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IDYLLWILD -September 2025

Every morning this week, we are waking up to the sound of "not silence" but of the sound of diesel trucks, backhoes, CAT cranes, and a massive crew chiseling away under the main street of town.

Time is one thing that takes it's total on everything and generally everybody. For Idyllwild this is the first time the infrastructure has had an underground augmentation, with a few tucks, and reinforced supporting system to put in place.



photo by Jo Monroe

Idyllwild is hazy this morning but, there is clearly an impressive early morning crew working on the under side of the road. This crew paused for a second for the photo as they serve to work yet to be done.

Topside, there is a crew directing traffic, moving rock, and securing the massive calvers under the road.

They aren't done yet. There will be a protective covering to the culvert to keep animal and children from crawling into harms way.

If there is one thing residents know here on The Hill, it is being prepared for anything. As preparation to strengthen the road and water drainage system, it is well know you don't wait for the weather, rain or snow to fill the creeks to have a plain for handling an overflow.

WORK CONTINUES ON 243 IDYLLWILD GETS A FIRM FOUNDATION FOR THE FUTURE



photo by Jo Monroe

IDYLLWILD - The early morning crew sets up to work on the infrastructure.

For those who have lived here for more than 10, 20, 30 years this is the first time to see this extensive road project in action.

Though it may be inconvenient for locals and travelers through town during the week, the road is fairly clear on the weekends.

With this year being another dry season, everyone knows it is best to be prepared for any kind of rain or snow. Recent weather gave a pre-test as to residents who were hoping for rain but were surprised at the overflow of the creeks, and rivers that appeared replacing their yards and driveways.

NOTE:

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) and Ames Construction continue the emergency repairs to State Routes 74 and 243 leading to the Idyllwild and Mountain Center communities. The \$30 million emergency contract is replacing culverts, rebuilding slopes and roadbeds, replacing drains, scaling rock, repaving roadbeds and reinstalling guard-rail and signage. As part of the effort to repair and strengthen the roads Idyllwild downtown is experiencing and will most assuredly appreciate the finished work.

REMEMBER to visit IdyTalks.com

So you haven't see THE STAR in in your mail box for a while.

THE STAR DID NOT GO AWAY!
THE STAR has gone DIGITAL

See page 4 for more!

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

POLICY:

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The Star proofreads each letter and makes grammatical corrections. It does not edit the letter's content.

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THE STAR prints We The People, so that readers can make informed decisions in view of contrasting sides of a report. This is why THE STAR reports news and will print your opinion. It will continue to share your Letters to the Editor and print your opinions.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

To The Editor of The Star: It is worth repeating: Idyllwild Arts public-address system gives Shakespeare a headache

A quote from William Shakespeare hung for decades outside Bowman theater at Idyllwild Arts. It read: "Here will we sit, and let the sounds of music creep in our ears. Soft stillness and the night become the touches of sweet harmony."

We represent thirteen households on Idyllmont Road and Middle Ridge Drive who feel that the school has drifted more than a bit from the great writer's vision. We are all neighbors of Idyllwild Arts and among us are newcomers to the Hill as well as multiple generations of Idyllwild Arts students, staff, Board Members, Trustees, and donors stretching back to the golden age of Max and Bea Krone.

The sound of a clarinetist practicing atop the boulders in the meadow and wafting through the trees and around our homes is indeed a pure joy.

Unfortunately, in recent years, stadium-level amplification at Idyllwild Arts has added intense electrified music and assorted administrative announcements over outdoor public-address systems to the mix. The sound rattles through our homes' closed doors and windows, often until 10 in the evening. A recent three-day "techno-fest" was marked by almost constant outdoor amplified music.

At other times we have been treated to every word of camp counselors barking orders at student groups via megaphone.

Several of us have asked for the volume to be lowered, only to receive dismissive responses or none at all. We understand that while Riverside County Ordinance No. 847 states that amplified audio should not be heard from 200 feet away from the source, there is a loophole for schools. In any case, our homes are 600 to 1,200 feet away from Husch Field where many of these events occur. We also have two reports of this noise nuisance impacting homes on Double View, which are at least 2,500 feet away as the crow flies.

It is disheartening that the school has ignored multiple appeals for moderation, neighborliness, and respect for our quiet enjoyment here in Idyllwild.

The saying goes: Just because one can do something doesn't mean that one should. We ask only for a return to sweet harmony.

Respectfully,

- Dawn Sandhu Clinton and Stephen Clinton
- Charles Fojtic
- Cindy H.
- Steve Krikorian
- Julia Ledesma
- Karla and Bill Leopold
- Robin and Evan Mills
- Kristin N.
- Nancy Pearlman
- Caroline Russell
- Erna Tobak

Two signatories elected not to publicize their names

A special Thank You to those who take the time to write Letters to The Editor.

It is important to address concerns and share information within a community. Respectfully, The Star offers a safe place for a dialog on matters that we may learn from or that may cause us to look deeper into issues that impact our lives. THE STAR does retain the right to not print letters that could be harmful or vindictive.

In regards to medical issues please always consult your doctor or physician for your specific case.

Respectfully,
THE STAR

WHY IDYLLWILD

THE STAR is introducing a new editorial section that is interactive with residents and visitors.

A number of new residents, in the process of purchasing their new homes, shared that after visiting Idyllwild for weeks, months and even years, they are making Idyllwild their home. For those and our appreciated visitors, This column is for you.

Answer the question:

Why did you choose to move to Idyllwild to call it home?

I am sure there are multiple reasons; weather, the mountain, the town, the people or maybe it was the sunset, or the sunrise. We invite you to share your reason for coming to Idyllwild to visit or to live.

BONNIE'S BOOKS & TREASURES

AUTHORS FALL SALE

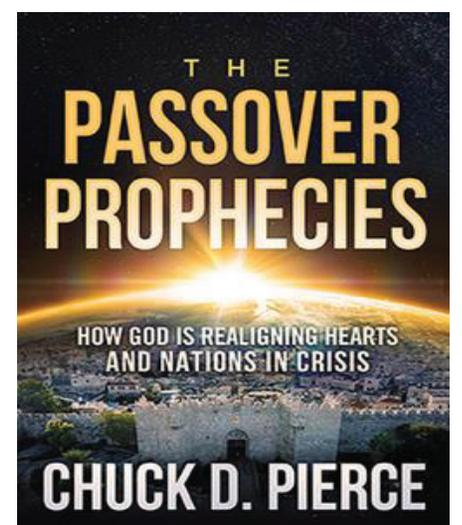
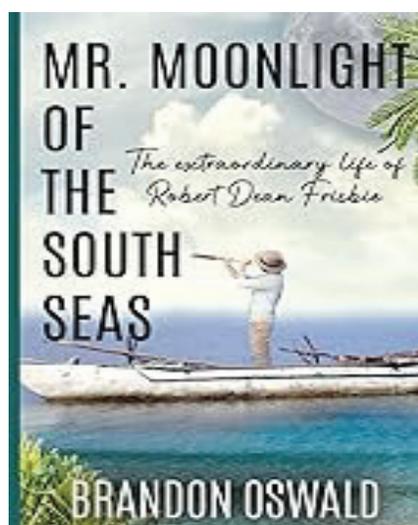
COOLER WEATHER MEANS

A GOOD BOOK

A CUP OF COFFEE/TEA

AND A GREAT READ BY IDYLLWILD'S LOCAL AUTHORS.

SATURDAY 11AM-3PM



cont. Letters to The Editor

This letter is in response to Kristy Frazier's well-intentioned but misinformed article describing Autoimmune Disorders posted in the July 3rd issue. Having worked as a Functional Medicine Practitioner certified by the Kharrazian Institute, I specialize in internal medicine with a focus on managing Autoimmune Diseases and feel compelled to clear up some misconceptions.

To begin with, Ms. Frazier states that "Most people have at least one Autoimmune Disorder (AD)" which is not accurate. While it is certainly true that ADs are too often not diagnosed accurately (and therefore under-reported), the major portion of the human population do not currently show antibodies for an AD in their lab reports. Hashimoto's Thyroiditis is the most common AD with a global presentation in 5-10% of the population according to statistics gathered by scientists around the world and published by the NIH. All the other ADs Ms. Frazier mentions (including celiac disease) show up in significantly smaller numbers.

In addition, since the immune system mistakenly attacks its own healthy tissue in all autoimmune disorders, rarely does an individual develop only one AD; eventually, most develop two or more. Ms. Frazier describes her diagnosis of Hashimoto's Thyroiditis and later in life developing Psoriasis. I suspect she may now have or will later develop additional ADs. There are tests which determine conclusively - via antibody markers - which tissues are being attacked by one's own immune system, but these tests are rarely offered prophylactically since most are not covered by insurance and require an out-of-pocket expense.

As for the underlying causes of Autoimmune Disorders, the two major precursors are genetic predisposition and some kind of pathogen which "activates" the gene. AD tends to run in families but may never have been diagnosed correctly. It is commonplace for tests to reveal antibodies for an AD and upon description of signs and symptoms to the patient, she will then recognize the disorder in a family member who was always ill. In the same vein, one can develop a low thyroid condition - meaning low thyroid hormone - but without the genetic predisposition she may never have the actual thyroid gland attacked (as in Hashimoto's).

An external pathogen, commonly a bacteria, virus or parasite, initiates the AD cascade. SARS-CoV-2 is the Queen of All Pathogens! Unfortunately, it has been all too commonplace for those contracting Covid to develop an AD later in life (most AD shows up in younger people through middle age). This is the reason behind many of the Long Covid cases, those for whom symptoms linger long after the SARS-CoV-2 virus has dissipated.

MDs do not receive adequate training in recognizing and treating ADs; it is not uncommon for an accurate diagnosis to take several years to determine. When the patient is finally diagnosed with an AD, signs and symptoms are so elusive it often feels like a game of Whack-A-Mole! Just when we have the patient "managed" a new set of symptoms arise.

Before Covid came along, Epstein-Barr Virus (EBV), most commonly contracted at age 15-30, was the #1 virus that activated AD, and indeed Epstein-Barr was reactivated in many patients through exposure to SARS-CoV-2 (which often, in turn, created its own cascade of AD). For example, it was not uncommon for a patient to contract Covid which then reactivated her Epstein-Barr, and the assault activated a new case of Rheumatoid Arthritis, a familial condition.

Another common scenario is "picking up a bug" on foreign vacations. One of the first questions I ask patients is to describe their foreign travel experiences. Sadly, several of my patients have activated a dormant AD by contracting a parasite. When the parasitic infection is cleared, the patient is left with the AD signs and symptoms to manage.

Ms. Frazier mentions stress and childhood trauma as "pillars of AD". Significant stress and trauma could predispose a person to invite a pathogenic infection by lowering the immune system's natural defense mechanism. But while AD patients need to remain cognizant of their stress levels and are encouraged to manage them, there is no scientific evidence to suggest ADs are brought on by excessive stress alone. That being said, stress is a common trigger for flare-ups in those for whom an AD has already been activated. Likewise, childhood trauma may exacerbate AD signs and symptoms but there is nothing in scientific literature that supports it as a direct cause of these disorders.

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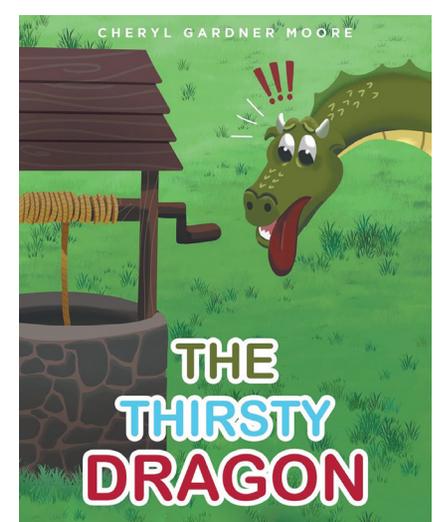
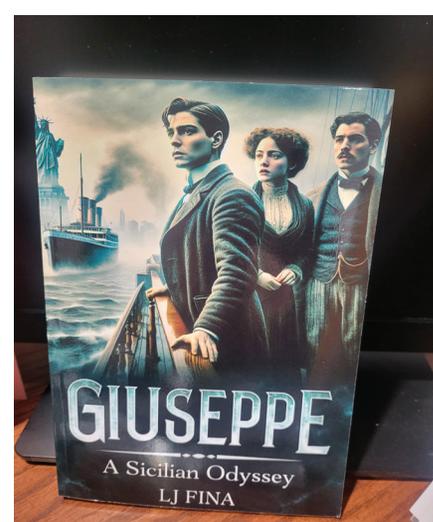
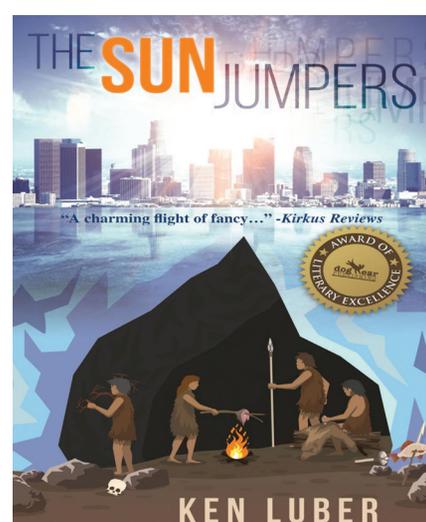
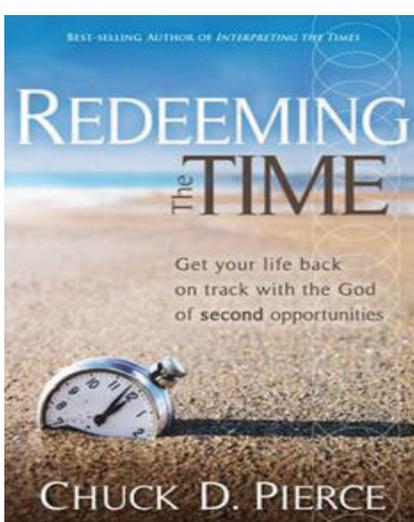
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Idyllwild Arts Campus

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I'll admit, I'm a little spoiled. these days. I like my treats a little bit softer. Mom goes to Mountain Paws and gets cookies from Dave. My favorite is with chicken, apple, sausage.

Buy the way, there's alot of toys there comfortable beds for my naps. I'm looking forward to getting my new vest for winter walks.

There's lots to choose from, toys, snaks, chooie things, healthy items, as well as, beds, vests, paw booties, and so much more.

It is a great place to visit and find those things needed for my mountain walks in Idyllwild. Stop in an see Dave at Mountain Paws on North Circle Drive.

Got to go, maybe I'll see you at Mountain Paws.

Idyllwild loves seeing all the doggies walking with their pet parents. Remember stop in and say hi to my friend Dave!

Hi everyone!
This week I want to give a shout out to my friends at Mountain Paws. I've seen them hosting pup-pys for adoptions with ARF and Living Free, in the front yard. It was exciting to see so many fami-lies becoming puppy parents.

I'm 14 years old, I don't look my age, do I? It is because I'm loved so much, my people is kind and looked out for me, she trained me to be obedient and safe, feeds me healthy food and takes me to the vets for my shots and other things.

THE STAR DIDN'T LEAVE IDYLLWILD - OUR MOUNTAIN COMMUNITY
IT HAS GONE DIGITAL!!!!!!

THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU! STAR READERS!

ONE thing we learn during the Covid days is that we can work from home and that there is a great importance to stay communicating with each other.

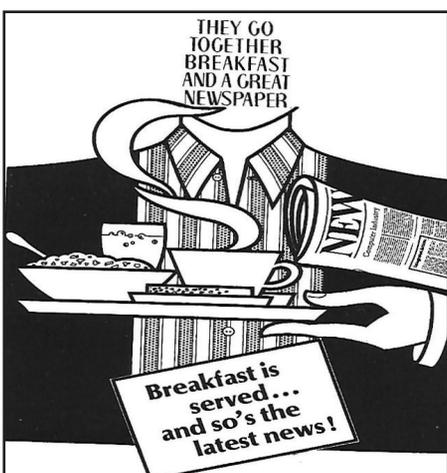
Today's needs are just the same as yesterday when it comes to commu-nication and marketing. What has changed is the way we do it.

Our culture demands that information be available, fast, forward and reaching beyond the norm of normal.

The cost of providing a quality hardcopy newspaper, one that we love the feel and smell of the ink, has reached the financial limits for most newspapers. Thankfully, technology stepped up to provide multiple sources to communicate within a small community and the world.

Truth is that today, a multitude of people are dissatisfied with not only the content of news, but are disinterested in the opinionated colum-nists.

The Star has proven since its beginning in 1996 that it is possible to maintained a community centered , opinion-free report, committed to staying true to the Code of Ethics in Journalism. THE STAR is respected for reporting respectfully, responsibly and with integrity.



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PINE COVE WATER DISTRICT

CONSERVATION SPECIALIST/ OFFICE ASSISTANT

JOB DESCRIPTION

JOB SUMMARY

Responsible for the District blog, including new ideas, stories, and articles. Including but not limited to conservation. Filing, counter pay-ments, phones, stuffing envelopes, as needed to assist office manager. Maintain a clean office which includes vacuuming, dusting, mopping, windows, etc. Perform related work as required by the Office Manager and/or General Manager. Maintain history album. Must be able to cover office hours when needed. Maintain customer email accounts. Good driving record. Willingness to attend trainings and seminars, as needed.

KNOWLEDGE AND ABILITIES:

Knowledge of modern office practices, procedures and filing systems; computer skills, including knowledge of Microsoft Office (Word, Excel, Publisher) helpful; knowledge of WordPress helpful; ability to effectively organize work; self-motivated; ability to perform a variety of clerical work efficiently and accurately; ability to deal tactfully and courteously with others within and outside the District, including employees, other officials, and the general public.

PAY RATE

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Deadline for applications/resumes is 10/10/2025.



THE HAPPY FACES OF ROTARY - SERVING IDYLLWILD COMMUNITY EVERYDAY

Rotarians working to help the community, serving individuals in need and assisting those who need a hand. Whether with an abatement clean up, hanging banners in town, or raising funds for local non-profits, they reach out to serve the community.



Join the Idyllwild Rotary Club - share in the fun in giving back to the community and showing your love of Idyllwild. The Grand Abate team. Pitching in to clear the landscape for the local resident who appreciated the many hands and hearts of Idyllwild's Rotarians. It is not uncommon to see this group with all hands on deck helping others, bringing their joy and laughter to everyone they meet. These are just a few of the Happy Faces of Rotary.



Photo by Rotarian Eric Tracy

Current President "Nacho" (R) and Chuck Weisbart (L) welcomes the newest member, Rochelle Aldridge and her son Rami.

Rotary is a family experience for all ages. Providing the next generation an opportunity to serve the community, learning leadership, and reaching out to local residents as well as international communities in need.



Photo by Rotarian Eric Tracy

Captain Mendez (R) and from the Sheriff Department with current Rotary President "Nacho". Rotarians appreciate these men who had dedicated their lives to serve and protect taking the time to share local reports on crime in our mountain area. They are keeping us safe and informed. Rotarians were also educated on the use and benefits of drones here on the Hill and the need for the purchase of additional drones for the continued safety of all. Should you have interest in contributing to financing a new drone contact Captain Mendez.

Saturday Nite Live from Idyllwild Rotary at Town Hall
BINGO!

The Idyllwild Rotary Club has brought Bingo night to the Idyllwild Town Hall.

Participants have numbered to as many as 70+ in attendance. This event brings the community together for a fun evening and to help others, as each Saturday Bingo is designated to contribute to a local non-profit organization. Attendees taking part in this community gathering can also enjoy a selection of treats to munch on while dobbing their Bingo cards.

The up coming Rotary on October 18th, will be contributing to the Idyllwild Summer Concerts.

Put it on your Calendar: Saturday, October 18, 2025
Doors open at 4:30 pm. Games start promptly at 5 pm.
Come and join in on the Fun and Prizes!!!!

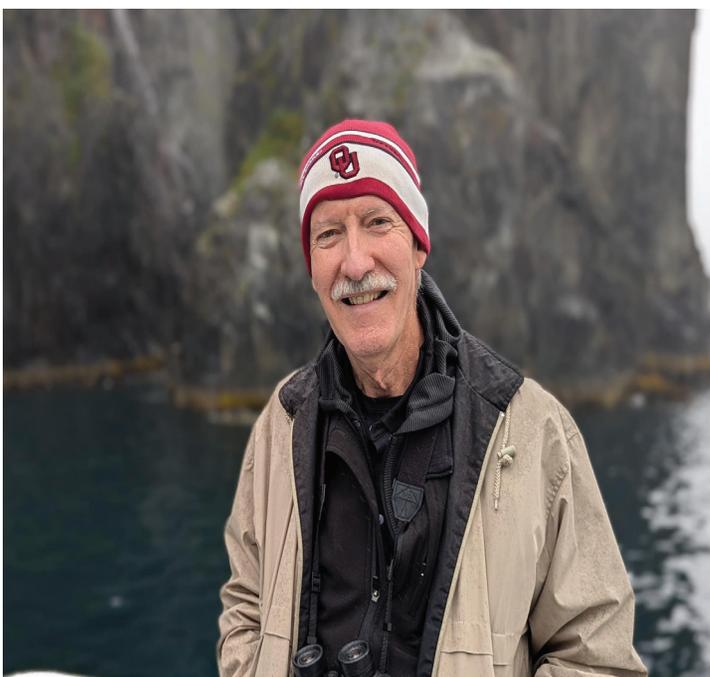


photo by Rotary

This is Bill Kenworthy an amazing man and important Rotarian. A quite person who brings a great deal of help to the community and Rotary.

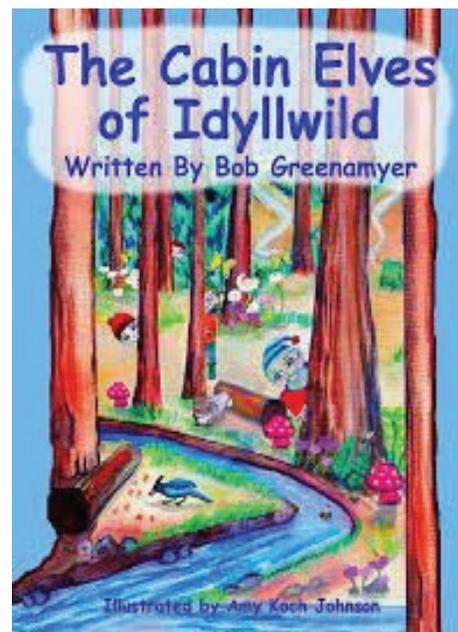
BONNIE'S BOOK'S & TREASURES

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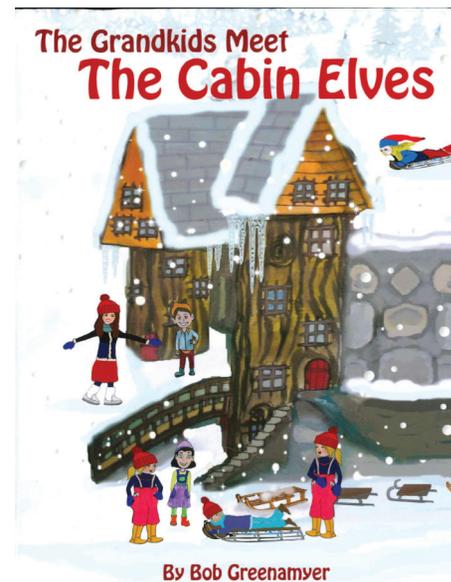


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IDYLLWILD'S FAVORITES
by BOB GREENAMYER

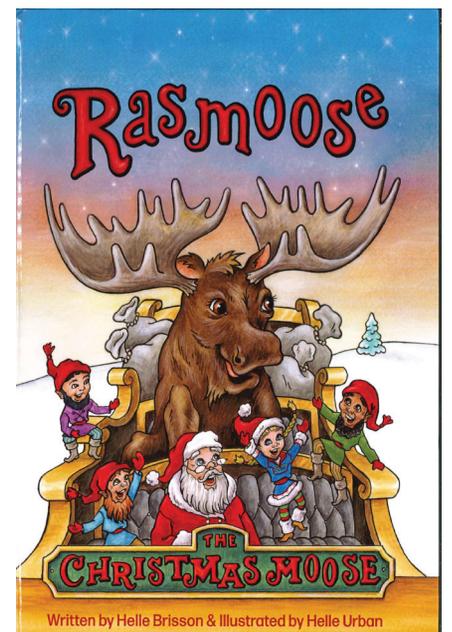


Meet the Idyllwild Cabil Elves. Maybe they will visit you!



The warmth of love and hot chocolate The Cabin Elves this year bring a delightful adventure to the Grandkids. Bob Greenamyer charms us with his story telling of the Idyllwild Elves.

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By the Amazing HELLE BRISSON SHARES HER LOVE with CHILDREN IN HER STORY OF MOOSE THE CHRISTMAS MOOSE

BONNIE'S BOOKS

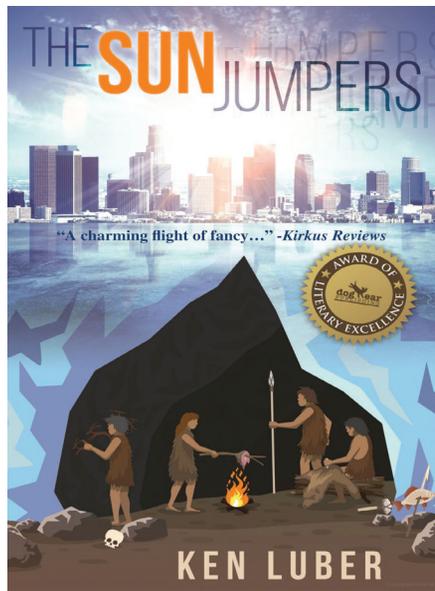
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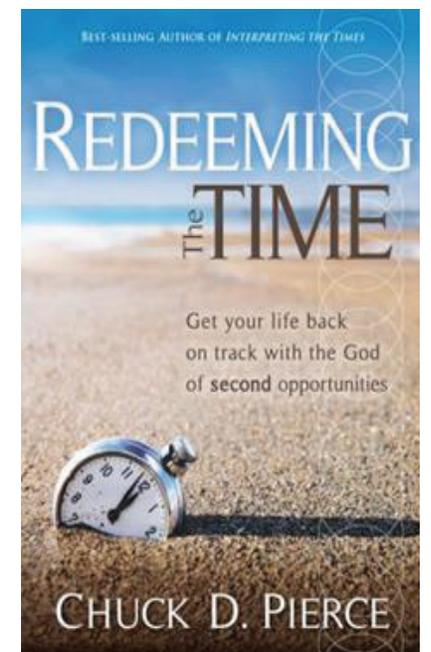
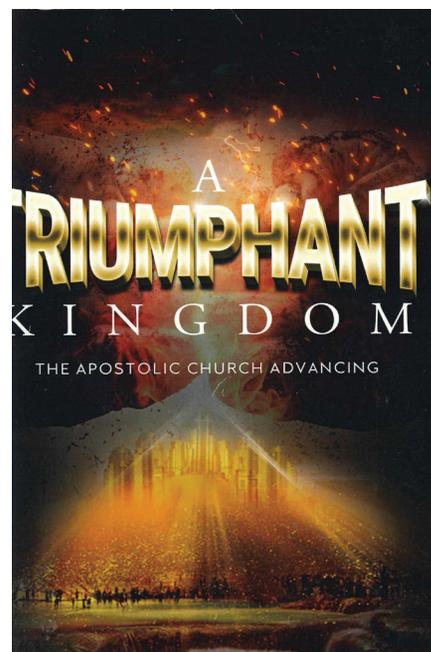
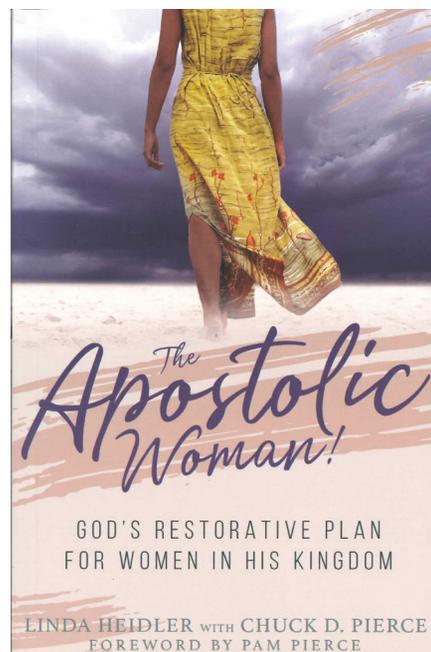
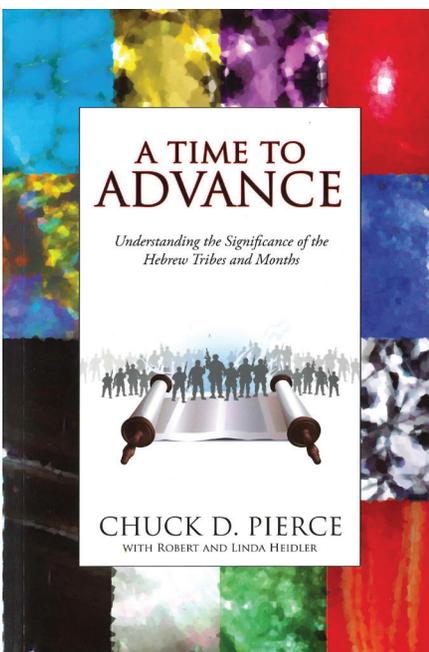
It's time for you to discover Rasmoose and his friends



Ken Luber's The SUN Jumpers is Jumping of the shelves Get yours at before they are gone! This is a great book for students in middle school and older. Experience Time Travel!!!!!!

This week Feature: Chuck Pierce

Chuck Pierce Books are a revelation and great inspiration.





THE STAR is honored to bring you the Idyllwild School Students of the Week

Happy First Day of Fall!

September 22, 2025

Mrs. Shana Van Zee, our 3rd grade teacher, has chosen the following students as Students of the Week. Aitana Acosta Torres - She shows up to school every day ready to learn. She is polite, hardworking, and always well-prepared for the day ahead. I appreciate having her as part of our 3rd-grade class in Room 8.

Matthew Mejia - He is invaluable to anyone in need in Room 8. He also shows up ready for the day ahead with a positive and light-hearted attitude. I enjoy his sense of humor and positive attitude. Great job you two, keep it up!

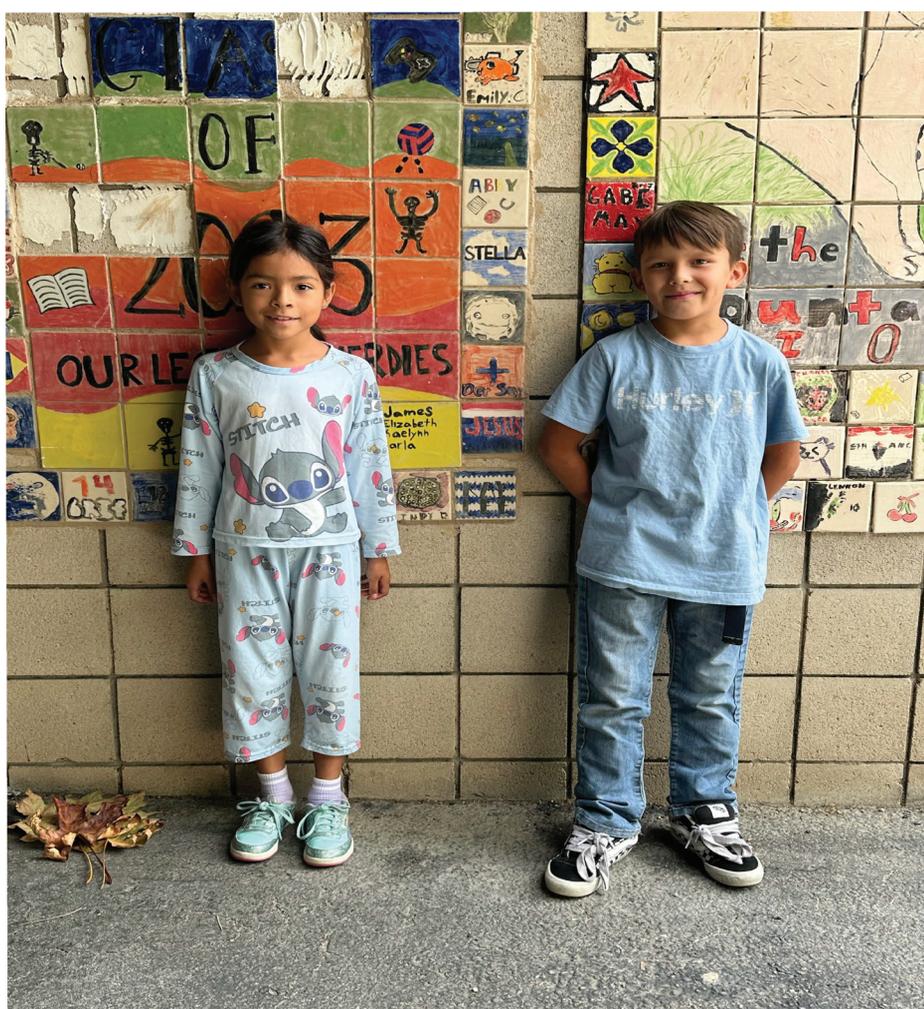


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Aitana Acosta Torres and Matthew Mejia

SPECIAL SCHOOL ASSEMBLY
September, 26, 2025

Idyllwild School held a very special assembly in the auditorium. on Friday.

Guest speaker Jessie Henson was an animated speaker and singer that brought the best out of the children and how they can express their kindness.

The school acknowledged one very special student at this assembly. The surprise was that there was a book published and an animated presentation about her and examples of her kindness.

More on this assembly and photos of students in our next Star edition.

This assembly of Kindness will acknowledge the very first student recognized for her kindness in all of California.

For more information contact the Idyllwild School.

BRAVO TO THE STUDENTS AND TO THE SCHOOL TEACHERS AND STAFF!

THIS WAS AN AMAZING ASSEMBLY AND A JOY!

Idyllwild School - September Students of the Week.



photo provided by Idyllwild School
Hanna Sarty and Aurora Llanes Gil

September 15, 2025

Mrs. Chavez, our second grade teacher, has chosen the following students as students of the week: Aurora Llanes Gil and Hanna Sarty.

Both of these girls have been working hard since the beginning of the school year. They are engaged in learning and are able to answer questions that go with the lessons. They take pride in their school work and try to do their very best.

I am very pleased to have Hannah and Aurora as my Students of the Week.

Congratulations Hanna and Aurora!

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The Bottom Line

Ham radio is FUN as well as an invaluable resource "when all else fails." When severe weather, natural disasters or other catastrophes strike and power lines and cell-phones towers are knocked out, ham radio has always stood up to serve communities across the nation. Who better to become involved than veterans and their families who proudly follow the motto, "Still Serving America."

You may wonder which one of these would be the organization that you would align with. We are providing the contact information for you to make you search easier.

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The American Legion-Amateur Radio Club brochure.
www.legion.org/hamradio.

For Radio Amateurs interested in emergency communications, we have the Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service (RACES) - Mountain District which is supported by the MHRC.

RACES – Mountain District is the official volunteer communications arm of Riverside County Office of Emergency Service (OES) and operates under the auspices of FEMA for disaster communications. (per riverready.org RACES - Riverside)

The Riverside County, California Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service or RACES, is operated under the direction of the County Riverside Emergency Management Department (EMD), Emergency Services Division. Volunteer Maureen Heimstra, K6BSC is the Chief RACES Officer.

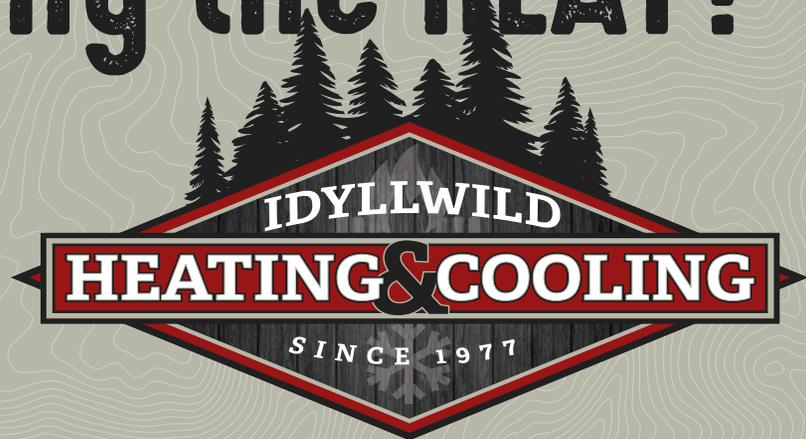
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It Takes A Village

by Jo Monroe

“It takes a village”, some have said. What exactly does that mean? Rarely do I give comments on local events and activities, but as of late, there has been a change of atmosphere in our little village. And yet everything seems the same. It’s not.

There was an (invisible) visible presence of those who would bring a demonstration of politics to dishearten residents, visitors and business owners. With more than 80 businesses currently in Idyllwild, one would think that there would be a progressive movement towards a sustainable economy here on the Hill. And yet, there are businesses that struggle to make their rent, unable to make enough revenue to afford their employees. If they have employees. Which seems to be another challenging issue here on the Hill.

Nonetheless, as many know, weekends in Idyllwild are for having fun and for small business to earn their living with what is their passion. Supporting the working entrepreneur, there families or just themselves. Most weekends are full of fun filled events scheduled to bring friends and families together. Most do not expect their laughter and joyous conversations to be blasted with the disrupted noise of a bull horn’s or loud shouts of indiscernable chants. This visibly scared children, irritated business owners, and threatens Idyllwild to be one more location to escape from and not to.

When there is a disregard to those seeking a retreat for the weekend or cause the open doors of local business owners to close, blocking visitors and residences to come in, it just may leave a negative impact, as individuals marching in protest, demonstrating their "right to freedom of speech". When it takes precedence to the rights of those non-participating visitors and their children. Many watched as locals, visitors and their children sought refuge from those that appeared to be aggressive. Most visitors and residents who live in Idyllwild do so to live in hopes of enjoying peace and harmony. After all, that is why Idyllwild’s famous monument is called. “Harmony”.

Many find weekends in Idyllwild a time of celebration, family gathering, wedding, and just traveling up The Hill to enjoy a beautiful sunny Saturday. Idyllwild has always welcomed visitors with their loving pets, to just meander in and out of shops, taking a pause to enjoy Mayor Max and his lovable entourage, clicking photos of each other and the beauty surrounding Idyllwild. They chat while getting in line for a date shake or making their selection of ice cream from our wonderful creameries. Businesses need the revenue of visitors coming through their doors.

On a more positive note: our Vets were hosting a special traditional Idyllwild events at The Sons of The American Legion at Post 800, in that they held this grand event with a healthy turnout at their annual fundraiser and Horseshoe Tournament.

In addition, later in the day the Mountain Disaster Preparedness (MDP) team met with residents for an informative Town Hall meeting. Demonstrating how Idyllwild folks come together with a mission to help each other, MDP was hosting a gathering to help neighborhoods get organized in the time of disaster on The Hill.

Looking back at the summer's weekends, - most where wonderful times, when families could get away from the heat of the desert, the stress of work, and political pressures of their home community. This village (Idyllwild) is not known for nor has invited aggressive rhetoric from people who cannot clarify their issues. There are issues, they just couldn't put them away for the weekend. nor could they clearly define their purpose. This conclusion is based upon a four-hour meeting at my office, as the words, like dust settled, there was no true clarity as to any specific issue, no designated proposed purpose, nor a planned solution to satisfy their complaining. It was just that complaining, aggressive and angry.

In contrast, that same Saturday afternoon, people sat in on the Mountain Disaster Preparedness (MDP) meeting, listening to MDP offering a clear organized plan, a strategize program for the community and layed out a plan for the specifically smaller neighborhoods on how to work together and be prepared for any emergencies that could confront Idyllwild and the surrounding community. There was a purpose, a plan, and a structure to the mission. Bring the community together, work together for the safety and well-being of all. After all, “It takes a village.” Let's do all that we can to show kindness and compassion, that's Idyllwild is known for. We care about our neighbors, those less fortunate, and those who are hurting. Idyllwild is a great place to live. Let us show kindness.

THE STAR reports information that is helpful and supportive to businesses, residents, and to our much appreciated visitors.

THE STAR will make available information useful to all those here in our mountain community. We will continue to respect those who want to demonstrate their first amendment rights, however, let's show a warm demonstration of Idyllwild Harmony.

AGENCY CONTACTS

In an emergency,
ALWAYS DIAL 911

IFPD
951-659-2153
sta621@idyllwildfire.com

CalFire Stations
Pine Cove 951-659-2732
Garner Valley 951-659-5353

CalTran (Dist. 8)
909-383-4631
Highways

INCIWEB
Incibeb.nwcg.gov
Fire Info - USFS

National Weather Svc.
Weather.gov/sgx
Accurate forecasts

Riverside Sheriff
951-358-7100
Crime, trespass, etc.

RivCo EMD
951-358-7100
Emergency Mgt. Dept.

County Roads
951--955-6880
Local Roads

RVCFIRE
Rvcfire.org
Fire Info - CalFire

RivCo Animal Services
951-358-7387
Loose animals, etc.

Earthquakes - USGS
Earthquake.usgs.gov
Location, magnitudes

SoCal Edison
800-611-1911
Power outages

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Churches, Ministries, Meetings and Temple Gatherings

Idyllwild Community Church
54400 N. Circle Drive
951-659-2935
Sunday Service: 9:30am
Wednesday:
Women's Bible Study - 9am
Men's Small Group - 6:30pm

The Bargain Barn is now open
Thursday - Saturday 10am-3pm

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latterday Saints
53830 Tollgate Rd.
Sunday Services: 10am -12pm
Everyone is welcome
3rd Sunday Potluck 12:30pm
Free in-home Bible lessons
please call 951-216-8716

Queen of Angels Catholic Church
54525 N. Circle Dr.
Idyllwild, CA 92549
951-659-2708
Weekend Masses:
Sunday 10am

Shiloh Christian Ministries
54295 Village Center Dr.
Idyllwild, CA 92549
951-659-2416
Sunday Service 10:00am
Children's Church 10:00am

St. Hugh of Lincoln
Episcopal Church
25525 Tahquitz Drive
Idyllwild, CA 92549
951-659-4471

Sunday Service 10 am
Pot-lunch follows Sunday Service

Also meeting at St. Hugh

AA Meetings
Monday, Wednesday,
Thursday-Saturday at noon

AA Speaker Series
Last Sunday of every month at
1PM

CODA meeting: Tuesday at noon

Calvary Chapel
Mountain Center
29375 CA-243
Mountain Center, Ca 92561
951-659-0097
Sunday Service: 10 am
Jr & High School Wed 6:30-8pm

Idyllwild Bible Church
54400 Pine Crest Ave
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Sunday Service: 9am and 10:45am
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951-527-0055

Sunday 10 AM
Idyllwild Trailer Park Club House
25955 HWY CA 243

THE ASSIGNMENT
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THURSDAYS
4-6pm
Not sure what your assignment is
in life. Where do you fit in to your
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Work study group
For more information
Call Jo: 951-527-0055

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54360 Marian View Drive
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and ends at 6:00PM
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Call on Monday to find out
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