," she said. "We'll see what we can find."

## Pala Casino Spa & Resort hosts premium sporting event watch parties

PALA – Pala Casino Spa & Resort is one of the region's prime locations to watch premium sporting events. Patrons can enjoy a variety of content, including upcoming DAZN Boxing Events. The content will be included in property-wide television programming, as well as on the 14' Jumbotron at Luis Rey's Sports Bar.

Luis Rey's Sports Bar features modern décor, a diverse food menu, 16 ice-cold beers on draft which include craft, domestic, and imported brews, and a large variety of HD video sports programming.

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Throughout the year, Luis Rey's Sports Bar features premium sporting events including major boxing and PPV events, national sporting events, and more.

The Luis Rey's food menu includes chicken wings, salads, deli sandwiches, and its signature Kobe Beef Burger. The menu also includes a wide variety of SoCal favorites and popular dishes from its former Promenade Deli and Amigo's restaurants.

Luis Rey's offers a daily happy hours menu with street tacos (chicken or steak), hot dog sliders, carne asada nachos and chili cheese fries.

• Upcoming premium content includes DAZN Boxing.

Friday, Oct. 30 – Jaime Munguia vs. Tureano Johnson

• Friday, Nov. 27 – Daniel Jacobs vs. Gabriel Rosado

• Saturday, Dec. 5 – Ryan Garcia vs. Luke Campbell

All events and promotions are subject to cancellation without notice. Learn more about the upcoming events at Pala Casino Spa & Resort by visiting: https://www.palacasino.com/ entertainment/all-entertainment/.

Submitted by Pala Casino Spa and Resort



## Winners of 2020 Scarecrow Contest named continued from C-1



The Funniest, Humor winner is Witches of Main – Village Copy Center; 132 S. Main Ave.

Village News/Nancy Heins-Glaser photos



The Pop Culture winner is Freddy Kruger – D'Vine Path – Sun Realty; 43 I S. Main Ave.



The WOW winner is Unholy — Foggy Oaks, 229 Via de Amo between Via de Amo & Via de Casa on Alvarado Street.



A witch crashes into a Village News/Shane Gibson photos street sign along East Mission Road.



North County Fire displays first responder themed scarecrows at their administration office.



An Oogie Boogie scarecrow character from The Nightmare Before Christmas movie is displayed in downtown Fallbrook.



A Miss Piggy scarecrow is displayed in downtown Fallbrook.



A large display of crafty scarecrows is seen in front of a business along Fallbrook Street.



A scarecrow rests on a bench along Main Avenue in Fallbrook.

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## D'Vine Path students thrive in winemaking program



D'Vine Path student Kai Kroeger stands by his adopted vine.





Village News/Courtesy photos Louisa Todisco supports D'Vine Path by generously donating to the nonprofit as well as helping to harvest the grapes.



D'Vine Path's youngest volunteer, Julian Olson, helps pick grapes at the Batali vineyard.



Pressing in winemaking is the process where the juice is extracted from the grapes with the aid of a wine press, by hand, or even by the weight of the grape berries and clusters.



Students Shawn Lemmon and Marina Kroeger help remove the pressed grapes from the presser in preparation for the next batch.



Wine making expert Matt Sherman of Myrtle Creek Winery, standing left, supports D'Vine Path by sharing his knowledge and assisting in the pressing and bottling

#### **Beth Hurn**

Special to Village News

D'Vine Path, a Fallbrook vocational program, earned statewide visibility when it was showcased in the California State Council on Developmental Disability's online event, the Festival of Learning.

The event in August was part of a series of webinar-style seminars that are focused on creating change in the lives of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

D'Vine Path is a nonprofit organization that provides vocational training for people with autism and other disabilities in agriculture, viticulture, hospitality and the arts. In the webinar, founder Lenila Batali was joined by Kai Kroeger, who developed a passion for viticulture through his participation in D'Vine Path's immersive educational program. That passion led him to the Wine Industry and Hospitality Program and Mt. San Jacinto College, where he is now pursuing an employment certificate while working part time at Batali Ranch.

"When Kai started the program, he was very shy and was kind of hesitant. But in our program the students kind of run it," said Batali. "We have a lot of events and we start out with a lot of guest speakers teaching them about viticulture, about

wine making. When the students come in, they adopt one vine and from the beginning of the year to the end they learn how to take care of the vine. They're really hands-on."

This experience was illuminating for Kroeger, who enrolled at D'Vine Path after a year of seeking employment without success. He said that he was initially indifferent to wine, and he did not know what to

expect when the program began. "When I first started D'Vine Path, I never thought I would be so interested in vineyards, viticulture and wine," said Kroeger. He recalls being shy to begin with, but as he developed his skills and his knowledge of viticulture, his confidence grew. Kroeger gave a presentation at D'Vine Path's year-end event in front of a crowd of 250 people.

"It was easy for him," said

"Everyone came up to me and said that is not the same Kai that came here a year ago."

"This program really changed my life. I could not be more grateful," Kroeger said. He proudly showed off a small grape vine, grown from the clippings he took home with him after pruning at the vineyard. He said that he has developed a talent for growing grapes, and currently has more than 400 vines. He hopes to one day own a vineyard of his own.

The next Festival of Learning webinar is scheduled for Monday, Nov. 23 from 3:30 to 5 p.m.

For more information, including the link to join, email sandiego@scdd.ca.gov. The recording of the last Festival of Learning that features Kai Kroeger can be watched at scdd. ca.gov.

Beth Hurn is on the staff of the State Council on Developmental Disabilities.



A bucket of grapes is ready for the de-stemming machine.



The finished product, a 2019 Cabernet Sauvignon, wears label art by D'Vine Path student James Fitzmaurice who won the wine label contest.



D'Vine Path student Shawn Lemmon, left, and volunteer Mason unload the new grape pressing machine after the harvest.

## HEALTH

## Care-Rite Vocational Services offers Zoom lessons



Another handmade sign for Care-Rite Vocational Services is placed on the parade route.

Village News/Courtesy photos

#### **Christal Gaines-Emory**

One business in Fallbrook that has persevered through the constraints of the pandemic is Care-Rite Vocational Services. After realizing that the regulations would not allow them to continue in-person training, director Brad Gilpin and his team started planning for Zoom lessons.

Care-Rite has been serving Fallbrook for 24 years, and the purpose is to serve special needs adults after they graduate high school at 22 years old. Care-Rite realized that they could do something better for the disabled population, so they began Care-Rite Vocational Services. The goal is for their students to work toward self-sufficiency and become more independent.

In early February, the Care-Rite team held a corporation meeting to prepare for COVID-19. Although they did not anticipate a shutdown, they had a plan ready just in case. After preparing the lessons and learning about Zoom, they began teaching their students through Zoom during the second week of

The lessons are from 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. and there are a total of 245 students in the program. They participate in art classes, ASL, cooking, life skills practice, yoga, dance, karate, and much more. They also work around their homes doing laundry and everyday chores while on the Zoom call so the instructors know that they are staying productive.

Not only that, Care-Rite is also doing monthly drive-bys for the students, bringing them art supplies, food and lesson plans.

They love the drive-bys and seeing all the cars lining up in the neighborhood just for them," said

Being able to offer their full service via Zoom has helped them gain accolades from the San Diego County Oversight Council and the San Diego Regional Center.

"Everyone has been very impressed with our adjustments,' said Gilpin. "They've found that we have continued our program differently."

The students at Care-Rite struggled to adjust at first, it took a few months to get everyone participating on the Zoom calls. However, Gilpin said that they're all excited to be on Zoom and seeing their friends and teachers.

The hardest adjustment for the students has been being unable to work in the community. Care-Rite runs the Hidden Treasures thrift shop in town and many of the students have missed going into work. Now they have been able to return, but they remain socially distant and follow the regulations.

Care-Rite has been very successful in keeping their business running smoothly. They were able to continue working through the pandemic and they have not fired any staff members. They were also very involved in making sure that their clients had help whenever they needed it, offering assistance the very first week of the shutdown.

"It's not just a job for us," Gilpin said. "We are in it for our clients."

Even through virtual lessons, their students are learning more and more each day. They've been able to successfully integrate online, and the students have all benefited from the ability to attend their usual lessons.

"We get to watch them grow everyday," Gilpin said. "Seeing the smiles on their faces brings us all joy."



Leidy Gomez and her family thank Care-Rite Vocational Services during a drive-by parade.



Kristen Hughes and Toni Jorgenson from Hidden Treasures prepare for a drive-by parade.

## Seniors report feeling safer at Silvergate Fallbrook than they did at home

FALLBROOK - Seniors who are considering moving to a retirement community may be reluctant to uproot their lives during the middle of a pandemic. However, for residents at Silvergate Fallbrook, the protection and security measures afforded by the senior living community have instilled a sense of security as they navigate a new normal in retirement living.

There may be no better time than right now to move into to Silvergate, according to Allen and Sally Cook, residents who have endured the pandemic from the safety and security of Silvergate. "Silvergate's kept us very safe and up-to-date on everything. It's really important that we know what's going on," said Sally Cook. "We've been able to get out and enjoy activities and go to the dining room and eat with friends

throughout all of this." Safe from the virus, the Cooks believe living at Silvergate has minimized the effects of the pandemic on their lives. "We wear our masks and distance during activities, but we see our friends here. The disease as we know seems far away. We know it exists, and we're concerned for those who have been exposed to it, and we pray for their recovery. But our life here [at Silvergate] gives us the opportunity to live a more normal life without having to worry, each and every minute, whether we're going to come in contact with it or even catch it. So, I'm very comfortable here knowing what's going on in the world. We're safe and will continue to be so because of the caring staff and management."

The Cooks are not alone in feeling comfortable and safe within the protected environment Silvergate has established since the onset of the pandemic. As residents have experienced the extensive safety precautions and COVID-19 protocols instituted by the community, many have encouraged other seniors to examine their practices at home and compare them to the measures taken by the caregivers and staff at

"The staff here has been trained to use every safety measure that they can," said Amelia Wiener, who has lived at Silvergate for the last year and feels reassured by the protocols implemented at Silvergate which extend well beyond using masks and social distancing. "Silvergate has taken every step that they could possibly take in a community like this to keep us safe. There are protocols for everything from handwashing to wiping down surfaces. I feel safer here than I would be if I were living in my own home."

"I'm not burdened with handling COVID. It's all taken care of," said Alice Gillson, who moved into Silvergate in July 2019. "It's worry-free being here. When my son comes to visit, he's checked for temperature, with a pulse oximeter and checked in before we meet. We meet on the patio in masks, and we take precautions. Everybody has a badge to say they've gone through the check-in



Amelia Wiener, who has lived at Silvergate for Village News/Courtesy photo the last year, feels reassured by the protocols implemented at Silvergate which extend well beyond using masks and social distancing.

process. It's a comforting feeling knowing that everyone you're coming in contact with has been checked in properly. We feel very safe in this community."

For seniors who may be concerned about their own safety while sequestered at home during the pandemic, perhaps Silvergate Fallbrook offers a better solution. Silvergate has recently shared a series of video testimonials online from many residents describing how safe they feel in the

community at SilvergateRR.com. Other local seniors are encouraged to visit the site for stories about resident life during the pandemic.

To learn more about the safety protocols or the independent living, assisted living and memory care accommodations at Silvergate call Helen Gray at 760-728-8880. The community offers safe, secure, in person tours daily.

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## Walk of Hope will now be at the Lake Elsinore Storm Stadium

TEMECULA – Michelle's Place Cancer Resource Center's fourth annual Walk of Hope will take place at the Lake Elsinore Storm Stadium Sunday, Nov. 8. The location change will give walkers an opportunity to see a new course, lined with memorial and survivor signs along the pathway.

We are so excited that we have the opportunity to host the walk at a new venue" Jennifer Smith,

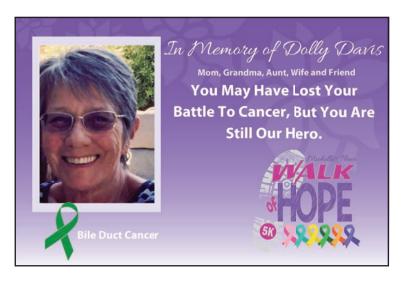
the development and fundraising officer at Michelle's Place, said. "One of my favorite components of this walk is that we will be able to celebrate our survivors, thrivers, and those who have passed in a safe, outdoor environment. It is very important to us that we make our Walk of Hope just that... an opportunity for our clients and their families to feel hope through what has been a challenging year."

Registration will start at 8 a.m., but walkers are encouraged to register before the day of, as prices increase from \$35 to \$45. Tickets can be purchased by visiting <a href="http://">http://</a> www.michellesplace.org/events or calling 951-699-5455.

Submitted by Michelle's Place Cancer Resource Center.

"In Memory of Dolly Davis" is one of the Walk of Hope signs that will be featured along the pathway of the Walk of Hope.

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## Coaches Assistance Program can prevent teen suicides

HENDERSONVILLE, Tenn. -According to the Jason Foundation, suicide is the second leading cause of death for youth ages 12-18 and the third leading cause of death for young adults age 18-22 in the state of California.

Many times, student athletes may have elevated risk factors that make them more susceptible to

suicidal thoughts. It is imperative that coaches know what to look out for and what to do if they recognize a student athlete is in trouble.

The Jason Foundation's Coaches Assistance Program is here to provide athletic department personnel, including coaches, athletic trainers and academic advisers, the tools they need to help identify an athlete's behavioral changes and emotional struggles. These changes could be warning signs of suicidal ideation, and it is an opportunity for these adults to help save a life.

Through CAP, they will learn the do's and don'ts of dealing with an at-risk individual, as well as warning signs and elevated risk factors that may increase the likelihood of suicidal ideation. An extensive resource library is also provided to help you guide and support the athletes through stressful life situations.

The Coaches Assistance Program is available online at <a href="http://www.">http://www.</a> coachesassistanceprogram.

com or the free CAP app can be downloaded on Apple and

To learn more about The Jason Foundation or how to help, visit http://www.jasonfoundation.com.

Submitted by The Jason Foundation.

## Palomar Medical Center Escondido named America's 100 Best in four specialties

## Also awarded for outstanding treatment of heart attack patients

ESCONDIDO - Palomar Medical Center Escondido is one of America's 100 Best Hospitals for orthopedic surgery, joint replacement, spine surgery and stroke care according to new research released by Healthgrades, the leading resource that connects consumers, physicians and health systems.

Every year, Healthgrades evaluates hospital performance at nearly 4,500 hospitals nationwide for 32 of the most common inpatient procedures and conditions using Medicare data.

Palomar Medical Center Escondido is the only hospital in San Diego County to receive the America's 100 Best Hospitals in Orthopedic Surgery Award for five years in a row from 2017-2021 and was named one of America's 250 Best Hospitals for overall care,

early in 2020.

In addition, Healthgrades rated Palomar Medical Center Escondido with five-stars for the following procedures/outcomes: total knee replacement, total hip replacement, hip fracture treatment, spinal fusion surgery, cranial neurosurgery, treatment of stroke, treatment of pneumonia, treatment of gastrointestinal bleed and treatment

The hospital also received Specialty Excellence Awards in critical care, stroke care, neurosciences, orthopedic surgery, joint replacement and spine surgery.

"These awards show that Palomar Health is providing the highest level of patient care, in some cases the top 2% in the nation," Diane Hansen, president and CEO of Palomar Health, said. "You don't have to drive out of the neighborhood to be treated by some of the top physicians in the nation."

Receiving treatment at a highlyrated hospital like Palomar Medical Center Escondido can make a huge difference in outcomes, as Healthgrades said; for example, patients receiving treatment at one of America's 100 Best Hospitals for joint replacement have a 64.5% lower risk of experiencing a complication compared to a hospital that did not receive the

Palomar Medical Center Escondido has also received the Chest Pain – MI Registry Platinum Performance Achievement Award for outstanding treatment of heart attack patients from the American College of Cardiology. The hospital is one of only 140 in the nation to receive this award.

"As a Platinum Performance

Award recipient, Palomar Medical Center Escondido has established itself as a leader in setting the national standard for improving quality of care in patients with acute myocardial infarction," Dr. Michael C. Kontos, chair of the NCDR Chest Pain - MI Registry Steering Subcommittee for Virginia Commonwealth University Medical Center, said.

To receive the award, Palomar Medical Center Escondido has demonstrated sustained achievement and performed at the highest level for specific performance measures demonstrating a commitment to providing reliable, comprehensive treatment for heart attack patients based on current clinical guideline recommendations.

"We are saving lives," Dr. Mikhail Malek, cardiologist and medical director for Palomar Health's Heart and Vascular Center of Excellence, said "One day you or your loved one might get a second chance at life because of the outstanding care our team provides."

The Center for Disease Control and Prevention estimated that almost 700,000 Americans suffer a heart attack each year. A heart attack occurs when a blood clot in a coronary artery partially or completely blocks blood flow to the heart muscle. Treatment guidelines include administering aspirin upon arrival and discharge, timely restoration of blood flow to the blocked artery, smoking cessation counseling and cardiac rehabilitation, among others.

Submitted by Palomar Health.

## Thinking About Health: No relief from high drug prices in the near future

**Trudy Lieberman** 

Community Health News Service

If you were hoping that this was going to be the year of government action to lower prescription drug prices, I'm here to say that is not going to happen – even though the House of Representatives passed far-reaching legislation almost a year ago that would allow Medicare to begin negotiating drug prices for beneficiaries.

Recall that the 2003 law that made possible a prescription drug benefit for older adults prohibits the government from negotiating with drug companies in order to lower prices. The Senate has not taken up the bill, and Congress will have to start over in the next session.

In late summer, President Donald Trump issued four executive orders that might have given Americans hope that help was on the way. One order would have allowed some drugs to be imported from Canada. Another made changes in the way discounts negotiated by pharmacy benefit managers are passed on to Medicare beneficiaries, and a third would have required governmentsponsored dispensaries to make insulin and epinephrine available to low-income Americans without health insurance or who have insurance with high copays. Dispensaries were already making those drugs effectively free for lowincome patients.

Then in mid-September, the president announced a fourth order that would allow Medicare to refuse to pay for drugs in the U.S. that cost more than what they do in other countries, a policy sometimes called international reference pricing or "most favored nations" policy.

All these proposals are pretty much empty promises until there is a concrete legislative or regulatory framework for implementing them. They are, in effect, symbolic political gestures.

"An executive order does not necessarily do anything," Loren Adler, associate director of the University of Southern California's Brookings Schaeffer Initiative for Health Policy, said. "They lack pretty critical details, and the actual rules do not exist."

Legal scholars also raised questions about how these proposals would actually work. Rachel Sachs of the Washington University School of Law and Nicholas Bagley of the University of Michigan School of Law said, for example, when it comes to importing drugs from Canada, the government "has offered very limited guidance to the states on how they might show that importation might reduce costs."

The president also announced one more initiative: sending a \$200 drug discount card to millions of seniors to help pay for some of their medications, which certainly

Such a card would hardly dent the bill for some of the newer medications such as those used to

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Trump said the cards would be "incredible." But getting them into the hands of Medicare beneficiaries is proving to be less than easy. The general counsel at the administration's Department of Health and Human Services warned recently that the plan could violate election law by inappropriately using federal funds only a few

weeks before an election. The plan, estimated to cost around \$8 billion, would be paid for by taking money out of one of the Medicare trust funds. One trust fund is financed by payroll taxes and pays for beneficiaries' Part A hospital coverage. The other fund is financed by funds from Congress and premiums beneficiaries pay for Part B physician and outpatient services and for Part D drug coverage.

A report from Medicare's trustees released in the spring noted the Part A fund is "not adequately financed over the next 10 years.'

It's hard to see how sending current beneficiaries a one-time small gift card won't make a

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looming problem for Medicare even worse.

While it seems that official proposals to lower prescription drug prices won't make a difference any time soon, the main patient advocacy group working on the problem of high drug prices is trying to keep the issue alive. David Mitchell, who heads Patients for Affordable Drugs, told me, "We want to do everything in our power to ensure drug prices are part of the election." He said the group is calling on people nationally and in 15 key battleground states to vote for candidates who will stand up to Big Pharma and fight for lower drug prices.

I have never seen this much

public interest in pharmaceutical prices during an election campaign. In many states, candidates for major U.S. Senate races are touting their records on prescription drugs and plans for dealing with high prices should they be elected.

Yet reality intrudes. Dr. Peter Bach, who heads the Center for Health Policy Outcomes at Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center in New York City, said, "It is very hard to fix drug pricing in

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## BUSINESS

## Burglary suspect caught in the act

Will Fritz Staff Writer

Sheriff's deputies in Fallbrook were able to quickly nab a burglary suspect last week when the man whose business was being ransacked called authorities to report he had caught the alleged culprit on video in the middle of the act.

It happened early the morning of Oct. 20.

Dale Birmingham, owner of Supertek Computer Service on West College Street woke up that morning at 5 a.m., as usual, he

But as he went about his morning, he got some entirely unusual notifications on his cell phone.

"I'm like, why is my phone vibrating?"

Birmingham told Village News of his reaction. "It started going

The reason was the security cameras Birmingham had set up in his office and connected to his phone through an app were picking up motion. And he was able to open his phone to watch the would-be burglar in real time.

"I see a guy in my office, he crawled through the window on the second floor," Birmingham said. "And how he did that, I have

Birmingham said the unknown are gone on arrival. At that

man "helped himself" to more than \$3,000 worth of computer parts, a laptop and other assorted items like cameras, screwdrivers and an expensive pair of earbuds.

But the burglar likely wasn't counting on the presence of the security cameras, or the speed with which sheriff's deputies would arrive at the scene.

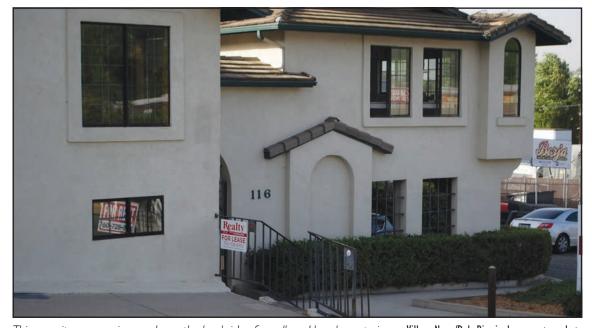
"I called the dispatch about 5:38 in the morning after watching the videos," Birmingham said, "and (the dispatcher) kept me on the line and the cops were already there within two minutes. I saw them live on my camera doing their flashlights."

Birmingham said authorities told him they caught the burglar on his way out of the building. "They caught him coming down the stairs and about 20 minutes into him having fun," Birmingham said.

Fortunately, Birmingham was able to recover all of the lost property. "He had them all in his backpack," Birmingham said.

Burglars, unfortunately, can often go unapprehended.

"Generally, deputies get dispatched (to) a call after the fact and at that point it becomes a cold crime," Fallbrook Sheriff's Substation Lt. Arnold Aldana told Village News. "In the event it is an in progress, there is usually a time delay before it gets dispatched to a deputy and by then the suspect(s)



This security camera image shows the backside of an alleged burglar entering Village News/Dale Birmingham courtesy photo Dale Birmingham's business early on the morning of Oct. 20. The footage, which Birmingham said was sent to his phone in real-time, was all that was needed for sheriff's deputies to quickly apprehend the suspect.

point, witnesses and video are our best chance when conducting the follow up.'

But with Birmingham's real time camera footage involved, his case was made much easier.

"In this case, with real time technology, we were able to respond quick enough to apprehend the suspect, so it does happen, albeit, not too often," Aldana said. "It's

important for victims to call immediately in these types of

Aldana confirmed the suspect, identified as 21-year-old Miguel Ramirez, was taken into custody shortly after Birmingham's call came in.

On average, Aldana said, the Fallbrook Sheriff's Substation receives about 10-15 burglary cases each month in Fallbrook, Bonsall, Rainbow and De Luz.

Birmingham is just happy to have gotten everything back, and that his security camera system, which he said cost him less than \$300, has more than paid for itself.

But he is still a little unsettled about how the burglar had even gotten inside in the first place.

Birmingham said the police told him the suspect slid through the slats on the building's gate and was able to climb up to a second-story window.

"No person could do it; you'd have to be like an acrobat," Birmingham said.

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## FPUD receives highest award for financial reporting

FALLBROOK – The Fallbrook Public Utility District has been awarded the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting from the Government Finance Officers Association of America and Canada.

The certificate is the highest form of recognition in the area of governmental accounting and financial reporting. Its attainment represents a significant accomplishment by a government and its management, according to

'We are honored by this recognition," Jack Bebee, FPUD general manager, said. "Our board and management team take very seriously our commitment to provide our ratepayers and the community with an annual financial report that is fully accurate and transparent."

FPUD's financial report, known

as the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report or CAFR, was judged by an impartial panel to meet the high standards of the program, which includes demonstrating a constructive "spirit of full disclosure" to clearly communicate its financial story.

This year has brought unprecedented challenges to the district and the world. FPUD's ability to adapt business practices to effectively manage changes in operations required by the COVID-19 pandemic speak directly to management's recent efforts to enhance and update operations.

A new phone system allowed customer service and other employees to receive calls like normal with staff working remotely. Access to billing and water use information allowed them to answer customer questions as if they were in the office.

New payment options like PayNearMe and credit cards recently implemented provide customers more payment options. This ensured cash and other types of payments could be made even with the offices closed. PayNearMe allows customers to pay in cash at CVS and 7-Eleven stores when they bring in their water bill.

The financial report can be found at <a href="http://www.fpud.com/">http://www.fpud.com/</a> financial-reports.

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## **Updates from Sacramento**

Sen. Brian W. Jones

California District 38

It is an honor and a privilege to serve as your senator. I know your time is precious, so I have just a few important updates for you.

As always, if there is any way I can assist you, call my office at 619-596-3136 or email me at Senator.Jones@senate.ca.gov.

#### Legislative update

I'm happy to report that five of my bills were signed into law at the end of September. During this two-year legislative session, 12 of my bills have become laws.

My goal has always been to fix problems for the people I represent.

Senate Bill 878 is a great example of this approach. Now that the governor has signed it, this bill requires all boards and bureaus within the Department of Consumer Affairs to prominently display on their websites the current average time-frame for processing initial and renewal license applications.

After working hard to get an education, pass their exams and submit a mountain of paperwork, a license applicant shouldn't have to sit in limbo wondering how many months it will be until they can start their career.

This bill will hold state licensing agencies accountable for their performance by increasing transparency and informing the public how long an application will take to approve.

SB 878, which had the support of health care workers and small business leaders, will go into effect July 1, 2021.

Here is a rundown of my other bills that were signed into law this year:

- Senate Bill 723 clarifies the law to guarantee due process rights for an individual choosing to exercise their constitutional right to bear arms.
- Senate Bill 1003 helps local governments create recreational opportunities for their citizens by allowing more wheeled-devices to operate at local skate parks other than skateboards, such as wheelchairs and scooters. This bill was the product of a yearslong partnership between me and the local leaders who wanted to create more public recreation spaces for our residents.
- Senate Bill 1126 ensures justice and public safety - while also saving court resources – by adding a limited exception to when sealed competency records for youth can be accessed by the Court if the youth's competency is again under question. The bill was sponsored by the California Judges Association and had the support of Peace Officers, District Attorneys, Public Defenders and the Ella Baker Center for Human Rights.
- Senate Bill 1148 allows a more fair market for publishing foreclosure notices, thus lowering the cost for someone to buy themselves out of foreclosure and remain in their home.

#### Fraud and the EDD

Californians from all over the state have reported receiving dozens of letters from the Employment Development Department addressed to individuals that do not reside at their home. This has set off alarm bells for me and other concerned leaders as it appears criminals are working to defraud the unemployment system during a time of crisis.

An emergency audit is underway to understand exactly what is

As we await the results of that audit, if you believe you may have been the victim of unemployment fraud, visit <a href="https://askedd.edd">https://askedd.edd</a>. ca.gov/Fraud.aspx.

State's Tiered Reopening **Guidelines for Business** 

The state of California has established a four-tier system for reopening businesses. Here's where you can learn more: https:// covid19.ca.gov/safer-economy/.

While I've strongly urged the governor to take a different approach to our state's reopening plans, I want to make sure you have the current information.

Here's my full COVID-19 resource page, <a href="https://jones.cssrc.">https://jones.cssrc.</a> us/covid, which we're updating

Sen. Brian W. Jones is chair of the Senate Republican Caucus and was elected to the California State Senate in 2018 representing the 38th Senate District which includes Bonsall, Fallbrook, Alpine, Escondido, Lemon Grove, El Cajon, La Mesa, Santee, Spring Valley, Poway, San Marcos, Lakeside, Valley Center, Rancho Santa Fe, Julian, Pine Valley, Ramona, Rancho San Diego, Borrego Springs and parts of the city of San Diego.



## Agile organizations should look to knowledge, not tasks

**Holly Ober** 

Special to Village News

Managers who want to design agile contemporary organizations to solve new problems need to make sure the team has diverse skills, knowledge and experiences, concludes a new paper by University of California Riverside and Harvard Business School

Theories of how organizations assign tasks haven't changed much since the 1960s, when organizations were seen as self-contained bureaucracies and designed around compartmentalized tasks for workers to perform.

The focus was squarely on tasks and how those could best be allocated among the staff so as to reduce task interdependence. This approach worked well – and continues to – in situations where the organization faces a clear set of tasks and managers know all the individual tasks to be completed before work starts.

Today's organizations, however, face increasingly unpredictable workstreams. This is especially true in research and development, where tasks and even the outcome are ill-defined. As a result, the researchers assert the need for workers to co-design: if the tasks knowledge, and goals within an are unknown before work starts, organization depend on each other

employees should create and choose their own tasks.

The researchers, led by Marlo Raveendran, an assistant professor of management at University of California Riverside, reviewed 236 articles and several books to assess how the concept of interdependence is influencing organizational design in a world where organizations need to be nimble, self-organizing and "smarter."

They found that task interdependence is not the only important determinant of a good organization design. Tasks, in various ways. In nimble settings where employees largely design their own tasks, it is important to organize around knowledge instead of tasks. Organizations need to start with the right kinds of knowledge and get the goal interdependence between the employees determined. A manager-imposed task allocation will be less efficient and oftentimes infeasible.

"Organizations need to have people with diverse skills, experiences, and knowledge in the room from the start if they want to get the most out of an interdependent design,' Raveendran said. "You need to make sure the team is diverse enough to design the right kinds of tasks to ensure the organization's success in an environment where it must adapt quickly to shifts in the market or in society.'

Raveendran was joined in the research by Luciana Silvestri and Ranjay Gulati at Harvard Business School. The paper, "The role of interdependence in the microfoundations of organization design: Task, goal and knowledge interdependence," is published in Academy of Management Annals.

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## Prague before and after the Iron Curtain



Jack Ragland poses as he paints King Charles Bridge.

**Jack Ragland** Special to Village News

I visited Prague twice with the idea of painting some of those festive views of the city which had escaped the WWII bombs. The first time was during the Cold War, and our journey behind the Iron Curtain was a chilling and intimidating encounter with police holding machine guns to our throats.

We visited later, after it became part of the Czech Republic, and had a marvelous time. I never painted anything from either trip, so I recently decided to paint the Old Charles Bridge with its horse drawn carriages from memory and

It is a metaphor of passing out of the oppressive pandemic, calamities and political chaos to a saner, better world and planet.



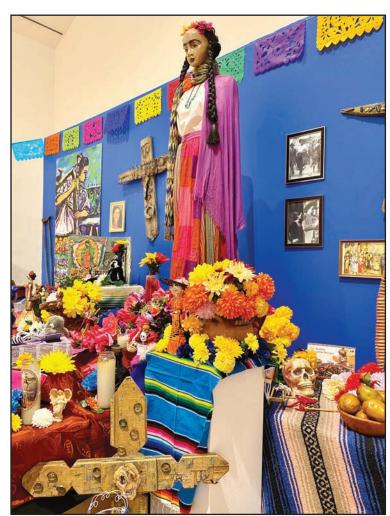
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## ENTERTAINMENT

## Martinez's Dia de los Muertos exhibit is open at CCFA



Daniel Martinez created this Frida Kahlo ofrenda, a traditional altar which includes a Quad Collaborative-made Frida figure, for his Día de los Muertos exhibit.

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

I recently attended "first Sunday free" Gallery Day at the California Center for The Arts Campus in Escondido. Though free is good, I can say that you will all want to go to this before it closes.

It's a perfect chance for a Frida Kahlo fix. In fact, two "Frida's from Fallbrook" have become part of this exhibit thanks to local, but nationally known, artist Daniel F. Martinez. The exhibit is called "The World of Frida" and it came here from Walnut Creek.

I made it a point to see the exhibit because Martinez has a wonderful "Dia de los Muertos" companion exhibit there.

I had gone to CCFA more than 10 times in the past but that was before COVID-19. I was shy about visiting the gallery because of the pandemic, but it seemed like a good opportunity to see Martinez's grand "offrende" (altar) which had been long in the making as an installation.

When I realized that temperaturetaking before entry, masks were required, and there are large, open gallery spaces, I figured it was safe

So off we went to experience a remarkable traveling exhibition of Frida Kahlo in many forms and media, by a diverse group of women artists who portrayed themselves in art works and photographs wearing traditional Kahlo attire though they are from cultures from all corners of the earth. Their interpretive

statements share in Kahlo's own fears - personal and yet somehow universal.

In Martinez's "Dia de los Muertos" exhibit, he incorporated the use of a finely-crafted "Frida sculpturette" with long braids, fine features and traditional attire placed at the center of an extremely large elevated platform area intended to honor the dead which many call "altars."

Objects surround the museumgoer and consist of paintings, assemblage pieces, small to large artistic items as well as a re-created Frida studio.

Martinez divided the space brilliantly with items suspended from the ceiling, crutches displayed representing her long struggle with disability throughout her entire life, prayer cards, mattress springs, all artfully arranged. The almost centered piece is an amazing vintage burgundy automobile shared to honor Dia de los Muertos, lent by the Oceanside Car Club.

Characters and skeletons stand alongside the cool car while representative items flow from the trunk. Martinez knew which objects to pull together to create a sense of familiarity with an emphasis on indigenous people of Latino cultures while inviting visitors to seek comfort in the

One Fallbrook Frida was crafted by the Quad Collaborative of artist BJ Lane and her art friends along with a rolling Fallbrook scarecrow, "Emotional Frida," with two sides



Fallbrook's own Daniel Martinez stands at the entrance to his exhibit at the California Center For The Arts Escondido, "Frida Kahlo Inspiraciones de su vida" ("Inspirations of her life"). A Fallbrook Frida scarecrow is on the left and the bench dedicated to art teacher Julie Hinkhouse is on the right.



The Oceanside Car Club loaned this car from the year in which Frida Kahlo passed away, 1954, for the Dia de los Muertos exhibit.

Village News/Courtesy photos

by Gina Abdelrahman of De Luz. Yet it took Martinez with a grand vision to see how it could all fit together in one cohesive unit.

And yet a special and most sweet surprise was Martinez's recreation of an amazing art piece titled "Bench Fantastico" which he auctioned off at a Nov. 2, 2019 auction to benefit Fallbrook's Save Our Forest's environmental education program.

The placing of the bench just inside the exhibit's door was for a very important reason - to honor beloved Potter Jr. High art teacher Julie Hinkhouse who recently passed away and with whom he had worked for many years.

The recreated art bench will be

donated to Hinkhouse's young daughter upon completion of the exhibit. This bench not only honored the teacher and daughter but is a tribute to the students he had talked to and worked with as a volunteer during career day.

The students always remember Hinkhouse's (and Martinez's) direct, honest encouragement to pursue your passion in life, do what you love, share those gifts with others, and stick to a creative path if that is your decision.

This is the fourth time Martinez has had a Dia de los Muertos exhibit at The California Center for The Arts in Escondido. Let's all hope it is not his last.

For those wishing to see this

stellar traveling Frida exhibit, visit www.artcenter.org or www. californiacenterforthearts.org for tickets and information.

Those also wishing to honor Hinkhouse may write in the guest book that the bench is the reason for their attendance.

But don't wait too long. Both exhibits at the California Center for the Arts close Nov. 15.

There is a special free event on Nov. 13 from 12-6 p.m. and tickets in advance are recommended, as well as free events for the children and workshops occurring from Oct. 26 to Nov. 1 to celebrate Dia de los Muertos week. More information can be found on the center's website.

## Encore Club members enjoy Fallbrook Scarecrow Days

FALLBROOK - Encore Club members have been touring Fallbrook and visiting the scarecrow displays all over town during October. Fallbrook offers a great opportunity to enjoy the shops and dining while also snapping "selfies" with their favorite scarecrow.

Members can send their photo to Ardis.Duhachek@gmail.com to participate in a drawing for a prize basket filled with Fallbrook

Encore Club is a social club serving members from Fallbrook, Bonsall, Rainbow and De Luz. It was formed in 1975 to allow members to continue their friendships and activities as a group after graduating from the Newcomers Club.

Encore Club has continued to grow and flourish in an atmosphere of friendships and fun. In spite of the significant limitations imposed by COVID-19, many members have joined or rejoined, reaching 60% of last year's membership roster.

The club is grateful for this ongoing support, and for the creative energy invested in the club by the executive board and other volunteers. They continue to support each other and the community any way that they can.

Activities planned for November include "Sip & Paint" planned for Nov. 4, spending an hour on Zoom guided by an instructor while they create their art project. There will also be bingo, Nov. 12; bunco, Nov. 18; Book Club, Nov. 16, and Music Trivia, Nov. 19. These are all conducted via Zoom, with details in the club newsletter to sign up and enjoy the fun.

The next Encore Club meeting will be held Tuesday, Nov. 3, at 10 a.m. on Zoom. All members will be provided the Zoom link for the meeting which will feature a program presented by Mary Perhacs, executive director of the Fallbrook Art Center. Perhacs will explain the art history of Fallbrook, including the art center and its gift shop, The Find, as well as the Art in Public Places program. She will also share a preview of the Art of the Holiday Show, a happy shopping opportunity from Nov. 7 to Dec. 24.

As the holiday season approaches, there will be two continuing traditions. Member Terri Keyes is collecting suggested donations of either a \$25 gift card or check payable to Armed Forces YMCA to support young military families at U.S. Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton. Encore members enjoy showing their



Village News/Courtesy photos Encore Club member Carol Shrider visits the "Uncle Sam" scarecrow as she tours Fallbrook scarecrows on display.

the Pala Mesa sunroom. It is a

gratitude for the sacrifices made plated luncheon, and the sunroom by these young men and women to keep the country safe. The festive event of the season will be the Holiday Luncheon to be held Dec. 10 at 11:30 a.m. in

affords plenty of space for "social distancing." Reservations are being taken now and may sell out fast. Contact Dale Kinnamon or Ardell Teare to reserve for members and guests.



Linda Lovett, right, and granddaughter Breanna stop by Vince Ross Village Square to take a picture with one of the pumpkin heads.

New members are welcome at any time. To join or rejoin, contact Patty Lucas, patty@pattylucas. com, or Sheri Drzewski, 949-751-

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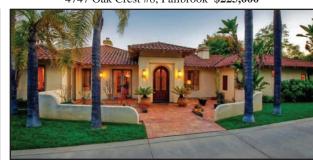
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At the Top of a Hill with Easterly View to Palomar Mtn Built in 1950, single story mid century bungalow with guest/granny/ADU. Main home is approx. 2,000 sf w/3BD, 2BA + optional bd/ofc with laundry facilities inside & detached 2 car garage. Recent complete remodel of kitchen. In ground pool with all new landscaping. Leased solar panels. 3 entertaining decks, above ground jacuzzi. Guest house just over 700 sf. Offered at \$725,000



Stop Searching, Here's the Perfect Home! Lovely home features 4BD, 3BA, 3,060sf with the most amazing scenic views. Many amenities including; built in refrigerator, maple cabinetry, central vacuum, crown molding and it has been recently updated inside and out. Outside there is a Bocce Court, Spa w/fountain, BBQ, detached wine cellar. Yes, there is also a vineyard for your enjoyment! \$1,099,000







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**Great Location** Close to Downtown

With excellent signage. Flexible Fallbrook Village 3 Zoning offers commercial use or potential for conversion back to 2 BD, 1 BA residence. Current owner uses for business with 3 desk bullpen 19x12, Semi private office 10x10, Semi private office 10x9, Private office 12x10.

Kitchen area 15x7 with granite counter tops, sink, microwave & small refrigerator. Pride of ownership and move in ready. *Offered at \$400,000* 



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