



HIGHGROVE HAPPENINGS



Dedicated to the improvement of our community through awareness and involvement in local issues
(FREE) Local News for the Highgrove Area February 2014

Iowa Ave. Overpass dedicated Jan. 8, 2014



City of Riverside Mayor, Rusty Bailey made the opening remarks at the official dedication of the Iowa Ave. overpass at 9:00 am on Jan. 8, 2014.

It was a day that we have all have been waiting for! The overpass over the BNSF main line at Iowa Ave. will enable traffic to continue in and out of Highgrove without having to wait on freight trains or passenger trains. Construction started when the street was closed on Oct. 1, 2012.

Many of the businesses in Highgrove were drastically affected due to the street closure during the construction process that took one year and 3 months to complete. The overpass is within the city limits of Riverside and is the main north/south arterial between Riverside and Highgrove, where it connects to the I-215 in Colton.

With the assistance of Local, State and Federal funding the construction has now been completed. According to Riverside Mayor, Rusty Bailey, Iowa Ave. has 16,000 vehicles per day, including 25 school busses and 25 RTA busses. This project cost approximately \$31.3 million and required relocation of utilities, communication lines, gas lines and sewer lines. RCTC invested more than \$11million in Federal funds, the State of California \$16.5 mil-

lion from the State Proposition 1B Trade Corridor Improvement Funds, BNSF railroad contributed \$1.4 million, and the City of Riverside invested \$2.1 million dollars.

Mayor Bailey thanked the contractor Security Paving and their sub-contractors and the Hill International team for construction management of this project.

Mike Gardner, Riverside City Councilman in his comments at the podium, stated that there are 90 freight trains and 10 passenger trains per day along this segment of the Burlington Northern Santa Fe rail line. The rail traffic prior to the grade separation had approximately 6 hours per day of traffic delay for the average driver. Beyond helping residents, visitors and businesses in this area, this grade separation eliminates approximately 3 minutes average delay for each emergency responder that encounters a train. This project will improve the quality of life for nearby businesses and residents.

After the ribbon cutting the dignitaries rode over the overpass in our 1957 Chevrolet (Cont. on P. 5)



L-R: Riverside City Councilmen Jim Perry and Mike Soubirous, California State Transportation Commissioner Joe Tavaglione, Mayor Rusty Bailey, Riverside City Councilmen Mike Gardner and Chris MacArthur. The road has been closed since Oct. 1, 2012 when construction started.

Betsy Ross celebrates her 91st birthday by returning to her Highgrove birthplace with her family!



Front row: Tom Ross (brother, Moreno Valley), Betsy Ross Godwin, 91st birthday (now residing in Yorba Linda), Cindy Godwin Holbrook (daughter, Yorba Linda) 2nd Row: Darlene Fringer (sister-in-law, Riverside), Pat Ross (wife of Tom Ross, Moreno Valley), Nancy Ross Fiveland (sister, Riverside) 3rd Row: Jim Fringer (husband of Darlene Fringer, Riverside), Bethany Holbrook Plumb (Granddaughter, Orange) Back Row: Leilani Fiveland (niece, Riverside), Alice Holbrook (Granddaughter, Yorba Linda)

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Highgrove Community Center Hours: Mon-Thur 8am-4pm; Fri 8am-2pm

Highgrove Community Park Hours: Dawn to Dusk

Contact: (951) 341-6634 (951) 786-6912



THE NORTON YOUNGLOVE COMMUNITY CENTER

459 Center Street- Highgrove web site: www.nycchighgrove.com



Center Hours: Mon-Thu 8am to 4pm Fri 8am to 2pm
February 2014

Feb 4, 7, 11, 28 from 8-10 resource table event: Southern California Gas Co. (SoCalGas) customers will soon be able to view their daily gas usage information online as SoCalGas begins installing Advanced Meters in the Inland Empire. The SoCalGas upgrade to its natural gas metering system involves adding a small battery-powered communication device on existing residential and business customers' meters throughout Southern California. Advanced Meter Overview Fact Sheet and Frequently Asked Question information available daily Monday through Friday.

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10AM-11AM Diabetes Prevention and Management Class at no cost to you provided by Riverside Community Health Foundation hosted by Carolina 951-3530711. **Work shop topics:** Feb 4 "Latino Kitchen", Feb 11 "With Open Eyes", Feb 18 "Stay in Touch", Feb 25 "Something to Smile About", Mar 4 "Healthy Mind, Healthy Body"

January 7th and 21st 9AM - 2PM County Regional Medical Center Mobile Health Clinic is here to help answer any questions and do blood pressure and blood sugar checks, general medical exams, and health screenings at no cost to you. No appointments needed!

February 10th from 10:30 - 11:30 County of Riverside Dept of Public Health Elida 951-358-5895: Join us for a series of Nutrition Classes (5) for Families. We'll discuss the secrets to healthy shopping, making family-friendly meals, discovering MyPlate, Rethink Your Drink, yoga class and more! The Network for a Healthy will be providing classes once a month every second Monday of each month through June. There will be prizes for attendance including cookbooks, aprons, shopping note pads, and a food demonstration with samples.

February 17th—Closed Holiday Observed
"Mobile Fresh" - Bringing Fresh Produce to your Community. Schedule for Highgrove stop to follow.
 Proceeds go to the Community Center and its daily operations

459 Center Street, Highgrove, CA. 92507 (951) 341-6634 Fax: (951) 779-3099

Points of Interest

Aerodance Exercise
 Morning: Mon-Thu 9am \$8/week or \$2.00/class. Evening: Mon-Wed, Fri 6:30pm \$2.50/class Sat 8:30am \$2.50

Sewing Class
 Wed 10:30am. Call Sandra 951-616-7787 for project materials info and clothing alteration services.

Balloon Arrangement Class
 Wed 8:30am \$15 class/10 class course
 Completion Certificate awarded

3-Dimensional Gelatin Molding Class
 5 minimum sign up to schedule class. \$15 class/10 class course.
 Completion certificate awarded

Flower Class
 Wed 11am \$15/10 class course.
 Completion Certificate awarded

Child & Me Classes
 Thursdays 11:30 - 12:30. FREE Program

The Art of Cake Decorating Baking Thu 6pm intensive course/25 classes. \$15 per class. Info: Marivel 951-275-6815
 Completion certificate awarded.

E-Taekwondo United (Karate Class) Mon & Wed 6PM
 call Master Elvis Chavez 909-293-8538 for detailed info.

Square & Line Dance
 Tue 6:30pm \$6 donation. Info: 909-823-0294 or 951-788-4245
www.riversidesinglesswingers.com

English Class
 Mon & Thu 10AM 10 Week Program. \$1.00/class

Polynesian Dance Class
 Mon & Wed 5:30 PM \$3/class or \$5/week

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Healthy Eating Series

Join us for interactive learning and a lively discussion about nutrition, physical activity, and your family's health.

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Riverside County Department of Public Health is providing a series of classes. Get the information you need to make healthy changes to improve the quality of your life. Everyone is welcome to attend – **it's FREE!**
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Address:
 459 Central St.,
 Highgrove, 92507

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

Dates: Second Monday of every month

- February 10th
- March 10th
- April 14th
- May 12th
- June 9th

Time: 10:30 to 11:30 AM

Free cookbook and prizes with regular attendance!

County of Riverside
 Department of Public Health

The Historic Rail Lines of Highgrove

by Jim Wood

Over one hundred years ago, tiny steam locomotives and new electric trollies swam through the sea of orange groves that surrounded Highgrove. The triple tracks of today began as a single track that opened back in 1882. Highgrove then was the California Southern Railroad stop for steam engine powered trains carrying passengers to and from Colton, Temecula, Fallbrook, and San Diego. Later stops on this line even included Perris, Elsinore, and San Bernardino. The Santa Fe Railway, now BNSF, eventually absorbed the line, including a track running west to Riverside. The little wooden station sat near Center Street between the two tracks.



The old Santa Fe Depot was on the south side of Center St. between the track to San Jacinto (behind the depot) and the main track to Riverside.

Further east up Center Street there is a single track that is now abandoned. This was used by the tiny steamers of the Southern California Motor Road from 1888. The engines were disguised as trollies to appeal to the rural public and to prevent frightening horses. One of them (number 20) is preserved at Travel Town in Griffith Park. Passengers could ride south to Riverside or north to San Bernardino using a link to another motor line there. The old rails now end near Marlborough Ave at a location formerly called Point of Rocks and the other end was recently cut off by the widening of the I-215 freeway.

Around 1913, Highgrove passengers could catch the new Pacific Electric red trolley cars and travel to distant towns like Corona, Redlands, Rialto, and even Los Angeles. The trolley stopped at Center Street on what is now the 215 freeway. Old tracks nearby at De Berry Street date back to 1903.

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SMILE MAKERS WORKSHOP
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8TH
11:00 am - 1:30 pm

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 Sign-up, in advance at the Highgrove Library to volunteer.
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Highgrove Library
530 W. Center St., Highgrove, CA 92507

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 Visit our web site: www.conkerrcancer.org or call (909) 258-6793 to volunteer, host a sewing event or for more information.

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Graffiti Hot line
951-955-3333
<http://www.rcgraffitibusters.com>

Street Lights Out in Highgrove
 Report Street Light outage: call (951) 955-3224
 or e mail Hazel Spruell hspruell@rivcoeda.org.
 Provide address and cross street and pole # if possible.

Report Illegal Trash Dumping!

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Call Riverside County Waste Management
951-955-5650
 To Report illegal dumping in Riverside County online:
<http://user.govoutreach.com/riversideco/>



The Inland Division faces the widest spectrum of traffic enforcement challenges of the CHP's field Divisions. Officers patrol an area larger than 12 individual states. Included in the geographical boundaries are the lowest point in the United States at Death Valley, and the highest point in the contiguous 48 states at Mt. Whitney.

Officers working the western section of the Division encounter some of the most intensely congested roads in the nation at the intersections of Interstates 10, 15, 215 and Highways 210, 91, 71 and 60. In the Division's sparsely populated eastern region, motorists tend to speed. All freeways have been adopted for radar enforcement.

Inland's two fixed-wing airplanes and two helicopters are essential to the enforcement operation. The fixed-wing planes patrol hundreds of miles a day over the desert and along the Sierra's sheer eastern face. The helicopters are a vital tool for the desert and mountain areas where people are injured or stranded while driving their off-highway vehicles, or become lost while hiking.

The Special Enforcement Unit (SEU), with 8 officers and 4 specially trained dogs has received honors at the local, state and national levels for the number and size of its drug seizures and the number of persons arrested. In addition to the team honors, individual officers also have been recognized for their drug interdiction efforts on Inland's freeways. In 2006, SEU confiscated drugs worth \$139.7 million, up from \$81.7 million in 2005.

New Colors of Highgrove T-Shirts available!

If you live in Highgrove you need a T-Shirt that has our Highgrove logo on the front and a 1916 Highgrove citrus label on the back. Some say: "Where Center St. is the main street and Main St. is at the edge of town" Others say: Where half of our main street is in the next county".

"Highgrove Song" & Music Video




CD \$3.00 **\$10.00 Adult S,M,L**
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T-shirt samples can be seen at:
 Zorba's Burgers: 450 Iowa Ave.
 Chris' Burgers: 407 Iowa Ave.

HIGHGROVE SHERIFF REPORT
 Dec. 3-16, 2013



Part 1 crimes increased by 25% from 4 to 5 over the past 2 weeks in Highgrove. The total of violent crimes decreased from 3 to 2, homicide stayed the same at 0, rape stayed the same at 0, Robbery stayed the same at 0, aggravated assault decreased from 3 to 2, property crimes increased from 1 to 2, burglary increased from 0 to 1, auto theft stayed the same at 0, larceny theft increased 1 to 2, arson stayed the same at 0, and vehicle burglary stayed the same at 0.

Sheriff Dept.: (951) 776-1099 X 5 (Non emergency)
 Capt. Danny Feltenberger (951) 955 2600
 Lieutenant. Ken Ditton (951) 955 2629

Hot line tips for Highgrove area: (951) 955-2600



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For More Information Contact:
 Bill - 951.712.8322 - billbartel@yahoo.com or Carey - 951.500.9605 - highgroveponyleague@yahoo.com

With the new authorized PONY BALL travel ball division, the Southwest Pony District is now in full swing. Most of all PONY groups intend to be a part of this new venue. Highgrove is in full swing now with spring sign-ups at the snack bar on Saturdays from 9:00 am until noon.

Board meetings are on the second Tuesday of each month for the next three months. If you intend on staying on the board you must attend these meetings. We have new exciting news to share about the 66ers participation and sponsorship and the NEW travel ball division for Southwest PONY. Also the new larger area that Highgrove can draw from for teams.

For more information please contact billbartel@yahoo.com or Carey (951) 500 9605 or highgroveponyleague@yahoo.com

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Monthly newspapers are delivered to each Highgrove resident along with Public Offices and businesses in Highgrove, Grand Terrace, Colton, Riverside County and Riverside City.



(A minimal transaction fees will be applied)

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Printer closes doors

R P Publications in Colton surprised us when we picked up our Jan. 2014 issue. About 10 minutes after we picked up our papers and we were only about one mile away, we received a phone call saying that the papers we just picked up were the last issue to be printed at their building because they are going out of business, selling their equipment and closing their doors! (Why couldn't they have told us face to face?)

Our paper was not the only one to be blind sided! R P Publications also printed the Blue Mountain Outlook in Grand Terrace and the Grand Terrace High School newspaper, the Titan Echo. I notified them and they didn't know either about them closing. I do not know how many other small newspapers and school papers have been left without a printer.

Ron Pace bought the Colton Courier in 1979 but started R P Publications in Colton in 1991 with his son Ken. For 20 years R P Publications has been publishing the Highgrove Happenings and we have acquired a good following. But we were not given any notice or we could have printed something about it in our Jan. 2014 Highgrove Happenings.

So what did we do?

For 3 weeks we tried to see if there was another location to get our newspaper printed but small local printers are hard to find. We also considered going Green by printing an on-line issues only if we couldn't find another printer. We have been on-line since July 2008 and anyone can still go to our web-site and pull up any issue from any month since July of 2008. In fact that is the way we brought the local news to you. We would publish the paper on-line and the next morning R P Publications in Colton would take it off line, print the newspaper, and call us when

they were ready so we could pick them up.

We have already contacted several businesses that advertise with us and many businesses said they would continue advertising with us even if we were on-line only. We have people who read it on-line anyway due to the distance between Highgrove and where they live such as Albany, New York and Carson City, Nevada, for example and we have about 30 on our mailing list.

Here is the good news!

On Jan. 22, 2014, Ardie and I took Sally McGuire from the Blue Mountain Outlook, to Ontario and met with Reed Printing about printing both papers.

We know that many people like to read our paper in the printed form instead of on-line only but it has been a real challenge to find a printer who is willing to print what is considered in the printing world as a small amount. We want to thank Mike Reed for agreeing to print our small local newspaper.

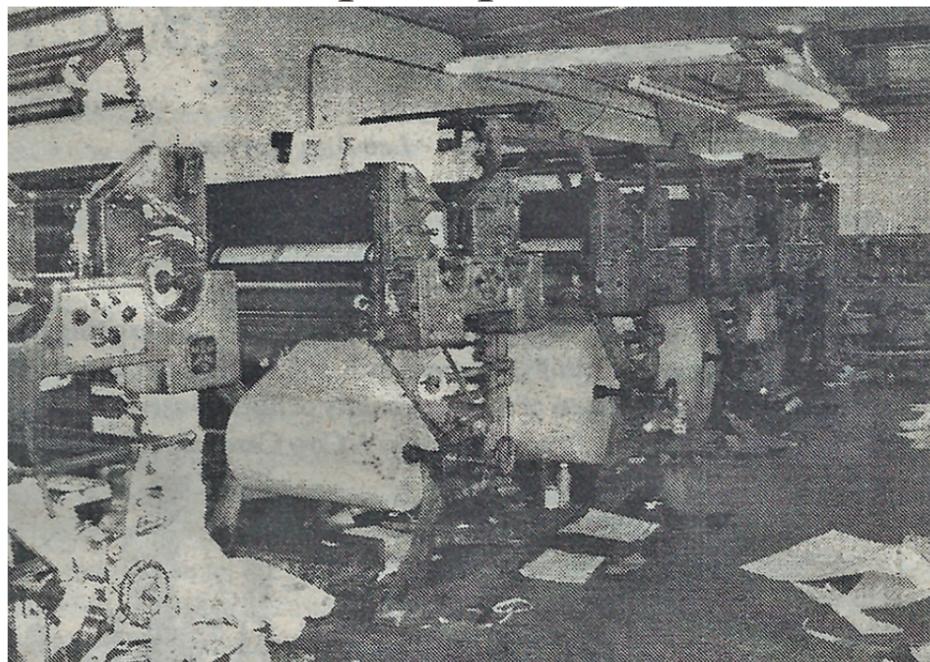
The end result is that starting with this February 2014 issue we will print more copies than before, we will have full color pictures on the front page, pages 8 and 9, and on page 16. And our papers will be printed on a whiter, higher quality paper with no increase in advertising rates to our regular customers.

As you can see, we have worked very hard to keep costs down in order to enable us to continue your free home delivery.

This is your local paper but we need your help! We need articles from you, photos e-mailed to us from your cell phone or camera, and people who want to sell advertising. We have no subscriptions but donations will be accepted.

Give us a call to see how you can help. **(951) 683 4994 or highgrovenews@roadrunner.com**

Stop the presses!



The photo above appeared with an article we printed in December of 2003 when we showed where our paper used to be printed in Colton. The presses in Colton shown above have stopped but our paper will now be printed by Reed Printing in Ontario shown in the photo below.



Mike Reed of Reed Printing is shown explaining part of the printing operation to "Barney" of the Highgrove Happenings and Sally McGuire of the Blue Mountain Outlook that is the Grand Terrace Area Chamber of Commerce newspaper. Reed Printing has a very large building that is filled with machinery and offices. Their press in the background is very large and these presses sometimes run 19 hours because they have the capabilities to print many pages for a lot of customers. Ours is the smallest run they have ever done so we have a lot of room to get more readers.



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Iowa Overpass opened

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convertible. We made about 3 trips over the new overpass and we thanked all of them for their contribution for making this project happen.

Some of those who attended and contributed that were not shown in the other photos were: Assistant City Managers, Belinda Graham and Deanna Lorson and Kathy Michalak, Chair of the Hunter Park Chamber of Commerce and Tom Boyd, Director of Riverside Public Works.

You may remember Tom Boyd from the Riverside City Public Works who attended the Highgrove Municipal Advisory Council public meetings at the Norton Younglove Community Center several years ago when he told us about the proposed overpass. At that time there was no

provision for a left hand or south-bound turn toward Riverside (by the Lily cup) for traffic from Citrus St. on the east side of the overpass. As a result of input by the Highgrove MAC and with the cooperation of Tom Boyd and others, there will be two traffic signals installed on the overpass. There will be one on the south side and one on the north side for better traffic movement in both directions. The signals will be installed later but meanwhile stop signs will be used. He also said that Citrus St. between the overpass eastward to Northgate/Prospect will also be re-paved as part of the improvements to this area. Thank you again Tom and everyone else who has contributed to this project!

Please continue to drive carefully in this area because workmen may still be putting the icing on the cake!

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There was a good turnout for the ribbon cutting ceremony and in addition to the chairs provided some of the people preferred to stand near the Lily Cup which is a historical monument that had to be protected during the construction. (I wonder how many ounces that cup actually holds!)



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FINANCIAL FOCUS

Are You Prepared for the Unexpected?

When you're working to achieve your financial objectives, you will encounter obstacles. Some of these can be anticipated — for example, you won't be able to invest as much as you want for retirement because you have to pay for your mortgage. Other challenges can't be easily anticipated, but you can still plan for them — and you should.

Obviously, the word "unexpected," by definition, implies an unlimited number of possibilities. However, at different stages of your life, you may want to watch for some "expected" unexpected developments.

For example, during your working years, be prepared for the following:

- **Emergency expenses** — If you needed a major car or home repair, could you handle it? What about a temporary job loss? These events are costly — especially if you are forced to dip into your long-term investments to pay for them. To help guard against these threats, try to build an emergency fund containing six to 12 months' worth of living expenses, held in a liquid, low-risk account.

- **Investment risk and market volatility** — Extreme price swings are unpredictable, and they can affect your investment success. To defend yourself against wild gyrations in the market, build a diversified portfolio containing quality investments. While diversification, by itself, can't protect against loss or guarantee profits, it can help reduce the effect of volatility on your portfolio. And here's one more thing you can do to cope with the ups and downs of investing: Maintain a long-term perspective. By doing so, you won't be tempted to overreact to short-term downturns.

- **Long-term disability** — One-third of all people between the ages of 30 and 64 will become disabled at some point, according to the Health Insurance Association of America.

Disabilities can be economically devastating. As part of your benefits package, your employer may offer some disability insurance, but you may need to supplement it with private coverage.

- **Premature death** — None of us can really predict our longevity. If something happens to you, would your family be able to stay in your home? Could your children still attend college? To protect these goals, you need adequate life insurance.

As you approach retirement, and during your retirement years, you may want to focus on these challenges:

- **Living longer than expected** — You probably don't think that "living longer than expected" is necessarily a bad thing. However, a longer-than-anticipated life span also carries with it the risk of outliving your money. Consequently, you may want to consider investment solutions that can provide you with an income stream that you can't outlive. Also, you'll need to be careful about how much you withdraw each year from your various retirement and investment accounts.

- **Need for long-term care** — If you had to stay a few years in a nursing home, the cost could mount to hundreds of thousands of dollars. These expenses could jeopardize your financial security, so you'll need to protect yourself. You could "self-insure," but as that would be extremely costly, you may want to "transfer the risk" to an insurance company. A financial professional can help explain your choices.

None of us can foresee all the events in our lives. But in your role as an investor, you can at least take positive steps to prepare for the unexpected — and those steps should lead you in the right direction as you move toward your important goals.

This article was written by Edward Jones for use by your local Edward Jones Financial Advisor.

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Forever Dreams for Veterans!

Forever Dreams for Veterans was created as a loving tribute designed to benefit the Military by raising funds and awareness for the treatment of PTSD (Post Dramatic Stress Disorder) and TBI (Traumatic Brain Injury). Here is a rare opportunity to witness the astounding breakthroughs in Mental Illness, with a special presentation on Hyperbaric Oxygen therapy by the Honorable Marty Hoffman & Robert Beckman for the treatment of Brain Injury and PTSD!

(PTSD) and (TBI) are directly related to the high number of suicides with our military veterans and soldiers. An unfathomable number - over 25 suicides a day in America, with an additional 40 or more attempted!

The day begins with our 1st official **Rose Of Love Bikers Run** which is a tribute for America and our past, present, and future military veterans and their families, hosted by Riverside Harley Davidson. The Rolling Thunders, West Coast Thunders, and other biker groups will ride throughout the Inland Empire and usher in A Rose in the Riverside National Cemetery by placing them at one of the Memorials.

Rose of Love Bikers Run: Pre-Registration: www.foreverdreamsforveterans.com or on Sunday February 23, 2014 at 8:30 am at Riverside Harley-Davidson. The ride starts at 10:00 am.

Honorable Marty Hoffman will be leading the ride in 'Angel One' from Fueled by the Fallen; founded by Kevin Major Howard (from the movie-Full Metal Jacket.) These 5 Camaros have been designed to honor our fallen from the five branches of the military, and those we lost on 9-11-2001. A special presentation by Honorable Marty Hoffman, will be made as he lays a beautiful wreath of roses on the plot designated for the long-awaited Vietnam Memorial

at the Riverside Veterans Cemetery.

WHEN: Feb. 23, 2014

Schedule:

8:30 am -10:00 am Breakfast
Riverside Harley Davidson 7688
Indiana Ave., Riverside.

\$25.00 per motorcycle-Registration
at Riverside Harley Davidson (951)
785 0100 or pre-register at: www.foreverdreamsforveterans.com

10:00 am Ride to Riverside National
Cemetery for dedication ceremony
for our Veterans.

Ride from Cemetery to Eagles

After the ceremony at the cemetery
there will be a free party at the Eagles
Aerie 997 located at 466 E. La Cade-
na Dr. on the east side of the I-215
freeway at the Center St./Highgrove
exit of the freeway.

The Eagles are hosting the event
in cooperation with Biker's Alley
who will provide live music from
the Biker's Alley Roaddawg Blues/
Classic Rock Band and others. There
will be a Jam session so come on
down and join us at the Eagles for
free family fun and music. Food and
beverages will be available.

Let's bring healing to the horren-
dous number suicides a day with our
soldiers and veterans. Make history
with us as we introduce the treat-
ments that have been effective for
so many of our military recipients.

We are introducing the Capstone
"Treat Now" Coalition led by the
Former U.S. Secretary of Army,
the Honorable Marty Hoffman and
Robert Beckman, Ph.D. Come and
witness the powerful treatment for
PTSD and TBI utilizing Hyperbaric
Oxygen Therapy on February 23rd,
2014 at the Riverside Municipal Au-
ditorium and event center. The expert
Wellness Expo on Mental Illness will
be from 10 am-3 pm, a Healthy Taste
of Riverside from 12-2 pm, and an
expert demonstration on the main
stage will be from 2-4:30 pm. There
is no admission charge for these
events at the Riverside Municipal

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Phil's Philosophy

by Phil Turner

Drag Racing



This month, right here in Southern California, Pomona to be exact, we welcome in the start of the new drag racing season. The season progresses across the country, and ends here in November with the National Finals.

In my opinion, drag racing is the most exciting, by a bunch, spectator sport. I've been to a Super Bowl, NASCAR, and a World Series. The only thing that closely compares is sitting at the end of the runway at DaNang and watching a flight of F4 Phantoms take off.

It is crazy, smoke flying across the track, earth shakingly loud.

The AA Fuel cars go from 0 to 325 miles per hour in 1000 feet. The tracks have recently been shortened for the fuel cars from 1/4 mile (1320 feet), for safety. The cars were going just way too fast.

When I was in high school the 1/4 mile record was about 186 miles per hour. These cars now have engines that burn a blend of alcohol and nitro methane, and develop 10,000 horsepower. The record now for the same distance is 337 miles per hour.

Drag racing, and hot rodding as well started right here in Southern California. Guys returning from WWII, with training on fast airplanes and mechanics in general, began modifying their jalopies, to make them faster, and cooler looking. They took parts off to reduce weight, added displacement, bigger carburetors, some aerodynamics, and the American Hot Rod was born.

The NHRA, National Hot Rod Association was started by Wally Parks over 50 years ago, again right here in Southern California. This is the sanctioning body for drag racing. Their goal is safety for both the drivers and spectators.

The sport has many classes, from pretty much stock cars off the showroom, backyard garage modified, to nationally sponsored AA Fuel cars that light up the track.

Unlike any sport that I can think of, spectators are welcomed in the pit area and can easily interact with and get photos and autographs of their favorite drivers. It's a very family friendly, and welcoming event. As the late Heuell Howser would say, "It just don't get any better than this".

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"



Three generations of Barnetts will be at the WINTERNATIONALS at Pomona: "Barney" and his two sons Mike and Billy Barnett and his grandson Kipp Loft. Mike is from Highland, Billy is from Encinitas and Kipp is from Hemet.

If you have never seen a dragster go from a standing start to 325 MPH in only 1,000 feet then **get some earplugs** and go to the Pomona Fairgrounds on Thursday Feb. 6, Fri. the 7th, Sat. the 8th or Sunday Feb. 9, 2014. This is the first race of the season and these cars will not return to Pomona until the end of the year so don't miss the WINTERNATIONALS! Tickets are available at the gate or by going to: NHRATIX.COM

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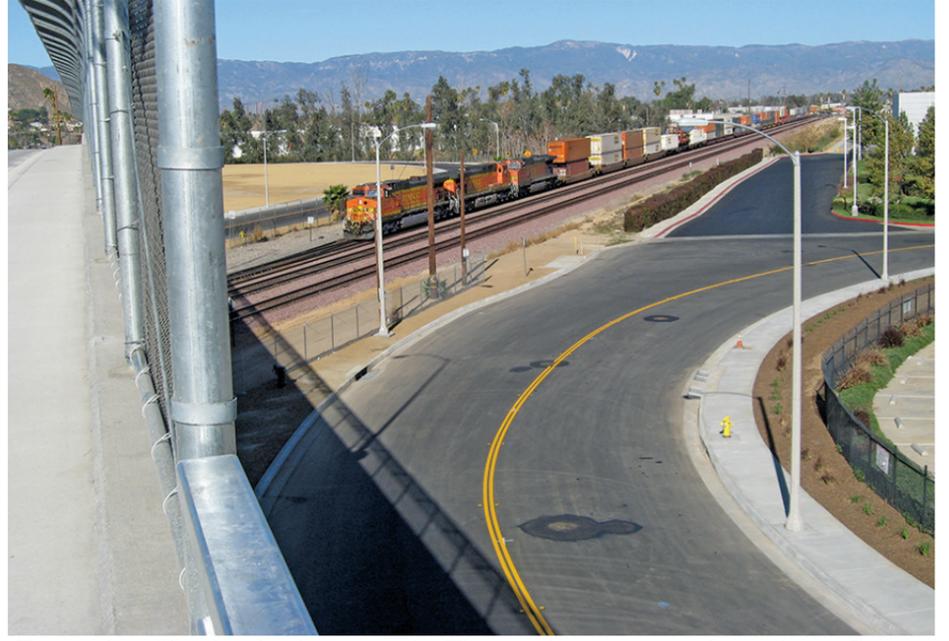
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New Iowa Ave. Overpass



Looking south toward Palmyrita Ave. and Riverside.

New color photographs!



East side of bridge looking north. The road curving to the right is Citrus.



Citrus St. curves up and connects to the bridge by the Lily cup.



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L-R: Councilman Mike Gardner, Mayor Rusty Bailey, Commissioner Joe Tavaglione and "Barney" Barnett taking the official trip over the bridge.



This is the top of the bridge looking northward toward Highgrove. We would like to thank Gary Bazo for taking lots of pictures of the overpass.



Under the bridge on the north side of the railroad tracks is Citrus St. that enables vehicles to go between the top of the bridge where a future traffic light will be installed and go under the bridge westward toward the freeway. There are 2 intersections on the bridge that will be controlled by traffic lights. The traffic light on the north side of the bridge will govern traffic between the top of the bridge and vehicles that want to go westbound on Citrus St. toward the freeway.



This picture was taken from under the bridge looking west at Citrus St. toward the freeway (the opposite direction from the picture on the left). The traffic light on the south end of the bridge by the Lily Cup will govern traffic between the top of the bridge and Citrus St. on the east side of the bridge for vehicles that want to travel between the bridge and Prospect/Northgate. Tom Boyd, Riverside Public Works Director said that the road between the Perris Valley Line track and Prospect/Northgate will be repaved. If you have driven down this road you probably know how rough the pavement is by the modular trailer plant on Citrus Street.

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Birthplace re-visited after 91 years!

Shortly after Christmas we received an e-mail asking if it would be OK if a former resident of our house could come by and see where she used to live. I recognized their last name so we set a date.

Then on Jan. 8, 2014 we received a phone call saying that they were leaving the Mission Inn and would be arriving in about 15 minutes. We were home so they came on over.

When I opened the front door I saw a long, black Limousine parked in front of our house and people were slowly starting to get out. I told Ardie to look out the front door and by then there were 10 people getting out of the limousine. We welcomed our visitors and I recognized 2 of them from the past. Many of you may remember Georgia Lee Petlanski who passed away in April of 2010 at the age of 85. I recognized Nancy Ross who is Georgia Lee's sister and I also recognized Tommy Ross, Nancy's brother but I had not seen them for many years.

After introductions we found out that it was Betsy Ross's 91st birthday and she was born in our front bedroom that we now use for an office for the Highgrove Happenings. The family limousine ride was arranged by Betsy's daughter Cindy Holbrook and the group came to Highgrove to bring back some good memories of their childhood days. They stood on the front porch for pictures and then we invited them inside.

We showed them the house and the book we made when we remodeled the house about 15 years ago. They told us what they remembered about their old house that was built in 1900.

My parents bought the house in

1947 from the Armbrusts, Tommy and Nancy's grandparents. We were glad to hear about the memories they had when their family lived in our house.

Tommy said that when he was young he was never allowed in the living room because that was his grandparents area and that was out of limits to children. There are large pocket doors between the living room and dining room that the grandparents used, but are now sealed back into the wall and the openings have been sealed over. They told us about watching their grandmother sitting by the dining room windows and mending.

Tommy said that before they lived in our house they lived on the N/E corner of Spring St. and the alley between Prospect and the railroad track. I also remember that the Smith family used to live there when I went to Highgrove Elementary School with Carol Smith.

Later that same house was owned by Russell Grecian who was evicted by the county for all of the code enforcement violations. The house was torn down and a few years ago a modular home was moved in and another house was built on the north end of Russel Grecian's old property.

A couple of days later we had another vehicle pull up in front of our house. This time it was a vehicle from Riverside Mission Florists bringing fresh flowers from the Ross family showing their appreciation for our hospitality.

Welcome Home and Happy Birthday, Betsy! We were glad you came back to your birthplace and brought your family with you!

"Barney" and Ardie Barnett

Bridgegate in 1958?

The Television and newspapers have been filled recently about New Jersey Governor Chris Christie being blamed for the traffic jam across the George Washington Bridge between New York and New Jersey. Political articles dominated the news for several weeks and this item will surely be brought up again if Christie becomes the Republican presidential nominee.

But this is not the first time the George Washington Bridge has been blocked and there will probably be many more traffic jams on this bridge in the future.

But when I read about "Bridgegate" it reminded me of what I was told in 2004 by TV star and recording artist, Pat Boone. Pat Boone was a popular male singer in the 50's and he was the Grand Marshall of the Route 66 Rendezvous in San Bernardino in 2004.

I was asked to escort Pat Boone in the celebrity parade in 2004 because I was just finishing rebuilding my 1958 Corvette and Pat Boone used to have a 1958 Corvette when he had his television show. They wanted a 1958 Corvette for him to ride in in the parade so they called me.

And with only 42 miles on my Corvette, testing the car up and down Spring St., I was honored to have him riding in my Corvette in the parade and we had a really good time! We

had his songs playing on the stereo and he was waving to everyone. He thought it was funny when I asked him to move his lips to his songs that were playing.

So what does this have to do with "Bridgegate"?

He told me that once when he was driving across the George Washington Bridge in his brand new 1958 Corvette, the motor died and it created a tremendous traffic jam on this same bridge. He said that his new 1958 Corvette had just been serviced for him but the mechanic failed to put new engine oil back into the engine and the motor froze up right on the bridge.

Pat Boone was already famous but he really became famous that day to the people who were stuck behind him on the bridge. He said it was one of his most embarrassing moments.

His incident probably didn't have anything to do with politics back then but the people stuck behind him in 1958 were probably just as frustrated as people on this same bridge 56 years later.



Pat Boone



Pat Boone, the Grand Marshal of the 2004 Route 66 Rendezvous in San Bernardino, is shown riding in our 58 Corvette in the parade.

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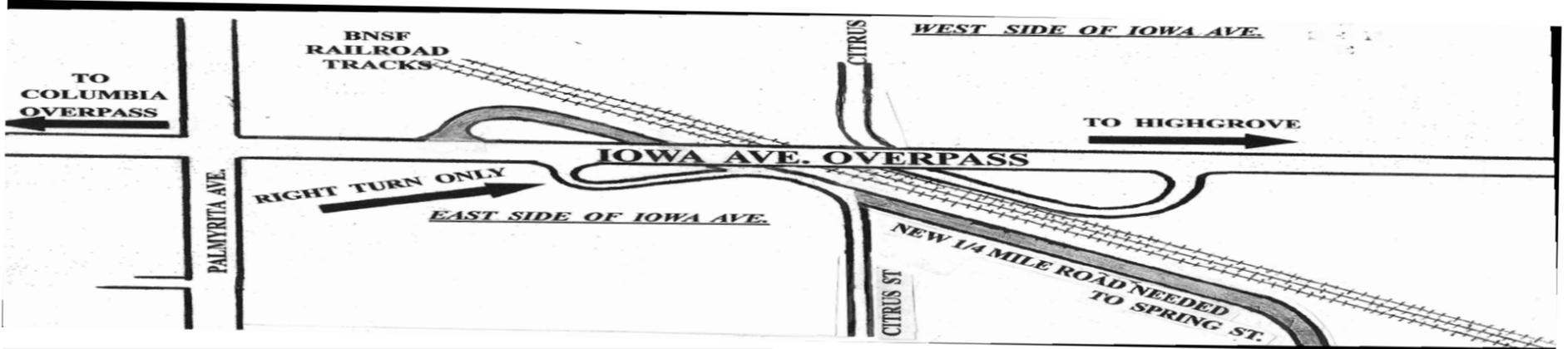
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on maintaining world-class service for a growing number of customers. RTA continues to make improvements by boosting connectivity between routes, enhancing service to schools and Metrolink stations, and extending service to growing communities and popular destinations. Ridership is also getting a boost from Go-Pass and U-Pass programs at area colleges, including Cal Baptist University, La Sierra University, Mt. San Jacinto College, Riverside City College and UC Riverside.

The diagram above was taken from the Aug. 2008 issue of the Highgrove Happenings Newspaper but has been changed due to input from the Highgrove MAC. The RIGHT TURN ONLY and the intersection on the north side will both have traffic signals to permit turning both directions.

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California Dreaming

by Dr. Cynthia Williams

Being a transplanted native Californian I am suffering from shock just like my plants. I miss Highgrove and all my family and friends! I moved to central Oregon nearly three years ago and it is nothing like Highgrove. I knew the change would be dramatic- this little city has about 80,000 people, hundreds, if not thousands, of wild deer, and more dogs per capita than any place I've ever been. It is another planet compared to California. Let me share with you my journey.

It's February and hearts are everywhere. We buy cards, flowers and candy and focus on showing our lover how much they mean to us. It is really very lovely. It is also a good time to focus on your own heart; your heart health so you can be around for your lover longer.

There is always a survey coming out about the healthiest, most relaxing, most outdoorsy, friendliest place to live. Depending on the survey you read, Bend, Oregon will usually hit the list. There is a huge focus on year-round physical activity. There is hiking, walking, running, climbing, swimming, yoga, bicycling, and on and on. Age is not an issue here either. You will see people of all ages out and about "working it." This is a popular area for people to retire and the city is very friendly with sidewalks all over, bike lanes on nearly every road, and well developed hiking and walking paths all over the city.

It'll be 23 degrees outside, and you will see people running through the snow like they are being chased by a bear. Yesterday I was at the park and there was a fellow in a wet suit swimming in the river. The water temperature had to be near freezing! I asked him why? He said he was in training for summer. Seriously...

The health focus in central Oregon is not just with the outdoor activities. It is also with the food that is available. "Locally sourced", "locally grown", "shop locally", and "free range", "organic" and "farm grown" are the buzz words used. It goes beyond just marketing tactics;

it is promoted heavily with an abundance of Farmer's Markets during the growing season. The restaurants are also on board with this and many have menus that change seasonally. This gives an exciting and inspirational atmosphere to dining and for shopping for the home cook. The focus is on fresh seasonal produce, organic poultry and eggs and lean meats, and whole grains. The wines and spirits are also produced with the same attention and care. With nearly thirty micro-breweries and a large spirits distillery in the area, alcohol consumption is a popular activity.

All ages are included in this focus on health and fitness. There is a large, active senior center with a nice variety of classes and activities for those in their golden years. Besides the usual card games, dances, and potlucks, there is a full range of physical fitness activities that are tailored for the elder folk. Dance classes, stretching, yoga and balance developing are offered with better health and fitness the goal. There is also a large swim center with two indoor pools and a hot tub. Classes are offered starting with infants and classes move up from there to the older folks who wear floaties so they can easily float and exercise in the water.

I know the lifestyle in Southern California is not as focused on health and fitness as it is here in Bend. It's all about the malls, movies, restaurants and amusement parks. (Which I miss more than you can imagine!) You can shift your focus to a heart healthy lifestyle there in the south. The weather is good for walks and hikes, and you can garden nearly year round. Look for fun activity offerings and consider locally grown fruits, vegetables, eggs and poultry.

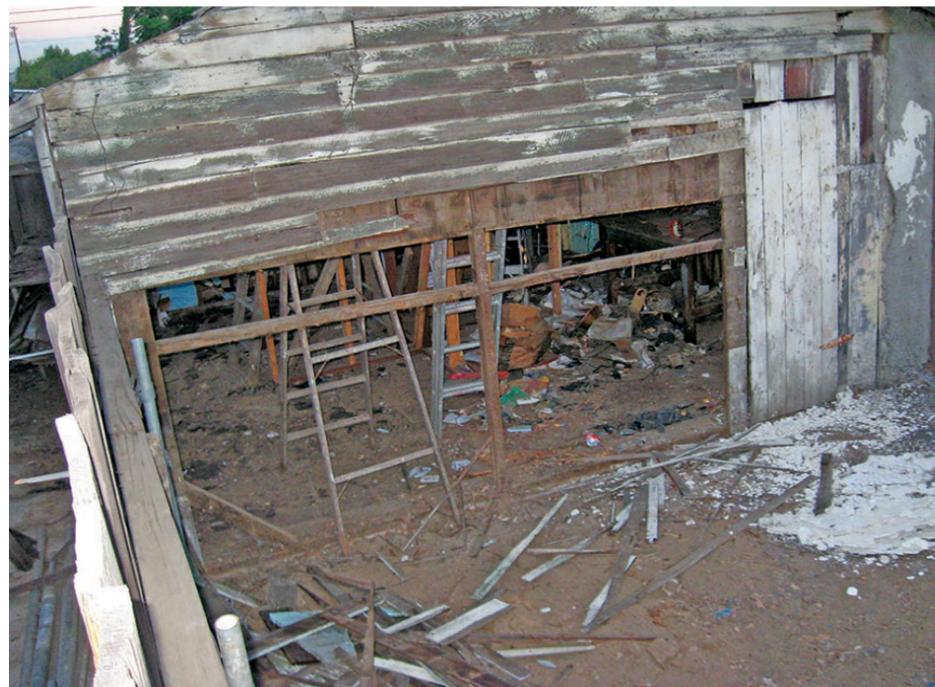
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Riverside County Code Enforcement active in Highgrove!



Fire Trap!

These two photos do not have anything to do with the Highgrove Day Clean up Day photos on the right on Jan. 25, 2013. The Riverside County Code Enforcement has been at the above location for several months prior to the clean up day. Citations have been issued and the trash shown above has been removed due to the dry weather, wind, and potential for fire.



This old garage was about to fall down and the property owner was required to demolish the structure. This long term process is still underway and other code violations seem to be very time consuming in order to bring the house and utilities back into compliance. An illegal addition to the back of this house is also supposed to be torn down. The exact location of this house will remain confidential but residents need to be aware that Riverside County Code Enforcement has jurisdiction in Highgrove and they have been active in our community.

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L-R: Joe Schupp, Becky Mitchell and Joe Contaoi from Riverside County Waste Management and Xochilt Garcia who is the Roll Off Route Manager from Waste Management, the trash pick up company. Riverside County Waste Management and the contract trash hauler also named "Waste Management" coordinated the Highgrove clean up day.



Furniture, couches and old mattresses were discarded free of charge.



There were about 20 workers to help unload pick up trucks and/or trailers loaded with items that were too large to put into the trash barrels. WRP stands for Work Release Program and they cleaned the school parking lot and surrounding area when they were not unloading trash.



There was even an old swimming pool that had been illegally dumped.

"Reaching Out to the Disabled"

Bill and Jolene Nessel with Peg Illingsworth as "Team Wild" are again asking for your support for the all-volunteer nonprofit AMPUTEE CONNECTIONS.

Many of you were very kind and sponsored us in the past and we are very thankful for that. This year will be our fourth in a "group" fundraising effort and will take place at the Tour de Palm Springs on Feb. 8, 2014. We are again asking for a \$3.00 per mile donation or any amount. We have four teams this year and the competition to raise the most money is always fierce. We won first place last year thanks to you and we ate the "Coveted order of French Fries" first prize had fun watching the other teams drool! We want them to drool again this year!

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