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COVID-19 cases continue upward trend locally; first vaccines begin to be distributed

Coronavirus cases are continuing to climb in the Fallbrook area and the greater San Diego region, showing few signs of abating as the very first doses of regulator-approved vaccines begin to roll out locally for use by the military and high-risk groups like medical personnel.

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SDCWA hikes water costs, Fallbrook water bills to go up

FALLBROOK – Due in part to yet another water cost increase from the San Diego County Water Authority, Fallbrook ratepayers will see their water bills rise in 2021. In May, the Water Authority board of directors voted to increase water costs on all 24 of its member water districts roughly 5% effective Jan. 1, 2021. Fallbrook Public Utility District has had to take steps to catch up with these rising water costs.

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COVID-19 patients not a majority of ICU hospitalizations

New data released by the federal Department of Health and Human Services last week painted a clearer picture of just how full hospitals are locally and across the country. In North San Diego County and Southwest Riverside County, the data show hospitals are close to ICU capacity, with the lowest being at 70%, but COVID-19 patients are not the majority of those hospitalized locally

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Rotary Club of Fallbrook rings in the holiday season



Rotary member Penny Johnson rings her bell at the Salvation Army red kettle at the north door of Major Market on Dec. 11.

FALLBROOK – Members of the Rotary Club of Fallbrook volunteered their time to support the Salvation Army during the holiday season. Club members signed up to ring bells next to the familiar red collection kettles located at Major Market, Grocery

Outlet and Northgate Market on the two weekends before Christmas. Rotarians also recruited family members, friends, and high school students to join in. The Salvation Army provided a brief training video on COVID-19 protocols for



Teresa Mendelson collects donations at the Salvation Army red kettle at the south door of Major Market.

volunteers to view before manning the kettles. Safety procedures included wearing masks, maintaining social distancing, and disinfecting the kettles and bells between shifts. Captain Liane Newcomb, who leads the Salvation Army

Oceanside Corps, spoke at the Club's online meeting on Dec. 7. Newcomb shared that the Salvation Army nationwide was placed on Emergency Disaster Mode in March due to COVID-19

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Fallbrook woman killed in hit-and-run on Gird Road

Jeff Pack
Staff Writer

A 60-year-old Fallbrook woman died Thursday, Dec. 10 after authorities said the driver of a pickup truck veered onto the shoulder of Gird Road, struck her and drove off in Fallbrook as her husband watched. By Sunday evening, a suspect was in custody. The collision, reported at 4:58 p.m., happened on the northbound side of Gird Road with the nearest cross street being Laketree Drive. "A middle-aged woman was struck and succumbed to her injuries," North County Fire Capt. John Choi said. Capt. Choi characterized the incident as a hit-and-run. The driver stopped at the scene for a short time, then drove away,

California Highway Patrol Officer Mark Latulippe later clarified. The pickup was described as a dark, older model truck that will likely have damage to the right front side. The victim, a Fallbrook resident whose name was withheld, was pronounced dead at the scene, Latulippe said. Her husband, also 60, was not injured. On Thursday night, authorities released a short clip of surveillance video showing a possible suspect vehicle driving down a road in the area about 10 minutes after the crash. On Sunday, Dec. 13, California Highway Patrol Oceanside area personnel arrested 36-year-old Pasqual Domingo Pasqual Cristobal, of Fallbrook, and

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This screenshot taken from a video provided by the California Highway Patrol's Border Division appears to show a pickup truck that the CHP said may be involved in a hit-and-run collision that killed a Fallbrook woman Thursday, Dec. 10.

100th tree planted at Live Oak Park

Nancy Heins-Glaser
Special to Village News

A group of volunteer "partners in preservation" of Fallbrook's Live Oak Park and its history planted the 100th tree to celebrate the park's 100 years, Sunday, Dec. 3. The volunteers included Jackie Heyneman and Roger Boddaert and their work involved snippets, plantings, pruning and maintenance in a non-stop effort. Stories of snowfalls temporarily halting shovels, railroad bridges washing out, saving individual live oaks on Live Oak Park Road, saving trees are things of environmentalist legends. Tales always involve volunteers – in great numbers – determined to preserve both nature and history. Mythology is interwoven with gratitude and nostalgia – stories

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A group of volunteers help plant the 100th tree in Live Oak park, from left, front, Roger Boddaert, (SOF/FLC); Sherri Lenfers, (LOPC); Sherry Lamont, (SOF); Greta Thunberg, (AAUW climate activist - Sweden); Nancy Heins-Glaser (SOF/Scarecrow); Mary Belton (Reche descendent/Fallbrook Historical Society); Brian Ek, Ranger Live Oak park; in back, Jackie Heyneman (Chair SOF) and Jake Enrique (Supv SD parks & Rec).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

County Libraries move to door-side service



Fallbrook residents can still check out all library materials and safely pick them up right at the library's door, using the county's online catalog.

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Gig Conaughton
County of San Diego
Communications Office

With the state's new COVID-19 Stay Home order in effect, the County of San Diego's 33 libraries have moved to door-side service to help county residents practice social distancing and still enjoy all the library books, digital magazines, music, movies and other fare they love.

People can still check out all library materials and safely pick them up right at their library's door. No appointments are necessary.

Just use the county's online catalog, <https://encore.sdcl.org/iii/encore/?lang=eng> or call your local branch to find and request the book, CD or movie you're

looking for.

When your items are ready, you'll be notified by email, phone call or through the mail. You can then pick up your materials at your library's door-side pickup area between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. Mondays through Fridays.

Remember to wear your mask (library workers will be wearing their masks and practicing social distancing) and bring your library card or valid ID card. Current due dates for San Diego County Library materials have been extended to Feb. 3, 2021.

In addition, County Library Director Migell Acosta said library patrons can still digitally access all the Library's e-books and e-magazines around the clock – 24 hours a day, seven days a

week – by downloading the Libby app for e-books, audio books and e-magazines.

All of the library's online resources can be accessed at <https://www.sdcl.org/refdb2.html>. Residents who do not have a library card can sign up for an e-card at the library's website.

San Diego County residents can download the Libby app at [sdEbooks.org](https://www.sdcl.org/refdb2.html). Library patrons can even order books and materials that are available at any of the county's 33 branch libraries and have them delivered to their own branch library for them to pick up.

For more information about the county library, go to <https://www.sdcl.org/>.

Fallbrook Virtual Turkey Jingle Trot runs through New Year's Eve



Fallbrook Village Rotary President Steve Abbott Village News/Courtesy photo and Rotarian Ally Abbott handout t-shirts and Grand Tradition garden tickets for the 2020 Turkey Jingle Trot.

FALLBROOK – This year, the Fallbrook Village Rotary 12th annual Turkey Trot has been reimagined for social distancing without the running crowds. Participants can join the 2020 Fallbrook Turkey Jingle Trot to receive a T-shirt plus one Grand Tradition garden ticket to walk the grounds at their own pace.

To sign-up for this fun event and help local charities, log on to active.com and search for the "Fallbrook Village Rotary Turkey Jingle Trot." Registration is open until Dec. 31. T-shirts and tickets are available while supplies last.

Participants will be notified when to pick up a T-shirt plus Grand Tradition garden ticket. They can use their tickets according to the information listed at <https://www.grandtradition.com/gardens/>.

Fallbrook Village Rotary appreciates the support of the Grand Tradition for this event. As in previous years, proceeds will benefit the Fallbrook Land Conservancy, the Fallbrook Animal Sanctuary and the Fallbrook Village Rotary Foundation.

Participants are asked to email any photos of their own 2020 Turkey Jingle Trot this year to fallbrookvillagerotary@yahoo.com.

Fallbrook Village Rotary looks forward to including some photos of this reimagined Turkey Trot in next year's Fallbrook Village Rotary Turkey Trot's invitation, so everyone can look back and grin.

Submitted by: The Fallbrook Village Rotary

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Soroptimists to host walkathon to fight human trafficking

VISTA – Soroptimist International of Vista and North County Inland invites the public to sign up now for their "30 Miles in 30 Days to Fight Human Trafficking" Virtual Walkathon. The Walkathon will begin Jan. 1 and end Jan. 30.

Participants can register online at <https://bit.ly/34diyUM> or view the club's homepage at soroptimistvista.org for more information. A "How-To Register" video is viewable at <https://youtu.be/k79w8Sn1DhI>.

The Walkathon will benefit

two local nonprofits active in the fight against human trafficking: Alabaster Jar's Grace House, a safe house for trafficking victims, and North County Lifeline's Project LIFE, a human trafficking prevention and intervention program.

"We're asking supporters locally and nationwide to pledge online to walk, run or bike 30 miles in January, and to donate \$1 per mile or whatever they can afford. They can also choose to just donate without walking," Jackie Huyck, the Vista club's director of public awareness, said.

Participants can pledge individually, join an existing team, or form their own team.

"We usually hold a Human Trafficking Awareness Walk in downtown Vista in January, but COVID-19 has made this impossible, so we decided to try a Walkathon," Huyck said.

"People can get in shape, at their own time and place, while helping a worthy cause at the same time. One benefit this year is that it doesn't matter where you live;

we have people signing up and pledging from all over the United States," she said.

In addition to the Walkathon, the club will be hosting a free Human Trafficking Awareness Zoom Webinar Jan. 30, at 1 p.m., with guest speakers Monica Dean, anchor/reporter for NBC7 News San Diego, and Jaimee Johnson, trafficking survivor.

Dean will talk about "STOLEN," a seven-episode documentary about the sex trafficking and exploitation of children in San Diego County. The documentary debuted in August, after a yearlong investigation by Dean and NBC7's investigative producer Tom Jones. It can be viewed online at <https://www.nbcsandiego.com/news/investigations/documentary-series-stolen/2378624/>.

January is Human Trafficking Awareness month and similar events are being held throughout the county.

Submitted by Soroptimist International of Vista and North County Inland.

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OPINION

New lockdowns



Supervisor Jim Desmond
Fifth District

Last week, when Governor Newsom made the announcement of a new regional approach, I was hopeful. Over the past eight months, I’ve been asking for the focus to be on ICU and hospital capacity and I was glad to see that he finally was changing the focal point. However, once again, he’s missed the mark.

The governor and state did not consult with San Diego County and unilaterally implemented a “regional” approach that unfairly puts people out of work. San Diego

has roughly the same population as entire states such as Utah, Iowa and Connecticut and to group us in with a “Southern California Region” with San Luis Obispo, Mono County and Los Angeles is unfair and unwarranted. Once again San Diegans are being punished!

Still, we must be honest with ourselves; the numbers are rising. Hospitalizations are increasing and ICU capacity is increasing. Now more than ever is the time to listen to the medical professionals. Continue to social distance, wear masks, limit gatherings especially indoors, when possible.

While San Diego County’s Public Health doctors and healthcare system have been handling the pandemic well, I wish the state would focus on the virus itself.

Businesses, restaurants, churches and even playgrounds are not the enemy, but they’ve made it a choice. They’ve said, you can’t have these businesses open and protect people. I think that is short sided, I think we can do both.

Boddaert a credit to Fallbrook

As 25-year residents of The Friendly Village, we’d like to share a delightful experience we had recently with the gentlemen known as The Tree Man of Fallbrook, Roger Boddaert.

After experiencing heavy damage to our small guest house roof, courtesy of a falling eucalyptus branch, we knew we had some tree work to do. We called Roger and he arrived on the date and time agreed on, spent well over an hour with us assessing the many trees on our property and followed his visit with a precise estimate and recommendation of what tree work we should consider.

After a second consultation, the needed work was agreed upon, including the removal of a beautiful, very tall eucalyptus, and a date was set to start the job. The entire project took 2 1/2 days, and involved a crew of at least six men, plus Roger.

On the final day, Roger and an employee returned to perform an inspection and cleanup, and it was Roger who was the last to depart after thoroughly walking the entire property and personally hosing down the patio of any debris left behind.

I even caught him picking small clumps of debris out of some hedges in the front yard before we said our goodbyes with an elbow bump, today’s version of a hand shake. I told him he was even more meticulous than me!

Suffice to say, Roger Boddaert is a genuine credit to The Friendly Village and those of us who call Fallbrook home.

Jay and Janet Harris

RE: ‘Does California owe you money?’ [Village News, Letter, 11/26/20]

In full disclosure, I was a 2020 Candidate for Assembly District 75. When I read our current Assembly representative’s article, it was another reminder for me – why I had decided to run to bring change to our representation for AD 75.

The article begins: “The holiday season is fast approaching and many are suffering from severe economic distress resulting from the COVID 19 shutdowns, so take a few minutes to see if you have some money coming to you.” Am I actually seeing this?

We have been hit by the worst global pandemic in over a century, many are laid off, or have lost jobs as well as health insurance, and are worried about how they are going to pay their rent/mortgage for the month, much less be able to celebrate the holidays. Our food banks have never been as needed and utilized as this year.

We have paid our Assemblywoman \$1.2+ million in salary and travel expenses since her 2012 election, and this is her solution at such a time of crisis? This is her message to us on Thanksgiving Day 2020?

And by the way, the State Controller’s office can take up to 180 days to process “unclaimed property.” It won’t be here for this holiday season.

We have seen her spend her time and energy recently sending letters of support for a Supreme Court nominee, but not for additional stimulus funding from Washington to assist her district residents.

We have heard about how she recommended 3 years ago that the technology be upgraded for state agencies, such as the EDD. that never came to pass. Residents in AD 75 needed their EDD checks 3 months ago – what are you doing today for your constituents to

help them with this crisis? Your constituents as a whole.

The EDD still hasn’t gotten a handle on the massive pandemic assistance fraud scheme and as a result, have been sending an estimated \$2B in payments on fraudulent claims.

Rather than looking for “unclaimed property,” let’s find the \$2B in fraudulent payments Bank of America sent out and get the checks to those who deserve their unemployment benefits.

We also need our Assembly Representative to bring much needed industry along with living wage jobs to our district. That would put much needed money into the pockets of our communities. The state needs pharmaceutical manufacturing, and we are positioned here perfectly due to the proximity to the San Diego Bio-Tech industry. Not to mention needed manufacturing of solar panels made in the USA. We have the space for manufacturing facilities.

Our residents are ending up homeless in their cars as a result of no EDD benefits or jobs. The state passed AB 3088, the Tenant, Homeowner and Small Landlord Relief and Stabilization Act of 2020, extending the moratorium on evictions and foreclosures during the pandemic thru Jan 31 – but most district residents are unaware of this protection. Has there been any outreach to the public about AB 3088? I don’t believe so.

Per the Union Tribune, Dec 4: National outstanding rent debt is expected to be as high as \$7.2 billion by the end of 2020, said a report from the Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia. The estimate is based on eviction moratoriums across the nation ending by the end of the year.

California has one of the longest moratoriums in the nation, with Gov. Gavin Newsom signing a law in August that shielded all renters from eviction due to COVID-19-related back rent through Feb.1. (AB 3088)

The following week’s Village News article by our Assemblywoman then speaks to the issue of needing to help our small businesses. The County Board of Supervisors has already announced additional small business funding to be directed toward small businesses within each of our five county districts, to aid those businesses in danger of failing due to recent lock downs and partial re-openings.

We all understand and fully support the need to assist our small business owners with expenses in order to keep them afloat, particularly the expense of payroll. Our Assemblywoman came up through the ranks due to owning a small business – a t-shirt shop in Escondido – and the chambers’ wishes to have their needs represented at the city, and then state level. Her priorities are very clear.

If our Assemblywoman had pushed her colleagues at the federal level for additional federal stimulus funding with the same fervor as her interest in the next Supreme Court Justice, our state and county governments might have had increased funding for the support of small businesses, as well as for the rest of the community. After all, she is the Assembly Minority Leader in the California State Legislature – that should yield some pretty hefty power with our globally ranked economy.

As I said before, we can do better than this.

Kate Schwartz

Re: ‘Trump’s legacy’ [Village News, Letter, [12/10/20]

The subject letter claims the COVID-19 pandemic “is clearly a state issue.” It definitely is not: it is a global issue, and coordination at the international and federal levels would have helped greatly. The 50 states, left to their own devices, went off in 50 different directions with correspondingly different results.

The subject letter also says, “Left without national emergency resources by the previous administration, this president reached out to American businesses...” And when was this lack of resources found out? Three years into Trump’s time in office! So, who, might I ask, was minding the store?

The letter goes on to say the supplies produced by American businesses were distributed expeditiously. They were not and still are not. According to the AMA: “I in 3 doctors say it’s ‘very’ or ‘extremely’ difficult to get their hands on the PPE they need to limit Covid-19’s spread” (16 Nov 2020)

The letter goes on to say, “Not since 1915, has there been a world-wide pandemic and, even then, not with the twisted strains of this

China virus which spiral into other links.” That’s true but irrelevant.

Obama had been warned that a pandemic was coming and his medical team prepared for it. In 2017, Obama’s pandemic team briefed Trump’s transition team and gave them a playbook to work from. Trump can’t truthfully say they weren’t warned. Search on “Obama’s pandemic team preps trump’s Transition team” to find several articles documenting this.

Continuing, the subject letter says, “Our president inspired the big pharms to churn out a vaccine in under six months.” The only inspiration Trump provided was throwing money at the problem. More importantly, science has made great strides, including the application of DNA technologies, and that has been instrumental in reducing development time.

Now the big hurdle is the logistics of getting the right vaccines to the right people, in sufficient quantities quickly. Fortunately, the Biden team will soon be on the job.

The subject letter goes off the rails with this comment: “he [Trump] got the economy going. Again.” Before the pandemic, Trump’s economy

was simply following the steady upward trend set by Obama. Since the pandemic, the economy has been in shambles – unless you hold a lot of stock. Trump, in keeping with GOP practices, has stoked the stock market, providing evermore profit for the already wealthy elite.

And finally, the letter claims, “They allowed Biden to get away with quid pro quo when he threatened Ukraine to withhold billions in funds if they didn’t fire a certain staffer.” There was no quid quo pro. Hunter Biden, his son, was not being investigated nor charged with any wrong-doing. And Biden wasn’t the only one calling for the staffer (Shokin) to be fired.

“By late fall of 2015, the EU and the United States joined the chorus of those seeking Mr. Shokin’s removal as the start of an overall reform of the Procurator General’s Office,” Herbst testified. “U.S. Vice President Joe Biden spoke publicly about this before and during his December visit to Kyiv.” Search for “Trump twists facts on Biden and Ukraine” for the source.

And as I said before, Trump’s numerous political failures pale in comparison with what will be his legacy: the needless deaths resulting from his failure to address the pandemic and his encouragement of others to flout the COVID-19 protocols.

John H. Terrell

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OPINION

It’s way past time to fix EDD



Assemblymember Marie Waldron
AD-75 (R)

The Employment Development Department has clearly not been up to the task of providing unemployment benefits to the millions of Californians thrown out of work when the COVID-19 pandemic struck

That’s why I joined several of my Republican colleagues on Dec. 7, the first day of the new session, to introduce a package of bills aimed at making EDD more efficient and more secure. My bill, AB 24, will ensure that claimants quickly receive decisions about their applications by requiring a response from EDD within 30 days, or within 15 days when follow-up information is requested.

Other legislation will establish an advisory committee to provide oversight and accountability at EDD, along with anti-fraud measures requiring EDD to cross-check claim information with state and county correctional inmate data. Still another anti-fraud measure will require EDD to stop including full social security numbers in mailings to claimants, a practice that invites fraudulent claims.

Because of bank glitches and concerns about fraud, another bill will allow claimants to receive their benefit payments by direct deposit instead of debit cards.

In fairness to EDD and its employees who must deal with this crisis, the massive increase in unemployment claims would have overwhelmed any state agency. Even so, over half a year since the crisis began, there is still a backlog of about 1.6 million cases, with many claimants waiting five or even six months to receive the unemployment insurance they have coming.

And fraud, including false claims from convicted killers, rapists and other felons who have collected at least \$400 million while in prison, is running rampant. In short, EDD’s response to this crisis has been a disaster.

Millions of workers and their families have suffered an economic catastrophe because of EDD’s failures. This has to change, now!

An open letter to Governor Newsom

Dear Governor Newsom,

Can I first congratulate you on your common sense? Someone of your age and robust health can expose himself to COVID-19 with little or no risk. Why not dine indoors with friends sans masks? Magnifique!

Meanwhile, your subjects are dutifully following your guidelines. It is up to us to flatten the curve. And we will, with your leadership! What does it matter that a handful of the illuminati sup at a restaurant that is beyond our reach culturally and financially? Would we even know what to

order at such an establishment without exposing ourselves as hoi polloi?

Do us, the great unwashed, have the cultural wherewithal to properly enjoy Michelin Three-Star French cuisine? Of course not! Enjoy your meal dear leader! You are worth it. We shall make the sacrifices that you have laid upon us. We realize that in your exalted position, special dispensations, such as a night out with monied interests, are in order.

*Sincerely,
Bill Blackburn*

Someone stole the means to feed my family

Anybody who has experienced something of this nature has to deal with and what we all go through: depression, shame, blame, guilt and should have done this or that at the thought that my husband failed to protect the very means that provides for his family.

As a wife, I too have married the same hurt and disbelief of what happened after 4 a.m. Nov. 25, when I helped him hook up another gooseneck trailer when he was finally able to make a 3000-mile trip to Texas. So between Nov. 25 and 27, at 5 a.m., when I went to pick my husband up, this violation happened.

Our brand-new, hydraulic dump, water trailer was stolen. My husband poured his heart into it to provide water for contractors and develop a nursery right on Route 76 in Fallbrook, between Gird and Monserate Hill roads.

If anyone happens to see our labor of love that was stolen from us, contact Deputy Santana, 760-451-3100 at the Fallbrook Substation, 388 E. Alvarado St., case No. 201500179.

Our family has no problem earning money to offer a reward.

We are truly at a loss on why a spineless few see fit to fill their empty souls with our blood, sweat and tears in labor of what it took to obtain these tools for living.

This hydraulic dump-water trailer was something my husband poured his heart into to be a reflection of his pride in ownership and the quality in his workmanship in providing for our family of four, including his wife, 10-year-old and 13-year-old girls.

We all are going through challenging times with COVID-19 and to provide products and services is hard enough as it is. Our support sincerely goes out to all.

Earlier, Nov. 2, we were scammed by a third party acting as Coinbase customer service, 800-547-6109, who remotely hacked us out of all our cryptocurrency, over \$16,000 U.S. dollars. We were not even aware of programs that can allow others to access your account acting as Coinbase.

How are we to know when over one and a half years, there was never any communication of security breaches, compromises and scams to be aware of in updates about protection. Complete compromise. Knowing this I would at least had a decision to cease or continue to do business.

There was a customer service number and the ability to talk to someone when we first opened the account. I believe at that time they also had live chat.

Not being able to speak directly with Coinbase, no customer service number, no live chat and, without any warning, the ability to communicate was taken away.

I was caught by this scam only due to the fact of Coinbase’s negligence; I’m so mad at myself.

As of Nov. 18, we still could not contact them and their only number, 888- 908-7930, gets you nobody.

If anyone can help us; visit <https://www.gofundme.com/f/stolen-and-equipment> – 10% of the money raised will go to Saint Jude’s Children’s Hospital.

Natthacha and Brian Bolton

The rescue from madness



Joakim Book
Special to Village News

In his memoirs, written in the 1940s but not published until after his death, the great economist Ludwig von Mises said, “I set out to be a reformer, but only became the historian of decline.”

Most people contemplating the political and economic climate of 2020 can probably relate.

Many people, frustrated at the loss of liberty and overreach by governments in the single-minded battle to eradicate a virus they don’t understand, have reached for George Orwell or Aldous Huxley. In their novels, “1984” and “Brave New World,” they explored incredibly dystopian worlds. Real-world events that resemble anything in those books invite the fear that we’re destined for the same tyrannical lives.

While literature captures something deeply real about what it means to be human – particularly during the first half of the despicable 20th century in which these authors lived – they ultimately depict something unreal. The superstate of “1984’s” Oceania hasn’t quite emerged anywhere, except perhaps North Korea; the foolish quest for unstructured and uninhibited pleasure in the World State has so far restricted itself to communes and sections of woke university campuses.

Instead, I find Mises, or his contemporary, the novelist and poet Stefan Zweig, much more revealing. Both came of age at the end of the century in Vienna with its coffee houses, intellectual advancements, literary achievements, famed circles and aura of learning for learning’s sake that posteriority much envied. Both witnessed the prolonged and enduring collapse of their civilizations.

In contrast to Orwell and Huxley’s unreal worlds, the demise that Mises and Zweig discuss actually happened, and just a few generations ago. In our times, in our worlds, with roughly our civic institutions and social structures and values.

We are watching, in real time, the destruction of our own civilization. In the history books, events like these seem so quick and inevitable, following one upon the other until rescue from madness is too late. With the benefit of hindsight that plagues most history, this makes caricatures of the past: really, ask even precocious middle schoolers, couldn’t the secessionists or democrats or the nationalists or the Bolsheviks have anticipated what their inane beliefs and actions would lead to?

Yes, they could, but they discarded them as unrealistic, low-probability outcomes that we didn’t have to care about right now: look at all the beautiful things we are trying to achieve! When the disasters that these movements had unleashed upon civilization were more clearly visible, it was too late to roll them back.

Beginning in the 2010s, and rushing to the forefront in the god-awful year that is 2020, we have been chipping away at the base that made the West great: individualism, restrained state power, competing scientific advances under a shared commitment to truth – objective, verifiable, provable truth.

In the 2010s, with the intellectual bastion of universities and mainstream media as the center of power, we demolished truth. Per critical theory, nothing is and anything goes; narratives dominate statistical facts and cherry-picked events are enough to advance conspiratorial beliefs about structural harm. We have grievance studies and wishy-washy words of oppression; logic is White supremacy; competence hierarchies and meritocracy are nefariously designed to harm those left behind. All is power struggles.

With governments around the

COVID-19 world suspending everything that people value, we suddenly warped society. Truth-speakers are only listened to if they are politically expedient. Individualism has been effectively de-anonymized by the mandated use of masks. There is something overwhelmingly sinister by measures that inhibit person-to-person communication and aggregation, the very features which the state most fears. We impaired the workings of a free society, voluntarily, for a promise that someone, somewhere might not catch the flu. We directed attention, suspicion and later blame to those among us, friend or foe, who got infected instead of the governments from whence the power grab stemmed.

Somehow, we jumped from an Enlightenment and scientific method-based understanding of the world to suddenly blaming whoever tests positive for their flaws. If anyone gets infected, or the overall infection rates rise, being the docile sheep we are and having the hysterical media outlets we have, we conclude that people must have flaunted the rules. Take better precautions, you irresponsible virus spreader! Instead of asking whether the rules even work, we ask what moral flaws fuelled the guilty.

The Salem Witch Trials called and want their rationality back.

Julia Marcus, the Harvard Medical School professor who’s on record for calling many political actions “pandemic theater,” said recently in The Atlantic

“As cases surged in the fall, elected officials blamed the trend on misbehavior at private social gatherings. Restaurants, stores, and other workplaces aren’t the problem, the talking point goes; people just need to behave better everywhere else—in parks, playgrounds, and their own homes.”

Instead, we must “consider the possibility that when huge numbers of people indicate through their actions that seeing loved ones in person is nonnegotiable, they need practical ways to reduce risk that go beyond ‘Just say no.’”

Take the pandemic clown at the Department of Justice’s news briefing, viewed online by millions of people. First, he walks by staff without wearing a mask. Then he takes one out of his pocket, mishandles it and repeatedly touches his face, before he walks the few steps to the DoJ podium where he takes it off. Whatever the scientific assessment is on the effectiveness of masks in preventing the disease to spread, the hypocrisy and make-believe doesn’t get clearer than this.

That segment indicates to us

what we already knew about our House of Cards-like governments. They play charades and make nonsensical rules for us, their subjects, before they themselves routinely flaunt them: Ferguson and Cummings in the U.K., Cuomo and Newsom in the U.S. In *Memoirs*, Mises wrote, “I recognized the corruption that is an inevitable concomitant of (government) interventionism.” Decades later, we can sympathize.

Forty years before Robert Higgs explored the Ratchet Effect – governments grabbing power in the name of some emergency but never returning all of it when the threat of doom had passed – Zweig wrote of the civilization that tyrannical governments and the great wars had destroyed. Apart from grand technical advances between the two total wars that plagued us from 1914 to 1945, Zweig wrote in “The World of Yesterday: Memories of a European” that “There is not a single nation in our small world of the West that has not lost immeasurably much of its joie de vivre and its carefree existence.”

Expect the same of today’s bloated government, filled with delusions of grandeur, always shoving down one-size-fits-all “solutions” to its underlings. Every step along the way they overthrow the fundamental liberty and live-and-let-live conviction that make civilized life bearable.

The only good news in all this madness is that large sways of the public are slowly starting to ignore their overlords. From this, the cynic assumes that it’s useless and the tyrants will win anyway; the optimists say that they will bravely fight till their dying breath – and both find support in *Memoirs*. Reflecting on his time in Austrian policymaking, Mises said, “I fought a battle in the (Austrian Chamber of Commerce) for 16 years in which I achieved nothing more than the postponement of catastrophe. I made weighty personal sacrifices, even though I always foresaw that I would be denied success. But I do not regret having attempted the impossible. I could not act otherwise. I fought because there was nothing else I could do.”

You have a similar choice. Welcome to our brave new world.

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Bonsall Woman’s Club holds three-day fundraiser



Angel Society representatives, Louise Small, left, and Chris Hawranik pose with one of the decorated wreaths that was part of the Bonsall Woman’s Club Christmas raffle.



BWC member Phyllis Zenz shows off wreaths Shown are three of the wreaths in the raffle and Poinsettias for sale as part of the Christmas Fundraiser.



The “Country Christmas” tree is one of nine trees raffled off during the Christmas Fundraiser Dec. 3-5.

BONSALL – The Bonsall Woman’s Club held its Christmas fundraiser Dec. 3, 4 and 5 in the Bonsall River Village Shopping Center. This successful campaign featured 2-5 foot decorated Christmas trees, wreaths, themed baskets, and jewelry as part of a raffle.

There was also a large selection of one-of-a-kind and handmade crafts sold along with two sizes of poinsettias. The BWC’s craft group tirelessly donated their time over the past year getting items ready for this event.

There were also items for sale made by the widows in the White Rainbow Project.

A great deal of the success of this fundraiser was due in part to The Angel Society, which was the Title Sponsor. Other sponsors included Platinum Sponsors Coldwell Banker Village Properties, Dr. Clayton Cooke, DDS. Village Escrow Services, Inc. along with Youngren Construction were Gold Sponsors.

There were many additional sponsors for the trees, wreaths, baskets, and jewelry, as well as the Angel Benefactors (BWC member donations), who contributed to the events success.

The BWC’s Boutique Fundraiser Committee donated endless hours to put this fundraiser together while River Village Properties provided its continued support and generosity.

Ladies from all over North San Diego County and South Riverside County shopped during this three-day event. The BWC is a 501(c)3 organization. All proceeds will be donated to local charities and to the college scholarship programs.

For more information, visit bonsallwomensclub.org.

Submitted by Bonsall Woman’s Club.



This raffle stocking is full of \$25 gift certificates. Village News/Courtesy photos



Raffle baskets include “Think Happy, Think Chocolate,” left, and “Feminine Mystique.”



BWC members Marlene Rantanen, left, and Sydne Gilbert sell raffle tickets to visitors to their Christmas fundraiser.



Snowmen ornaments are the work of BWC’s craft group and were for sale at the fundraiser.

COVID-19 cases continue upward trend locally; first vaccines begin to be distributed

Will Fritz
Staff Writer

Coronavirus cases are continuing to climb in the Fallbrook area and the greater San Diego region, showing few signs of abating as the very first doses of regulator-approved vaccines begin to roll out locally for use by the military and high-risk groups like medical personnel.

The weekly average case rate for the 92028 ZIP code – which also includes De Luz and Rainbow – was 20.7 cases per 100,000 for the most recent week available, Nov. 22-28. The case rate had been 17.8 cases per 100,000 the prior week, and 12.2 cases per 100,000 the week before that, a clear trend in the wrong direction.

There were 71 new positive coronavirus cases in 92028

between Nov. 22-28, reflecting a 9.1% positivity rate and up from 61 new positive cases the week prior. As has been the case for weeks, the numbers look even worse in the county’s Fallbrook “jurisdiction,” which is a smaller section of the 92028 ZIP code that includes just the smaller Census-designated place definition of Fallbrook. That jurisdiction was reporting a case rate of 34.2 per 100,000 between Nov. 11-18, according to county data, having reported 28.5 cases per 100,000 the week prior.

In the wider county, health officials have reported 2,416 new COVID-19 infections and 11 new deaths, marking 107,372 total cases and 1,162 deaths.

Dec. 13 marked the fifth consecutive day that more than 2,000 new cases were reported,

with 2,490 cases reported Dec. 12, 2,867 cases – a record – reported Dec. 11; 2,050 reported Dec. 10 and 2,104 Dec. 9. It is also the 13th day with more than 1,000 new cases. It is just the sixth time the daily cases have crossed 2,000 – all of which have come in the past week.

Of 25,274 tests reported countywide, 10% returned positive.

The number of hospitalizations also continued to rise, with 39 people hospitalized and 11 patients put in intensive care units.

The county’s hospitals have 16% of their ICU beds available, down from 21% Thursday. The state now estimates the ICU bed availability in the 11-county Southern California region at 4.2%, down from 7.7% on Thursday.

In the San Joaquin Valley, only

1.5% of ICU beds are available. The Greater Sacramento region has 15.1% of ICU beds available and the Bay Area has 16.7%, with Northern California at 29.0%

The county has seen a 199% increase in COVID-19 related hospitalizations in the past 30 days and a 148% increase in ICU patients in the same time frame. The previous peak in hospitalizations, in mid-July, topped out around 400 patients.

Seven new community outbreaks were reported Dec. 12. 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.

Doses of the Pfizer vaccine began shipping out from a Michigan facility Dec. 13 bound for Southern California distribution

centers and other locations in the United States.

The Naval Medical Center in San Diego and the Naval Hospital in Camp Pendleton should receive doses of the first coronavirus vaccine this week, the U.S. Department of Defense said.

San Diego military officials could not be reached for comment on the exact timing of the vaccine’s arrival at the two naval hospitals.

The head of the U.S. Centers for Disease Control signed off on the recommendation of an advisory committee Dec. 13, officially permitting the vaccine to be administered in the United States. Trials have reported it to be 95% effective in preventing the coronavirus.

City News Service contributed to this report.

Supervisors approve bid and award process for Ammunition, Aviation, Alvarado sidewalks

Joe Naiman
Village News Reporter

The San Diego County Board of Supervisors authorized the advertisement for bid and subsequent award of construction contracts for seven sidewalk projects in unincorporated San Diego County including sidewalks and other improvements along Ammunition Road, Aviation Road and West Alvarado Street.

The supervisors’ 5-0 vote Wednesday, Dec. 9, appropriated \$1,984,500 into the Road Fund of the county’s Department of Public Works for the seven projects, authorized the director of the county’s Department of Purchasing and Contracting to take the necessary actions to advertise and award multiple contracts, designated the DPW director as the county officer responsible for administering the contracts and found the projects to be categorically exempt from

California Environmental Quality Act and National Environmental Protection Act review.

“Today’s action will fund much-needed sidewalks and pedestrian improvements in the community of Fallbrook,” Supervisor Jim Desmond said.

The seven sidewalk projects also include one apiece in Lakeside, Lincoln Acres, Ramona and Spring Valley. The seven projects will construct 2,615 feet of sidewalks along with curbs, ramps, gutters and other associated items.

The use of multiple contracts will allow the projects to be completed next year; a contractor can bid on more than one project but must meet the scheduled completion dates in the case of multiple awards while the potential to construct all three Fallbrook sidewalks will allow for mobilization advantages.

Community Development Block Grant projects are intended to revitalize lower-

income communities. The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development provides funding for CDBG programs. The county selects its CDBG allocations based on criteria which include benefit to lower-income residents, health and safety considerations, the ability to leverage block grant funds into additional revenue, and availability of alternate funding sources.

All seven of the sidewalk projects authorized, Dec. 9, will utilize CDBG funding for the estimated construction cost of \$1,984,500 including contingency. If funding remains after a project utilizing CDBG funding is completed, that CDBG money can be reallocated to another project eligible for CDBG funding.

The federal funding made the projects subject to National Environmental Protection Act requirements as well as California Environmental Quality Act requirements.

Approximately 230 feet of sidewalk that is 5 feet in width along with pedestrian ramps on the south side of Ammunition Road between 410 Ammunition Road and 420 Ammunition Road will complete a missing segment.

Curbs and gutters will also be part of the construction, and driveways will be reconstructed as necessary. Retaining walls will be installed as needed to address tall or steep slopes.

The Aviation Road sidewalk improvements will consist of 600 feet of sidewalk on the north side of the street between South Mission Road and South Main Avenue. The improvements also include curbs, gutters and pedestrian ramps. A short wall with a railing will protect pedestrians from a drop between the roadway and a commercial building on that part of the street.

Approximately 450 feet of sidewalk will be constructed on the north side of West Alvarado Street

between 229 West Alvarado Street and 111 West Alvarado Street. The project will also include curbs, gutters and pedestrian ramps. A slope near the intersection of Alvarado Street and Pico Avenue will be graded.

All work will be performed within the existing county right of way. Before construction, notifications such as mailings, notices which can be placed on doorknobs or signage will be provided to inform surrounding residents and businesses of the construction impacts and schedule.

During construction, traffic control measures will be in place to limit the impacts to the community and other travelers. The construction is expected to begin in early spring 2021 and be completed during summer 2021.

The Fallbrook Community Planning Group voted 13-0, Nov. 16, with one member absent and one vacant seat, to recommend the Fallbrook sidewalk projects.

ROTARY

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and was deemed an essential workforce.

The Oceanside Corps provides households with weekly grocery bags and supplies individuals with food and clothing. They have seen an 86% increase in households served since January and the need continues to increase.

Last year, the Rotary Club of Fallbrook helped raise almost \$7,000 for the Salvation Army during the holiday season. During the December meeting, Newcomb presented the club with a Certificate of Excellence and recognized the club as a Servant of Excellence.

Those wishing to donate to the Salvation Army’s virtual red kettle may do so at www.oceansideredkettle.org.

For information about the Rotary Club of Fallbrook, visit www.fallbrookrotary.org.

For health and safety reasons, meetings are currently being held online via Zoom Thursdays at noon. Anyone interested in receiving a link to future meetings can send an email to RotaryClubFallbrook@outlook.com.

Submitted by Rotary Club of Fallbrook.



Jack Wood is at the Salvation Army red kettle at Northgate Market.



Phil Forbes mans the Salvation Army red kettle at Grocery Outlet.

REWARD OFFERED FOR STOLEN TRAILER

This hydraulic dump, water trailer was stolen between Nov. 25 and 27 from a property off of Highway 76, between Gird and Monserate Hill roads. Anyone with information about it is asked to call Deputy Santana, 760-451-3100 at the Fallbrook Substation, case No. 201500179, or call the owner, 714-608-2330.



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Village Live/Work Zoning



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HIT AND RUN

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booked him into Vista Detention Facility.

“Oceanside CHP personnel investigated leads developed from physical evidence located at the scene, assistance from the public and nearby neighbors, and statements from the female’s husband who unfortunately witnessed the collision,” Latulippe said in a press release issued Monday. “CHP Oceanside Area’s investigative personnel painstakingly followed up numerous calls and leads that were developed in the days after the collision, and their efforts eventually led to this arrest.”

Cristobal faces multiple felony charges related to this incident including felony hit and run, felony DUI causing death, and manslaughter.

“Many thanks to the citizens



This screenshot taken from a video provided by the California Highway Patrol’s Border Division appears to show a pickup truck that the CHP said may be involved in a hit-and-run collision that killed a Fallbrook woman Thursday, Dec. 10.

of Fallbrook as they assisted Oceanside CHP by providing tips and information regarding this



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family.”

City News Service contributed

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

TREE

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which wafted above the trees in 1920 when the park was donated by the North County Chamber of Commerce to San Diego County. Back then big and bold festivities with dignitaries kicked off the day.

The 2020 pandemic changed the grand plan and uncertainty meant postponement from July to December. No time capsule, no dignitaries, no music. Instead, local park employees, members of Save Our Forest, Live Oak Park Coalition, nature lovers and even an earth-loving scarecrow showed up.

All listened in awe of past stories and hoped for future plans for this little village and for San Diego County, the USA and the world.

To share in what it was like 23 year ago when Save Our Oaks, then Save Our Forest began, view “A Necklace Of Leaves “ on the Fallbrook Land Conservancy’s website, www.fallbrooklandconservancy.org. Heyneman and Boddaert were involved then and still are all these years later.

The Save the Oaks campaign was initiated by a phone call from park ranger Diane Kennedy in 1972. The group renamed itself “Save Our Forest,” and became a branch of the Fallbrook Land Conservancy in 1993.

Joined by volunteers, Dec. 3, County Park & Rec staff member Brian Ek and Supervisor Jake Enriquez shared the work with the lovers of flora, fauna, clean air, open space and the value of Earth’s blessings.

When visitors go to Live Oak



Volunteers help remove the 36 inch square wood plank base planter as the tree is installed.

Park, they should remember its history and its many friends through time and hope their children and grandchildren can walk among those trees and tell stories of those who loved and saved this park and the trees now and in the past.

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For more information, please visit COVID.CA.GOV

Pearl Harbor remembered 79 years later



Old Glory is displayed on the Oceanside Pier for a Pearl Harbor Day memorial ceremony, Monday, Dec. 7.



These are photos of Lavonne and Joe Walsh, longtime Fallbrook residents who were both Marines during World War II. Joe Walsh was a Pearl Harbor survivor and longtime president of the local Pearl Harbor Survivors Association. The couple both died in the past year. Joe was 100 years old and Lavonne was 96.



Bugler Michael Timson and senior Navy chief Nathan Bricker participate in the remembrance of the attack on Pearl Harbor, Dec. 7, 1941.



Rose petals are spread on the water in memory of those who died at Pearl Harbor.



Bugler Michael Timson plays taps in memory of the servicemen who died at Pearl Harbor 79 years ago.



Peggy Cozens spreads rose petals on the water from the Oceanside Pier at the end of the Pearl Harbor Day memorial ceremony.

REGIONAL

NCTD & SANDAG receive \$106 million grant to implement improvements on the San Diego portion of the LOSSAN corridor

OCEANSIDE – The North County Transit District and San Diego Association of Governments announced Friday, Dec. 11, that the California Transportation Commission has awarded a grant request of \$106 million to fund trade corridor enhancements in the San Diego region. This announcement follows the recent release of a study outlining how to phase expansion of passenger and freight rail services along the Los Angeles – San Diego – San Luis Obispo rail corridor, the second busiest rail corridor in the nation. In a typical year, the LOSSAN rail corridor moves approximately \$1 billion of freight and over 8 million rail passengers.

The \$106 million grant provides critical funding for a \$202 million program of projects for the San Diego portion of the LOSSAN rail corridor. SANDAG will be responsible for implementing the program of projects which includes: Del Mar Bluffs Stabilization Project 5, the construction of the COASTER Convention Center Platform in the Gaslamp area, Phase 1 of the San Dieguito Bridge located near the Del Mar Fairgrounds and other rail line improvements on Camp Pendleton. The program of projects was developed as part of a San Diego Pathing Study funded by NCTD and BNSF.

“We are excited and grateful to the California Transportation Commission for selecting the region’s grant application for funding. The funding will support critical state of good repair and capacity enhancing projects that will increase transit ridership and rail freight movement,” Tony Kranz, NCTD board chair and Encinitas city councilmember, said. “The funding of these projects will also create local jobs and help boost our economy which has been ravaged by the COVID-19 pandemic.”

The projects outlined in the trade corridor enhancement program grant will provide a host of benefits to the broader San Diego and Southern California region including, but not limited to: expanding COASTER service to the Downtown San Diego Convention Center, which serves as a major entertainment and employment hub for the region; extending service to a new Amtrak maintenance facility in National City that will aid LOSSAN Pacific Surfliner operations; increasing freight services along the LOSSAN corridor to five roundtrips per day as part of the prioritized midterm improvements; minimizing rail crossing delays by extending signaling and Positive Train Control to improve rail speed and coordination with rail crossing gates, and stabilizing the 1.7 miles of coastal bluffs within Del Mar.

“This funding is critical to SANDAG’s goal of improving the speed, capacity, and safety of rail service along the second busiest rail corridor in the nation,” Steve Vaus, SANDAG chair and mayor of Poway, said. “SANDAG remains fully committed to securing the bluffs in the short term and identifying a feasible long-term solution for the corridor.”

With the award of this generous grant from the CTC, NCTD and its rail partners will work together with SANDAG, LOSSAN Corridor Agency, California State Transportation Agency, and other key stakeholders to identify the funds needed to implement the remaining phases of unfunded projects included in the San Diego Pathing Study.

Submitted by The North County Transit District and San Diego Association of Governments.

Gov. Gavin Newsom announces statewide expansion of CA Notify, a smartphone tool designed to slow the spread of COVID-19

SACRAMENTO – Gov. Gavin Newsom announced the statewide launch of CA Notify, a new digital tool that will help reduce the transmission of COVID-19. Starting Thursday, Dec. 10, Californians can opt in to receive COVID-19 notifications informing them if they have been exposed to someone who has tested positive for the virus. CA Notify is a digital tool that protects privacy and security – it does not collect device location to detect exposure and does not share a user’s identity. The tool was developed in partnership with Google and Apple and piloted with the help of the University California San Diego and the University of California San Francisco.

“Throughout this pandemic we have tapped California’s talent pool to fight this virus and that includes working with tech innovators like Apple and Google,” Newsom said. “CA Notify will help slow the spread by alerting those who opt in to receive an alert if they’ve come into contact with someone who has tested positive. The process is private, anonymous and secure, and is one of the many tools in the state’s data-driven approach to help reduce the spread.”

Californians can enable CA Notify in their iPhone settings or on Android phones by downloading the CA notify app from the Google’s Play store and start receiving availability alerts from their phones.

When individuals voluntarily activate CA Notify, the tool uses Bluetooth technology to exchange random codes between phones without revealing the user’s identity or location. If a CA Notify user tests positive for COVID-19, they will receive a verification code to plug into the app, if they choose. Any other CA Notify users who have been within 6 feet for 15 minutes or more of the COVID-19 positive individual will get an anonymous notification of possible exposure. CA Notify will accelerate how quickly people get notified of a possible COVID-19 exposure, giving people the information they need to make responsible decisions around quarantine and testing. Users who have tested positive for COVID-19 will get a text from the California Department of Public Health at 855-976-8462 with a code which they can enter into CA Notify triggering an alert to phones of people who may have been exposed in the previous 14 days.

“When combined with other actions like wearing masks and physical distancing, CA Notify can help curb the transmission of COVID-19,” Dr. Mark Ghaly said. “Every day that is saved in alerting others of a possible exposure, is a day that a possibly infectious person can begin self-quarantine and reduce the spread.

This technology is another way for Californians to take proactive steps to keep themselves, their loved ones and their communities safe.”

The state launched a pilot in September for students, staff and faculty at UC San Diego and UC San Francisco and expanded to include five other University of California campuses in mid-November. Given the privacy-first focus of CA Notify, the state does not know how many students, faculty, staff and patients have enabled CA Notify, but UC estimated more than 250,000 people are utilizing this technology as part of the pilot. CA Notify has helped identify exposed individuals early, allowing them to quickly quarantine and reduce the transmission of the virus. The performance and privacy of CA Notify has been successfully evaluated through the pilot project and similar programs have been launched in other states.

“Our pilot experience starting at UC San Diego and expanding to other UC campuses showed this technology was effective in identifying exposed individuals early for quarantine and testing, and helping keep our communities as safe as possible,” Dr. Christopher Longhurst, chief information officer of UC San Diego Health, said. “This free and reliable smartphone technology can help all Californians. As we enter a new, and hopefully final, surge in the pandemic, now more than ever is the time to put every possible tool to use to slow the spread of the virus.”

“With the rapid surge of COVID-19 cases, we need every tool possible to protect our communities. We applaud the state for expanding this scalable system so all people living in California have another means of being informed of potential exposures as quickly as possible,” Dr. Carrie L. Byington, executive vice president of University of California Health and an infectious disease expert, said. “We are glad that University of California Health could be a resource for the pilot testing and now for the management of the expansion.”

CA Notify is completely voluntary and free and is designed to protect your privacy. It does not use device location to detect exposures and does not share your identity to other users. And individuals can securely report if they test positive, so that others can be notified of exposure without indicating their identity.

For more information, visit <http://CaNotify.ca.gov> and <http://Covid19.ca.gov>.

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UC Riverside receives more than \$4 million for avocado anti-fungus research

City News Service

UC Riverside received more than \$4 million in federal funds to research methods of shielding avocados from a fungus that can be devastating to crops in California and elsewhere, it was announced Thursday, Dec. 10.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture awarded the university a \$4.4 million grant as part of its National Institute of Food & Agriculture Specialty Crop Research Initiative, with the goal of promoting development of next-generation methods of protecting orchards from Laurel Wilt, a fungus introduced by the non-native redbay ambrosia beetle.

“When the beetle attacks, the fungus enters and colonizes the tree’s vascular system, and within weeks, the tree wilts and dies if not managed properly,” said Patricia Manosalva, director of UCR’s Avocado Rootstock Breeding Program.

The fungus has been found in Florida, and growers believe it will eventually surface in California.

Along with Laurel Wilt, growers are also facing losses stemming from Phytophthora root rot, or PRR, and soil salinity, according to UCR. Salinity levels are a worldwide problem due to persistent droughts and use of reclaimed water for irrigation, officials said.

“Under this grant, we will select rootstocks harboring resistance to the current pathogen population, and we will register new fungicides with different modes of actions to reduce avocado losses to the destructive (PRR) pathogen,” Manosalva said.

UCR’s avocado breeding program was established 70 years ago, so the university is on the leading edge of developing strategies for crop protection, according to the researcher.

“This grant will allow us to keep moving the UCR rootstock breeding program forward and continue developing hearty avocado rootstocks,” she said.

The program has already isolated lines that can tolerate high salinity levels, and researchers believe the same rootstocks can be refined to bolster resistance to Laurel Wilt, using grafting techniques.

Field trials are pending in California and other states, as well as Puerto Rico, according to UCR.

The avocado industry generates more than \$350 million in crop yields annually, according to the California Avocado Commission.

“California’s produce feeds the nation, and the world,” Monsalva said. “Our science will help feed people and empower growers everywhere.”

In a separate but related grant, the USDA awarded a team of 15 scientists from UCR and four other universities \$1.9 million to study how essential oils may aid in combating algal stem blotch, brown rot, gray mold and powdery mildew that impact crops.

The grants have a four-year duration.

NATIONAL

US agencies hacked in monthslong global cyberspying campaign

Eric Tucker, Frank Bajak and Matt O’Brien
The Associated Press

Hackers broke into the networks of the Treasury and Commerce departments as part of a monthslong global cyberespionage campaign revealed Sunday, Dec. 13, just days after the prominent cybersecurity firm FireEye said it had been breached in an attack that industry experts said bore the hallmarks of Russian tradecraft.

The FBI and the Department of Homeland Security’s cybersecurity arm were investigating what experts and former officials said appeared to be a large-scale penetration of U.S. government agencies – apparently the same cyberespionage campaign that also afflicted FireEye, foreign governments and major corporations.

“This can turn into one of the most impactful espionage campaigns on record,” cybersecurity expert Dmitri Alperovitch said.

The hacks were revealed less than a week after FireEye disclosed that foreign government hackers had broken into its network and stolen the company’s own hacking tools, first reported by Reuters. Many experts suspect Russia is responsible. FireEye’s customers include federal, state and local governments and top global corporations.

The apparent conduit for the Treasury and Commerce Department hacks – and the FireEye compromise – is a hugely popular piece of server software called SolarWinds. It is used by hundreds of thousands of organizations globally, including most Fortune 500 companies and multiple U.S. federal agencies that will now be scrambling to patch up their networks, Alperovitch, the former chief technical officer of the cybersecurity firm CrowdStrike, said.

FireEye, without naming any specific targets, said in a blog

post that its investigation into the hack of its own network had identified “a global campaign” targeting governments and the private sector that, beginning in the spring, had slipped malware into a SolarWinds software update. Neither the company nor U.S. government officials would not say whether it believed Russian state-backed hackers were responsible.

The malware gave the hackers remote access to victims’ networks, and Alperovitch said SolarWinds grants “God-mode” access to a network, making everything visible.

“We anticipate this will be a very large event when all the information comes to light,” John Hultquist, director of threat analysis at FireEye, said. “The actor is operating stealthily, but we are certainly still finding targets that they manage to operate in.”

FireEye said it had confirmed infections in North America, Europe, Asia and the Middle East, including in the health care and oil and gas industry – and had been informing affected customers around the world in the past few days. It said that malware that rode the SolarWinds update did not seed self-propagating malware – like the 2016 NotPetya malware blamed on Russia that caused more than \$10 billion in damage globally – and that any actual infiltration of an infected organization required “meticulous planning and manual interaction.”

It means it’s a good bet only a subset of infected organizations were being spied on by the hackers. Nation-states have their cyberespionage priorities, which include COVID-19 vaccine development.

Cybersecurity experts said recently that they considered Russian state hackers to be the main suspect in the FireEye hack.

On Sunday, National Security Council representative John Ulyot said in a statement that the government was “taking all necessary steps to identify and

remedy any possible issues related to this situation.”

On its website, SolarWinds said it has 300,000 customers worldwide, including all five branches of the U.S. military, the Pentagon, the State Department, NASA, the National Security Agency, the Department of Justice and the White House. It said the 10 leading U.S. telecommunications companies and top five U.S. accounting firms are also among customers.

The government’s Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency said it was working with other agencies to help “identify and mitigate any potential compromises.”

President Donald Trump in November fired Chris Krebs, the director of CISA, after Krebs vouched for the integrity of the presidential election and disputed Trump’s claims of widespread electoral fraud.

In a tweet Sunday, Krebs said “hacks of this type take exceptional tradecraft and time,” adding that he believed that its impact was only beginning to be understood.

Federal government agencies have long been attractive targets for foreign hackers.

Hackers linked to Russia were able to break into the State Department’s email system in 2014, infecting it so thoroughly that it had to be cut off from the internet while experts worked to eliminate the infestation.

The intrusions disclosed Sunday included the Commerce Department’s agency responsible for internet and telecommunications policy.

Treasury deferred comment to the National Security Council. A Commerce representative confirmed a “breach in one of our bureaus” and said “we have asked CISA and the FBI to investigate.” The FBI said it was engaged in a response but declined to comment further.

Austin, Texas-based SolarWinds

confirmed Sunday a “potential vulnerability” related to updates released between March and June for software products called Orion that help monitor networks for problems.

“We believe that this vulnerability is the result of a highly-sophisticated, targeted and manual supply chain attack by a nation state,” Kevin Thompson, CEO of SolarWinds, said in a statement. He said it was working with the FBI, FireEye and intelligence community.

FireEye announced Tuesday, Dec. 8, that it had been hacked, saying foreign state hackers with “world-class capabilities” broke into its network and stole tools it uses to probe the defenses of its thousands of customers. The hackers “primarily sought information related to certain government customers,” Kevin Mandia, CEO of FireEye, said in a statement, without naming them.

Former NSA hacker Jake Williams, the president of the

cybersecurity firm Rendition Infosec, said FireEye surely told the FBI and other federal partners how it had been hacked and they determined that Treasury had been similarly compromised.

“I suspect that there’s a number of other (federal) agencies we’re going to hear from this week that have also been hit,” Williams said.

FireEye responded to the Sony and Equifax data breaches and helped Saudi Arabia thwart an oil industry cyberattack – and has played a key role in identifying Russia as the protagonist in numerous aggressions in the burgeoning netherworld of global digital conflict.

Mandia said there was no indication they got customer information from the company’s consulting or breach-response businesses or threat-intelligence data it collects.

Bajak reported from Boston and O’Brien from Providence, Rhode Island.

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COVID-19 vaccine shipments begin in historic US effort

Martha Irvine and Morry Gash
The Associated Press

The first of many freezer-packed COVID-19 vaccine vials made their way to distribution sites across the United States Sunday, Dec. 13.

The rollout of the Pfizer vaccine, the first to be approved by the Food and Drug Administration, ushers in the biggest vaccination effort in U.S. history – one that health officials hope the American public will embrace, even as some have voiced initial skepticism or worry. Shots are expected to be given to health care workers and nursing home residents beginning Monday, Dec. 14.

Quick transport is key for the vaccine, especially since this one must be stored at extremely low temperatures – about 94 degrees below zero. Early Sunday, workers at Pfizer – dressed in fluorescent yellow clothing, hard hats and gloves – wasted no time as they packed vials into boxes. They scanned the packages and then placed them into freezer cases with dry ice. The vaccines were then taken from Pfizer’s Portage, Michigan, facility to Gerald R. Ford International Airport in Grand Rapids, where the first cargo plane took off amid what

airport officials called a “jubilant” mood.

“This is a historic day,” Richard W. Smith said, who oversees operations in the Americas for FedEx Express, which is delivering 630-some packages of vaccine to distribution sites across the country. United Parcel Service also is transporting a share of the vaccine.

Helping with the transport of the vaccine has special meaning to Bruce Smith, a FedEx package handler at the Grand Rapids airport, whose older sister, Queen, died after she contracted the coronavirus in May. She was hospitalized in Georgia one day after he saw her on a video chat, and they never spoke again.

“I think she would be ecstatic to know that something that has ravaged our family – that a family member is going to be part of such a big project,” Smith, 58, said, whose nephew, Queen’s son, also got sick and is still undergoing therapy for stroke-like symptoms. “It is very, very important.”

Tracked with GPS-enabled sensors, the initial shipments were expected to contain about 3 million doses, with many more to come. Federal officials said the first shipments of Pfizer’s vaccine will be staggered, arriving in 145 distribution centers Monday, with

another 425 sites getting shipments Tuesday, and the remaining 66 for Wednesday. Doses of the vaccine, co-developed by German partner BioNTech, are given out based on each state’s adult population. Then the states decide where they go first.

In California, where health care workers will be among the first to be vaccinated, state health officials are prioritizing hospitals that have adequate storage capacity, serve high-risk populations and have the ability to vaccinate people quickly.

Initial surveys have found that some health care workers don’t want to be first in line. Dr. Graham Snyder, who’s led the vaccine task force at Pennsylvania health care giant UPMC, estimated that about half of its employees are willing to get the vaccine as soon as it’s offered.

But many health officials expect enthusiasm to grow.

“There’s that thought that maybe they don’t have to be so afraid to come to work if they can be vaccinated and be immune,” Dr. Sandra Kemmerly, medical director of hospital quality at the 40-hospital Oschner Health System in Louisiana and Mississippi, said. Employees approved for the first round are getting texts and emails directing them to schedule their initial injection, she said. Enough

vaccine is being saved so that each person who gets the first dose of vaccine can get a second required shot a few weeks later.

Senior U.S. government officials, including some White House officials who work in close proximity to President Donald Trump and Vice President Mike Pence, are among those who will be offered coronavirus vaccines as soon as this week, two people familiar with the matter confirmed.

A survey from The Associated Press-NORC Center for Public Affairs Research found that about half of Americans want to get the vaccine as soon as possible. Another quarter aren’t sure, while the remaining quarter said they aren’t interested. Some simply oppose vaccines in general. Others are concerned that the vaccines have been rushed and want to see how the rollout goes.

Dr. Stephen Hahn, commissioner of the FDA, which approved the Pfizer vaccine Friday, has repeatedly insisted that the agency’s decision was based on science, not politics, despite a White House threat to fire him if the vaccine wasn’t approved before Saturday.

Speaking to FOX News Sunday, Dr. Moncef Slaoui, chief science adviser to Operation Warp Speed, a U.S. effort to get vaccines

developed quickly, also said he is “very concerned” about the skepticism about the vaccine in some circles.

“Unfortunately ... there’s been a confusion between how thorough and scientific and factual the work that has been done is, and the perception that people are thinking that we cut corners...” Slaoui said. “I can guarantee you that no such things have happened, that we follow the science.”

He called the development of vaccines from several pharmaceutical companies, including Moderna and AstraZeneca, “a remarkable achievement of science, academia, the industry ecosystem and the U.S. government, working together.”

While the vaccine was determined to be safe, regulators in the U.K. are investigating several severe allergic reactions. The FDA’s instructions tell providers not to give it to those with a known history of severe allergic reactions to any of its ingredients.

The Moderna vaccine will be reviewed by an expert panel Thursday and soon afterward could be allowed for public use.

Irvine reported from Chicago. AP writer Zeke Miller in Washington contributed to this report.

Hunter Biden subpoena seeks information on Burisma, China, other entities

Michael Balsamo and Eric Tucker
The Associated Press

A subpoena seeking documents from Hunter Biden, son of Joe Biden, asked for information related to more than two dozen entities, including Ukraine gas company Burisma and Chinese business dealings and other financial transactions, according to a person familiar with a Justice Department tax investigation of Hunter Biden Saturday, Dec. 12.

CNN reported the scope of the probe, including that it is focused on China. Investigators have been examining multiple financial issues, including whether Hunter Biden and his associates violated

tax and money laundering laws in business dealings in foreign countries, principally China, according to two people briefed on the probe.

The investigation began as early as 2018, predating the arrival of William Barr as U.S. attorney general, two people briefed on the investigation said. The existence of the probe will present an immediate test of Joe Biden’s promise to maintain the independence of the Justice Department.

The breadth of the subpoena, issued Tuesday, Dec. 8, underscores the wide-angle lens prosecutors are taking as they examine the younger Biden’s finances and international business ventures.

Hunter Biden’s ties to Burisma in particular have long dogged the policy work and political aspirations of his father, Joe Biden.

The person was not authorized to discuss an ongoing investigation publicly and spoke to The Associated Press on condition of anonymity.

A lawyer for the younger Biden, George Mesires, did not immediately return a phone message seeking comment for this story and a representative for the Biden transition team declined to comment.

Hunter Biden confirmed Wednesday, Dec. 9, that his taxes are under federal investigation. The revelation comes at a delicate time for the president-elect, who

is building out his Cabinet and will soon decide on his nominee to run the Justice Department, the same department overseeing the investigation into his son.

At one point in the investigation, federal prosecutors were also examining potential money laundering offenses, two people familiar with the matter told the AP.

The younger Biden joined the board of Burisma in 2014, around the time his father, then vice president, was helping conduct the Obama administration’s foreign policy with Ukraine. President Donald Trump and his allies have long argued that Hunter Biden’s work in Ukraine influenced the Obama administration’s policies toward the Eastern European nation.

Senate Republicans said in a report earlier this year that the appointment may have posed a conflict of interest. A video of Joe Biden surfaced where he was speaking to the Council of Foreign Relations and bragging that he got a Ukraine investigator fired who was looking into Barisma’s suspected crimes, using the quid pro quo of a billion dollar U.S.-backed loan.

Joe Biden is not presently believed to be a focus of the investigation. He has not weighed in on the merits of the investigation, saying only to reporters Friday that he was “proud of my son.”

For months, the U.S. attorney’s office in Pittsburgh has also been collecting information from Trump’s attorney, Rudy Giuliani, and others as part of the Justice Department’s process to receive

and analyze information related to Ukraine, including documents Giuliani wanted to present to prosecutors that he had been gathering in Ukraine about Joe and Hunter Biden.

In announcing that process in February, Barr cautioned that the department had to be careful about any information coming from Ukraine, saying: “There are a lot of agendas in the Ukraine, a lot of cross currents. And we can’t take anything we received from Ukraine at face value.”

The former New York City mayor was a main character when the House voted to impeach Trump. The impeachment inquiry centered on Trump’s dealings with Ukraine’s president and whether he abused his office by seeking the investigation into the Bidens. Giuliani pressured officials to do the investigations and has been pushing unsubstantiated corruption allegations against the Bidens.

Giuliani himself had also been under federal investigation, with federal prosecutors in Manhattan examining whether he failed to register as a foreign agent, according to people familiar with the matter. Giuliani claimed those allegations were unfounded and that, as the president’s personal attorney, it was his responsibility to investigate the matter for his client. It was unclear whether that investigation remains active as Trump has discussed the possibility of preemptive pardons for some of his family members and close associates, including Giuliani.

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Dec.8		
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Symone Renee Conley, 60 years old, tragically died on Dec. 10, 2020 in Fallbrook, California. She is survived by her husband, Kevin Conley, son Luke Conley, daughter Celene Merrill, sister Darcel Reynolds and parents

Ronald and Dolores Reynolds. She was born Symone Renee Reynolds on Nov. 21, 1960 in Flint, Michigan. Symone graduated from Flushing High School. A natural born athlete, she played in multiple sports including softball, track, and tennis. From winning the CANUSA games to getting a tennis scholarship, she loved the competitive nature of sports and excelled in every sport she did. Not only was she athletic, but she was an intelligent woman as well. She earned a bachelor's degree in Communications-Radio, TV, and Film at California State University, Fullerton, where she met her husband, Kevin Conley. They shared 30 years of marriage together. After college, her passion for real estate started. She was a dedicated Realtor for over 20 years as well as a school district employee for the last 13 years of her life. However, the most

important job to Symone was being a mother and devoted wife. She loved her family more than anything. Symone was a member of Christ the King Lutheran Church. She enjoyed family, faith, cooking, and daily walks. She will be remembered for her strong devotion to God, beautiful smile, kind spirit, willingness to help anyone she knew, her ability to always know the right things to say and making an impact on many people in the Fallbrook community and her treasured family. Her light will always be shining down on us all. The Celebration of Life will be an outdoor ceremony held on Saturday, Dec. 19, 2020 at 1 p.m. at Christ the King Lutheran Church. Donations may be given to the Angel Society in Fallbrook, California.



Carmen Dolores Blackham Rindfleisch was born Sept. 17, 1976, to Kim and Colette Blackham in Provo, Utah. She died Dec. 3, 2020.

Carmen was the oldest of four children. The family spent a few years in Green River, Wyoming, where she endured emergency kidney surgery as a 3-year-old. When Carmen was in second grade, her family settled in Fallbrook. She attended Maie Ellis Elementary School, La Paloma Elementary School, Potter Jr. High School, Bonsall Middle School and graduated from Fallbrook High School. Growing up, Carmen enjoyed ballet, community theater, singing with the Fallbrook High Madrigals, creative writing and activity in The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

After high school, Carmen attended Brigham Young University where she earned her bachelor's degree in English and sang in the BYU Women's Chorus. During that time, she volunteered to serve an 18-month mission in Honduras, where she taught the gospel of Jesus Christ in Spanish, survived the devastating Hurricane Mitch and made lifelong friends. Carmen met and married Carl Rindfleisch in San Diego in 2004. They married in the San Diego Temple. She earned her master's degree in English and taught for BYU-Idaho online while mothering her two precious daughters, Carleigh and Carissa. They lived in Poway and Salt Lake City, Utah, and enjoyed many memorable family trips planned by Carl. Carmen was delighted when she and Carl were able to find a home in her hometown of Fallbrook. She engaged in the community by volunteering at Bonsall Elementary where her girls got to have their grandmother as their kindergarten teacher, joining local choirs and enrolling her family in North County Academy of Dance. One of her life's highlights was dancing as an entire family in the Nutcracker. Carmen had a gift for touching hearts. She made friends wherever she went, and she maintained those friendships for life with thoughtful gestures, kind notes and planning events to include everyone.

Her friends describe her rare quality of childlike innocence, which infused her life with joy for every holiday. Carmen created reasons to celebrate – she was always planning a party, down to her festive outfits. She would move heaven and earth to attend events for friends and family; even in a cancer-weakened body, she would be there. She loved all kinds of music, and she could recount dates and details of long-ago events with uncanny facility. These gifts contributed to her extraordinary teaching ability. Carmen's belief in her Savior Jesus Christ and her love for her family motivated her to fight colon cancer for the last 5 1/2 years of her life. Her faith-filled social media posts inspired thousands of people. Carmen is survived by her loving husband Carl, daughters Carleigh and Carissa, parents Kim and Colette Blackham, sister Natalie (Jason) Conforto, brothers Clint (Brooke) Blackham and Seth Blackham, parents-in-law Winn and Susan Rindfleisch, sisters-in-law Shanna (Kamron) Riches, Meredith (Michael) Nassar, brother-in-law Adam Rindfleisch, countless nieces and nephews, relatives and friends who love her. A viewing is being held Friday, Dec. 18, from 4-8 p.m. at Berry-Bell and Hall Mortuary, 333 N. Vine St.

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Fallbrook's pioneers honored in virtual ceremony



Bill Atkins, of All Star Physical Therapy, is the Fallbrook Historical Society's Vintage Business of the Year honoree for 2020.

Lucette Moramarco
Associate Editor

Due to COVID-19 restrictions on gatherings, the Fallbrook Historical Society presented its annual awards virtually this year, on Dec. 6. The honorees were recognized for their contributions to the village of Fallbrook. Under the circumstances, there was a smaller number in attendance, but the awardees expressed their delight in accepting their awards.

The first award, Vintage Business of the Year, was presented to Bill Atkins of All Star Physical Therapy. This award is given annually to a Fallbrook business that has made a positive impact on the community.

Atkins moved to Fallbrook as a child at the age of 2 and went on to graduate from Cal State Long Beach with a physical therapy degree. He served as the director of Physical Therapy at Fallbrook Hospital, coached Fallbrook youth teams including Pop Warner football and the Boys & Girls club basketball teams. He was also a strength and conditioning coach for Fallbrook Union High School.

Atkins started his first practice, Rancho Physical Therapy, in 1984, then started All Star Physical Therapy in 2013, with Paul Demeglio, John Waite and Greg Smith.

In his comments on his honor, Atkins said, "I am definitely the benefactor of growing up in Fallbrook; the lifestyle I had growing up on a ranch (Atkins Nursery), the family I was brought up in; (I learned) sometimes you have a good crop, sometimes you don't.

"As I started out here, the connections to people are very unique; I am blessed to be part of that. There is nothing like the town of Fallbrook," he continued, "We are all blessed to be part of this community."

The 2020 Member of the Year is given annually to a member who has made significant contributions to the Fallbrook Historical Society; this year's honoree is Donald McLean Jr.

McLean is a hometown Fallbrook boy having been born in the old hospital on Main Avenue. He grew up across the street from Odd Fellows Cemetery and graduated from FUHS. A career Fallbrook firefighter with North County Fire Protection District, he retired as a Captain.

As a supporter of the Fallbrook community, he is on the Board of Trustees of the Masonic Lodge, Board Chairman of Rainbow Girls and active in the FUHS Alumni

Association.

His contributions to the FHS include being a member of the Board of Directors, curator of the Gem and Mineral collection (which was collected by his grandparents), maintenance supervisor, administration committee member and asset committee member.

McLean said, "Volunteerism has been in my veins, is who I am." He added that he volunteers with FHS to keep "the history and future of history alive" and make the museum the place for Fallbrook residents to go to find the riches of Fallbrook."

This year FHS honored three Pioneers of the Year instead of one. Jackie Heyneman, Beverly McDougal and Cecelia Njust are all long-time residents of Fallbrook.

Heyneman has lived in Fallbrook since 1971 when her late husband retired from the Navy and they settled here. She has volunteered for nearly 50 years in various Fallbrook organizations including PTA, Scouting, National Charity League, Fallbrook Players and Mission Theater, Save the Oaks, Fallbrook Land Conservancy and numerous others.

After growing up in Norwalk, Connecticut where she lived in the same house from birth to marriage, Heyneman followed her husband all over the world for 30 years. "This is the spot we wanted to make our hometown, a very special place," she said, because when they walked down the street and greeted people, "everyone says 'hello' back.

"There are many wonderful volunteers here; it's amazing to see the people come out to help our hometown," she continued. She also said she is honored to be in the company of McDougal and Njust who are "both tremendous contributors" to the community.

Beverly McDougal has been a Fallbrook resident since 1960. She was a teacher at Palomar College and FUHS, teaching clothing and food courses. She volunteered with the 4-H Club, FFA, Fallbrook High School Youth Fair (livestock) and the Fallbrook Hospital Auxiliary board.

She is also a charter member of Sonrise Christian Fellowship where she has been a deacon and a Sunday school teacher. An active member of Fallbrook Historical Society, she is a past board member, past docent coordinator and was instrumental in the building of Donald J. Rivers Interpretive Center (The Barn). She was also co-founder of the Grand Tradition Estate and Gardens with her late



Don McLean, Jr., is the 2020 Fallbrook Historical Society Member of the Year.



Jackie Heyneman, a 2020 Pioneer of the Year, is a 49-year resident of Fallbrook..



Bev McDougal, a 2020 Pioneer of the Year, is a 60-year resident of Fallbrook.

Village News/Courtesy photos

husband, Earl McDougal.

Beverly McDougal was unable to comment on her award due to technical difficulties.

Cecelia Njust is a charter member of Fallbrook Historical Society which was founded in 1976. She helped raise \$78K to purchase the four acre parcel that is today's FHS museum complex. The land included an 1895 farmhouse which was later discovered to have been built by Civil War Hero William Pittenger.

Njust was involved in the building of FHS's Heritage center in 1981 and in construction of the Barn in 2006. She worked on the Fallbrook Enterprise Microfilm project (helping photograph over 100 years' worth of newspapers) which was the source of the digitized searchable Fallbrook Enterprise database now at the museum. She also interviewed the early Pioneers of the Year.

Njust also has also served as a board member of the Friends of the Library, and belonged to the Fallbrook Art Association, Fallbrook Antique Auto Club, Reche Community Service Club and the Fallbrook Land Conservancy.

Njust said that she is good friends with Heyneman and McDougal so "what a great pleasure" it is to be in their company. "Thank you for thinking of me," she said, adding that Atkins is a former neighbor from when she lived on Red Mountain. She also said she is one of only three FHS charter members left. She said she moved to Brookdale Assisted Living two months ago.

For more information on the Fallbrook Historical Society or to view a video of the awards ceremony, visit <https://www.fallbrookhistoricalsociety.org/>



Cecelia Njust, a 2020 Pioneer of the Year, is a charter member of the Fallbrook Historical Society.

HOME & GARDEN AND REAL ESTATE

The Monarch needs milkweed to live

FALLBROOK – As Fallbrook residents walk through their little avocado town, they may notice an orange and black butterfly fluttering about. This little creature is the Monarch butterfly, one of the most well known and studied butterflies in the world.

The Monarch is the only butterfly that makes a two way seasonal migration. During the winter, the Monarch butterfly uses environmental clues to travel from the tip of North America and Canada back down to Mexico and California where it remains warmer during winter.

Similarly, when it begins to warm back up, the Monarch will migrate back to the states and Canada in late March.

Those who live in California are very fortunate due to the fact that they can find Monarchs all year round. Even though they may see a decline during winter, it is still possible to see Monarchs fluttering about and find the little yellow, black, and white caterpillars crawling through local gardens due to the mild climates here.

To be prepared for the Monarch butterfly when it arrives here in California, Fallbrook must have its host plant and nectar source, the milkweed. While the adult Monarch butterfly can get nectar from many other plants, milkweed is the only plant that the female Monarch will lay her eggs on.

The female will lay a single white egg on the leaves of the milkweed plant. She will lay in between 300 and 500 eggs in a two to five week period. After a few days, a yellow, white, and black caterpillar will hatch. The caterpillar can only eat milkweed, which is why it's

crucial to provide the milkweed plant here in California. After about two weeks, the caterpillar will form into its pupa stage, also known as a chrysalis and will emerge from its pupa in about one to two weeks.

Wings of Change is trying to promote the increased introduction of California natives and butterfly host plants to prevent butterflies from going extinct and increase pollination in this town.

One of the main reasons for the increased decline of Monarch butterflies is due to the disappearance of milkweed plants. Over the past few years, there has been a drastic decrease of milkweed and the Monarch simply cannot survive without it since it is the only plant the female will lay her eggs on and the only food source for Monarch caterpillars.

With this in mind, Wings of Change encourages everyone to get involved. Plant milkweed or start milkweed seeds for their home. Seeds can be bought at <http://www.gotocrewsd.com/wings-of-change> or call 760-908-7454. Everyone can help save the Monarch from extinction, one milkweed plant at a time.

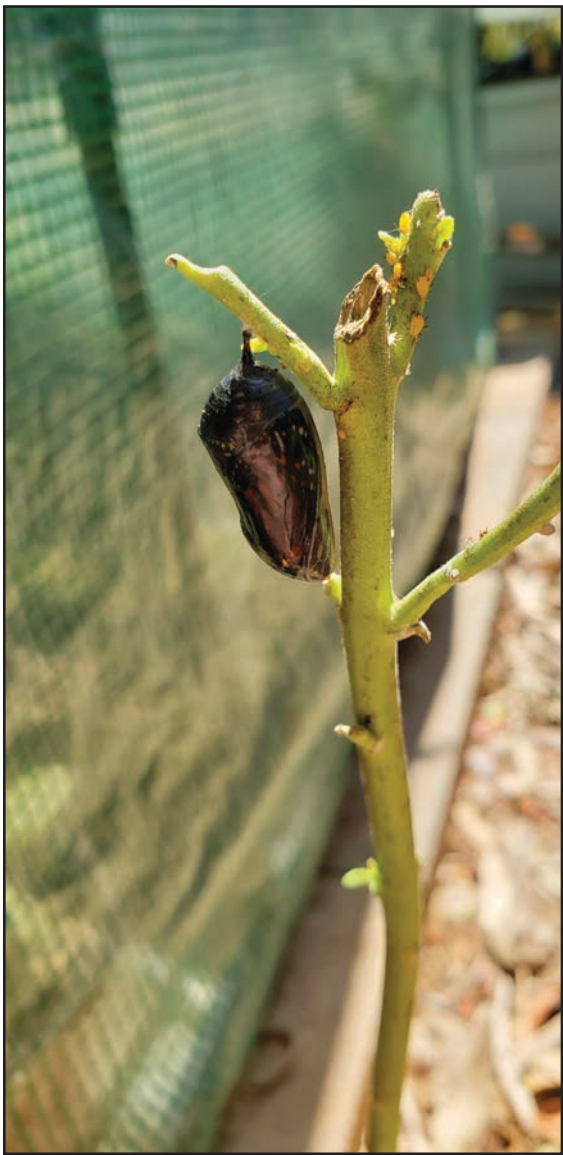
Wings of Change also offers apparel items that can be purchased to spread the word about Monarchs and their need for milkweed. All items are pre-order and will be shipped directly to the buyer's home.

For more information about how to help or get involved, contact Wings of Change at 760-908-7454, wingsofchangesd@gmail.com or visit www.gotocrewsd.com/wings-of-change.

Submitted by Wings of Change.



A young Monarch butterfly lands on the hand of a Wings of Change employee.



The host plant for the monarch butterfly is the milkweed plant.



One type of milkweed that thrives in Fallbrook is the yellow milkweed.

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Winds cause anxiety for local avocado grower

Will Fritz
Staff Writer

Santa Ana winds have long been the cause of headaches for avocado growers, and the winds experienced in Southern California the first week of December – which also caused public safety power shutoffs in Fallbrook and elsewhere – were no different.

One De Luz grower said the winds knocked a significant chunk of the fruit off her trees.

"I have quite a few trees that have no fruit on them at all," the grower said. "I wouldn't say half my grove has no fruit but there are probably 10%, 20% with no fruit on them, and then the trees that do have fruit, don't have much."

The grower said the damage caused by the winds will certainly impact the amount of avocados she is able to pick and sell, which is a process that her grove usually starts in January or February and continues through the summer.

"We have approximately 300 trees and we actually have what would be considered a really good, productive grove, so we might get 50 bins (of avocados) in a really good year," the grower said. "I think this year, we're probably looking at 10-15 bins."

That will make it difficult to make money, especially with what she described as increased water costs, plus the looming impact of lowered demand for avocados with restaurants that may not reopen as a result of the pandemic.

"We can break even depending on what our water costs are," she said. "A few years ago we could break even at \$1 to \$1.10 a pound. Now water costs have gone up significantly so that probably

Avocados at a De Luz grove were knocked to the ground by Santa Ana winds in early December. Downed fruit cannot be sold.

wouldn't hold true."

And prices per pound were already trending toward the dollar range for the 2020 harvest, the grower said, down from a year before, when they were closer to \$2 per pound.

Wind damage to avocado groves is not a new phenomenon – it does happen periodically, depending on the severity of the winds, which typically peak in October but can occur throughout the year.

"Typically, some groves get hit very hard, some hardly at all," said Charley Wolk, owner of Bejoca Grove and Landscape Management.

Indeed, wind-damaged avocado groves have made headlines plenty of times over the years.

In 2017, a bad wildfire year for California, there were reports of

downed fruit in many Southern California groves as a result of the winds, which also often fan wildfire flames. In 2007, another especially bad fire year, expected damage to avocado groves proved to be less severe than expected but, in 2003, yet another noteworthy fire year, winds caused more between \$10 to \$15 million in damage to Southern California avocado groves, news reports from the time indicate.

"When we get the Santa Ana winds, depending on their velocity, it can be very damaging, especially orchards that face to the northeast because that's where the Santa Ana winds come from," Wolk said.

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Don't take a holiday from recycling: A guide for recycling this gifting season

SAN DIEGO COUNTY – What comes to mind when thinking of the holidays? Perhaps it's family, friends, decorations, music, food and gifts. Unfortunately, what comes with many holiday traditions is a spike in waste.

Whether it be shopping bags, packaging, gift wrap, or food scraps, Americans generate 25% more waste between Thanksgiving and New Year's Day than during the rest of the year. This equates to an extra one million tons of waste generation per week nationwide during the holidays.

Increases in online shopping this year will exponentially contribute to the waste stream. However, much of this waste can be recycled or reused.

Gifting and festivities can still be special and memorable while reducing waste and recycling right. Although this holiday season may look different and seem limited for most people, the strategies highlighted below can be put to use now and for years to come.

Gift Giving

When thinking about holiday gift shopping, consider the entire life cycle of each purchase. How long will the person receiving this gift actually use it? Will it be memorable and useful, or will they forget about it by next year?

Gift giving can be a wonderful opportunity to express love and appreciation, but it can also slip into feeling like a mandatory practice (i.e. the "I don't know what to get them, but I have to get them something" mentality). Here are some ideas for low-waste, mindful gift giving.

Take the Love Languages Quiz (<https://www.5lovelanguages.com/quizzes/>) with friends and family to determine how meaningful gifts actually are to each of them. Does a friend prefer gifting or serving others rather than being on the receiving end? Would a family member actually value quality time more than an item? Knowing this may change what they will be given.

Create a "Secret Santa" or "White Elephant" system amongst family and friends. This way, everyone is included equally and each person is only responsible for one gift.

Shift the focus away from "stuff." Check out this graphic on WasteFreeSD.org and this Zero Waste Guide to Holiday Gifts, <https://wastefreesd.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/12/zero-waste-holiday-gift-guide.pdf>.

Here are some low-packaging gift ideas and technologies to consider.

- Give away things not needed to someone who needs it. The new Good Use App, designed right here in San Diego, connects people and the things they don't need any more to others who can give it a second life. Sign up here, <https://gooduse.app.link/UxLSQqxVnbb>
- Experiences: Memberships or subscriptions, tickets, classes, or pre-planned adventures and excursions
- Time: Making a home-cooked meal, helping with car or yard maintenance, "get out of a chore" or "design your perfect day" passes for kids

- Donations on their behalf to a cause or organization they're passionate about
- Second-hand items: The most sustainable item one can buy is the one that already exists. Used items can still be high quality and in practically new condition. Aside from thrift stores, the Good Use App, Facebook Marketplace, Offerup, and Buy Nothing can be good online sources to check regularly
- Zero waste tools: Help loved one live more sustainably with items such as travel utensils, stainless steel straws, or cotton produce bags

This can include cardboard shipping boxes, tissue paper from another item, and paper bags from the store. There is no shame in saving a gift bag to re-gift; the person on the receiving end won't know the difference.

If every American family wrapped just three presents in reused materials, it would save enough paper to cover 45,000 football fields.

There are so many ways to get creative with repurposing materials, so have fun with it. See this as an opportunity to customize the gift to the person. For example, check out <http://howaboutorange.blogspot.com/2009/10/make-gift-bow-from-magazine-page.html> to learn how to make bows out of magazine pages.

Gift wrapping

Many traditional gift-wrapping materials, such as ribbon, bows, and cellophane, are not recyclable in one's blue bins.

Stick to these recyclable items when wrapping presents:

- Paper wrap without metallic and glitter designs
- Paper gift bags
- Cardboard boxes
- Paper cards and envelopes
- Glass jars are great for DIY gifts
- These materials cannot be recycled in a curbside bin so consider avoiding or reusing them:
- Metallic, glossy and glitter-covered wrapping paper
- Ribbons, bows, and twine
- Polystyrene packing peanuts
- Cards on glossy photo paper
- Plastic bags and film (return to participating stores for recycling)
- Tissue paper

Reuse supplies already on hand.

Recycling and proper disposal

Keep these recycling tips and resources in mind.

- Recycling Right – When sorting through and putting away decorations and gifts, remember to dispose of items properly. Recycle only accepted materials in the curbside blue bin. In general, this includes paper, cardboard and cartons, plastic bottles and containers, glass bottles and jars and metal and aluminum cans and foil. For more information on what's recyclable, visit <https://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/dpw/recycling/RecycleRight.html>. Common holiday items that can be recycled include cardboard gift boxes, plastic bottles and containers, glass jars, and brown paper wrap.

Remember to keep these items empty, dry, and loose.

- Batteries and other household hazardous waste – Separate out hazardous items such as batteries and lights. These cannot go into the trash or recycling bins. Check WasteFreeSD.org for a comprehensive list of hazardous items and find drop-off locations in your area.
- Christmas tree recycling – After the holidays, remember to recycle fresh-cut trees and help close the loop, returning the trees to the earth as mulch. County of San Diego residents are encouraged to recycle their Christmas trees as soon as possible to reduce fire danger and minimize the amount of holiday waste sent to the landfill. In addition to dozens of community drop-off sites, many local waste haulers offer curbside tree and wreath pick-up. These trees and wreaths are ground into mulch, which is then used to improve soil health. Visit WasteFreeSD.org or call 1-811-R-1-EARTH for more information and a complete list of drop-off locations.

Incorporating zero waste into holiday planning may take some time and thought at first, but once habits are implemented, they can actually reduce stress, save money, and allow one to focus on what's most important about the holiday season.

Submitted by: I Love a Clean San Diego

Mid-year budget adjustments to fund Pala Mesa, De Luz road improvements

Joe Naiman
Village News reporter

Mid-year budget adjustments approved by the San Diego County Board of Supervisors will fund repairs to roads in Pala Mesa and De Luz.

The supervisors' 5-0 vote Dec. 8 appropriated \$14,000 for Permanent Road Division Zone No. 13A in Pala Mesa and \$120,000 for Permanent Road

Division Zone No. 20 in DeLuz. Prior year fund balances were used for that money which will be spent on road maintenance and planning services.

PRD Zone No. 13A covers six roads in Pala Mesa: Sage Road, Brodea Lane, Sumac Road, Citrus Drive, Wilt Road, and a portion of Pala Mesa Drive. The combined length of the streets within PRD Zone No. 13A is 6.84 miles.

"There's a lot to do," said PRD

Zone No. 13A advisory committee chair Jim Ramsey. "We've got so many road improvements. We don't know how we're going to do it."

A recent inspection of PRD Zone No. 13A streets indicated that several culverts needed to be addressed along with a potential slope failure. The cost for that work exceeded the amount which had previously been slated for the 2020-21 expenditure budget.

"We don't have enough money to do them," Ramsey said.

"We do what's the most necessary work to do first," Ramsey said. "It's just a matter of trying to get number one done first and number two done second."

The first priority will be the repair of culverts. "We've got a couple right now that are really bad," Ramsey said.

"We've got two culverts we've got to replace," Ramsey said. "We don't want roads collapsing."

Ramsey has chaired the advisory committee for 31 years. "It gets tougher each year," he said. "Everything's challenging these days."

(The advisory committee was the County Service Area No. 13A advisory committee when Ramsey first became chair. In 1998, the Board of Supervisors created a Permanent Road Division covering

the entirety of unincorporated San Diego County and in 2000 the county's Local Agency Formation Commission converted all road maintenance county service areas into zones within that single PRD. The change allows for creation of new PRD zones or for additional properties to be brought into a PRD zone without the need for the LAFCO process.)

"We've got so much more traffic on these roads," Ramsey said.

If money is left over after replacing the culverts, the advisory committee will determine the next improvements to be made.

"It takes time to do all that," Ramsey said. "We just do the best we can, and that's all we can do."

PRD Zone No. 20 provides road repair for 19.4 miles of roadway on Daily Road and side streets along with maintenance of nine street lights. A recent inspection of PRD Zone No. 20 roadway indicated that several segments are at risk of winter storm damage which could impair vehicle and resident access. The cost of the needed repairs exceeded the amount which had previously been budgeted.

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Land Listing



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A large Golden Gate Bridge replica stretches across a tiny riverbed in Fallbrook



A local metal welder in Fallbrook built a large-scale replica of the Golden Gate Bridge for his in-laws.



Progress continues for the Golden Gate Bridge.



Chris Smith worked on the project with his father-in-law, the process taking a total of two weeks.

Lexington Howe
Staff Writer

A local Fallbrook couple has recreated the Golden Gate Bridge. A much smaller version, Chris Smith welded and created a Golden Gate Bridge replica for his father-in-law.

“My father-in-law, he was born in San Francisco and raised there, and so he was from the old school San Francisco, and he just loved San Francisco and he always talks fondly about it,” Smith said.

His in-laws circumnavigated the globe for 11 1/2 years.

“They went 56,000 miles on

a sailboat,” Chris Smith’s wife, Marni Smith, said.

“They also sailed under that bridge many times with their sailboat,” Chris Smith said of the Golden Gate Bridge.

When they passed under that bridge for the last time, they were saying goodbye to San Francisco, Smith added.

After they came back from their journey, Marni Smith said they had come to Fallbrook because she was there, but that they missed the Bay Area.

The Smiths thought they could make something for her parents to represent where they were from.

“I have all the tools to do that kind of stuff, so I can take a picture and make it, whatever it is; that’s what I do for a living,” Chris Smith said. He has his own metal shop called Smith Metalworks and has been welding for the past 13 years.

When they decided to make the bridge, he had the idea in mind to put it over the little riverbed in his in-law’s yard.

“I just started rolling some metal to arch over the little stream that they had put in their yard,” Chris Smith said. “I started looking at pictures of the Golden Gate Bridge and I saw that each post, the two posts that suspend the bridge are

telescopic in looks.”

He then started making the pieces.

“I had most of the material from my shop from scrap and other jobs and stuff,” he said. “I was welding up pieces, and I had my father-in-law cutting pieces so he could help me along ‘cause this was more of a fun project.”

Painting the bridge was interesting, according to Marni Smith.

“The color of the actual Golden Gate Bridge is called international orange, but when you look at it, it has a little bit more of a red hue,” she said.

“The original bridge is basically a rust-oxide paint, and they paint that bridge every year,” Chris Smith said. “They start at one end

and they finish it the next year, and they start back at the other end.”

They tried to find something close to the original color.

“I think this color actually works out really well,” Marni Smith said. “At first we thought it might be a little red, but I think it actually, I think it really kind of depicts the actual color pretty well.”

Since showing the picture of it to others, they’ve had requests to make other items.

“It was something special we could do for them,” Chris Smith said. “We had a good time, and I made some really good memories with my father-in-law doing this, which are priceless to me.”

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Name of Business
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number: 2020-9018142
Name of Business
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
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Name of Business
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number: 2020-9018131
Name of Business
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number: 2020-9017919
Name of Business
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STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

File Number: 2020-9019581
Fictitious Business Name(s) To Be Abandoned:
HOPE CITY
2169 Green Canyon Road, Fallbrook, CA 92028
Mailing address: 340 S. Lemon Ave #2169, Walnut, CA 91789
County: San Diego

The fictitious business name referred to above was filed in San Diego County on 11/06/2019 and assigned File No. 2019-9026910
The fictitious business name is being abandoned by:
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number: 2020-9019028
Name of Business
PIRANHA THREAD & APPAREL
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County: San Diego
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number: 2020-9018745
Name of Business
DEAN PRESS CONSTRUCTION
330 N. Main Ave., Fallbrook, CA 92028
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County: San Diego
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This Corporation is registered in the state of CA
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number: 2020-9018742
Name of Business
STEALTH INVESTIGATIVE SOLUTIONS
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County: San Diego
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File Number: 2020-9019406
Name of Business
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File Number: 2020-9020009
Name of Business
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number: 2020-9020209
Name of Business
a. DYSON AUTO GROUP
b. DYSON'S MOBILE AUTO REPAIR
c. DYSON'S PERFORMANCE DIESELS
21734 Crestline Road, Palomar Mountain, CA 92060
Mailing address: P.O. Box 36, Palomar Mountain, CA 92060
County: San Diego
This business is registered by the following:
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This business is conducted by a Limited Liability Company
This LLC is registered in the state of California
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number: 2020-9019862
Name of Business
SURFSIDE SKINCARE
4192 Oceanside Blvd Unit 406, Oceanside, CA 92056
County: San Diego
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21 December 2020 @ 7PM

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In keeping with San Diego County Board of Supervisors Guidelines, the Fallbrook Community Planning Group will conduct the December committee and full Planning Group meetings using the online meeting site: Zoom. Please download the app from www.zoom.us and log into the below meeting "room" at least ten minutes prior to the 7PM start.

1. Open Forum. Opportunity for members of the public to speak to the Planning Group on any subject matter within the Group's jurisdiction but not on today's agenda. Three-minute limitation. **Non-discussion and Non-voting item.**

2. Approval of the minutes for the meeting of 16 November 2020. **Voting Item.**

3. Review of new County ordinances prohibiting certain activities including living and storage in drainage and flood control channels and other county maintained facilities; fire prevention issues; activities that may either interfere with the function of that property or threaten safety on that property. County planner Lauren.Moreno@sdcountry.ca.gov. **Land Use Committee. Community Input. Voting Item (11/30)**

4. On February 12, 2020, the Board of Supervisors (Board) approved implementation of 14 options to streamline the discretionary review process, grouped into seven categories, to reduce the time and cost of discretionary permit processing and further the goal of providing affordable housing in the County. Three of the 14 options, CEQA Submittal Requirements, Final Engineering Flexibility, and Expanding Exemption Checklists require ordinance revisions that the County seeks committee feedback on. The County is reaching out for Planning & Development Services (PDS) staff to present information regarding these efforts at our December meetings:

a. **CEQA Submittal Requirements** – The CEQA streamlining opportunities during discretionary review include an option for a schematic design, or early phase of project design, for both storm water and flood. Essentially, final-design detail would not be required until the site design or grading stages. Staff is currently working on this effort by updating the Guidelines for Determining Significance for Hydrology and Water Quality and is expected to be circulated for public disclosure in December 2020.

b. **Final Engineering Flexibility** – Discretionary permits require a subsequent discretionary permitting process when changes are made to the project. Through this effort, we aim to provide increased flexibility to modify projects when changes are required to comply with changes in Federal and State requirements. As part of this effort, staff has proposed changes to the County Zoning, Subdivision and Grading Ordinances.

c. **Expanding Exemption Checklists** – This effort includes increasing the use and availability of Site Plan waivers and checklist exemptions, shifting certain discretionary permits to ministerial processes, and creating a checklist process for Time Extensions of Tentative Parcel Maps and Tentative Maps. County Planner Ashley Smith, ashley.smith@sdcountry.ca.gov, 858-495-5375. **Land Use and Design Review committees. Community input. Non-voting item. (12/1)**

5. PDS2020-RESALT-008765. Request for exemption from a site plan permit processing requirements for B special area regulation pertaining to a garage addition at 521 De Luz Road (APN 103-117-03-00). The new attached garage will be on a multi-family parcel. Applicant Dana Adler. danafadler@gmail.com, 760-522-1256. County planner A. J. Morales, a.j.morales@adcounty.ca.gov, 858-694-3036. **Design Review. Community input. Voting item (11/9)**

6. PDS2019-AD-19-030 Administrative Permit for one gate on Sandia Creek Drive just north of Sandia Creek and Rock Mountain Road. The subject segment of Sandia Creek Drive (approximately 2.2 miles) would limit access to the privately maintained road to residents only. Currently, the road serves local rural residences and business. It is also as an alternate route to Interstate 15 (I-15) by commuters between Riverside and northern San Diego counties. A section of the road is privately maintained, and area residents have requested it be gated to limit that segment to local residential traffic only. On-going maintenance issues, speeding and accidents are listed among the issues the proposed gate project is intended to address. The gate would control vehicular access in both northbound/southbound directions and emergency access would be maintained. For non-residents, vehicle turnarounds would be provided in both directions. A southbound turnaround area would be constructed, and a northbound turnaround would be accommodated via the Rock Mountain Road intersection. The gate would utilize an access system for local residents only. Applicants are: Megan Gamble, megangamblescrc@gmail.com, and Rick Saathoff, ricksaathoff_1@hotmail.com. County Planner, Nicholas Koutoufidis, Nicholas.koutoufidis@sdcountry.ca.gov, 858-495-5329. **Circulation Committee. Community input. Voting item. (11/24)**

7. PDS 2020-STP-20-026. Request for a discretionary permit to refurbish the former McDonalds restaurant at 1050 S. Main Ave. (APN 104-341-30-00) into a bi-level (main floor and basement) commercial building linked by ownership and use to the laundromat under construction. There will be a total of 1638 square feet of additions to the existing structure. The existing drive-through will be converted to interior space along with a 1047-square-foot addition. The existing patio will also be converted to interior space. The owner is Ross Rose, vaughnrents@gmail.com, 760-735-2495; applicant is Daniel Mannix, ALA, dan@mannyxrch.com, 619-588-7730. County Planner is John Leavitt, john.leavitt@sdcountry.ca.gov, 858-495-5448. **Design Review. Community input. Voting item. (11/24)**

8. Request for a letter from the Fallbrook Community Planning Group and drafted by the Circulation Committee addressed to the County via Supervisor Desmond and DPW asking for a feasibility study for a proposed pathway or trail along Stage Coach Lane between South Mission and Reche roads, with prioritized segments in order of importance. This request arose from a recent community meeting with Supervisor Desmond's Fallbrook Revitalization Committee, DPW, DPR, community members and other community organizations. **Circulation Committee. Community input. Voting item. (11/30)**

NOTE: The Planning Group occasionally has openings on its **Land Use** (Eileen Delaney, eileendelaneymail@gmail.com), **Circulation** (Roy Moosa 760-723-1181), **Parks & Recreation** (Jim Loge 760-712-2773), **Public Facilities** (Roy Moosa 760-723-1181), and **Design Review** (Eileen Delaney, eileendelaneymail@gmail.com) committees for non-elected citizens. Interested persons please contact the Chairman. This is a preliminary agenda. If any changes are made, a final agenda will be posted at the North County Fire District, 315 E. Ivy Street, Fallbrook, at least 72 hours prior to the meeting.
Jack Wood, Chair, 760-715-3359

Published December 17, 2020

Change of Name

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Case Number: 37-2020-00041369-CU-PT-NC TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS
Petitioner:
LIDIA BALTAZAR MARTINEZ, in behalf of KENNEDY BALTAZAR MARTINEZ
Present Name:
KENNEDY BALTAZAR MARTINEZ
Proposed Name:
KENNEDY ANGELES BALTAZAR
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: 12/29/2020 Time: 8:30 am Dept: 23
The address of the court is 325 So. Melrose Dr., Vista, CA 92081, North County Regional Branch

A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Village News
Other parent must be served.
*Due to the COVID-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 Superior court, the following Order is made:
NO HEARING WILL OCCUR ON THE DATE SPECIFIED IN THE ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE.
The court will review the documents filed as of the date specified on the Order to Show Cause for Change of Name (JC Form #NC-120).
If all requirements for a name change have been met as of the date specified, and no timely written objection has been received (required at least two court days before the date specified), the Petition for Change of Name (JC Form #NC-100) will be granted without a hearing. One certified copy of the Order Granting the Petition will be mailed to the petitioner.
If all requirements have not been met as of the date specified, the court will mail the petitioner a written order with further directions.
If a timely objection is filed, the court will set a remote hearing date and contact the parties by mail with further directions.

A RESPONDENT OBJECTING TO THE NAME CHANGE MUST FILE A WRITTEN OBJECTION AT LEAST TWO COURT DAYS (excluding weekends and holidays) BEFORE THE DATE SPECIFIED. Do not come to the court on the specified date. The court will notify the parties by mail of a future remote hearing date.
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 the court.

Date: 12 NOV 2020 Signed: Sim von Kalinowski, Judge of the Superior Court. LEGAL: 5351
PUBLISHED: December 3, 10, 17, 24, 2020

Change of Name

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Case Number: 37-2020-00044840-CU-PT-CTL TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS
Petitioner:
SONIA PITTMAN, on behalf of DYLAN ALEXANDER JACQUEZ
Present Name:
DYLAN ALEXANDER JACQUEZ
Proposed Name:
DYLAN KENNETH PITTMAN
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: 1/20/2021 Time: 8:30 am Dept: 61
The address of the court is 330 W Broadway, San Diego, 92101, Hall of Justice Branch

A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Village News
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Date: 12/08/2020 Signed: Lorna Alksne, Judge of the Superior Court. LEGAL: 5360
PUBLISHED: December 17, 24,31 2020, January 7, 2021

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STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
File Number: 2020-9019626
Fictitious Business Name(s) To Be Abandoned:
JD RAMSEY COMPANY
4412 Brodeau Lane, Fallbrook, CA 92028
Mailing address: P.O. Box 287 Bonsall, Ca 92003
County: San Diego
The fictitious business name referred to above was filed in San Diego County on 11/10/15 and assigned File No. 2015-029079
The fictitious business name is being abandoned by:
a. James Robert Ramsey, 4412 Brodeau Lane, Fallbrook, CA 92028
b. Debra Chaffin Ramsey, 4412 Brodeau Lane, Fallbrook, CA 92028
This business is conducted by a married couple
THIS STATEMENT WAS FILED WITH THE RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK OF SAN DIEGO COUNTY ON Nov 21, 2020
LEGAL: 5355
PUBLISHED: December 17, 24, 31, 2020 January 7, 2021

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Cal Fire to take over Rainbow Conservation Camp staffing

Joe Naiman
Village News Reporter

The California Department of Corrections has closed the Rainbow Conservation Camp, but the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection will take over that facility.

“As they depopulate and we move the remaining inmates to another camp we are refurbishing the camp to have our firefighters based,” Cal Fire Capt. Frank LoCoco said.

Lynne Malinowski is a member of the Rainbow Community Planning Group and lives in Rainbow Heights approximately half a mile from the former inmate camp.

“We don’t want to see that property vacant,” she said.

“That Cal Fire said it would stay there is actually encouraging for us,” Malinowski said. “We’re in a state responsibility area, so that is encouraging to us to have that facility nearby.”

Four inmate firefighting camps had operated in San Diego County: Rainbow, Puerta La Cruz in Warner Springs, La Cima in Julian and McCain Valley in Boulevard. McCain Valley was also slated to close.

“Puerta La Cruz will remain as an inmate camp,” LoCoco said.

La Cima is a male inmate camp.

“That is going to stay in service,” LoCoco said.

The female inmates at the Rainbow Conservation Camp have been transferred elsewhere.

“They’ve been planning the transition for a while,” Malinowski said. “All the inmates have been moved out.”

Firefighting equipment remains at the Rainbow Conservation Camp, but the transition will allow for building improvements.

“Now we have a chance to really go through the system to make sure everything is functioning as it should,” LoCoco said.

“They’ve been doing a lot of cleanup there,” Malinowski said.

The building where firefighters are housed was constructed in 1946.

“It definitely needs some upgrading,” LoCoco said. “It’s a 1946 structure so the maintenance is ongoing. The facility itself is in fantastic shape.”

The initial work will be performed on the residential building.

“Our goal is to have the first phase complete by early spring,” LoCoco said. “There are quite a few individual structures we’ll be able to retrofit as we have the opportunity to do so. It’s a rather large property, so it will be an ongoing project.”

The residential building has 16

beds.

“The idea is to have the ability to house as many firefighting hand crews as necessary,” LoCoco said. “The ultimate goal is to have as many hand crews as we can.”

Firefighters typically have three days on and four days off, although emergencies can extend their time on duty.

“We have the ability to hold them on,” LoCoco said.

The hand crews clear brush as well as respond to small fires.

“They’re an integral part of our operation,” LoCoco said.

“They’re continuing doing training up there as well,” Malinowski said.

“We’re still going to have hand crews,” LoCoco said. “That’s really the reason we wanted to continue finding a way when they depopulated, to have hand crews available.”

The facility normally has two hand crews and currently can accommodate a maximum of five hand crews.

“The hand crews will actually be staffed by our actual firefighters,” LoCoco said. “The only main difference is the actual firefighters utilized are non-inmate firefighters.”

The apparatus will stay at the facility.

“They operate out of a crew bus,” LoCoco said.

That large red apparatus has two seats in front, and the hand crews sit in back. A squad or pickup vehicle follows the crew bus.

“They will respond together for project work, for fire work,” LoCoco said.

“They will still maintain their fire presence,” Malinowski said.

The transition from inmates to professional firefighters also will not affect the bulldozer used for clearance or other access when needed.

“The pickup trucks and the bulldozer are going to stay,” Malinowski said.

“They all play a significant part,” LoCoco said.

“The dozer’s been housed there for quite some time and will remain,” LoCoco said. “They typically function out of the same equipment.”

Cal Fire’s San Diego Unit has four dozers; the other three are at the Las Cruces and McCain Valley facilities and at the Monte Vista station in Rancho San Diego, which is the headquarters for the San Diego Unit.

Cal Fire is the primary agency responsible for fire protection in Rainbow Heights. Rainbow is also within the boundaries of the North County Fire Protection District, which provides emergency medical service response.

“If they need additional

resources or additional help, they can request that through us,” LoCoco said.

Malinowski said that one past 911 call for an ambulance in the neighborhood produced a response from the fire district in less than 10 minutes.

“The Rainbow Conservation Camp was an asset to the community,” Malinowski said. “We valued the service that they did for our neighborhood.”

Malinowski has owned property in Rainbow Heights since 2002 and has lived there since 2016.

We’re sorry to see them go because they’ve provided a big asset for us, Malinowski said of the firefighting inmates. “It was good for us to see them on their rehabilitation program and they all looked truly happy.”

Because the conservation camp had been a prison, the public was not allowed beyond the fence at the front of the property.

“I have a feeling that they won’t have that kind of security up there,” Malinowski said.

“Once it transitions to a non-inmate facility, there will be public access,” LoCoco said. “The gate’s there. It’s really a check-in procedure. Public access will be granted.”

LoCoco anticipated the ability for tours of the facility once the renovation work is completed.

A fox visits Fallbrook home



A fox visits the yard of the Hanne’s house in the north part of Fallbrook.



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Main Street, El Cajon, CA 92020, Special Default Services, Inc., as the duly Appointed Trustee, under and pursuant to the power of sale contained in that certain Deed of Trust Recorded on July 16, 2019 as Instrument No. 2019-0283655 of official records in the Office of the Recorder of San Diego County, California, executed by CARLOS CASAS, JR. , as Trustor(s), in favor of GUILLERMO PONCE-BARAJAS as Beneficiary, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, that certain property situated in said County, California describing the land therein as: EXHIBIT “A” ALL THAT PORTION OF LOT 19 OF THE SUBDIVISION OF THE TRACT “D” OF THE PARTITION OF RANCHO MONSERATE, IN THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, ACCORDING TO MAP THERE OF MAP NO. 821 FILED SEPTEMBER 25, 1896, IN THE OFFICE OF THE RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY, INCLUDED IN THAT LAND DESCRIBED IN DEED TO NADYNE R. 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SPORTS

FUHS athletic director gives update, CIF commissioner answers questions on future of high school sports

Jeff Pack
Staff Writer

On Dec. 9, California Interscholastic Federation Commissioner Rob Wigod took questions from athletes and high school teams regarding yet another delay to the 2020-21 high school sports seasons.

The Q&A session came on the heels of the Dec. 3 news regarding the postponement of Season 1 Sports in the CIF statewide and within the CIF -San Diego Section.

“As of today, the Official Start Date for Season 1 Sports is on hold (TBD) until the point updated Youth Sports guidance is released from the California Department of Public Health,” CIF-SDSS Commissioner Joe Heinz and Assistant Commissioner Todd Cassen, wrote in a memo. “Based upon the current guidance released from the state on Aug. 3, 2020, competitions are not allowed in youth sports (high school), all practices are limited to conditioning/skill improvement, and must remain within a stable cohort of 14 student-athletes or less.”

Last week, Fallbrook Union High School Athletic Director Pat Walker shared a memo he sent to all FUHS coaches with some information about a meeting he had with North County Conference coaches and CIF-SS officials.

In addition to some notes about rule changes regarding how many sports an athlete will be allowed to participate in during any given season (3), and the maximum number of practice hours a student can participate in during a week (18), Walker announced that the district has “decided to close the campus entirely during the Christmas break. This translates into no club activities of any kind at our site between 12/19-1/3.”

He also shared some more insight: “There were many ideas shared including my own in regards to ways we can give our kids an opportunity to play even if things keep getting pushed back – how to navigate the shortage of officials – NCC uniting and coming up with a plan of shorter league-only contests and mini-seasons of competition. Again, only discussion, but lots of great ideas were presented.”

He said there will be a drop-dead date where CIF will make a decision on whether to cancel Season 1.

“I again appreciate all the work you are doing to help figure out your practice schedules and game schedules in this time of uncertainty and constant change,” Walker told the coaches. “I believe



Fall sports, now called Season 1, like boys water polo, have been pushed back to an uncertain start date putting the entire season in jeopardy. Village News/Shane Gibson photo

it is critical to keep preparing like we are going to have our CIF seasons and keep adjusting to any new developments and news from the state.

“Thank you for being an awesome coaching staff. You all have been incredibly patient working through this difficult time.”

When asked by an athlete whether he has had any direct conversation with Governor Gavin Newsom about a return to sport, Wigan said no.

“But I will tell you that we have been in consultation with the chief of staff in the governor’s office. We have had some conversations with that office to make sure that they understood our plans and understand how much we wanted to bring high school sports back,” he said. “And how we felt we could do it.”

Another student asked why the state was so far behind in opening sports, considering other states have already begun competition.

“We have been in touch with a lot of our friends in the other states, specifically the states in the West, many of whom did have the opportunity to play some fall sports at the normal time frame that all sports take place,” Wigan said. “They have had hiccups, they have problems, but they also were able to conduct their high school

athletic programs in a healthy and safe way. I know it’s frustrating for us here in California, we want the chance. That’s really all we said, give us a chance and we believe that we could follow the rules appropriately and we can do it right, but unfortunately with what’s been happening in our state and certainly has been happening over the last month or so it’s been difficult to see us make any progress.

“Here in California we’re waiting for our chance and I believe when we get that chance, we’ll do it right and that’s our plan to try to get that chance.”

Wigand was asked to give a straight answer regarding a return to play.

“We are trying to do everything we can to advocate for the return-to-play for high school student-athletes and the way to do that is to continue to work with those in power and those in authority at the state and local level,” he said. “There’s been an ongoing effort every single day to provide information to provide everything that we can to hopefully get approval so that our schools can go forward again or schools are advocating for this at the CIF level. We are all trying, our parents, our student-athletes, our coaches, our athletic directors, our principals, we’re on the same side.

“We all want to have our student-athletes back on campus and doing what they love to do and we love to watch them do, but we have to go through procedures and protocols to make sure that it is done in a safe and healthy way.”

Wigand was asked when the drop-dead date might be regarding fall sports, or Season 1.

“We believe that at least until the middle of January, maybe even into early February, as it relates to fall sports, there would still be time and it would still be an opportunity to get back out there. I don’t want to give up hope. I think we have some time in front of us, hopefully, we can see some progress made, and then we can start looking at things a little bit later in the future.

“I would think that as we get to the beginning of February, it would get to a point where we have to make some clear decisions on what the future would be and then don’t forget we have a very ambitious list of spring sports and those would be kicking off at the earlier part of March or early to middle of March. Certainly, those are still on schedule and hopefully, they’ll be able to start on time.”

Wigand was also asked if they would consider extending the seasons into the summer months, after school lets out.

“The 2020-2021 school year, our calendar, runs through the

middle of June and to go any further than that into either later June-July, that really impacts first and foremost our student-athletes,” he said. “We’re really impacting so many other things that would happen, serving our seniors, it would impact their next step beyond high school and even our underclass student-athletes would all be affected if we continued on into what into July or August.

“We certainly don’t want to see those back up so close together that there really is no break at all.”

Wigand said CIF feels for all the athletes.

“You are the ones that I think about and I know those that I work with think about every day,” he said. “It’s breaking our heart to see you go through what you’re going through and we want that time frame to be as small as that time frame can be. It has been a while and it’s going to be a little bit longer and we just hope that we can keep our focus, we can keep our eyes moving forward, we can keep playing.

“We will be back, I assure you, we will be back.”

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Toth plays in MASL all-star game

Joe Naiman
Village News Reporter

In 2007, Fallbrook High School senior Chris Toth played in the senior all-star soccer game. Toth is now a goalkeeper for the Tacoma Stars of the Major Arena Soccer League and, on Dec. 5, he played in the first-ever MASL all-star game.

“I thought it was a really good event. I thought it was long overdue,” Toth said.

The Western Conference, which includes the Stars, defeated the Eastern Conference by a 9-4 margin in the all-star game. Toth played the first half in goal for the Western Conference. The game was played at Cable Dahmer Arena in Independence, Missouri, where the Kansas City Comets play their home games.

The remainder of the 2019-20 season was cancelled March 12 due to the coronavirus outbreak. Toth, who signed with the Stars on July 24, had spent the previous two seasons with the Ontario Fury (Toth began his MASL career with the San Diego Sockers).

Toth played in all 21 of the Fury’s 2019-20 regular-season games (24 games had been scheduled, and the Fury would have qualified for the playoffs had those not also been cancelled) and was named the league’s Goalkeeper of the Year. The Stars played 20 games during

the 2019-20 shortened season.

“I thought it was a great way to bring excitement to the new season,” Toth said.

Toth’s father, Zoltan, played in multiple Major Indoor Soccer League all-star games. The MISL all-star games were in the middle of the season rather than prior to the start of league competition.

“It just brings another dynamic to the game for the fans,” Toth said. “They’re excited about the all-star game.”

The all-star game was announced Oct. 22. Toth’s selection to the Western Conference all-star team was announced Nov. 6.

“I was happy about being selected,” Toth said. “Being my first one I think it’s a big deal for me.”

The 2007 high school senior all-star game featured the North County all-stars against the South County all-stars. Toth played the entire game in goal for the North County team which obtained a 5-0 victory.

Toth and Danny Waltman will share goalkeeping activity for the Stars during the 2020-21 season. Waltman was the Western Conference’s other goalkeeper in the all-star game and played the second half.

The two Stars goalkeepers discussed the distribution of play. “We were trying to figure out how we were going to do it,” Toth said.

Waltman played for the Comets for five years before joining the Stars in 2015. Toth offered to play the first half so that Waltman could conclude the game in the nets.

Toth faced eight shots on goal, making six saves while allowing two goals. “Two goals in a half, that’s pretty good. That means you’re going to allow four goals in a game,” Toth said. “If I’m only allowing four we should win.”

Allowing only four goals will likely produce a win against most teams. Toth was playing against five all-stars, not including the opposing goalie, on the field. “I thought I had a really good all-star game,” he said. “I thought I played really well. The East had a lot of opportunities in the first quarter.”

Attendance was limited due to social distancing measures. Approximately 1,200 spectators saw the game in person (the game was also on Facebook pay-per-view). “I thought it was good,” Toth said of the attendance. “The fans had a really good time watching.”

Toth noted that the fans had previously not been able to see live indoor soccer at all. “It came up at a really good time,” he said.

Waltman allowed two goals and saved 15 of the 17 shots taken against him. He was named the game’s most valuable player. “Danny did a really good job,” Toth said.

Spectators are not allowed in the states of Washington and California, so the Stars will not have home games during the 2020-21 season nor will the Fury or Sockers. “For the whole season we’ll be pretty much on the road,” Toth said.

The Stars are scheduled to open their season with games Jan. 22

at Kansas City and Jan. 24 at St. Louis. The Sockers are slated to begin play Jan. 29 at Kansas City and Jan. 31 at Dallas. The Fury have not yet set dates for the 2020-21 season.

“I think it would be really good for our game to continue to have this all-star game,” Toth said.



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3-5:30 p.m.	Happy Hour, Vineyard Rose, South Coast Winery
SATURDAY, DEC. 19	
11 a.m. to 5 p.m.	Craft Faire, Maurice Car'rie Winery
11 a.m. to 9 p.m.	Crush House + Ice Rink, Peltzer Family Cellars
3:30-5:30 p.m.	Happy Hour, Vineyard Rose, South Coast Winery
SUNDAY, DEC. 20	
11 a.m. to 5 p.m.	Craft Faire, Maurice Car'rie Winery
11 a.m. to 9 p.m.	Crush House + Ice Rink, Peltzer Family Cellars
11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.	Dog Day Sundays, Carol's Restaurant at Baily Winery
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WINE & DINE

The Vineyard Rose Restaurant to celebrate Christmas Eve and Christmas Day with special holiday dining and curbside carry out



The Vineyard Rose Restaurant celebrates Christmas Eve and Christmas Day by offering special holiday dining and curbside carry out. Valley News/Courtesy photo

TEMECULA – Holiday celebrations ding-dong merrily on high in the vineyards and at The Vineyard Rose Restaurant at South Coast Winery Resort & Spa in December. The culinary team has created celebratory and contemporary California cuisine and award-winning wines to be presented on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. Physical distancing and the safest health and sanitary practices will be implemented, including limited seating. Families and friends should plan on being seated al fresco as they wine and dine overlooking the winery – warmed by heaters and their own cozy sweaters and outerwear.

Christmas Eve and Christmas Day dinner at The Vineyard Rose Restaurant is Thursday, Dec. 24, and Friday, Dec. 25, from 5:30-9 p.m.

Holiday dining at The Vineyard Rose Restaurant will delight guests with such much-loved favorite dishes as seared Skuna Bay salmon with saffron rice, roasted peppers and onions, Spanish chorizo and lemon oil; braised short ribs with “Flavors of Pot Roast” accompanied by herb roasted potatoes, baby carrots, cipollini onions and natural jus; and pork osso bucco with white cheddar grits and Brussels sprouts florets. The feast can be complemented by specialty cocktail such as Old Sage’s Fashioned made with Buffalo Trace Bourbon, and guests will want to sip pairings such as South Coast Reference Chardonnay, Wild Horse Peak Tempranillo, South Coast Winery Group Therapy, Wild Horse Peak Touriga Nacional or other award-winning selections from South Coast or Carter Estate Winery.

Reservations are required and are now being accepted at OpenTable or by calling 951-719-8356. Seating is currently limited to county guidance of outdoor dining only.

Christmas carry out from The Vineyard Rose Restaurant is Friday, Dec. 25, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

For Christmas to-go, a pre-ordered traditional holiday dinner for four, eight or more can be picked up by drive through at The Vineyard Rose Restaurant Friday, Dec. 25, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Dinner includes slow roasted turkey breast with whipped potato, herb stuffing, yams, balsamic glazed Brussels sprouts, cranberry sauce and gravy. Pumpkin pie with bourbon cream and traditional pecan pie are available at an additional charge of \$30 each.

Christmas dinner for four to-go is \$99, with additional orders available. Pre-orders must be placed by noon Tuesday, Dec. 22, by calling 855-232-1557 or emailing scw2go@wineresort.com.

The Vineyard Rose Restaurant at South Coast Winery Resort & Spa is located at 34843 Rancho California Road in Temecula. For more information, call 951-587-9463 or visit <http://www.southcoastwinery.com>.

Submitted by South Coast Winery Resort & Spa.



These red, gold and green Savory Cheese Balls are not only simple to make but perfect for any holiday get-together or celebration. Valley News/Courtesy photo

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It’s the holiday season and your family can feel the cheer as loved ones fill their appetizer plates and excitement fills the air as gifts are being placed beneath the tree.

Someone asks, munching away near the table, “Wow, how did you make this?”

In your mind, you think, “It was too easy.”

These Savory Cheese Balls are not only simple to make but perfect for any holiday get-together or celebration. They’re fun to create and even more enjoyable to dive in to once finished. Texture and color are the name of the game with this recipe. The result is a beautiful array of red, gold and green, all on one plate.

Start by rolling cream cheese into balls and mixing up three bowls with powerful flavors to create the three different colors.

The “green” bowl gets parsley, thyme, rosemary and, of course, some garlic, just for an extra kick of seasoning. The “gold” ball calls for caraway seeds, poppy seeds and garlic. Finally, the “red” ball includes cranberries and pecans.

Simply roll each cream cheese ball around gently until it’s coated. It doesn’t get any simpler than that. Display the array of cheese balls on a festive plate for something equally cheery and heavenly. Serve the plate with crackers, fruit or vegetables for complementary dipping options.

Find more recipes and holiday fun this season at <http://Culinary.net>.

Savory Cheese Balls
Start to finish: 10 minutes
Servings: 6-12

- 2 packages (8 ounces each) cream cheese
- 2 tablespoons caraway seeds
- 1 teaspoon poppy seeds
- 2 cloves garlic, minced, divided
- 1/4 cup parsley, chopped
- 2 teaspoons thyme leaves, chopped
- 1 teaspoon rosemary, chopped
- 1/4 cup dried cranberries, chopped
- 2 tablespoons pecans, chopped
- Crackers (optional)
- Fruit (optional)
- Vegetables (optional)

Directions:

Cut each cream cheese block into three squares. Roll each square into ball.

In small bowl, combine caraway seeds, poppy seeds and half the garlic.

In second small bowl, combine parsley, thyme, rosemary and remaining garlic.

In third small bowl, combine cranberries and pecans.

Roll two cheese balls in seed mixture, two in herb mixture and two in cranberry mixture.

Cut each ball in half and serve with crackers, fruit or vegetables, if desired.

Remembrance Day celebrates renovated Pittenger gravesite



Renovation work on the gravesite of Sgt. William Pittenger, a Medal of Honor Recipient includes a new concrete curb and a custom metal fence. *Village News/Kimberly Sayre photos*



Pittenger Camp 21 held a Remembrance Day Ceremony and Fence Dedication Saturday, Nov. 21, and was honored that The Army Color Guard was present to bring in the Colors, from left, Staff Sgt. Jesus Betancourt; Sgt. First Class Stephen Gore, Staff Sg. Henry Cordero, Staff Sgt. Edson Penuela, Staff Sgt. Wade Cross and Staff Sgt. Alex Arredondo.

FALLBROOK – Pittenger Camp 21 of The Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War recently embarked on a project to remove and replace the cracked and falling

apart cement curb surrounding the gravesite of Sgt. William Pittenger, a Medal of Honor Recipient, at the Fallbrook Odd Fellows Pioneer Cemetery.

Additionally, a custom metal fence was designed and placed on three sides of the curb marking The Great Locomotive Chase with both of the trains, The Texas and

The General.

The middle of the fence has the Medal of Honor shining bright to honor Sgt. William Pittenger.

Submitted by Pittenger Camp 21 of The Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.



Members of Pittenger Camp 21 at the dedication ceremony include Dimas Lovato, patriotic instructor; Jack Bruzas; John Keenan, Eagle Scout certificate coordinator; Jerry Sayre, signals officer; Wes Scarbrough and John May, secretary/treasurer. Not pictured, but present, Peter Huelsenbeck, chaplain; Brian Bingham and Terry Moxley.



The crew from Janikowski Construction was presented a thank you plaque for their outstanding participation and contribution to this project of removing and replacing the cement curb, from left, Jake Janikowski, Kelly Goodman, Joe and Kim Janikowski.



A thank you plaque was presented to Tom King of King Welding who made the beautiful fence. He also accepted a thank you plaque for Casey King of Del Rey Designs who was not present at the ceremony. King was responsible for creating the two train designs and the Medal of Honor in the fence.



This is how Medal of Honor recipient Sgt. William Pittenger's gravesite, located at the Fallbrook Odd Fellows Pioneer Cemetery, looked before it was fixed up.

HEALTH

Coach Hery battles cancer



Retired coach George Hery is being treated for cancer around his eye in Texas. Village News/Courtesy photo

Lucette Moramarco
Associate Editor

Former Fallbrook resident George Hery is battling cancer in Texas where he moved last year to be close to his son. Hery, the first World Champion in Trampoline, came to Southern California looking for a quiet, little community and remembered Fallbrook from when he had sold Dean and Debbie Capelotti some equipment at their Fallbrook Gymnastics Club.

He visited them and started coaching their students, becoming a fixture at the gym. According to Dean Capelotti, Hery ran the Trampoline & Tumbling and Boys Artistic competitive teams at Fallbrook Gymnastic Club for eight years until his retirement in 2019.

“George had a huge impact on the sport in Fallbrook coaching National champions in three different disciplines. George also helped to train a number of the coaches on the staff at Fallbrook Gymnastics. George loved coaching kids from Tiny Tots all the way up to the top level competitors,” Capelotti said.

A GoFundMe account has been started on Hery’s behalf. The fundraising post says, “When George went for treatment for what appeared to be a small skin cancer near his eye, diagnostics showed that the unseen part of the cancer was wrapped around his eye. The surgeon has been able to save George’s eye. Now George needs a second surgery, skin grafts and follow up treatment.”

Money is being raised to help Hery cover the costs “for a full recovery and to make sure that his eye heals and that he maintains his full sight, and to provide him comfort. We need to cover the costs of the treatment, including the initial surgery. The funds are needed immediately. Any additional funds raised after our funding cap will go to George for recovery, home care, and physical therapy.”

An innovator in his sport, Hery not only invented the double mini-trampoline and the coil springboard for the vault, he also set a record doing 120 backflips in a row.

In a Village News article written about his 80th birthday in 2017, Hery said he has had great experiences, “but the greatest one of all is teaching children. Even if they’re only 25% of the population, they’re 100% of our future.” His goal was to “teach them to have fun, be disciplined, learn.”

In 2004, Hery was inducted into the Acrobatic Society Hall of Legends and, in 2016, he was given a Lifetime Achievement award by USA Gymnastics at the Olympic Trials in San Jose.

On Aug. 26, 2017, students and friends gathered at the gym to help Hery celebrate the “41st anniversary of his 39th birthday,” and to watch him do a backflip on the trampoline.

The fundraiser organizer wrote: “Please send Coach George your good wishes and prayers! Other ways to support the legacy of his work is to support your local Special Olympics chapter, and to do something that brings smiles to the people around you. To get a sense of George, watch the videos we share here. If you know George, please leave a comment and let him know how he has inspired you!

“Your financial support of any amount is greatly appreciated and will make sure Coach George is able to keep doing what he loves: helping others.”

To donate, visit <https://gf.me/v/c/gs2/help-keep-coach-george-herys-sight>.

Make your holidays healthier



Raisins make for easy salad, oatmeal and yogurt toppers, provide a naturally sweet fruit option on charcuterie boards and are a great standalone holiday snack.



Raisins fit seamlessly into many family-friendly recipes, like traditional oatmeal cookies, stuffing and sweet breads. Village News/Courtesy photos



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Family Features
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Planning your holiday menu? Dried cranberries are an ingredient found in many classic holiday recipes, but what you may not know is that they are packed with added sugars. Raisins, on the other hand, are naturally sweet with zero grams of added sugars, making them a healthy alternative that can help enhance the flavor and nutrition of your favorite holiday recipes.

Raisins fit seamlessly into many family-friendly recipes, like traditional oatmeal cookies, stuffing and sweet breads. They also make for easy salad, oatmeal and yogurt toppers, provide a naturally sweet fruit option on charcuterie boards and are a great standalone holiday snack.

Why is it important? Many health-conscious consumers are interested in wholesome foods and products with less ingredients and natural sugars, like those that occur in fruits, vegetables, grains and dairy products. Added sugars, however, refer to any sugars or caloric sweeteners that are added to foods during processing or preparation. Consumption of excessive added sugars may be associated with health consequences, such as obesity, cardiovascular disease, type 2 diabetes, insulin resistance, fatty liver, dental caries and more, according to research published by the National Library of Medicine.

“Consumers are becoming more health conscious and trying to include more nutrient-dense options with less ingredients,” Sarah Schlichter, a registered dietitian with a master’s degree

in public health, said. “Yet, consumers often don’t recognize how added sugars throughout the day can quickly add up.”

The U.S. Dietary Guidelines Advisory Committee’s 2020 Scientific Report, which sets the stage for the 2020-2025 Dietary Guidelines for Americans, proposed an overall reduction in added sugars, recommending that added sugars comprise no more than 6% of the overall diet for adults and children ages 2 and older. It is a reduction from the previous recommendation of less than 10% of the overall diet, bringing further attention to the serious health risks of excessive sugar intake.

Understanding natural sugars versus added sugars

Nutrition labels haven’t always distinguished between natural and added sugars, Schlichter said, but instead lumped them together under “total sugars.” However, the Food and Drug Administration’s Nutrition Facts label, which is currently being transitioned to, makes this easily discernible by clearly outlining how much of the total sugar content comes from added sugars.

“One key difference between natural and added sugars is that natural sugars usually complement other nutrients naturally found in a food or fruit, such as fiber, potassium, vitamin C or antioxidants, all of which confer several health benefits,” Schlichter said. “These complementary nutrients may also slow the rate of digestion, keeping blood sugar more stable. Conversely, added sugars are added in isolation and aren’t adding any nutrients to the product.”

To put this in perspective, 1/4 cup of dried sweetened cranberries contains 29 grams of sugar. Of those 29 grams of sugar, 27 grams are added sugars, meaning that most of the sugar is not found naturally in dried cranberries. While a 1/4-cup serving of raisins also contains 29 grams of sugar, the difference is that all 29 grams are naturally found in raisins and none are added. Raisins also naturally offer potassium, iron and fiber.

Making the case for raisins

To reduce added and total sugars, many products have been formulated using artificial sweeteners, such as sucralose, aspartame or other no-calorie sweeteners. No-calorie sweeteners are not free from health risks, however, and have been linked to weight gain, obesity, changes to the microbiome, decreased satiety and altered blood sugar levels, according to research published by the National Library of Medicine.

Products sweetened with artificial sweeteners may also contain other unnecessary ingredients as well. For example, 50% less sugar dried cranberries also contain ingredients such as soluble corn fiber, table sugar, glycerin and sucralose.

These products are not really any healthier, Schlichter said, noting there is still much unknown about artificial sweeteners and how they impact hormones, satiety and gut health. Because raisins have no added sugars, no artificial flavors and no unnecessary ingredients, Schlichter recommended swapping them for dried cranberries this holiday season.

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Local ICUs approach capacity, but COVID-19 patients not a majority of hospitalizations – yet

Will Fritz <i>Staff Writer</i>	least not yet. The federal data show COVID-19-positive patients make up on average about 15-30% of those hospitalized at Palomar Medical Center Escondido, Temecula Valley Hospital, Loma Linda University Medical Center Murrieta and Southwest Healthcare System (which includes both Rancho Springs and Inland Valley medical centers in Murrieta and Wildomar). Loma Linda had the highest percentage of its patients testing positive for COVID-19 at 29%, while Southwest had 21% and Palomar Escondido and Temecula Valley both had 17%, on average in the seven days leading up to Dec. 8. Based on the data, ICU beds were at 84% at Palomar Escondido, 85% at Temecula Valley, 70% at Loma Linda and 97% at Southwest.	In the wider, state-defined, 11-county Southern California region, available ICU capacity dropped to 6.2% Dec. 11, down from 7.7% a day before.. Here is some of the data released by HHS on those four local health facilities:	Palomar Medical Center Escondido Total beds (7-day average): 392.1 Total inpatient beds used (7-day average): 268.1 Total adults hospitalized, confirmed COVID-19 positive (7-day average): 48.6 ICU beds (7-day average): 36.1 ICU beds used (7-day average): 30.6 Temecula Valley Hospital	Total beds (7-day average): 139.4 Total inpatient beds used (7-day average): 129.1 Total adults hospitalized, confirmed COVID-19 positive (7-day average): 20.6 ICU beds (7-day average): 16.1 ICU beds used (7-day average): 13.7 Southwest Healthcare System Total adult inpatient beds (7-day average): 217.9 Total inpatient beds used (7-day average): 205.4 Total adults hospitalized, confirmed COVID-19 positive (7-day average): 42.1	ICU beds (7-day average): 19.4 ICU beds used (7-day average): 18.9 Loma Linda University Medical Center Murrieta Total beds (7-day average): 172.3 Total inpatient beds used (7-day average): 103.9 Total adults hospitalized, confirmed COVID-19 positive (7-day average): 33.3 ICU beds (7-day average): 20.1 ICU beds used (7-day average): 14
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Healthy Habits for Bonsall & Fallbrook Folks – french fries history 101

Megan Johnson McCullough
Special to Village News

Oh, those delightful golden strips of salty goodness. french fries are the favorite side order... no doubt. Fries may not be the best choice on our fitness journey and they qualify as a “sometimes” food. So hey, let’s take a look at where these potato yummys came from.
The general theory is that either the French or Belgians invented the french fry; however, the potato was first introduced to Europe from the Spanish. The idea of frying potatoes came from Belgium where they liked to fry fish. So essentially, the Spanish brought the potatoes, but the Belgians introduced how to prepare them.
The popularity of the french fry is credited to a French army medical office named Antoine-Augstine Parmentier. During the Seven Years War he was captured and given rations of potatoes. The French had only given potatoes to pigs and farm animals because they were thought to carry diseases.
When he was released, he helped to convince Parliament that potatoes were in fact “edible.” When he hosted dinners for high-profile figures such as Benjamin Franklin, Antione Lavoisier, King Louis XVI and Queen Marie Antionette, he served his french fry dish.
McDonalds is the dominant potato buyer in the U.S. with headlines such as, “The company purchases about 3.4 billion pounds of potatoes in American each year” and “McDonalds sells about 9 million pounds of french fries across the globe daily.”
So isn’t a potato a vegetable, which means french fries are good for us? Wrong.
Dr. Jonathan Bonnet from Duke University said, “They involve frying, salting and removing one of the healthiest parts of the potato: the skin, where many of the nutrients are found.”

And then, let’s face the facts: “A medium order of fries has 365 calories along with 17 grams of fat, a full 26% of your daily value. Sodium clocks in at 246 mg, or 10% of the upper limit you should eat in a day”
Sorry to rain on that healthy parade.
We certainly can opt for better side choices on our fitness journeys. A fry here and there won’t hurt us but remember those drive-thru days led to some folk’s current conditions. A momentary taste bud satisfaction takes much longer to leave the gut then we want. I’m not telling you to eat broccoli every night, but you get my drift. And now we are more informed about those darn good tasting stripes of yummy saltiness.
Megan Johnson McCullough holds a master’s degree in physical education and health science, is a candidate for her doctorate, is a professional natural bodybuilder and is a National Academy of Sports Medicine master trainer.



Having just a few french fries is no easy task.

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BUSINESS

Consider these year-end financial moves



FALLBROOK – We’re nearing the end of 2020 – and for many of us, it will be a relief to turn the calendar page on this challenging year. However, we’ve still got a few weeks left, which means you have time to make some year-end financial moves that may work in your favor.

Here are a few suggestions:
Add to your IRA. For the 2020 tax year, you can put in up to \$6,000 to your traditional or Roth IRA, or \$7,000 if you’re 50 or older. If you haven’t reached this limit, consider adding some money. You actually have until April 15, 2021, to contribute to your IRA for 2020, but the sooner you put the money in, the quicker it can go to work for you. Plus, if you have to pay taxes in April, you’ll be less likely to contribute to your IRA then.
Make an extra 401(k) payment. If it’s allowed by your employer, put in a little extra to your 401(k) or similar retirement plan. And if your salary goes up next year, increase your regular contributions.
See your tax advisor. It’s possible that you could improve your tax situation by making some investment-related moves.

For example, if you sold some investments whose value has increased, you could incur capital gains taxes. To offset these gains, you could sell other investments that have lost value, assuming these investments are no longer essential to your financial strategy.
Your tax advisor can evaluate this type of move, along with others, to determine those that may be appropriate for your situation.
Review your investment mix. As you consider your portfolio, think about the events of these past 12 months and how you responded to them.
When COVID-19 hit early in the year, and the financial markets plunged, did you find yourself worrying constantly about the losses you were taking, even though they were just on “paper” at that point? Did you even sell investments to “cut

your losses” without waiting for a market recovery? If so, you might want to consult with a financial professional to determine if your investment mix is still appropriate for your goals and risk tolerance, or if you need to make some changes.
Evaluate your need for retirement plan withdrawals. If you are 72 or older, you must start taking withdrawals – technically called required minimum distributions, or RMDs – from your traditional IRA and your 401(k) or similar retirement plan.
Typically, you must take these RMDs by Dec. 31 every year. However, the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Stimulus Act suspended, or waived, all RMDs due in 2020. If you’re in this age group, but you don’t need the money, you can let your retirement accounts continue

growing on a tax-deferred basis.
Think about the future. Are you saving enough for your children’s college education? Are you still on track toward the retirement lifestyle you’ve envisioned? Or have your retirement plans changed as a result of the pandemic? All of these issues can affect your investment strategies, so you’ll want to think carefully about what decisions you may need to make.
Looking back – and ahead – can help you make the moves to end 2020 on a positive note and start 2021 on the right foot.
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NCFPD swears in new directors, selects new leaders

Jeff Pack
Staff Writer

Newly-elected board directors were welcomed to the North County Fire Protection District meeting on Tuesday, Dec. 8, and all three were sworn in at the beginning of the meeting.
Cindy Acosta and Jeff Egkan ran for their seats unopposed, but David Kennedy beat out Lee De Meo for the seat.
The board also selected Director

John Van Doorn to serve as president and Director Kennedy to serve as Vice President during his first year on the board.
The board also approved the consent items that included the Oct. 27 and Dec. 1 board meeting minutes, and reviewed and accepted the financial report for October.
In action items, the board first tackled a review and declaration regarding surplus vehicles authorized for sale.

North County Fire Protection District Chief Stephen Abbott swears in newly-elected Board Directors Cindy Acosta, Jeff Egkan, and David Kennedy during the Tuesday, Dec. 8 meeting of the directors.

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Waldron bill will require timely EDD responses on unemployment claims

SACRAMENTO – Assembly Republican Leader Marie Waldron is introducing legislation imposing deadlines on EDD claims to ensure claimants are given decisions on the outcome of their claims in a timely manner.

“Too many people are left without any information or decision about their claims and have waited months in vain,” Waldron said. “People need help when they lose their jobs and the government needs to be more responsive. A backlog of this size is unacceptable.”

This bill sets the clock ticking on EDD responding to citizen’s applications for unemployment assistance and makes EDD accountable to the people. The bill requires EDD to make UI eligibility determinations within 30 days of receipt of a claim, or within 15 days following requested follow-up information from the claimant, and to notify the claimant in advance if EDD will be unable to meet either deadline.

Submitted by Assemblymember Marie Waldron’s office.

SDCWA hikes water costs, Fallbrook ratepayers to see water bills go up

FALLBROOK – Due in part to yet another water cost increase from the San Diego County Water Authority, Fallbrook ratepayers will see their water bills rise in 2021.

In May, the Water Authority board of directors voted to increase water costs on all 24 of its member water districts roughly 5% effective Jan. 1, 2021.

The unit cost of water has gone up more than 9% on average for Fallbrook ratepayers over the last decade and after years of trying to absorb some of these increases, Fallbrook Public Utility District has had to take steps to catch up with these rising water costs.

Having no other option, the FPUD board voted on Dec. 7, to adjust water rates, which will result in an overall rate increase of 5% to an average water and sewer customer.

“Unfortunately, we have had to pass on these costs to our customers,” said FPUD board president Ken Endter. “Fortunately, we’re pursuing a way to lower our water costs in the future by purchasing our water from another wholesaler, the Eastern Municipal Water District.

“We’ve been able to hold our operational costs virtually flat, but the rising cost of water from the Authority along with increasing replacement needs of our 60-70-year-old buried pipelines is driving these higher rates,” added Endter.

“We need to be proactive and replace these old pipelines before they break and cause damage and service disruptions to nearby homes and businesses,” said FPUD general manager Jack Bebee. “By making these improvements now, we can avoid costly emergency repairs and potential claims, prevent unplanned service disruptions, and ensure a more reliable supply of water for our ratepayers.”

Rising water costs from the Authority have been an ongoing issue for Fallbrook ratepayers. To reduce these costs, the FPUD board is hoping to part ways with the Authority and begin purchasing its water, at a much lower rate, from the Eastern Municipal Water District in southern Riverside County.

The process is called detachment and the move would save the district and its ratepayers about \$3-4 million a year, and allow the district to freeze or even lower rates for the first time in decades.

FPUD’s detachment proposal must first be approved by the San Diego Local Agency Formation Commission, or LAFCO, which is governed by local and appointed officials and is responsible for overseeing the establishment, expansion and boundary changes of cities and special districts including water districts.

LAFCO has established an advisory committee to review and analyze the proposal. The full commission is expected to vote on it sometime in 2021. If approved, the proposal would go before Fallbrook voters, who would have the final say.

For more information, go to www.fpud.com.

Submitted by The Fallbrook Public Utility District

Board approves tobacco retail licensing program

Katie Cadiao
County of San Diego Communications Office

The San Diego County Board of Supervisors approved an ordinance Tuesday, Dec. 8, that will place additional restrictions on the sale of tobacco products in the unincorporated area of the county and facilitate enforcement of the new rules once they go into effect.

The supervisor’s actions established a tobacco retail licensing program, or TRL, that will allow the board to regulate the operation of businesses that sell tobacco products. The TRL will require business owners to obtain a permit and stay in compliance with federal, state and local tobacco control and youth tobacco access laws or risk the suspension of their license.

The TRL will also cap the number of establishments that can sell tobacco products in the unincorporated area to 330 businesses.

In addition to prohibiting the in-person sale of tobacco and flavored tobacco products to those 21 or younger, the ordinance will ban the placement of tobacco vending machines in the unincorporated area of the county. Businesses that have on-site pharmacies will no longer be allowed to sell tobacco products.

The TRL will be transferable among immediate family members, as long as the business location does not change. The new owner will also have to meet the age requirement for selling tobacco products, meaning a TRL will not be transferable to anyone under the age of 21.

The coard action also establishes an age requirement for clerks who sell tobacco products. Sales clerks who are under the age of 18 will be allowed to sell tobacco products to those of legal age, as long as the clerk is under continuous supervision by someone 21 or older.

The new regulations will go into effect in July 2021.

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EDUCATION

FUHS JROTC celebrates USMC birthday during COVID-19



Lt. Col. Wade enjoys a USMC celebration cupcake.



Sal Rojas, previous USMC Sergeant, and current manager of Albertsons Fallbrook is excited to help the Fallbrook High School JROTC.



Albertsons Bakery Manager Blanca Rios helps make celebratory USMC cupcakes.

FALLBROOK – The founding of the United States Marine Corps is honored through a unique celebration every year on Nov. 10. This year marked the USMC’s 245th birthday.

The annual tradition of commemorating the founding of the USMC is honored the world over and builds community pride, leadership, and esprit de corps. Fallbrook Union High School Marine Corps JROTC Cadets historically celebrate this important event complete with a ball, ceremony, dinner, dancing and cake.

With FUHS’ 147 Cadets currently isolated from one another due to COVID-19 restrictions and distance learning, celebrating this year posed a unique dilemma.

Connecting meaningfully with student Cadets to continue this important ritual in 2020 meant getting creative. In addition to the unit all watching the USMC Commandant’s birthday message of encouragement, the unit leadership thought about one of the most important elements of the celebration and ceremony – the

gesture of cake being served in a manner symbolic of feeding and caring for the next generation. Focusing on this element of the ceremony, they reached out to the local Albertsons to see if they would be willing to help.

With just a couple of days until the commemoration, it was a big ask – could Albertsons facilitate the Cadets coming in individually and safely to each pick up a cupcake? – a tangible thing to give the Cadets a little connection to each other and the important celebration.

The unit approached Albertsons Manager Sal Rojas with the request. Rojas and bakery manager Blanca Rios quickly agreed and went into full gear to accommodate the request and even donated a central cake. The management and staff went above and beyond, distributing single cupcakes to the individual Cadets after school over a number of days.

At the time, Rojas and Albertsons facilitated this effort, the unit was unaware that Rojas himself was previously a Sergeant in the Marines. “It just goes to show that



JROTC Leadership Cadets, from left, Brian Chocoteco, Julian Varese, Catherine Zardilla and Alexis Rivera take a quick picture before cupcakes are handed out.

whether someone is active duty or served previously and now is in a civilian position, the spirit of service to others continues. That spirit is what we are working to foster in this next generation of Cadets,” said Lieutenant Colonel William Wade, Senior Marine

Instructor for the unit.

Wade continued, “This outreach quickly came together as one of those things that was meant to be. We want to thank Albertsons, Sal Rojas, Jeff Bruner, Blanca Rios, and the bakery staff for helping us find a way to safely connect

student Cadets to each other and the meaning of this event. They worked hard to bring something special to these young leaders of tomorrow.”

Submitted by: Fallbrook High School JROTC

Bonsall Unified meets in special meeting on budget talks

Jeff Pack
Staff Writer

The Bonsall Unified School District Governing Board met Wednesday, Dec. 9 to address some budget issues regarding the current school year.

The board first approved the district’s First Interim Report for the fiscal year 2020-21.

Laura Castro, executive director of Business and Administrative Services for the district gave the presentation.

She reported that the district’s general fund revenue projected is \$28,820,800, which includes the one-time COVID-19 funding. She said expenditures will total \$28,495,203, according to projections. Salaries represent 54% of the total expenditures.

Castro said the district will end the school year with roughly \$7,000 more in fund balance.

“Which looks great in numbers, but that amount can run out quickly,” she said. “Especially when we’re right now funding with ADA, but once it hits the actual ADA enrollment, we will see how we are going to be affected in the numbers.”

The report was approved unanimously.

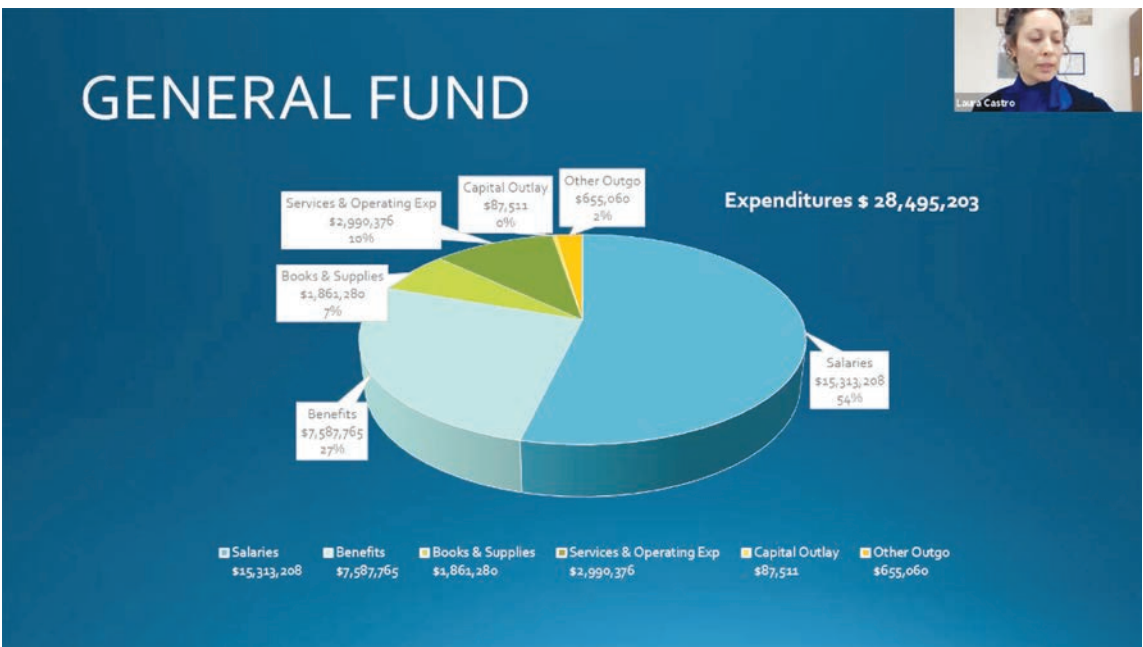
The board also approved the Budget Overview for Parents.

“What this item is providing is additional information to parents

regarding how the CARES (Act) money or the learning loss mitigation funds are being spent,” an unidentified staff member said. “I just want to point out two items that are in the LCAP. A great deal of that money is going to be spent on the after-school learning loss tutoring that we’re putting together at this time and that will begin when we come back in January. We’re developing that right now and then also a four to six-week learning loss summer program to address the needs of our high needs students. Those are big expenditures that are coming out of that money.”

Board member Michael Gaddis asked staff to explain the learning loss tutor plan.

“Right now we’re working with the principals and we’re having the teachers identify what we are calling our tier 2 and tier 3 intervention students,” he said. “They would be the students who are slightly behind; I’m just going to put it in layman’s terms; tier 3 are the students who are extensively behind in terms of their academics...motivation is a factor that we’re taking into consideration for those students that we have identified. We are working with Dr. Staine right now to identify and recruit teachers to do the after-school tutoring that’ll be starting in January and then tier 2 students and tier 3 students will



Bonsall Unified School District Executive Director of Business and Administrative Services Laura Castro gave a report on the district’s First Interim Report for the fiscal year 2020-21 during the Dec. 9 meeting of the Governing Board.

be invited to participate in that. That will be much the same for summer as well so it won’t be open to everybody. Tier 1 students who are at grade level would not need the intervention. Those students will not be invited to take part in this.”

Staff said that the tutoring sessions would be in-person and virtually.

Gaddis asked how many students were in tier 2 and tier 3.

Staff answered that there were about 300 students in tier 2 and a little more than 100 in tier 3.

“What we know doesn’t work in education is providing more of the same and in terms of intervention and we’re not saying that we’re going to offer you an additional hour of instruction or additional two hours of instruction,” he said. “What we’re doing is targeting the areas of need. We’re having the administrators work with

the teachers to target the needs of the students. Is it reading? Is it foundational math skills? Whatever it is, we’re going to target so that we can group the students according to the area that they’re struggling in.”

The board approved the budget unanimously.

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ENTERTAINMENT

‘Holidays In Your Car’ dazzles guests at Del Mar Fairgrounds

Nathalie Taylor
Special to the Village News

Just beyond the gates to the San Diego County Fair’s Del Mar Fairgrounds lies a magical world of over a million LED lights, holograms, and projected images. The fairgrounds have come to life with light!

Under the darkened Del Mar sky, the experience is a holiday season dream. Cozy in your car, you enjoy a captivating potpourri of images glowing in the darkness. Listening to seasonal tunes on your car radio, you drive slowly through the colorful mile-and-a-half display course. The lights and tunes transport you to a cheery Christmas place.

Who doesn’t associate a fair experience with the intoxicating scent of kettle corn? Various vendors have set up shop in the parking lot, and kettle corn is just one of them. Munching on kettle corn, you pass through tunnels of light to an imaginative world of projected images. These images are not static, they move and change. At times, Christmas trees and colorful presents float above your car. It’s mesmerizing.

The route is lined with light displays of all shapes and sizes. The “Twelve Days of Christmas” song is well-represented. An innovative Christmas tree is actually a tower

of drums. Buglers blow their horns from all points of a castle. Nine ladies dance from a monumental display.

A sense of motion is invoked as a three-masted schooner “sails” in place. Castles and medieval houses abound. Santa waves from his shimmering pick-up truck packed with presents and a Christmas tree.

Your eyes will sparkle in the glow of multi-colored lights. Look high and low and you won’t miss any of the charm. Displays of poinsettias, butterflies, candy canes, and flickering candles are seen at about eye level, but some displays reach to 40 feet! It is amazing that the clever positioning of lights can create such a sense of wonder.

The Christmas feast with Santa and Mrs. Claus is delightful. The flow of her long skirt suggests action as Mrs. Claus serves dinner to Santa and his happy reindeer. The faces of the reindeer radiate joy.

At the end of the route, you exit onto the stark pavement of Via De La Valle, where glowing lights vanish in the darkness of night. But the show is a dazzling reminder that Christmas, and all that is sparkling and magical, is there for us to enjoy. COVID hasn’t stolen Christmas. And this display of lights is proof of that!

“Holidays In Your Car” is

presented by Subaru, and runs through Jan. 2. Tickets must be purchased in advance and

online. For further information, or to purchase tickets, please visit <https://www.holidaysinyourcar.com/>, and click on the “San Diego Del Mar Fairgrounds” option.



Santa’s Delivery Truck



Santa with reindeer



Castle of lights



Royal buglers

Village News/Nathalie Taylor photos

Fallbrook resident illustrates first children’s book

Lexington Howe
Staff Writer

A Fallbrook resident recently illustrated her first children’s book.

“I’ve been drawing my whole life really, literally a 2-year-old drawing on walls and inside books, so it’s just been a thing I’ve wanted to do my whole life,” Summer Faught said. “I really wanted to take on freelancing and actually get my art out there, all my art that’s just been sitting and collecting dust.”

Her grandfather, Frank Pangborn, has written poems and songs, and wrote a poem about a horse called Snow Cloud.

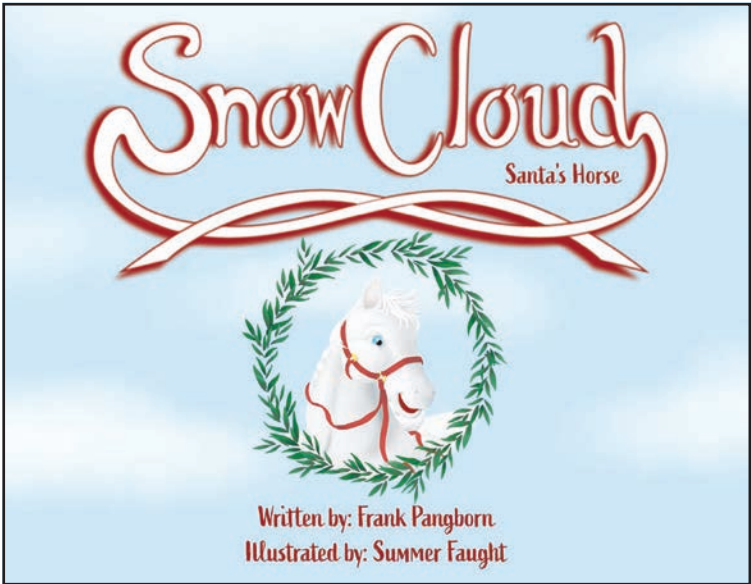
“I raised horses,” Pangborn said. “I had black Arabians and bred them, and I loved horses, so I thought, you know what, Santa’s missing a horse.”

This gave him the idea for his children’s book.

“I wrote the poem and I just happened to be talking to my granddaughter, Summer, and I didn’t realize that she had been studying art and she showed me some of her work,” Pangborn said. “She really has an artistic ability.”

Faught began showing him some samples of Snow Cloud.

“We came up with a concept that Snow Cloud is stronger than



“Snow Cloud, Santa’s Horse” was written by Frank Pangborn and illustrated by his granddaughter, Fallbrook resident Summer Faught.

three horses, and he’s really big,” Pangborn said. “He was Santa’s original puller of his sleigh, but when Santa got the reindeer, Snow Cloud began to just work in the North Pole and help move the toys around and work with the elves.”

“The elves at the end of the day would just love to be riding Snow Cloud, and having fun with Snow Cloud, and in turn, they promised to take care of him and groom him,” Pangborn added. “They’d have to get on a ladder to get to

Snow Cloud’s mane and brush him and clean him.”

“(We) started the book in March of 2019, and then finished it this past May,” Faught said. “That’s with work and school in between but, yeah, it was still working at it every week, multiple days a week for hours.”

The response to the book has been good, according to Faught.

“People like it; it’s cute; it’s definitely a story for if you’re first just beginning to read,” Faught



Summer Faught works on the illustration for “Snow Cloud.”

Village News/Courtesy photos

said. “It’s a very simple story, but it’s cute and Christmasy.”

Faught is self-taught. “I actually didn’t take my first art class until community college,” she said. “I kind of want to do a bunch of different things, I would love to do animation, character design, I like designing logos, which all of that I’ve done.”

For Pangborn, it was a wonderful collaboration.

“It is something that Summer and I will have as a special bonding – my granddaughter and I writing a book, and she doing the artwork

on the book,” he said.

They have other projects currently in the works as well.

“This is the one thing I know I was put here to do and I’m just running with it now,” Faught said. “I wanna encourage others, especially kids, to do the same when they see my work.”

For more information on the book, visit <https://store.bookbaby.com/book/snow-cloud>.

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‘Hillbilly Elegy’: An incredibly haunting yet hopeful tale

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After reading this J.D. Vance novel several years ago, two main thoughts came to mind: first, that the book was two to three times longer than it should have been, or needed to be, to convey the message it did, and secondly, and far more importantly, in spite of that mistake the core message was one of the most forthcoming and realistic portrayals of a deeply embedded life-style and culture that not only persists in America, but one that is thoroughly entrenched – far beyond what many other citizens here may think or are even aware.

With the great Ron Howard at the directorial helm of this adapted film version of the novel, an abundance of optimism reigned for what he might deliver. Fortunately, for everyone, and most notably the viewer, the master (Howard), once again, rose to the occasion – crisply, and in extremely raw and straightforward fashion, laying out this unsettling and very unnerving tale.

While there are, in reality, three key figures in this story, it is told from the son’s perspective, commencing with his life as a young boy, and then following a literal hellish and roller-coaster

like journey, culminating in life at an Ivy league law-school and early adulthood – portions of which many children growing up through puberty could relate to, though other aspects would clearly be completely foreign.

The older JD Vance is played by an unknown to me (Gabriel Basso), as was the actor playing him in his childhood (Owen Asztalos), the latter of the two being far more notable – his awkward and fumbling demeanor, genuinely fearful, as well as insecure moments, presenting some of the definitively memorable and hair-raising highlights of the film.

His grandmother and mother are depicted through the ever-spectacular Glenn Close and the equally gifted Amy Adams, respectively. Both of them are hard to recognize – Close in particular – due to superb makeup, hairstyles, wardrobe and, in the case of Adams, weight gain for the role. While Adams is very respectable as Vance’s mom (Bev), never seeming to disappoint, it was Close (as Mamaw, the grandmother) that truly steals the show – with what can only be described as yet another echelon of her simply unlimited creativity, uncanny ability to adapt herself in extraordinarily versatile

roles and simply put, unmatched brilliance.

Vance’s sister and girlfriend (Haley Bennett and Frida Pinto, respectively) also render laudable efforts – in particular Bennett as Vance’s sister.

The story, which Howard rather agilely moves back and forth from Ohio to Kentucky (Vance’s two locales growing up), as well as seamlessly navigating from past to present and back again – the latter process often times the demise of an otherwise great story – is in quintessential Howard form, harrowing, truthful and, somewhat contrary to one of the film’s integral themes, quite sobering.

As the story evolves, one witnesses the extraordinary struggles that Vance has to contend with growing up – far above and beyond the completely normal “teenage diversions and pitfalls” that many or most encounter: fitting in with friends, adjusting or adapting to peer pressures, as well as and, probably most importantly, managing to find a “balanced and focused life direction” under these circumstances.

Howard’s depiction of Vance attempting to navigate his life, having had very sketchy parenting – which completely understates the unhealthy and harsh environment in

which he grew up and what he had to see – is an exceptional model of a life that far too many children endure, and in an absolutely grassroots-fashion highlights the Mount Everest-like obstacles that it will take to overcome these many adversities.

Of course, there were a few issues with the film, ones that seemed to subside a bit after watching it a second time.

Always a “pet peeve” when viewing any film, bad language, even though it was somewhat expected here – and one could argue it is actually a representative facet of this backdrop – nevertheless, it does pervade throughout. It seemed less frequent and offensive during a second viewing, but it still helped to detract from the film’s otherwise notable qualities – as it still seems very possible to express a film’s dialogue without such profanity (a little more on that later).

Moreover, a couple of rather obvious, what appeared to be typical “politically or socially” correct Hollywood-like elements are injected into the film – at least one of which, by the way, didn’t lineup with the book – and one in particular seemed excruciatingly out-of-place and, to be quite frank, implausible or, at the very least, highly unlikely to have transpired.

Finally, while most of the writing is seamless and timely, there is a notable lack of explanation, of a series of events, detailing how Vance “pulls himself up by the bootstraps” and manages to climb out of the morass.

While certainly deemed a quality film after the first viewing, its impact, as well as the profound marks it leaves, only increase after seeing it again. Howard’s incredibly cohesive rendition of this absolutely gritty story, alongside the epic performances of both Close and the young Asztalos, as well as the film’s rather eye-opening depiction about a significant segment of America’s society – whether intentional or otherwise – make this one of the finest films of the year, a period, of course, where there have been far fewer to pick from than normal.

By the way, any viewer that enjoyed “Hillbilly Elegy” should make sure to watch “Winter’s Bone” as well – another film of a very similar ilk and setting, that is even better, and manages to deliver its message without profanity.

Both are must see films.

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