

(FREE) Local News for the Highgrove Area

### Spring Mountain Ranch update! Work being finalized to make the housing lots ready for builder



### Highgrove Clean-up Day

Thanks to the Riverside County Code Enforcement and Sheriff Community Action Team, (CAT), their efforts made Highgrove clean-up day a huge success!



L-R: Sheriff Sgt. Gene McKinney, Code Enforcement Chaka Ferrell and Lanee Padilla, Highgrove Deputy Dean Colbert, CAT members: Tom Davis, Jesus Acevedo, Robert Freiberg. Code Enforcement Director, John Boyd was also there but is not in the picture.



Pioneer Village:One place every American should visit at least once in their lifetime! See P. 5

October, 2009



Watch for Grade Crossing closure at Center St. and Main Street Residents and commuters are cautioned to drive slowly and be aware that the BNSF railroad will be working on the grade crossings at both Center St. and Main St. in Highgrove any time around Oct. 1, 2009.

In our August issue we printed a photo of the rubber pads on Center St. that had chunks of rubber missing and shortly thereafter the BNSF railroad made temporary repairs by moving the bad sections to the area in the center divider.

Major repairs are about to take place at both crossings.

You may have noticed that material and



L-R: Damian Gonzalez, Supervisor Marion Ashley, Sherry Morris-Logan and Lelia Santamaria.

The Norton Younglove Community Center was selected to be a part of a statewide outreach campaign "Flex Your Power". The center has been working hard for the past 5 months to raise awareness of things we can all do to reduce the amount of energy we use. On September 22, 2009 the center hosted the "Leave Your Mark" event. The event highlighted the past 5 month's events while continuing the importance of using less energy to save our planet for future generations. During the ceremony the center's Manager Sherry Morris-Logan and Supervisor Marion Ashley unveiled over 1,200 names of community members who have taken the pledge to **Save energy, Save money, and Save our planet!**  track panels have been placed near the Center St. crossing that will be used for the repairs.

Efforts are being made to repair the crossings during the nighttime hours and not block both crossings at the same time with the machinery required to make these necessary improvements.

We appreciate the prompt response from the BNSF railroad and look forward to having a smoother crossing when the work is completed. Please drive slowly in this area during this period of construction and repair.

but the pads will soon be replaced.

Highgrove Community Center Hours: Mon-Fri 8:00am-2:00 pm Highgrove Community Park Hours: Dawn to Dusk RTON YOUNGLOVE Contact: Sherry at (951) 341-6634 (951) 786-6912 COMMUNITY CENTER



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By Yadira and Debra for ages 4-12 from 2-3:30PM on October 22, 2009 regarding Safety Tools for Kids. (wear confortable clothing and shoes. We will be using floor mats to learn self defense techniques).

No Fee Contact 951-341-6634 and Sign UP Today! Norton Younglove Community Center

Cake Decorating Course Starting New Course Wednesday October 21 from

8:30am to 11:00am The course will be

for 5 weeks upon completion you will be promoted to an advanced leve.

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The Cool Center Program, sponsored by Southern California Edison, provides safe, air-conditioned facilities free for your use during hot summer days. Relax at your local Cool Center and save on your electric bill.

### Your local Cool Center presents:



Norton G. Younglove Community Center

Date: Tuesday, October 13, 2009

**Time**: 11:30am – 1:30pm

Come join us as we anticipate the close of our Cool Center site and the end of a wonderful summer!



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Retreat from the heat. Let us keep you cool.

# **Change a Light Day**



**October 2, 2009** Norton Younglove Community Center 11:45 AM

### Don't Forget!!!

**Brown Bag:** 1st & 3rd Tues. 8:00am - 10:00am Commodities: 4th Friday of the month 7am -10am

### **Rolling Cart** FOOD GIVE AWAY

1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of the month

Bring a rolling cart to the Center and our volunteers will attempt to fill it with food. Community members are asked to provide their own cart, sturdy enough to carry about 40 pounds of food. However, we can not guarantee how much food each family will receive. This program is sponsored by the Second Harvest Food Bank.

For more information, please call the Center, (951) 341-6634

Change the World!

Americans are encouraged to do their part by replacing at least one bulb or fixture in their home with a bulb or fixture that has earned the Government's ENERGY STAR label. Individuals may get involved this year by pledging to do so as an easy but effective way to demonstrate commitment to promoting energy efficiency and conservation. Individuals may pledge directly from the campaign website: http://www.energystar.gov/changealight

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Food on Your Plate? Instructors From Blindness Support Services Can Help. We Will Be Conducting a **FREE** Low-Vision Workshop at a Center Near You. Classes Meet for 6 Weeks, One Day a Week For Up to Two Hours per Session. Learn Some Tips To Help You Cope With Vision Loss. We Also Make House Calls To Individuals Who Are Unable To Attend Our Scheduled Classes.

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Need.

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#### Come Meet Dr. Shaker

Norton Younglove Community Center Wednesday, October 14th - 12:30 PM Ask the Doctor??? New 2010 Benefit Information Presentation Call now to RSVP and get more information! Julie Paramo 951-274-3007 TTY 1-800-387-1074 Open daily, 8 a.m. - 8 p.m. local time



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### **HIGHGROVE SHERIFF**

#### **Deputy Dean Colbert Stats:**

The following contacts and/or arrests are a direct result of traffic stops, information obtained by local residents, pedestrian checks, business checks, and ongoing investigations.

| Felony Arrests      | 1 |                   |     |
|---------------------|---|-------------------|-----|
| Misdemeanor Arrests | 6 | Vehicles Towed    | 2   |
| Traffic Citations   | 3 | Calls for Service | 182 |

Call 911 for Emergencies only

#### Phone Number for the Sheriff Dept.: (951) 776-1099 (Non emergency) Hot line tips for Highgrove Deputy Dean Colbert: (951) 955-2611

#### **Highlights:**

9/3/09, a deputy performed several parole compliance checks on individuals living in the Highgrove area who are also registered sex offenders. The subjects residents and personal belongings were checked for any illegal contraband and/or items not allowed to be possessed while on parole for sex offenses. One male individual on parole had a warrant for his arrest with a bail amount of \$15,000.00. Male subject was taken into custody without incident. 9/4/09, a deputy stopped a male subject driving S/B on Iowa Ave. by Villa St., for not wearing his seat belt. The driver became aggressive towards the deputy and was temporally detained. The driver eventually agreed he was in violation and willing signed the citation without further incident.

9/8/09, a deputy made contact with a male subject in the parking lot of a business at the corner of Iowa Ave. and Center St. The deputy determined the subject had an outstanding misdemeanor warrant out of San Bernardino County for failure to appear in court for a past DUI case. Subject was issued a new court date and released in the field.

9/9/09, a deputy responded to a residence located in the 300 block of Whipporwill, reference a report of a burglary. The victim advised that his residence had been burglarized during the night and the suspect(s) had taken a safe containing several firearms. If you have any information regarding this incident and/or the firearms, please contact the Jurupa Valley Sheriff's Station at (951) 955-2600 or Deputy Colbert at (951) 955-2611

9/18/09, a deputy made consensual

of Villa St. and Pacific Ave. During a routine records check of the subject's background, a warrant out of SBSO was located with a bail amount of \$ 10,000.00. The warrant was abstracted from the system and the subject was arrested without incident. 9/18/09, a deputy observed approximately six to seven dogs unattended and running in the street at the end of Fountain St. by Pacific Ave. Animal Control was advised and responded to the area. Several animals were taken into custody and one resident was issued a citation for having an unlicensed dog.

9/18/09, a deputy responded to the 200 block of Mont Martre Dr., reference a report of a possible family disturbance. The deputy contacted the parties involved and determined the report to be false. No further action was taken and the reporting party was advised.

9/19/09, Sergeant Gene McKinney along with members of the Jurupa Valley CAT Team (Community Action Team) Deputies: Tometich, Freiberg, Davis, Acevedo, and Deputy Colbert assigned to the CSA position for Highgrove, assisted Code Enforcement and citizen volunteers during the Highgrove Clean up day located at Highgrove Elementary School. (See Photo P. 1) Deputies assisted citizens with unloading their trash and yard debris, making a strong impression with several local residents. Deputies reported citizens advised them they enjoyed the opportunity to meet them in person, and were very happy to see the Riverside County Sheriff's Department Jurupa Valley Station making such a strong show of community service and commitment.

speak with the deputies and ask them questions regarding personal issues and/or community concerns, based on the deputies approaching them in such a nonintrusive manner. Sgt. McKinney advised Code Enforcement the CAT Team would like to be invited back next year to assist them with the event. 9/23/09, a deputy stopped and detained a male subject for riding his bike in an unsafe manner on Center St. by Iowa Ave. While speaking with the subject he became increasingly agitated and displaying bizarre behavior. The subject told the deputy he was hearing voices and that the government

was controlling his brain.

While the deputy attempted to pat the subject down for weapons and/or contraband a brief struggle issued. Neither the male subject nor the deputy was injured, and the subject was transported to ETS for a mental evaluation.

#### **Extra Patrol Request:**

Deputies form the Jurupa Valley Station will continue extra patrol during Tuesday night's bike night. Reminder to Highgrove residents, if you are planning a vacation you can contact the Jurupa Valley Station and request extra patrol in your neighborhood.

### Bad timing for a bad attitude!



On Sept. 19, 2009, five members of the Riverside County Sheriff Dept. Community Action Team were at the Highgrove Elementary School and helped unload trash from residents into the 40 cubic yard dumpsters provided by Waste Management. Also helping were members from the Riverside County Code Enforcement. Several Sheriff's vehicles and Code Enforcement vehicles were sitting around the school parking lot for the Highgrove clean-up day. But one individual in a group of 4 or 5 individuals had an attitude problem with some of the local helpers and instead of just unloading his trash into the 40 cubic dumpster and leaving quietly, his attitude resulted in being approached by our Highgrove Deputy Dean Colbert who was nearby.

Information revealed that the individual did not live in the area but was doing work for a local resident. He also had 3 outstanding misdemeanor warrants. In addition, the pick-up truck had several lawnmowers in the back and appeared to be a commercial business but the pick-up truck had no license plates on the front or on the back.

Was this a bad decision for someone with outstanding warrants to drive into an area full of sheriff cars with no license plates on the vehicle and give someone a bad time?

Sometimes it is better to remain silent and thought a fool, than to speak up and remove all doubt. This may have been the case at our recent community clean up day on Sept. 19th.



contact with a male walking in the area

Citizens advised they felt it easy to



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### Sheriff Dept. Community Action Team



L-R: Robert Freiberg, Sgt. Gene McKinney, Highgrove Deputy Dean Colbert, Tom Davis, and Jesus Acevedo.

### CAT team "In action"



### Cleaning up Highgrove

On Sept. 19, 2009, the Highgrove Clean-up Day collected over 12 tons of trash from 74 pick-up or trailer loads. Chaka Ferrell, Community Improvement Specialist for District 5 (Highgrove Cleanup) wishes to express her appreciation to all of the volunteers. Volunteers included the Riverside County Sheriff's Department Community Action Team, Waste Management of the Inland Empire, County Waste Management Department, WRCOG-Western Region Council Of Governments, and Family Service Association at the Norton Younglove Community Center.

In addition, it is very important to recognize the partners who made it possible, which includes the Highgrove Elementary School and the Riverside Unified School District, Highgrove United Methodist Church, Highgrove local businesses, Highgrove MAC, community volunteers, and the Highgrove Fire Department.



### All the way to Iowa to see a football game?

Football was just one part of the trip! 30 hours behind the wheel and 2 motel nights to get to Iowa are only part of the reason we went to Iowa.

Ardie was raised in Orange City, Iowa and has 3 grown children and 7 grandchildren in the area. Her daughter Kelli, who used to work at T.M. Cobb, when she lived in Highgrove, is now married and lives in Lennox, South Dakota about 1 hour from her 2 brothers in Orange City.

We spent 1 week with family and friends and enjoyed seeing everyone. But on our return trip we did not hurry as much and took many side roads to see the scenery and "stop to smell the flowers".

It took us 6 days to get home but we saw a lot of sights all along the way. Here are some of the places we visited to let you know what is available so maybe you can make the trip some day if you havn't already been there. Here are some pictures of our trip:



Proud Grandma!

Ardie Barnett is shown after the football game on Sept. 4, 2009 in Orange City, Iowa where her grandson, Tyler Wassenaar kicked the 2 after touchdown conversions that won the game by 2 points. It is Tyler's senior year.

### Pioneer Village: Minden, Nebraska



18 cents is not what we paid for gas! It is part of the historical collection in "Pioneer Town" in Minden, Nebraska: The story of America and how it grew. There are 28 buildings on 20 acres and 50,000 historical items some dating back to 1830. The collection was started by the late Harold Warp who made flex-o-glass and plastic products.



Have you ever seen a dog powered washing machine? The dog walked on a treadmill that was connected to the washing machine to wash clothes.



There is a collection of old stoves, old refrigerators, a button collection, bath tubs, pianos, scales, etc.. Cont. on P. 6



<sup>on Call now as space is limited !</sup> Cynthia 951-846-9431 <u>http://www.HighgrovePONY.com</u> We just got back from our first Shetland (4-6 year olds) game of the season ~ it was REALLY a fun game! Coach Sabrina kept the Little Squirts team organized and ready while Assistant Coach Henry guided the little ones to first base after their hits. The parents of Highgrove PONY want to thank the people at the Riverside County EDA and Riverside County Supervisor Marion Ashley for supporting our baseball programs.





Have you ever made anything on this type of foot powered sewing machine?



Has the present generation of youngsters ever heard of a DeSoto or REO?



Here is an old fence making machine How about a drink of moonshine from that was made back in 1885.



These old buggies were 1 horsepower! Can you picture yourself on the !-215?



Their are a lot of old tractors and some are powered by a steam engine.



this 1850 Still? Would you take a sip?



The first Cadillacs did not have large fins and the new ones don't either.



There is also a rifle collection, oil can collection, scales collection, guilts, etc..



Years ago the farmers had to use these. (But where do you put the gas in?)



11 4 6, 6 Here is a collection of ball point pens that are not quit as old as other items.



"Barney" is in trouble again! Ladie this is how to keep you man in line!





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Among other things we saw on our recent trip to the mid-west was a ride from Manitou Springs to the top of Pikes Peak on the Cog Railway (photos on right). It is similar to going up a roller coaster at the beginning of the first steep portion. Four diesel engines pull the 2 car trains up the 25% grade where the view is magnificent! When we arrived at the top we had a clear view of Colorado Springs and everything else for many miles but just as we were leaving the clouds moved in to temporarily block our view. We also stopped at 4 corners where 4 states come together. (See photo below)



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### Our Journey to the top of Pikes Peak on the Cog Railway



Other places included the continental divide at the top of Wolf Creek Pass, Platte River Archway and Chevyland USA in Nebraska; Garden of the Gods, Cliff Dwellings, Cave of the Winds, Chimney Rock, the Durango and Silverton Railroad in Colorado; and Sedona, Tuzigoot Ruins and the Verde Canyon Railroad in Arizona.



These cogs are in the middle of the track. A gear on the car fits into the cogs.



There is a gift shop with rest rooms at the top by the end of the track.



I met 2 brothers from Pennsylvania who hiked to the top. It took 11 & 1/2 hours!



When we arrived at the top there was snow on the ground in a few places.



This is definately the end of the track! If you go beyond this point-it's all over!



The Garden of the Gods in Colorado had many beautiful and unusual rocks.





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### **OBITUARY** In Loving Memory of Danny Lee Stouffer

'Bigger that Life' would be an easy way to describe the life that Danny Lee Stouffer led for the last 60 years. On September 18th Danny passed away peacefully. Danny was born on May 12, 1949 in Phoenix, AZ. and grew up in that local area and he attended Camelback High School before he came to California at the age of sixteen to live with his uncle in Grand Terrace. He later moved to Colton. Not long after moving to Colton he found the love of his life Susan Marie Gregory and he married her in August 1969. In 1970, Danny went to work for Riverside County Waste Management Department as a dozer operator, and in that same year Sue and he had their first child Robert. Not too long after that in 1973, they had their second child Kristie and soon thereafter they moved to Highgrove. While his children were growing, Danny was always active in their lives and he especially enjoyed going boating at the Colorado River with his family.

In 1978 he left the County of Riverside and went to work for Cameo in Corona, where he stayed for two years before starting his own trucking firm DMF Trucking. DMF is still going strong today, whereby over 40 trucks are hauling materials to Mecca, California on a continuous time schedule each week. During his many years in business, both Danny and Sue developed ongoing friendships with almost everyone they came in contact with and their home was always open to anyone who wanted to stop by to visit and talk. He was a big practical joker and was known to carry whip cream somewhere on his person to surprise an unsuspecting visitor with a squirt of cream. He really enjoyed food fights as well. One legacy that Danny leaves behind is his love of giving the children of Grand Terrace, Highgrove and Colton hay rides in the Fall months of each year. He has done the hay rides for the last 15 years.

He is survived by his wife Susan, his son Robert and wife Karen Stouffer and daughter Kristie and husband Mike Walker and six lovely grandchil-



Danny Stouffer on his tractor for the Christmas Hay Rides in Highgrove. dren, Chelsea, Cody, Daniel, Kaylee Sue, Joseph & Trevor. A sunset service was held in Reche Canyon Saturday September 26th at 6:00pm.

Danny & Sue had purchased 63 acres some years ago and just received an OK to build a home on their property. "Friends of the Family will miss Danny dearly"

That was clearly displayed this past Saturday evening when a crowed of over 500 people showed up to pay their respect to Danny and his loving family.

Many special moments were when the family released the White Doves, one of the most loving and inspirational gifts to give to a loved one. The releasing of the white doves helps to begin the grieving process by opening the doors to "letting go" and is sure to live on in the memories of all who attended the service. The trained white birds soared into the sky, circling a number of times in a group before returning to their home in Highland. There were many tributes in flowers and friends relaying their stories of Danny, some sad and some so laughable because that was the kind of man he was. Once you met him you could not forget him.

We extend our condolences to the Stouffer family with the passing of their loved one. He was a friend to everyone and everyone was his friend.

Plans are underway to plant a pine tree at the community center in his honor to remind everyone of his contribution to Highgrove especially at Christmas time. You can send your comments to: www.dannystouffer.memoryof.com

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| 9:00-9:15AM  | WELCOME from Directo   | or John Boyd   |   |  |   |  |  |  |
| 9:15-9:25AM  | WELCOME from County  | of Riverside Board of Supervisor   | s   |  |   |  |  |  |
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| 9:30-10:15 AM  | Water<br>Conservation  | Being a Good Neighbor-<br>Understanding Code<br>Enforcement and<br>Common Violations<br>(En Español) | Foreclosures-<br>Can I Keep My Home?<br>Should I Keep My<br>Home? | Purchasing a Home in<br>Today's<br>Economy | Emergency<br>Preparedness   |  |  |  |
| 10:15-10:35AM  | 10:15-10:35AM 20 MINUTE BREAK - VISIT THE EXHIBITORS   |  |   |  |   |  |  |  |
| 5 Minute Break   | 5 Minute Break BREAK   |  |   |  |   |  |  |  |
| 10:40-11:25AM  | Water<br>Conservation  | Being a Good Neighbor-<br>Understanding Code<br>Enforcement and<br>Common Violations                 | Foreclosures-<br>Can I Keep My Home?<br>Should I Keep My<br>Home? | Purchasing a Home in<br>Today's<br>Economy | Emergency<br>Preparedness<br>(En Español)                                     |  |  |  |
| 11:25-12:10PM  | 11:25-12:10PM 45 MINUTE LUNCH - VISIT THE EXHIBITORS (Courtyard)   |  |   |  |   |  |  |  |
| 10 Minute  | BREAK  |  |   |  |   |  |  |  |
| 12:20-1:20PM   | Guest Speaker Robin  | 1 Kobaly   |   |  |   |  |  |  |
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### New Highgrove Library Ground Breaking Set for 4:00 PM, Nov. 16, 2009



Here are 4 views of the new library near Center St. and Michigan Avenue.







Palmyrita Ave. looking east toward future Spring Mountain Ranch development showing paved roadway/curb and gutter and fire hydrant.

It is hard to say exactly how much money has been invested in the Spring Mountain Ranch Development that will eventually bring several thousand new homes to the Pigeon Pass area of Highgrove. I do not know how much was paid to purchase the original orange groves or how much it cost to have the groves cut down and the stumps removed but that was just the beginning.

There has been extensive grading and re-shaping of the entire area including the elimination of Horseshoe Bend that once took vehicles down one side of the Springbrook wash, across the wash, and up the other side in a horseshoe shaped roadway. Mt. Vernon is now a roadway across the arroyo that is similar to an earth filled dam. Stop by some time and look at all of the heavy rocks that have been placed on the east side of Mt. Vernon to slow down and catch the water run off when the rains come. I have heard that there has been \$15 Million dollars spent on flood control channels and water collection basins but this is just an estimate.

On Sept. 22, 2009 I was able to get behind the locked gates to take these pictures and I thank the Riverside/Highland Water Company for allowing access for me to enter this area \$88 Million dollars invested in this location so far but I can not confirm this.

The Shopoff Group who originally purchased the groves, sold the property to the builder, RWR homes and later the bottom fell out of the real estate market. The property is now owned by i Star Financial and they are making final improvements to make this attractive so when the time comes the land will be ready to build new homes.

There may be some weeds on the pads that are ready for homes but these pads have been compacted, sewer lines are in, extensive flood control channels have been built and fire plugs installed. There is also a lot of new power poles in Pigeon Pass to bring power to this area.

There are 4 large water storage tanks that are in place. The 3 large ones are for domestic or potable water service to the homes and 1 smaller water tank is for non-potable water for irrigation purposes. The Riverside/Highland Water Company was working with heavy equipment around one of the large water tanks the day I was there, (Photo on right). They also have built additional V ditches to carry water down some of the steep grades and built block walls where needed. has curb and gutter and there are fire plugs in the entire area. Some of the fire plugs do not have water to them yet but there are some that are usable.

A sales office at the entrance is already built and there is a sewer lift station in place to accommodate the new homes where needed.

At our Municipal Advisory Council meeting on Sept. 22, 2009 our guest speaker was Juan Perez, Transportation Director from the County of Riverside. He showed some preliminary plans for the Pigeon Pass Corridor which is a future plan to construct a new road from the top of Pigeon Pass through Highgrove. At this same meeting the members of the Highgrove MAC voted to keep the existing Pigeon Pass Road closed to the public but still make it usable for emergency vehicles such as Fire, Sheriff or Ambulance vehicles. This steep dirt road in it's present condition is considered unsafe and has been closed for several years.

The plans for any new roads need to be in place soon so we will be ready for the future growth that is coming. We also need commuter rail service to Highgrove as part of the overall future transportation plan for the area. We are on the brink of potential growth and we must have our infrastructure in place!



to show you that progress is still underway to make this project marketable.

I have also heard there has been

Behind the K-rail barrier that is placed at the end of Palmyrita Ave. at Mt. Vernon is a paved road that is blocked off for public use. The road

Grading was underway when I took these pictures on Sept. 22, 2009 near one of the large water tanks in the Spring Mountain Ranch project. (more photos on P. 15)

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### **DEVILS DEN**

#### **Devils Den Corrections:**

Since sharing my last installment with family, and after online research with the help of San Joaquin Valley historical societies, I now know that Devils Den was never a military base. Instead, the barracks likely came from a nearby Army Air Corps training field in Huron, Coalinga, or Lemoore, California. The Producers Cotton Oil Company's land holding subsidiary called South Lake Farms moved them to Devils Den circa 1950 to house the farm labor community needed to pick cotton and irrigate the Devils Den Ranch which comprised approximately 9,000 acres of arid land sitting atop a large aquifer. The current owner of the ranch is the Santa Clarita Municipal Water District, and the ground water is pumped out of Devils Den toward Los Angeles. Interestingly enough, my brother David recalls helping my Uncle Roy Irons survey the area for irrigation canal construction in the early 50's. This area was actively drilled for oil during the mid twentieth century, and the communities of Avenal and Kettleman City benefited immensely from oil revenue taxes.

#### The Puerto Rican:

The last punch of this fight had the finality of a great event in my young eyes. I was expecting some devine intervention maybe, but Devils Den did not have a church. We had the occasional mis-

sionaries come through, but if our dusty little corner of the universe had a god watching over us he may well have been an omnipotent, omniscient, omnipresent extraterrestrial pagan god who at that moment sent a bolt of lightning down Woodward's shoulder to his elbow and out of his calloused, cotton picking fist into the Puerto Rican's forehead. In reality, it probably was the beans and cornbread dinner that gave Woodward the power in that last punch, sending the Puerto Rican down for the last time. It was over just like that and Woodward was wobbly but rose to his feet and took a few moments to catch his breath. He had risen to greatness in my eyes by saving Devils Den for another day. As the Puerto Rican slowly regained his senses, Woodward ordered him to head to the showers and clean up and leave the camp. With nothing to say and no argument, the loser dragged himself off the fifty yards toward the middle of the camp to a cinderblock structure enclosing several shower heads. With no reason not to, I followed him across the muddy yard and peeked around the door to see him standing under the cold water as the mud and blood washed down the floor drain, too tired to even wash. After a while he opened eyes to find me staring at him, prompting him to yell at me "what the hell you lookin at?" I told him I had never seen a person take a bath with their clothes still on, to which he yelled back, "Get the hell outa here!"

I left and that is my memory of the



first adult fist fight I ever saw. Now I have other first memories, like the first time I kissed a girl. That too happened at Devils Den and I remember learning it is best to ask first and don't kiss your first cousin. I experienced my first cool aid drink there too, courtesy of the missionaries. I have often wondered if it was a young Jim Jones that day who loaded the camp kids in an old school bus and took us out in the desert giving us beans and cool aid while his troupe prayed over us heathen kids. But that's another whole story for later. All these memories are like a stack of cards in my mind waiting for a thump on the head or some other trigger to reveal themselves to me fresh again after so many years. There is this song called "Goodnight Irene" that reminds me of my first polio shot. It really reminds me of Irene, my friend at Devils Den who is inextricably tied to that first vaccine, and this is why:

#### The Great Polio Shot Event:

My friendship with Irene was brief but memorable, if for no other reason that she was as original a character as I have ever met in my entire life. I don't think she was destined for greatness by any means but she has become unforgettable for her actions the day after the great fist fight. This day, all of us kids knew in advance we were scheduled for the first polio vaccine clinic at Kettleman City School. We formed a grim line in front of the barracks that served as the bus stop for the school bus that cool morning. We watched the yellow bus slowly make its way toward us down the muddy road that connected the paved road to Devils Den. It would get sideways every now and then and we hoped it would get stuck and save us the dreaded ordeal of a hypodermic needle, something most of us had never had before. We knew our fates were sealed once we boarded the bus, because at that moment you belonged to the school and had to abandon your semi feral ways to the camp you left behind. There was me, my best friend Gaylord Goforth, his sister, Shirley, Irene and maybe four or more other kids whose names escape me

now. Boarding the bus we scraped the mud off of our shoes on the first step and proceeded to our seats like condemned cattle but Irene stayed on her feet and proceeded to attempt to banish fear from the bus by issuing forth proclamations of bravery for all to hear. Next to me, Irene was the smallest of our group and small for her age of about nine or ten. She wore the same dress or style of print dress every day and brown shoes missing the laces. Her pig tails were tied with old ribbons and she carried no books or purse or bag. She was going forth into battle unarmed except for her fearlessness. Irene was typical of camp kids in that I cannot remember ever seeing her family since grown-ups worked long hours leaving us kids to our own devices for most of the daylight hours. People came and went in Devils Den and many kids never enrolled in school. Why bother since they knew they could easily be leaving again in days. If I had to assign a metaphor to Irene I would draw on later education in college and assign her to the scientific family of Ephemeroptera. Literally translated, this means "having wings for a day", as in the mayfly which lives an entire lifetime to mature for a brief few hours of winged glory. In other words, kids like Irene were here today and maybe gone tomorrow. Thus, Irene's Devils Den legacy proved to be ephemeral but memorable. She marched back and forth in the aisle of the bus exhorting us "not to worry bout no shots, cause they don hurt no way!" and proclaimed "I'm gonna be the first in line, aint gonna cry, no sir!" I was beginning to feel better with this encouragement even though I had personal experience with penicillin shots two years earlier while recovering from appendicitis. They hurt and I knew it but it did help to have a cheerleader like Irene that morning. The bus trip to Kettleman City took close to 45 minutes and this gave Irene time to get wound up even more. All eyes were focused inside the bus this morning as she worked her admonitions up more along the lines of a sing song sermon.

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<sup>(</sup>Cont. from last month) by Dennis Wilds

# got bones? by Cynthia Williams, DC

Inflammation and Diet: How to get relief with the foods you eat.

Inflammation from osteoarthritis in the neck and back, knees, shoulders, and other boney areas can create a significant disability and markedly decrease one's quality of life. Inflammation frequently is treated with medications such as NSAIDs (non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs) or pain killers. They can be effective but many of these medications may either be habit forming, lose their effectiveness over time, or are hard on the stomach and intestines. Other conditions may be caused by inflammation in the body such as heart disease and Alzheimer's disease. There is continuing research to support the theory that these conditions are either caused by or made worse from inflammation. Your body creates inflammatory and anti-inflammatory responses from what you eat that are called prostaglandins. An imbalance in the diet can lead to excessive amounts of inflammatory prostaglandins, which are the fuel for your body's inflammatory response. But with the consumption of certain nutrients, your body will produce more anti-inflammatory prostaglandins, which it uses to reduce inflammation.

Lifestyle management of inflammation is one very important method. Adequate sleep, gentle exercise, and massage or other therapies are good tools or the boney inflammations. For years diet and exercise has been recommended to prevent and manage heart disease. Now an anti-inflammatory eating plan is gaining momentum. Realizing which foods are either part of the problem or are part of the solution is very important.

Several doctors including Andrew Weil, Barry Sears, and Nicholas Perricone, have written books with an eating plan to reduce the prostaglandin response that causes inflammation. Dr.

Weil has developed a food pyramid that helps make the appropriate choices clear. Another author, nutritionist Monica Reinagel has developed what she calls the IF (Inflammation Factor) Rating<sup>TM</sup> for 1500 foods, which is a list of foods that are rated according to their inflammatory or anti-inflammatory response in the body. All these authors have similar findings: increase your intake of Omega 3 fatty acids and decrease your intake of Omega 6 fatty acids.

Their recommendations include reducing or avoiding: pasteurized dairy products, refined sugar products (white and brown sugar, corn syrup, high fructose corn syrup, etc), chemical sugar sweeteners, MSG, alcohol, caffeine, red meat organ meats of any meat or poultry, processed foods, and table salt. For those people with Rheumatoid Arthritis (RA) it is often advised to avoid the nightshade vegetables: eggplant, potatoes, tomatoes, peppers and tobacco. Also it is advised to consider avoiding gluten. Gluten is found in grains like wheat, oats, barley and rye. Gluten is commonly found in processed foods, not just the flours of these grains. Fats in the form of shortening, margarine, coconut, cottonseed, and palm kernel oil should be totally avoided. Even if you don't have RA, if you have severe inflammation, you may want to consider avoiding gluten.

So, what is left? Lots of wonderful healthy foods: fruits such as cantaloupe, raspberries, rhubarb and strawberries. Vegetables such as carrots, garlic, onions, spinach and sweet potatoes are an excellent addition. Fish should be included, particularly the ones high in Omega 3 fatty acids- wild salmon, herring, sardines, and black cod. Breads and cereals, if you are not avoiding gluten, should be whole grain. Any kind of nut meat is beneficial as well as any herb or spice. Beverages should be limited to black, green and herbal teas, club soda, carrot juice, and mineral

100%ar wash water. Fats are not all excluded. When ever possible, use a high quality olive oil, and other oils can be included as well: avocado, canola, and safflower (high oleic only), seed oils like flaxseed, sesame, almond, walnut, and hazelnut are all beneficial. The addition of dark chocolate (70% cacao), soy products like tofu, tempeh, edamame, and soymilk; beans and legumes such as Anasazi, black, chickpeas, black-eyed peas and lentils will provide additional rich nutrients.

If you have a history of heart disease, any form of arthritis, or a family history of Alzheimer's it could be worth trying this eating plan. It cannot cause any harm as it is very healthy. At a minimum, most people will lose a few pounds, reduce their cholesterol. see

lower blood pressure, and feel better over all.

For additional information visit the following websites: http://www.drweil.com/ (Andrew Weil, MD) http://www.drweil.com/drw/ecs/pyramid/press-foodpyramid.html (Dr Weil's Food Pyramid) http://www.drsears.com/ (Barry Sears, PhD) http://www.perriconemd.com/category/perricone+lifestyle/antiinflammatory+diet.do (Nicolas Perricone, MD) http://blog.nutritiondata.com/ndblog/ 2006/10/welcome-to-nutr.html (Monica Reinagel, MS) Wish to reach me personally? email me: WmsChiropractic@aol.com

### Did you ever wonder why?

1. Is it good if a vacuum really sucks? 2. Why is the third hand on the watch called the second hand? 3. If a word is misspelled in the dictionary, how would we ever know? 4. If Webster wrote the first dictionary, where did he find the words? 5. Why do we say something is out of whack? What is a whack? 6. Why does "slow down" and "slow up" mean the same thing?

7. Why does "fat chance" and "slim chance" mean the same thing? 8. Why do tug" boats push their barges? 9. Why do we sing "Take me out to the ball game" when we are already there? 10. Why are they called" stands" when they are made for sitting? 11. Why is it called "after dark" when it really is 'after light"?





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### **Anthony Vasquez**



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#### **DEVILS DEN** Continued from page 10

She had the talent to perform and her march turned into a dance as she gave us detailed instructions of how to hold our arms out and close our eyes and don't cry when the shot happened. I remember her grabbing the seat backs with each hand and lifting her skinny body off the floor and running in place.



The bus driver never intervened but I saw him grinning as he surveyed the action from his mirror. This had become good entertainment and someone yelled "Irene, do the hand jive". Now every kid on the bus could hand jive some but the real hand jive requires good muscle memory and rhythm and inspiration. Hands slapping bare skin done right with a little song is acapella at its best. Irene's threadbare dress and bare legs became the perfect percussive instruments when she began the "hambone". Add to all this her unique touch of taking her fingers and everting her upper eyelids upward while body slapping to "hambone, hambone, where you been, roun the world an goin agin, hambone, hambone where's yo wife, in the keechin cookin rice....", and she danced us all the way to school. We were a changed bunch of kids on arriving at Kettleman City Elementary School that morning. We were stronger and confident that we could handle the shots but hoped that they came later in the day. Disembarking, Irene led the way and soon disappeared. We didn't have long to wait because the teachers

began to herd us toward the cafeteria and into the chrome stalls that led down the food service line. I remember the cooks and servers working in the kitchen and no food to be seen and a nurse at the other end of the line. I don't remember hearing any crying just a hushed line of kids inching toward the nurse's station and an open door beyond.

Now that I think, this school was so different from the scores of other schools I knew as a kid. It was nice and all, with good playground equipment, an auditorium, even a big outdoor swimming pool. But I cannot remember more than one specific teacher, meaning a personality. The place was basically impersonal. Kettleman City Elementary was efficient in processing us itinerants and maybe just a little clinical. They had oil money, enough to hire a higher class of teachers and looking back, I think we could have been the subject of a new sociological trial program. Like cattle lured by a salt lick, we kids gravitated to the warmth and nourishment of the school, and in particular the cafeteria where wholesome food and milk waited. In that light, I think it was devious how polio vaccine was switched for food that day. They tricked us!

My personal strength as a kid was a good imagination. I could imagine my way to other places and times when bored and used this power as a form of quiet entertainment. I was imagining a new bike or something while in line as we crept forward. I had briefly considered breaking out of line and ducking under the rails and running out the door past the nurse but the man with a white shirt and tie standing next to the exit nixed that plan. He probably was the principal and he had powers far beyond polio shots at his disposal. Men with suits and ties were mysteriously powerful to camp kids. No, I decided



to follow Irene's advice and take my medicine stoically that morning. I wondered where was she anyway. I figured she had been the first in line and was already outside in the playground on the swings or sporting her bravery medal or new shoes which surely they would honor her with. Some people are naturally gifted with character and inner strength. On the other hand, I was a follower, and happy to be led. I would leave greatness to the chosen few.

The screaming from behind, and around the corner at the start of the line jarred me awake. Someone was yelling, crying, shrieking, screaming and begging all at the same time and the line behind me collapsed into disorder, blocking the view toward the commotion. I could see two or three adults above the kids heads and they were busy wrestling at something about their knee level. Still under the influence of my imagination my first thought was maybe a coyote and wandered in and had panicked the line, except I heard one of the adults yell "hold her down, grab her legs".

Just like that, my courage evaporated and panic gripped my nerves. Maybe I could run out the back door. Where was Irene when we needed her the most? (To be continued next month)

## **IEVFS Annual Festival!**

REDLANDS, CA, OCTOBER 10, 2009: The Inland Empire Valley Flute Society will host their annual Flute Festival on Saturday, October 10, 2009 from 9:00am to 5:00pm at the Salvation Army Church in Redlands, CA.

The annual Flute Festival is an opportunity for flutists of all ages and skill levels to perform in a master class setting accommodating ensemble and solo performances. A sight-reading session for all flutists in attendance will present a variety of works for large flute ensemble. A variety of vendors will be present as well as a music themed silent auction to raise funds for the IEVFS Scholarship Fund.

Ms. Paige Dashner Long will be the festivals' featured artist. As an internationally recognized flute choir director and contrabass flutist, Ms Long will be the clinician for the master classes and has selected music for the sight reading session. The festival will conclude with an exciting performance by Ms Long with accompaniment by the Silver Sounds Flute Ensemble and members of the IEVFS. Classical and popular pieces arranged for flute choir will feature Ms Long on contrabass flute and pieces arranged by Ms Long herself.

For registration information and more information on the Festival please visit inlandempirevalleyflutesociety.com or e-mail ievflutesociety@gmail.com. For more information about Ms Paige Dashner Long please visit www.contraflute.com.

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## VIRGINIA'S VIEWPOINT

by Virginia Harford

#### HALLOWEEN: PARTY SAFE **AND HAVE FUN!**

The Grand Terrace Women's Club will celebrate Halloween again this year at Pico Park with its carnival and fun activities. This is where you should take your children. It is safe and good clean fun without the disasters that can and have befallen children who go out trick or treating to residences. The Women's club has provided this way of entertainment for many years. **GRAND TERRACE SENIOR CENTER KITCHEN:** 

Late last month on September 23 the City of Grand Terrace sent representatives to the Senior Center to inspect the drain problem and see what could be done about it. According to Don Bartee, longtime resident and senior center member the obligation falls on the city. It appears that no one is able to demand that the contractor or the architect take responsibility for the absence of proper drains in the kitchen.

This problem never surfaced at last month's council meeting. What will be done remains to be seen.

#### THE BLUE MOUNTAIN CITY

Denis Kidd, made his plea to the council regarding Blue Mountain property. He feels that since Grand Terrace continues to claim ownership of the mountain, the fact is that this city only owns but a small percentage of the property on Blue Mountain. Apparently there is some private ownership but the largest part of the area is owned my Loma Linda.

#### **POLITICIANS AND THEIR OWN PRIORITIES:**

In late August or early September Assemblyman Bill Emmerson sent out postcards inviting many of us to a breakfast at the Food Connection to discuss concerns for which he could respond. I was looking forward to this meeting because I had had a favorable experience with Emmerson a few months ago.

Jon Copal is a lobbyist who is trying to raise money to fund his efforts to defeat the efforts he claims several politicians are mounting to combat the effects of Proposition 13, the Jarvis law that allows those of us who have very old homes not pay as much property tax as those with newer homes. We have had this break for several years and it appears to be a strong law.

Copal has sent out many requests for money to help his cause. I don't really understand his position unless he, too, is an owner of old property. I sent him money one time but the requests didn't stop. I am not happy to be constantly bombarded with requests for donations that never seem to get enough money to leave you alone for a while.

I called Bea Cortes about Jon Copal and Prop. 13 and she suggested I call Bill Emmerson. I did that and after several days of effort finally got connected with him. He told me that there was no danger of Prop. 13 being changed or eliminated that I did not have to worry about my property taxes taking a humongous leap in the wrong direction.

I really wanted to thank him for easing my mind. But lo and behold when I arrived at the Food Connection on the appointed date to meet with and question Bill Emmerson, he was nowwhere to be found. His lackeys were in charge of the meeting. (Oh, by the way this was not a breakfast that Emmerson was buying for us; we were told on the invitation that the food was "no host" in other words we had to buy our own). That should have been a clue. We were told with a notice as we arrived that the assemblyman would not be attending, that he had another meeting. Why was that meeting more important? I was there to see and talk to Emmerson and promptly walked out!

I am truly appalled that so many of our politicians have not the slightest notion who they are representing and what their not knowing, may have to

Gas lines repaired on Prospect Ave. and Transit Avenue.

do with their position and continued ability to continue to be voted into that office.

This past few years have been a rude awakening to me and many like me. I am sure and we are very disappointed to erroneously believe that we have had representational government, a joke.

#### **THE HARD OF HEARING:**

A recent article in one of our community newspapers, not the one you are holding in your hand, was an exercise in stupidity in my opinion. The writer admonished those who are in the presence of persons who are hard of hearing not to repeat their words or to raise their voice. My question to that writer is this: When did you become the advocate for the hearing people of this world since you have not one ounce of empathy or compassion for those who are losing their hearing?

I happen to be nearing 80 years of age and have lost a great deal of my ability to hear. I wear a hearing aid. The only thing it does for me is help me understand voices on television. If you are not happy with repeating to me or raising your voice a little, I don't need you to shout, just raise it a little then consider this: speak to me or any other HOH person face to face so they can interpret your body language, if you turn your back the message will be garbled. And try to understand that the person is not trying to annoy you-they really cannot hear you. Above all try to be more sympathetic. After all, this may someday happen to you! FINIS Editor's note: The opinions expressed in this article are the viewpoints of its author and do not necessarily reflect the viewpoints of the "Highgrove Happenings"



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### A by Jerry Loving

### Cash for Clunkers

In my last column I wrote about the clunker program and how people who couldn't afford a new car were given a free handout if they got rid of their old gas hogs. And, much to our surprise again, the taxpayers took the hit and America was the victim of an international rip-off in car sales.

Nearly 700,000 vehicles for a total of nearly three billion dollars \$3,000,000,000) was doled out to clunker dumpers. Did our car manufacturers get the dollars? Please read on. Now, cars outsold trucks two to one and people traded their American made clunkers for Japanese and South Korean automobiles. General Motors and Chrysler are taking the biggest hits and are nearing bankruptcy at a fast pace. In other words, our tax dollars went overseas, again, and we, the taxpayers, thru our smiling President and Congress got the shaft one more time. We have all reached the point where we don't even feel it anymore. Toyota Motor Corp, Honda Motor Co, Nissan Motor Co, and Hyundai Motor Co were the biggest receivers of our tax dollars. In other words, overseas manufacturers dominated the new vehicle sales while the U.S. manufacturers got their share thru selling light trucks. Ford Motor Co was the only domestic manufacturer to hold its own in the market share. But the vehicles that were sold were made in either Canada or China, so not only did our tax dollars go to foreign countries, even our own companies took our



dollars out of the country. Toyota's "clunkers" market share was 19.4 percent and Honda captured 13 percent of the "clunkers" market. Nissan accounted for nearly 9 percent of "clunkers" sales and Hyundai was also a big winner with a 7 percent share of the clunker dollars. At least Ford got 4 percent of the clunker dollars. Too bad they won't invest the money in plants in America. Folks, President Obama, has taken his family on some very expensive vacations and we paid for them. His trip to Yellowstone cost us \$1.2 million. I am wondering why he didn't take his family on these vacations or any vacation prior to becoming the smiling President of the U.S. He has his own "clunker vacation" self-serving program and I wonder how long it will be before American taxpayers realize that we got taken at the polls for President and at the foreign car lots. Wake up America, we are losing our country to socialism fast. Oh, I kept both of my clunkers because they are paid for. Now just watch the number of repossessions that will occur in 3 to 4 months on the Clunkers for Cash program. Greed is like a disease and it spreads quickly.

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Dogs and cats bring enjoyment to the lives of many people, whether it is to a proud owner of an award winning show dog, a growing family with a new kitten addition, or a police officer and his heavenly-sensed K-9. Other service animals, such as Seeing Eye dogs, also help protect and ease the lives of many. Why not share the joy your pet brings you with deserving others? Pets help deal with stress and can have a calming effect on many people. This quality that pets offer can be very beneficial, especially to those who have become ill. Hospitals all over the nation have volunteer programs that allow pet owners to share their pet's therapeutic powers.

Two programs that deserve special recognition are PAT, Pet Assisted Therapy provided at Santa Barbara Cottage Hospital and PAW connection, Pets Assisting Wellness offered at Loma Linda University Medical Center. The owners and their dogs visit hospital rooms (with the permission of the patient of course) and simply allow the patient to pet and cuddle with the animal. This truly has a relaxing effect and for this short time



people can focus on something other than the pain their illness presents.

If you and your pet are interested in providing your services, local hospitals are always willing to accept new volunteers! Both programs require that your dog has special training, approval by a veterinarian and an obedience certificate. After this process, your pet will be able to spread its joyful aura throughout your local hospital.

However, if you would like to receive this blissful remedy while staying at a hospital, it is recommended that you first seek the advice of your physician. Dealing with the hardships of cancer and other fatal diseases can cause an emotional defeat on almost any patient. With your doctor's approval, let a trained pet come visit you in your hospital bed during your time of need. The affection an animal provides has healing powers stronger than any medication or treatments a doctor can offer.



Near the entrance of the "Garden of the Gods Park" in Colorado we had to drive past this balanced rock where other magnificent rock formations exist.



### More Spring Mountain Ranch photos



This view was taken by the large top water tank (not shown) looking toward Highgrove showing 3 more water tanks, the new V channel, and a new block wall. There are a total of 4 water storage reservoirs. The 3 large ones are for domestic water for the homes and 1 smaller non-potible water tank is for irrigation.



Feeding the Bison



This bison was huge but didn't seem to be aftaid when I tried to feed him!





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Those who pre-purchase tickets to the Southern California Fair and use promotion code "socal03" will not only save money but a portion of their admission will support Family Service Association, a large nonprofit that serves Riverside and San Bernardino counties.

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For more information, please call Family Service Association at 951-686-1096.

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My name is Jerrilee Wehunt. I attend Harvest Christian School. I am in the fourth grade. My teacher's name is Mrs. S Henderson. She is awesome. My favorite subjects are Math and P.E. I look forward to going to school everyday. I am so blessed.

Jerrilee is the granddaughter of Rosemary

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Jerrilee Wehunt



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