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## City of Grand Terrace hosts their annual celebration of Veterans Day



The City of Grand Terrace hosted their annual celebration of Veterans Day on Nov. 11, 2017.

The master of ceremonies was Don Larkin and it was a day to celebration those who served in the armed forces. My brother, Ron Barnett from Grand Terrace now has his name on the Freedom Wall along with many other names that are placed on each letter of the wall. If you would like to add a loved one's name to the Freedom Wall please contact Don Larkin at (951) 756 4711.



## Award-Winning Riverside Festival of Lights Celebrates 25th Anniversary



The following article is a Press release from Phil Pitchford, City of Riverside Communications Officer:

RIVERSIDE, Calif. – The world-renowned Riverside Festival of Lights, celebrating its 25th anniversary this year, kicked off Friday, Nov. 24 with a spectacular fireworks display, military flyovers and a special concert hosted by Duane and Kelly Roberts, keepers of The Mission Inn Hotel & Spa. The switch-on ceremony, produced by The Mission Inn Hotel & Spa, the Greater Riverside Chambers of Commerce and the City of Riverside, started at 4:30 p.m. Friday, with fireworks following roughly an hour later. The event draws people from all over Southern California to the corner of Orange Street and Mission Inn Avenue, in the shadow of the historic hotel. “The Festival of Lights is an honored tradition for generations of Riversiders,” Mayor Rusty Bailey said. “With its focus on family and the importance of spending the holidays with the people you care about, the Festival of Lights is a much-loved event in Riverside, and deservedly so.” More than 500,000 people visit Riverside during the iconic six-week festival to gaze upon the historic Mission Inn swathed in more than 5 million holiday lights, filled with 400 animatronic figures and cheered with holiday music. More than 75,000 people attend the annual switch-on ceremony, held each year on the Friday evening after Thanksgiving. After a welcome and brief remarks from local dignitaries, the Roberts family leads a countdown to the switch-on, typically at about 5:30 p.m. The millions of holiday lights spread out around the Mission Inn and the surrounding area are switched on, and the downtown sky erupts in a massive fireworks show. In recognition of the 25th anniversary *(Cont. on Page 3)*

## Service Employees Union wages battle against Supervisor Tavaglione & County Board of Supervisors

Last September the Service Employees International Union staged a 2 day strike at the County Administration Center in Riverside. The Highgrove Happenings did not cover that incident.

But later I heard more about the conflict between Local 721 of the Service Employees International Union and the Riverside County Board of Supervisors when I was handed a 2 sided card that stated: “County Supervisor John Tavaglione says Riverside can’t afford to protect

emergency room patients and nurses. Then he voted to pay his European management consultants \$40 million” The Highgrove Happenings printed this information on page 6 of the Oct. 2017 issue which was titled: “More Criticism of Supervisor Tavaglione from another group” Then on Nov. 13, 2017 in response to some of the union’s complaints, the Press Enterprise printed a full page advertisement paid for by the County of Riverside titled: “Riverside County services that keep your family safe

and healthy”

The following day Nov. 14, 2017, Supervisor Tavaglione announced there will be “No State of Riverside County speech” this year according to an article in the Press Enterprise. This was the same day (Nov. 14, 2017) that I testified at the Riverside County Grand Jury in regard to another investigation involving Riverside county. Supervisor Tavaglione continued to be the limelight again on Nov. 22, 2017 when another P. E. article had a color picture of him on the front page

with a statement that said:

“The projections suggest to me that there will be a need for the continues development of new and improved transportation infrastructure throughout Riverside county”. That statement made me wonder if he has been listening to the people’s requests for 15 years who support a Metrolink Station on Riverside County Transportation Commission’s 17.22 acres at Highgrove. As you may know, Supervisor Tavaglione is also the Chairman of the Riverside *(Cont. on Page 3)*



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Family Service Association's Mission is to provide quality human services, child development, housing and senior services to residents of the Inland Empire and Desert Communities.

Hello Community Members,



### County Regional Medical Center Mobile Health Clinic

9AM - 2PM December 1st and 15th: Health care services are being offered free as a community service to assist families, especially those who do not have, or who have recently lost, their health insurance. **December 1st & 15th: Resource table hosted by Mini Medical School at UCR:** A student-run community that serves the residents of the Inland Empire by providing professionally approved medical and health-related information to those in community settings in order to help bridge health disparities. **December 4th & 11th 1030AM-12:30PM Monday Workshops.** Everyone with Diabetes Counts is a program that encourages small lifestyle changes while learning about your diabetes and the way it affects your Health.

**December 12th: 10:30Am - 12:30PM Continental Breakfast for Seniors 55+.** Opportunity to win prize presented by the Riverside County Foundation on Aging.

**December 14th Black out for Highgrove Community Assoc. (no meeting)**



**December 22nd: 4PM - 6PM Santa Clause is coming to Town!! For Highgrove Community Residents.**

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# 2017

## December

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## Service Union wages battle

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County Transportation Commission who called for the elimination of the entire Highgrove Municipal Advisory Council because the chairman R. A. “Barney” Barnett (yours truly) mentioned the Highgrove Metrolink Station again at an RCTC meeting on March 8, 2017.

Then the day after thanksgiving (Nov. 24, 2017) another full page article appeared from the Service Employees International Union referring to the conflict between them about security protection for their employees while the County is spending \$40 million on a consulting firm. **Supervisor Tavaglione’s phone number was included in this article.**

The following article was taken from Riverside County Supervisor Kevin Jeffries newsletter titled Kevin’s Corner:

### “Kevin’s Corner”

“For the last two months,” I have been

digging into a specific aspect of our county finances---How much revenue do we generate from homes in the unincorporated (non-city) areas, and how much do we spend to provide them with basic county services (fire, sheriff, code, animal services, etc.)?

In my initial digging, I have found the following tentative amounts:

Basic Unincorporated Service EXPENSES (2016/17):

Sheriff Patrol: \$ 92,683,356  
Fire Protection: \$ 56,481,541  
Code Enforcement: \$ 6,359,269  
Animal Services: \$ 11,773,795  
Total Expenses: \$167,297,961

Basic Unincorporated REVENUES (2016/17):

County “Net” from Unincorporated Property Taxes: \$ 53,306,848

County “Net” of Unincorporated Supplemental Taxes: \$ **Can’t determine**  
Unincorporated portion of Motor Vehicle In-Lieu fees: \$ **Can’t determine**

Sales Tax paid by Unincorporated residents: \$ **Can’t determine**

Unincorporated Franchise Fees: \$ **Can’t determine**

Total Revenue/Income: \$ **Can’t determine**

So you ask - WHY can’t the revenues be determined? Good question! I was recently informed that if I wanted these answers, the county will need to hire an outside consultant, and that they could get started early next year! Are you kidding me!? Another consultant! So as my County staff cannot provide this information, I may be turning to some of you fellow taxpayers who have a background in finances, and form a First District citizen’s finance committee to help dive into the budget books and help find what others can’t seem to find. Why do I need to know this information? Because it is fundamental to our bottom line. First, are we making or losing money with every new residential

rooftop built in our non-city areas? Second, what will the increased service costs be going forward as our county continues to grow? Third, if we are losing money – where will we make it up and how? These are simple Business 101 questions.

Now to add more trouble to our financial picture, it was just unveiled at a recent Board meeting that our county pension system is only funded at around 71% (80% is desirable) and that our INCREASED pensions costs will be an additional \$303 Million over the next six or so years! Am I the only one in the room who thinks Rome is burning?

As always – I welcome your comments, feedback and observations.

Respectfully,

“Kevin Jeffries”

*Editor’s Note: If Rome is burning I hope no funds were used from the Highgrove Sheriff fund to fuel the fire!* (Related article in middle of page 5)



## Riverside Festival of Lights

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of the Festival of Lights, the Riverside community is honoring Duane and Kelly Roberts by entering a float in the 2018 Rose Parade. The theme of this year’s parade is “Making a Difference,” and the float is designed to thank the Roberts family for the difference they have made in Riverside by creating the Festival of Lights and growing it over the years.

“Kelly and Duane Roberts have invested an immense amount of their own time, financial resources and personal attention to making the Festival of Lights such a beacon for people around the world,” Mayor Pro Tem Jim Perry said. “The amount of goodwill and holiday cheer they have brought to Riverside during the past quarter-century cannot be overstated.”

The Festival of Lights now attracts people of all ages from across the country after being honored as America’s Best Holiday Festival (2015) and America’s Best Public Lights Display (2014) by the readers of USA TODAY.

The Festival of Lights at the Mission Inn continues until Jan. 6, 2018.

## CRIME STATS FOR HIGHGROVE NOVEMBER 2017

**Burglaries:** 200 Block of E. La Cadena Dr. and 1300 Block of Villa Street

**Vehicle theft:** 600 Block of Center St. and 200 Block of Iowa Ave

**Robberies:** 300 Block of Stephens Ave. X 2

**Petty Theft:** 700 Block of Arliss Street

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## Computers- how they have changed the world!

What did we ever do before computers and cell phones were invented?

And what part of today's daily activities does not use one or both of these inventions?

With all of the good things that these 2 inventions have done, not everything has been a positive influence.

What happened to the brick and mortar stores due to competition from Amazon and on-line shopping? According to recent information on TV, there have been 6,000 brick and mortar stores that have closed recently and those that are left are offering in-store discounts for those who pitch their tents on the sidewalk waiting for the store to open. On Thanksgiving or Black Friday did you stay in a tent all night or did you go to the computer to order on-line?

What a great way to celebrate the **Thanksgiving holidays!**

On-line shopping is easy and the items can be delivered right to your home including items from the local grocery store. A drawback to this convenience is that other people referred to as "Porch Pirates" may retrieve your delivery before you get a chance to open the door especially if you are not at home.

Another drawback is the information you give when you purchase something

on-line, may be hacked by computer thieves who want your personal information to sell or use themselves. Your information may be used to send you related advertising about a subject interesting to you. The Highgrove Happenings has experienced first-hand computer theft when both of our computer screens went blank and we were victims of a ransom attack.

Instead of paying the ransom to get our computer working again our technician told us to unplug everything but he had to pick up our computer and everything had to be re-programed including our hard drive. Unfortunately, we lost some articles and pictures.

We also recently had a close relative experience a similar thing but as they were giving out their personal information, their Bank called them during their conversation and told them it was a scam. The Bank cancelled their bank cards and has issued new cards.

Another scam is called "spoofing" where a cell phone thief can call your number and make it look like the call is from a friend or relative and your friend or relative's photo may even appear on your cell phone screen. When you discuss personal information with your "friend or relative" it may actually be

the thief collecting information about you. But since you "know" who you are talking to you may discuss personal information that is being revealed to a stranger somewhere in the vast world of cyber space. Even the FCC Chairman was a victim who was caught up by this "Spoofing" method according to Lester Holt on Channel 2. Be careful when discussing your personal information from an incoming caller. And could it be possible that call hackers may be listening in if you are the one making the call?

## Robo Calls

How many robo calls do you receive a day? Even though our phone will only ring once if it is a robo call and a call from our area code may seem like it may be someone we know, maybe we should go back to smoke signals like the Indians used or maybe we should return to Morse Code. Does anyone know what Morse Code was? You youngsters may want to Google Morse Code to see how communicating used to be done in the past to send or receive important information. As far as smoke signals are concerned: I can't remember if one or two puffs of smoke meant the cowboys were coming! (And how do you keep the blanket from catching fire?)

## CHP CONCENTRATES EFFORTS ON IMPAIRED DRIVING!



A new year-long joint effort to reduce impaired driving in California is underway. The California Highway Patrol (CHP) and the California Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) are working together to reduce impaired driving with a new Statewide Impairment Reduction (SIR) campaign, from October 1, 2017, to September 30, 2018.

The SIR grant provides the CHP with funding to conduct additional saturation patrols for driving under the influence (DUI), DUI checkpoints, and traffic safety education efforts throughout California. The primary goal of these efforts is to apprehend DUI drivers and educate the public about the dangers of impaired driving.

In 2015, California experienced 663 deaths and 11,061 injuries as a result of impaired driving collisions, according to data from the Statewide Integrated Traffic Records System. Each injury and death represents a preventable tragedy, and a continued need to focus efforts on reducing impaired driving.

"Law enforcement throughout the state continues to do their part by removing impaired drivers from the roadway," CHP Acting Commissioner Warren Stanley said. "With this grant funding we can continue an aggressive education and enforcement campaign to deter drivers from making the poor decision to drive impaired."

The public is encouraged to call 9-1-1 if they see a suspected DUI driver. They should be prepared to provide a location, direction of travel, and vehicle description. Additionally, drivers should plan ahead before getting on the road. There is always a better option than getting behind the wheel while impaired.

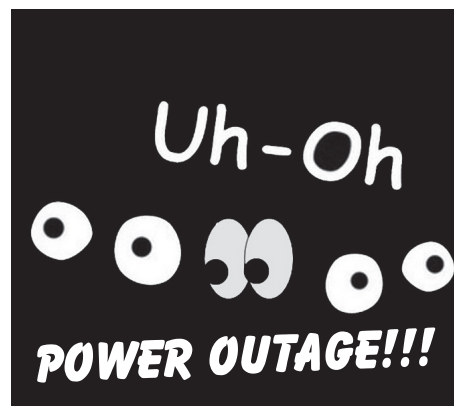
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## Where were you when the Lights went out?

On Monday evening Nov. 27, 2017, Highgrove experienced a blackout when the power went off. In our case, our helper Debbie was at our home helping us on the computer with our December issue when everything went black.

When I looked up and down our street I wondered how many people were affected because the entire neighborhood was black. According to Edison the power was out from 6:07 pm to 7:01 pm due to a fire on a power pole and there were 1,466 customers without power during this time.



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## Highgrove field catches fire on Thanksgiving Day

As we were returning home on thanksgiving Day about 3:30 pm, we saw smoke a short distance away from where we live and there were several fire trucks including Highgrove' Station 19 that were in the process of extinguishing the nearby grass fire. A local resident and his friends who were having dinner outside in the rear of their property on Prospect Avenue said they saw a bearded man on a bicycle start the fire and ride southward along California St. toward the arroyo which is a dirt road in this area. Channel 7's television coverage said it was at Spring and Prospect but it was actually near Spring and California St. and only burned about 1 acre of grass. We thank all of the firemen who helped kept this fire from spreading and becoming a bigger threat to Highgrove!



## DOES THE RIVERSIDE COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION NEED MORE TAX MONEY FOR TRANSPORTATION?

On the front page of the Press Enterprise on Nov. 22, 2017, it stated that the "Measure A" 1/2 cent sales tax has been extended until June 30, 2039. (21 years from now).

And part of Riverside County Transportation Commission Deputy Director, John Standiford statement included: ***"We have funding for a larger number of our identified projects"***. Mr. Standiford also stated: ***"Its not like we are out of money, but it will require painfull choices on what we can build and when we can build it"***

But I wondered if a Metrolink station at Highgrove was included in their ***"idenified projects"***.

In this same Press Enterprise article, **John Tavaglione** who is the Chairman of the Riverside County Transportation Commission (RCTC) and also the Riverside County Supervisor for Highgrove made this following statement:

***"The projections suggest to me that there will be a need for this continued development of new and improved transportation infrastructure throughout Riverside County"***

Highgrove is in Riverside County! But after 15 years, why does RCTC still refuse to grade their vacant land at Highgrove for a parking lot that is right next to the Metrolink trains on the IEOC Metrolink route where there are daily trains in both directions? We have hundreds of new homes being built in Highgrove and if RCTC really cared about efficient low cost transportation, a Highgrove Metrolink station would be built on their property that will take hundreds of vehicles off the roads. All that is needed is a parking lot on RCTC's excess land at Highgrove. We should not continue to give RCTC any more tax money to make "Transportation" decisions when they have ignored the public's requests for the last 15 years to use their Highgrove property for **"Transportation"** purposes Building new freeways is not the only answer! Daily existing Metrolink trains help relieve freeway congestion!

## SIERRA CLUB MONTHLY PROGRAM

On Tuesday, December 5, 2017 the San Gorgonio Chapter of the Sierra Club will have their monthly meeting at the San Bernardino County Museum, 2024 Orange Tree Lane, Redlands at 7:30 p.m. Ladd and Gail Seekins will show photographs of "Bhutan and Cambodia" taken during their 2004 visit to both countries.

Ladd and Gail's Cambodia trip began in Siem Reap where the rented bicycles to visit the nearby temples of Angkor Wat, Angkor Thom, East Baray and others. The temples are the crumbling remains of the great capital city of Khmer Empire of the ninth through sixteenth centuries. Another tour by tuk-tuk and driver took them to more remote

temples and one of the floating villages on Tonle Sap, southeast Asia's largest freshwater lake.

The heart of the tour was Bhutan, the only remaining Himalayan Buddhist kingdom, where the Seekins joined a group organized by a friend. Their Bhutanese guide was a university-educated biologist who had worked at the International Crane Foundation in Wisconsin. Bhutan has one of the world's 15 species of cranes. Like many crane species, it is endangered from habitat loss. Bhutan's forests contain 40 species of rhododendrons and they were able to see almost all of them in bloom. Birdwatching was a frequent activity.

The highlight of the Seekins'

tour was the Paro Tshechu, a four-day religious festival featuring ritual dances by monks in costumes representing demigods and daemons. Toward the end, a gigantic thangka, a textile painting of the Buddha, is revealed and said to bring instant enlightenment to all who view it.

All are welcome to attend the meeting. Parking and admission are free but donations are accepted for room rental. The San Bernardino County Museum is located: 2024 Orange Tree Lane, Redlands, CA 92374. Exit California Street from I-10 Freeway in Redlands.

<http://sangorgonio2.sierraclub.org/>



## CHP SETS SIGHTS ON REDUCING TEEN DISTRACTED DRIVING!

SACRAMENTO, Calif. – Teenagers are considered at greatest risk for distracted driving, and collisions are the number one killer of teens in the United States. To address these concerns, the California Highway Patrol (CHP) and Impact Teen Drivers (ITD) are joining forces to help eliminate these preventable collisions.

Ten percent of all drivers aged 15 to 19 involved in fatal collisions were reported as distracted at the time. Based on miles driven, the Foundation of the American Automobile Association has found teens are involved in three times as many fatal collisions as all other drivers. To improve these statistics, the message of the ITD program is simple: focus on the road ahead and get where you are going safely.

"Teenage drivers are some of the most inexperienced motorists on the road, and with added distractions such as cell phones, we have to work even harder to teach them to drive safely," CHP Acting Commissioner Warren Stanley said. "Impact Teen Drivers and the CHP share the goal of raising awareness about the dangers of reckless and distracted driving."

At schools and community events across the state, the CHP and ITD will work to change the behavior of teen drivers. The one-year grant for the Teen Distracted Drivers Education and Enforcement campaign includes an education component as well as enforcement operations to be conducted throughout California through September 2018.

"It will take all of us – educators, law enforcement, parents, and community leaders – to change the driving culture to one that is distraction-free," said Dr. Kelly Browning, Executive Director of ITD. "By combining quality education and enforcement in a multi-faceted approach, we can stop the main killer of teens in America – 100 percent preventable car crashes."

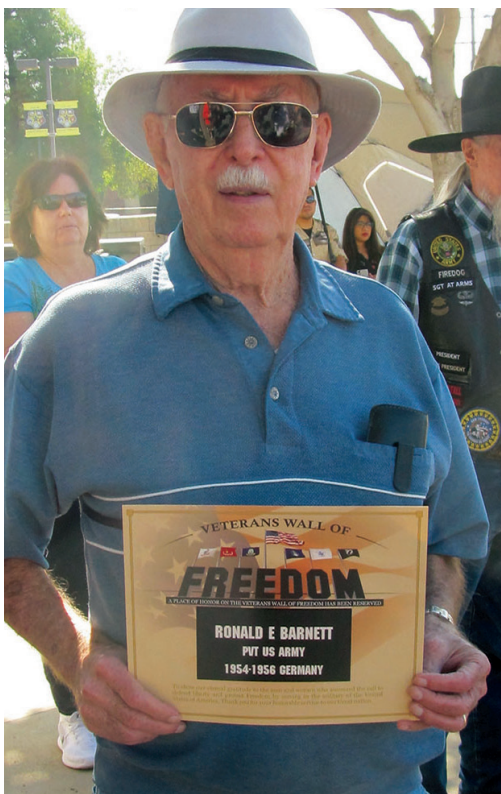
Funding for this program was provided by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

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Veteran's Day included a display of a life size soldier outside the Denny's Restaurant in Colton.



Ron Barnett is shown holding the certificate he received on Veteran's Day when his name was revealed on the Freedom Wall in Grand Terrace. The names are attached to the letters of the word "Freedom" and include members of all of the armed forces who are alive or those who have passed on.

My brother Ron, was in the army and served in Germany from 1954 - 1956. My late brother Robert also was in the army and served in Germany but I was deferred shortly after I was drafted in 1961.

This Van was in the parking lot during the event.

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## Phils Philosophy:

By Phil Turner

### Where Did My Country Go?

Last month, in part, I mentioned that the people who yelled at, spit on, and labeled soldiers returning from Viet Nam, as murders and rapists, are now running California, and many other parts of our country. Our country is now unrecognizable from when many of us were growing up. Politics now in the U.S. can only be described as bazaar. We have elected officials now that are openly socialist, and even communists. These officials proclaim that being a conservative, and fiscally responsible, is racist. The notion that we need to protect, or even have a border, is now somehow racist.

Christian beliefs are now equated as racist, sexist, and homophobic. Although this country was founded, and thrived on Christian heritage, our beliefs are under attack daily as un-inclusive. The cross, and the Nativity are seen as obstacles to diversity. The word diversity, these days, along with inclusive, diverse and affirmative, are really code for you owe us, we want a better deal, and special treatment. Diversity, and inclusive, now means that we need to accept everything, now matter how much it may go against our beliefs, no matter how immoral, and even illegal it may seem. We need to accept transgenders, illegal aliens, and all manner of activities that are morally corrupt and anti-social. We now have politically motivated, self-righteous judges single handedly blocking every move a majority of voters may decide on statewide propositions, and elections, and a sitting, elected president makes. One single man in many cases is subverting the will of a vast majority of Americans.

We have a news media that turned a blind eye to the sexual misbehavior of a president, because he was their favorite. Among the most smug, arrogant, and dismissive, members of the media and staunch defender of all things Clinton,

has now been found to be very guilty of that same sexual misbehavior.

Sports has become bastardized by injecting politics, race, gender into every facet, and every level of professional sport, especially football, and basketball. Professional football, and basketball for me have become unwatchable. The players of both sports are now street thugs in uniform, with million dollar contracts. The behavior of these players, with their trash talking, low rent celebrations, and their obvious lack of education, have ruined the sports for many.

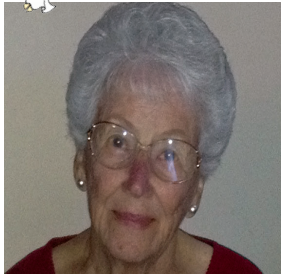
Now with multi-millionaire players dishonoring our anthem, and our flag at every turn, I'm completely over supporting, in any way, these sports.

Our colleges and universities, and now even public elementary and high schools, have been taken over by left wing liberal teachers and staff. When I graduated from college in 1973 there were several left wing professors on staff. Those professors would now be considered middle of the road or even conservative. The very notion that conservative speakers, or speakers of any persuasion, would be prevented to speak by violent protest, anti-American, anti-democratic, and illegal. Any school of any level should be immediately be defunded for allowing such behavior.

I believe that the silent majority has been silent for far too long. I believe we need to resist in every way, the direction our country is going. We need to resist by our votes, by our pocketbooks, by our voices, and by our every actions.

This is not the country I want our children and grandchildren to grow up in. These people running things did not go to war to protect our country, like we did, like our fathers did, and like our grandfathers did. These people deserve our scorn, our opposition and resistance to everything they stand for.

## OBITUARY



JEAN "BIRDIE" POWELL

Birdie passed away on November 27, 2017 at the wonderful age of 97. She was preceded in death by her husband Dennis in 2008. She along with Dennis were long time and very active members of the

Fraternal Order of Eagles, Aerie 997, in Riverside. She held every chair in the Women's Auxiliary and held the chair of Chaplain longer than any other woman.

Birdie loved the Eagles and her joy was serving tacos on Monday nights. She did this faithfully for over 25 years. She also raised money for the City of Hope every year on St. Patrick's Day by serving corn beef and cabbage along with raffles. Birdie had a wonderful life. While Dennis was in the Air Force they lived in Sacramento, Michigan and Texas. After he retired, they came back home to Highgrove, and did not leave again.

Birdie actually grew up in Highgrove. Her parents were Jim and Inez Brown. There were five children, Ed (now deceased) Bud (now deceased) and two living sisters, Margie Gould and Wilma Stainbrook. Birdie is survived by her daughter Betty Stinson, three grandsons, four great grandchildren, and four great great grandchildren.

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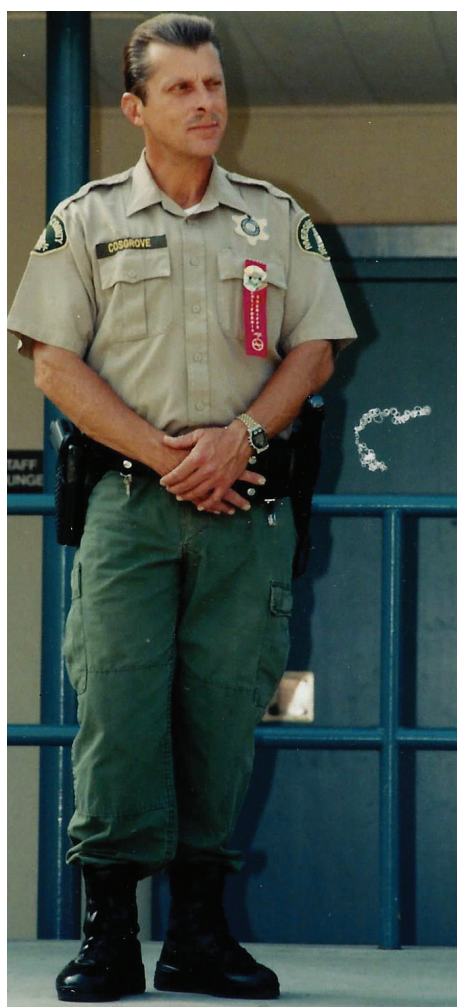
## Do you know who these men are?



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You have heard his name for many years but have you ever seen a picture of Norton Younglove. Well this is the Supervisor that carries his name known as the Norton Younglove Community Center in Highgrove.

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 Jason Corey  
 Matt Cosgrove  
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 Sheila Mears  
 Todd Torrenti  
 Brian Vig  
 Dean Colbert: Last Deputy

## Past Volunteers

Here is a list of some of the volunteers I have had the pleasure of working with for the last 25 years who served Highgrove when it was County Service Area 126 and later when it became the Highgrove Municipal Advisory Council:

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 Dave Tinker  
 Terri Horn  
 Debbie Pierce  
 Raina Boal  
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 Jim Danielson  
 Jim Wilson  
 Louie Mejia  
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 Tony Hernandez  
 Rebeccah Luther  
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 Rosemary Wehunt  
 Gordon Crawford

## What Happened?

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With all of the new residents moving into Highgrove you would think these business would be thriving but these businesses are now closed.

## Highgrove Elementary School Career Day

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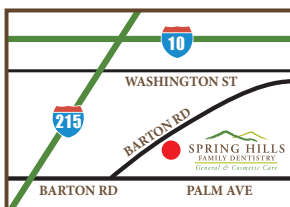


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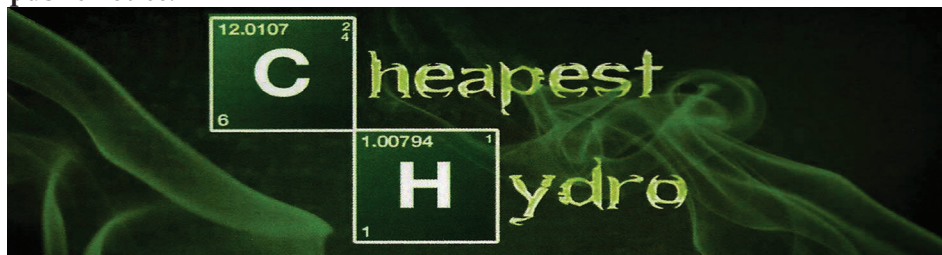
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There is a new addition to the Riverside Eagles Aerie 997 in Highgrove!

## WHAT'S happening!

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1986 letter lists properties of Historical Significance in Highgrove!



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Ms. Terri L. Eagan  
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Dear Ms. Eagan:

### DIER - Riverside County Redevelopment Projects

Enclosed is the historic resource inventory information that we previously discussed this past month.

Each site has individual survey sheets which are maintained by our history division. Should you have questions regarding any site, please contact Diana Seider, History Division Director, at 714/787-2551.

Thank you for your patience in this matter.

Sincerely,

  
George Bacteria  
Assistant Park Planner

GB:jm

c: Sam Ford, Deputy Parks Director  
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If your house or business is listed below, your property may have historical significance according to County of Riverside Parks Department!

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1. "Craftsman Bungalow"	3405 Center St. Highgrove 9254
2. "Bungalow"	3311 Chase Rd
3. "Classic Revival"	649 Kemp St
4. "Bungalow"	715 W La Cadena Dr
5. "Bungalow"	753 W La Cadena Dr
6. "Mediterranean/Spanish Revival"	781 W La Cadena Dr
7. "Vernacular Wood Frame"	220 N Main St
8. Trujillo Adobe	Orange & Center Streets
9. "Mediterranean/Spanish Revival"	3667 Placentia Ln
10. M. E. Church	Center & Prospect, Highgrove 91
11. "Vernacular Wood Frame"	888 Center St
12. "Bungalow"	909 Center St
13. "Vernacular Wood Frame/Colonial Revival"	971 Center St
14. Highgrove Bank Building	1057 Center St
15. "Colonial Revival"	1079 Center St
16. Oberschmidt Home	1112 Center St
17. "Vernacular Wood Frame"	1143 Center St
18. "Vernacular Ranch House"	1213 Center St
19. "Vernacular Ranch House"	1110 Church
20. "Vernacular Wood Frame"	495 Electric Ave
21. "Vernacular Wood Frame"	1197 Church
22. "Victorian (mixed style), Queen Anne"	227 Commercial
23. "Vernacular Adobe"	1677 Elliott St
24. "Queen Anne"	186 Highland Ave
25. "Vernacular Ranch House"	248 Highland Ave
26. "Tudor Revival"	411 Highland Ave
27. "Vernacular Ranch House"	895 Marlborough Ave
28. "California Ranch House"	900 Marlborough Ave
29. "Mediterranean/Spanish Revival"	126 Pacific Ave
30. Our Lady of Guadalupe Church	209 Pacific Ave
31. "Vernacular Wood Frame"	375 Pacific Ave
32. "Mediterranean/Spanish Revival"	410 Pacific Ave
33. Ethan Allen Chase House	503 Palmyrita
34. "Victorian (mixed style)/Adobe Construction"	1646 Palmyrita
35. "Vernacular Wood Frame"	228 Prospect Ave
36. "Colonial Revival"	240 Prospect Ave
37. "Vernacular Wood Frame"	260 Prospect Ave
38. "Eastlake"	327 & 331 Prospect Ave
39. "Vernacular Wood Frame"	391 Prospect Ave
40. "Bungalow"	422 Prospect Ave
41. "Vernacular Wood Frame"	430 Prospect Ave
42. W.W. Ayers	456 Prospect Ave
43. "Victorian (mixed style)"	466 Prospect Ave
44. "Vernacular Wood Frame"	474 Prospect Ave
45. "Vernacular Wood Frame w/Classical Revival Elements"	484 Prospect Ave
46. "Victorian (mixed style)"	510 Prospect Ave
47. "Vernacular Ranch House, Eastlake, Victorian (mixed style)"	558 Prospect Ave
48. "Vernacular Wood Frame"	210 Transit Ave
49. "Eastlake, Victorian (mixed style)"	238 Transit Ave
50. "Craftsman Bungalow"	513 Transit Ave
51. "Bungalow"	536 Transit Ave



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## You Can Quote Me

by Cynthia Williams, DC

"All that is needed for the forces of evil to succeed is for enough good men to remain silent."

~unknown

I am so glad to see the end of this year tear the last month off the calendar. The traumas, dramas, and onslaughts just kept coming: the overwhelming winter with more snow than Central Oregon had seen in over twenty, some say thirty years; more fires in Oregon than had been seen in decades, horrific devastating fires in California, Washington, and Arizona. Further east, hurricanes have devastated Texas, Florida and Puerto Rico. There isn't a scale designed that can calculate the physical damage or the overall financial cost. Remarkably the number of human lives lost was relatively low. In the fire and flood areas, people were smarter about evacuating when told to and the rescue and support providers did an excellent job in the continental states.

Dozens of Hollywood producers, directors and actors; politicians- already elected and running for office; judges and law enforcement, religious leaders and educators; all accused of some form of sexual harassment or rape. The floodgates have been breached by women who will not put up with it anymore. "Me too" became an admission of belonging to a not so exclusive group of women who have been violated by men in an unprofessional and inappropriate way. Why now? There is courage in numbers. It's easy for the offenders to casually dismiss one or two women but a handful or a dozen or two, that can't be ignored (except for one obvious reality-TV personality turned politician). The tide has turned and I expect the culture that made it ok to sexually harass a women is going to die quickly. The conversation with boys and young men should include the concept of respect and boundaries. The conversation with girls and young women should include the concept of not allowing it and not keeping quiet about it.

Mass shootings are a frightening regular occurrence. There must be a middle ground between the NRA's position vs moving to what other countries have done, which is collect all the guns (which has proven 100% effective in preventing mass shootings). People need to be more proactive in reporting those they believe are mentally unbalanced and could be a risk to the community. It's not a perfect method but it is a piece of the solution. Accidental shootings are a daily occurrence with children too often the innocent victims of careless storage and handling of handguns. Most, if not all, of these tragedies can be prevented by being responsible. If you own a weapon keep it unloaded and LOCK IT UP. Recently a friend of mine could have been killed with a discharge from a shotgun. She owns a quilt shop that is one half of a building that has a gun shop on the other half. A customer was looking over a shotgun and pulled the trigger. Unbeknownst to the customer or the shop owner, at some point a previous customer had loaded a shell into the shotgun. He blew a hole through the first floor ceiling, through the second floor office a few feet from my friend, and through the roof of the building. Incredibly frightening! 100% avoidable.

The aggressive partisan party politics is so disheartening and the loss of respect and regard we had as Americans in the eyes of the world is sad. I'm still proud to be an American but I cringe when something is said or done to cause embarrassment or reduce our effectiveness as an influence for good in the world. We need to act as individuals by voicing our disapproval of inappropriate acts or words, supporting those who are a positive voice for our country, and do what we can to improve the actions and image of our wonderful country.

2018 has all the potential to be a good year. It's ours to make the most of. Have a Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays, and a wonderful New Year!

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