



Dedicated to the improvement of our community through awareness and involvement in local issues(FREE) Local News for the Highgrove AreaOctober 2018

"Demurrer" hearing set for 8:30 am Oct. 22, 2018 in Riverside Superior Court

The lawsuit against Riverside County involves the collection of property taxes for the Sheriff Deputy that was assigned exclusively to Highgrove that started back in 1992. The self-imposed tax was approved by Highgrove property owners by ballots mailed out by Riverside County in 1992 and 1997. Each parcel was assessed an annual fee of \$120.00 to pay for the Highgrove Deputy and Park and Recreation Services that appeared on the property tax bills listed as CSA 126.

This worked well for many years but we found out that the Highgrove Deputy Sheriff was eliminated by Riverside County on Dec. 30, 2009 but the assessment still continues almost 9 years after the deputy was eliminated without any notice to the voters who are the Highgrove property owners.

A lawsuit was filed on May 21, 2018 on behalf of the Highgrove property owners who have paid for the Sheriff service that was eliminated.

The Legal definition of Demurrer is defined as follows:

Demurrer-Legal Dictionary-Law.com

"A written response to a complaint filed in a lawsuit which, in effect, pleads for dismissal on the point that even if the facts alleged in the complaint were true, there is no legal basis for a lawsuit. In rare occasions, a demurrer can be used to attack an answer to a complaint."

The hearing will be in Department 4 of the Superior Court located at 4050 Main St. in Riverside, Judge Daniel a Ottolia presiding. This is the first step in the legal process and the public is welcome to attend this hearing.

32 Years of Highgrove Day re-visited but will there be a Highgrove Day in 2019?

Here are photos from 32 years of fun we had at Highgrove Day and it would be a shame to not continue this tradition!



Beautiful cars of all colors and kinds are shown parked in the grass of the Highgrove Community Park. Everyone always enjoys looking at these old cars!

For 32 consecutive years Highgrove has celebrated its Centennial that first started in 1986 with a small celebration hosted by the late Adam Ornelas. Adam brought his Bar-B-Q from his nearby home and 100 years of Highgrove was celebrated at Cage Park on the north side of Main St. by the railroad tracks. When Adam stepped down, I took over and what started out as the Highgrove Picnic eventually became Highgrove Day when the Highgrove Community Park opened on Oct. 16, 1999. Here are some of the highlights of the Highgrove Day celebrations that can also be seen by going to:

www.highgrovehappenings.com and clicking on "Latest Issues" and looking at the July 2008 issue or the June issue of any other year. Some of the earlier photos are black and white but the most recent ones are in color. We encourage to look at all the fun times we had at the Highgrove Community Park which is north of the Norton Younglove Community Center. Highgrove Day was usually held the Saturday before Mother's Day that included a pancake breakfast, car show, live music, a large canopy with a stage, a smaller canopy for the Kids Zone, the Woof Gang Dogs, K-9 demonstration, and even a flyover of three T-34 airplanes.





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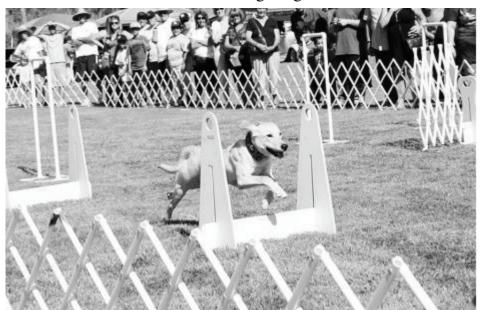
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Woof Gang Dogs





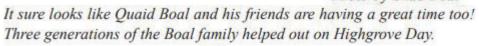
42 members of the Riverside Concert Band played patriotic music at Highgrove Day on May 9, 2015. This year's theme was "American Pride"



Free hot dogs and chili dogs were provided by County Service Area 126 E Highgrove that included bringing the Wienerschnitzel Mobile Unit into the park.

The kids were having a ball!







There were Pony Rides and a petting zoo on the south baseball field.

Some day this beautiful little girl may be a train engineer!



The beautiful little girl on the left is shown at the engineer's console watching the video of the track similar to what the engineer sees as the train goes down the track. A huge generator was brought in on a trailer to power the equipment for the simulator. Kids and adults both enjoyed "running the train" and learning what it is like to be a railroad engineer for just a little while others waited in line outside. The simulator is the only one in the western United States and we thank local Highgrove resident Vic Quezada for bringing it to Highgrove.



This rubber tire train spent the day taking kids of all ages around the park.



Past Highgrove Day events always started out with a Pancake Breakfast at the Norton Younglove Community Center. The Highgrove Community Park just north of the NYCC is where the car show and entertainment was held including a Kids Zone and an area for Vendors to set up their canopies.

L-R: Jerry Feetham and Vic Quezada were at Highgrove Day with the UP RR train engineer simulator that was parked across from the entrance to the community center. Vic is from Highgrove and was responsible for getting this attraction to Highgrove. Also thank you to Rob Hunter, Mike Hejka and electrician Jim Garcia. Operation Lifesaver was run by Woody Woods at the rear of the trailer.



Friends for over 40 years, the Early Fords had their reunion @ HG Day.



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The \$2,000.00 trip voucher is shown being presented to Aaron Murray by R. A. "Barney" Barnett.

The winning ticket was drawn at Highgrove Day on May 11, 2013 for a \$2,000.00 trip voucher. The winner did not have to be present but he was there and came forward to claim his prize. His name is Aaron Murray and he is a coach for the Highgrove Dodger Pony League team. Aaron lives in Riverside.

Congratulations to Aaron and thank you to everyone who bought a ticket.

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"Gator" the mascott from California Skate is shown in the Highgrove Day jail built by Shad Boal. "Gator" had some great moves on the dance floor!

The Highgrove song played while students danced to the music.



Highgrove Day Highgrove goes Hawaiian!



Thealani's dancers danced to the beat of polynesian music and drums and these beautiful girls performed two 30 minute shows.



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T-34's from the March field Air Reserve Base Aero Club did a beautiful flyover as patriotic music was played by the Riverside Concert Band. Thanks to Colonel Karl McGregor and the 3 pilots: Tyler Trickey, George Watson and Mike Martin. This was the first flyover for Highgrove Day!



L-R: Mike Monraz, Cecilia Molina, Mary Beltran and Mariana Mendoza



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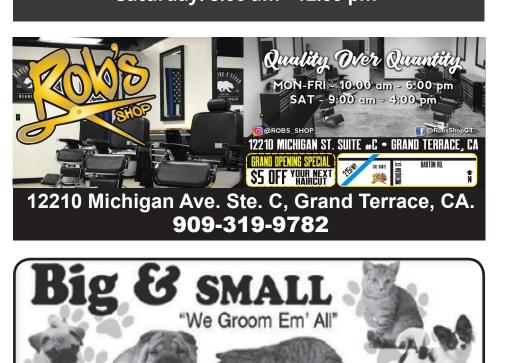
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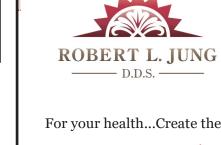
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Chad has been with the Riverside County Sheriff's Department for 25 years. He has promoted through the ranks from Deputy Sheriff to his current position of Lieutenant. In his 24 year career he has worked Corrections, Patrol, Traffic, Investigations, Internal Affairs, Gangs and Narcotics. The highlight of his career that he is most proud of was spear heading a child sex crimes sting which resulted in the arrest and prosecution of 52 child predators. The operation was showcased on NBC Dateline "To Catch A Predator". He is currently running for Riverside County Sheriff with the full support and endorsement of the deputies of Riverside County and other local law enforcement agencies.

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Arturo is blind, playes the Harmonica, and sings with the assistance of the lyrics printed in braille.



Reid Park Cheerleaders



Thanks to the Reid Park Cheerleaders who did a dance routine to the Highgrove Song that spelled out HIGHGROVE to the beat of the song!



"Barney" and Ardie did nothing but ride around in the cart all day long!



Ernest Kaiser and his yo yo performers amazed everyone with their yo yo tricks. They were great! I would be tied up in a knot if I tried what they do!





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The "Woof Gang" dogs were at it again. Their races are one of the most enjoyed events of the day. Later the kids raced against each other over the dog's course.



Cripple Creek Cloggers



The Cripple Creek Cloggers have performed at Knott's Berry Farm and Disneyland. They wore beautiful outfits and they were terrific cloggers.



Highgrove's Deputy Dean Colbert, acting as the bad guy, is shown as "Spike" grabs his padded arm during the K-9 demonstration. Deputy Colbert is one of the many deputies who served Highgrove.





Riverside County Sheriff deputies on horseback!

Pam Tavaglione on "Onzo" and Jackie Hartigan on "Heath" also fit right in with this year's country and western theme of Hot Rods and Hoedown!



and so did the students from the NYCC E-TaeKwondo Karate class.

Library Bookmobile comes to Highgrove Day!



There were 3 libraries represented in our community on May 8, 2010. The new library under construction is shown on the left and the Riverside County Library Bookmobile is pictured above that was parked across from the entrance of the community center. The current round library that is now in use (below) was built in 1981 and is located by the Highgrove Elementary School at the corner of Center St. and Garfield.





This was the location for the car show registration, T-Shirt sales, raffle tickets and 50/50 drawing. We had a lot of support from volunteers who helped make this event a success. Shown seated at the table are L-R: Eileen Hodder from the Riverside Eagles (that is actually located in Highgrove)

The text under the bookmobile photo above was written in 2010 and the old library by the school shown above, was torn down after the new Highgrove library was dedicated on March 19, 2011.



Stater Bros. always brings their 1948 Diamond T truck to Highgrove Day .

and Betty Crossno our good friend from Grand Terrace. Betty's husband Dale also let us use his pick-up truck to transport the raffle prizes & shirts.



The Single Swingers Square Dance Group fit right in with this year's theme about the Hoedown part of Highgrove's Hot Rods and Hoedown.



Roxie Jane Barnett sang and played her original songs at high noon on stage accompanied by her dad, Mike on a "cajon" drum.

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Mark Adams won the Best Engine trophy with his 1968 Chevelle.



Jim Benson from Grand Terrace is shown relaxing under an EZ up by his 1932 Ford 3 window coupe. Jim won the "Best of Show" trophy in 2010.



1947 Buick convertible



This 1965 Cadillac won the people's choice and the Kid's choice awards.





Bill Skinner from Riverside won the "Best of Show" award with his 1956 Chevrolet convertible. The car is beautiful inside and out, and underneath too!



Sharon Hughes was a face painting clown. She works at Farmer Boys on Iowa Avenue. Sheila Robinson also painted faces in the Kids Zone area.

Photo on right: Colonel Tom Freeman (left), host of "Duty, Honor, Country" on KTIE 590 AM radio was broadcasting from Highgrove Day as he interviewed Assemblymember Paul Cook. What is that! This one was definitely the most unusual vehicle in the car show! It is a 1916 Kissile FWD vehicle that was used in WWI owned by Bill Leuer.



Reference for website photos on www.highgrovehappenings.net

May 31, 2008: (see July issue) Mark Barnett performed his tribute to Roy Orbison by performing "Revisiting the Orbison Years", Dick Hathaway won Best of show with his 1932 Packard.

May 9, 2009: Woof Gang Dogs, Jumpers, 86 cars in the car show, free hot dogs catered by Wienerschnitzel, a train with Rubber tires for the kids, and a 1916 Kissile FWD Army vehicle. The Best of Show was won by Bill Skinner in his 1956 **Chevrolet Convertible.**

May 8, 2010: The Library Bookmobile was on site as well as the Union Pacific Railroad Engineer Simulator and the Reid Park Cheerleaders performed on stage under the canopy and the Woof Gang dogs and K-9 dog performed in the grass by the Woof Gang Dog as they raced to get the ball and return it to its owner.

The Best of Show was won by Jim Benson from Grand Terrace with his 32 Ford 3 Window.

May 7, 2011: Three T-34 airplanes from March Air Reserve Base did a flyover during the 2011 Highgrove Day, KTIE had a live broadcast from the Park hosted by Tom Freeman who interviewed Politician Paul Cook from Yucaipa, The 40 member Riverside Concert Band performed under the canopy, The Woof Gang dogs performed again and so did General Yo who out on a trick Yo Yo demonstration, and the Students from Highgrove Elementary School danced to the beat of the Highgrove Song with the Highgrove letters on their backs. Richard Sentieri from Redlands won Best of Show with his 1933 Ford Roadster.

May 12, 2012: "Hot Rods and Hoedown". The Disc Dogs performed catching Frisbees, and square dancers performed as well as the Cripple Creek Cloggers, General Yo and his trick YoY o artists performed again and live music was provided by the Southern Star Band. Ardie and Barney's granddaughter, Roxie Jane sang and played her guitar.

May 11, 2013: "Highgrove goes Hawaiian". The Thealani Highgrove! Polynesian dancers did two 30 minute shows, Day-Z the clown was there again as well as the Woof Gang dogs and General Yo. Tickets for a free trip to Hawaii were sold for \$1.00 each and the trip was won by Aaron Murray.

There were 100 cars in the car show and 27 trophies were handed out to the winners. The Best of Show was won by a Please call me at (951) 683 4994 and I will tell you how you 1947 Buick convertible.

May 10, 2014: "Super Heroes". As always the Norton Younglove Community Center has a Pancake Breakfast during the event and there has always been a vendor area in Thank you, the grass where people display their items of interest. There R. A. "Barney" Barnett were 100 cars in the car show again and 30 vendors, and the Editor: Highgrove Happenings Newspaper Woof Gang Dogs and K-9 Dogs performed to the delight of highgrovenews@roadrunner.com everyone. May 9, 2015: "American Pride". There was another T-34 Flyover, another great car show, and the Riverside Concert Band played music under the canopy. The Best of Show was won by Larry Brown with his 59 Corvette. May 7, 2016: "Country Fair". California Early Ford Reunion, Live music by Phoenix Rising featuring Arturo who is blind and plays the harmonica and uses the bumps on the braille paper to read the lyrics with his fingers when he sings.

So what happened to Highgrove Day?

After many years of being chairman of Highgrove Day I asked for someone to take over the responsibilities and Becky Luther volunteered to do the job. I gave her \$3,111.81 and all of the paperwork and offered to help with the transition by explaining what has worked previously over the last 20 years. But after a couple of planning meetings, it was apparent that Becky did not want my help. When she told me to "Just let it go" that was the last planning meeting I attended. Today I regret turning the event over to her.

The first year after she took over, there were only 20 cars registered for the car show, no live band or entertainment, and minimal attendance. She also broke the traditional "Highgrove Day" name recognition by re-naming the event the "Highgrove Community Association's Celebration".

In addition, she changed the 32 year-old annual event that was known to the classic car owners as the "Highgrove Car Show on the Saturday before Mother's Day", to June 9, 2018 but when there were only 6 cars registered for the June 9, 2018 event, the entire event was cancelled.

Highgrove residents may remember that when Supervisor Tavaglione eliminated the Highgrove Municipal Advisory Council at a public hearing on April 11, 2017, Supervisor Tavaglione appointed Becky Luther as the Highgrove contact person. Becky had the only key to the container that has many items for Highgrove Day including signs and files and I heard that she recently moved out of Highgrove to another State. I have been told she did not take the key with her when she left but on Sept. 27, 2018 I received a call that the locks on the container have been cut off and replaced with locks from Riverside County. If so, we need to contact the county in order to get access to the container so we can remove the street signs and other Highgrove Day information and records and move them to a safe place.

Will you help me with the 2019 Highgrove Day? I am willing to try and do the 33rd Highgrove Day if I can get your help. This event was the best thing that ever happened to

We have many new residents in Spring Mountain Ranch and the D R Horton homes plus the residents in the older part of Highgrove to draw from. Please look at our website to see pictures and stories about what a great time we had for many years.

can help. If you enjoyed looking at the previous pictures you can see what a great event we had. But if you do not call, the 2019 Highgrove Day will not happen. I need your help!

NOTICE Spring Mountain Ranch and D. R. Horton residents: I would like to meet our new neighbors in order to become better acquainted. If you look at the pictures from Highgrove Day you can see that this event brought our community closer to-<u>gether and we would like to welcome vou to Highgrove.</u>



This view of Highgrove Day was taken from the top of the firemen's ladder but I don't know who took the picture! (I know it wasn't me!)

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Highgrove Cars win awards too!



No judges for the Highgrove Day car show were from Highgrove, but 5 cars were selected that are from Highgrove. Pictured above is Art Bernal and his 1929 Ford Roadster Pick up. More Highgrove winners on pages 5, 9, 12 & 13.



This beautiful 1956 Ford F-100 Pick -Up belongs to Jerry Gregory from Highgrove. There were many beautiful hi-quality cars at the Highgrove Car show.



The Best of show award for the Highgrove Day car show went a 1932 Packard owned by Dick Hathaway from Cannes St. on the west side of the freeway. This car was found in Death Valley and had been buried for 25 years. According to Dick, it is one of thirteen left in the world. Thank you to all of the car show participants who brought their beautiful cars to Highgrove Day. We look forward to seeing you again next year!



This 1968 Ford Torino belongs to Allen Edwards from Highgrove. His car had just been painted and it was selected as one of the "Top 20" of the show.





Dan Lindstrum is the proud owner of this 1971 Challenger and we appreciate him bring his car to the show. Dan has a roofing business and he too lives in Highgrove.

The "Top 20" cars received trophies that were miniature ceramic gas pumps that were bright red in color with the Highgrove logo on top of the pump. We printed a photo of the gas pumps on the front page of last month's May issue. Don Ritz, owner of Fair Price Carpets in Highgrove was also a winner in his 1936 Ford panel. He has several cars to choose from but I suggested this one because the "Fair Price Carpets" sign on the side would be a good chance to get some free advertising. Their advertisement is on Page 4 : (951 684 8578). Don and Marlene have supported the Highgrove Happenings Newspaper for many years. And they have been in business in Highgrove for over 52 years.

Splash Dogs: On Sept. 22, 2018 I went to the Cruisin' Reunion Car Show in Ontario to see the cars and check out the Splash Dogs to see if we could afford hiring them for the 2019 Highgrove Day. Their tank holds 30,000 gallons but for the price they want you would think they would bring their own water. It was fun to watch but I have been told there is only \$1,000.00 left in the Highgrove Day fund and unfortunately their fee makes it impossible to hire the Splash dogs for our event.

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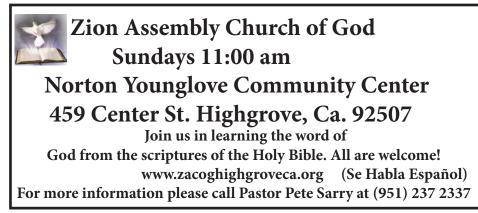








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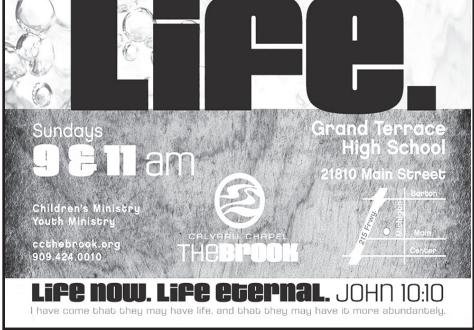
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Request made to replace Highgrove Station Sign

I recently visited my old workplace at the BNSF offices in San Bernardino and asked the railroad to replace the Highgrove Station sign that has been missing for a few years. I know this may be a low priority for the railroad but Highgrove is still a station on the timetable and we want to insure that Highgrove is recognized as a historical station on the former Santa Fe Railroad. Hopefully our request will be granted!





While I was there I was given a tour of the train dispatchers offices and one of the train dispatchers was Joe Bruyneel who was a student I had when he first started on the railroad as a Switchman over 20 years ago. I don't see many of my old co-workers since I retired in 2001 but it was good to see Joe again and I aslo knew the receptionist who gave me the tour.

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