

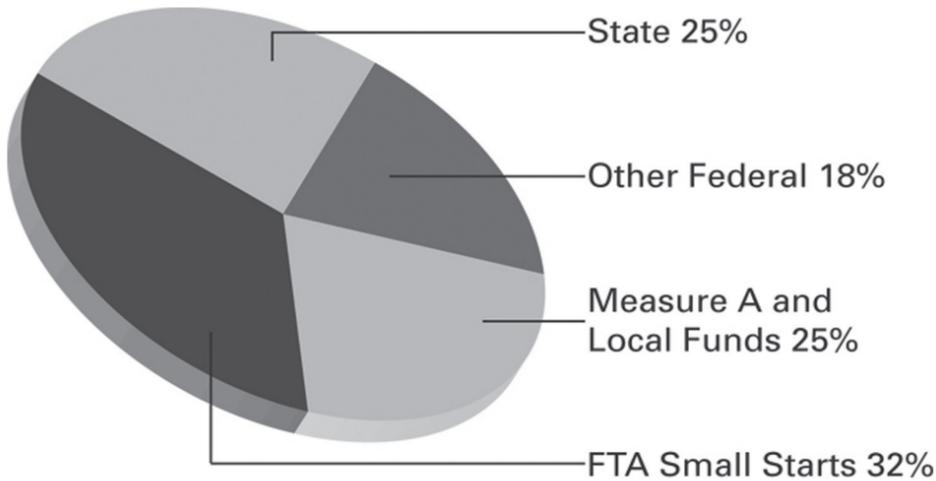


HIGHGROVE HAPPENINGS



Dedicated to the improvement of our community through awareness and involvement in local issues
(FREE) Local News for the Highgrove Area January 2011

Federal and State Funds used for new Metrolink station location!



On Dec. 20, 2010, fifty nine (59) pages of public support for the Highgrove Metrolink Station were mailed to San Francisco to Mr. Leslie Rogers, Regional Administrator of Region 9 of the Federal Transit Administration. It included a colored map showing the differences in destinations the 2 locations have, comparing the Highgrove location to RCTC's location for a station.

The Riverside County Transportation Commission wants to build a new station somewhere on the Perris Valley Line in the "Hunter Park Area" but the public wants a station built a short distance away in Highgrove on the vacant property where existing Metrolink trains already operate through Highgrove 7 days a week. RCTC will have to purchase the Highgrove property for a curved track to connect the BNSF track to the PVL track and for 9 years the public has asked for a station on the west side of this same 19 acre property. Only one piece of property is needed instead of purchasing 2 properties- one for the curved track and another for a station one mile away near Marlborough Ave. on the Perris Valley Line. The 2 locations have different destinations!

Also notified about our nine year difference of opinion were Federal Senators Feinstein and Boxer, State Senators Dutton and Emmerson, California Transportation Commissioner Joe Tavaglione, Congressmen Baca and Calvert, Assembly Members Jeffries and Nestande and the cities of Riverside, San Bernardino, Grand Terrace, Loma Linda and Colton and the following local organizations such as the Uni-

versity Neighborhood Association, North side Improvement Association and the Highgrove Municipal Advisory Council. Other Important transportation organizations that have received notification include: WRCOG (Western Region Council of Governments), SCAG (Southern California Association of Governments), SCRRA (Southern California Regional Rail Authority), and SANBAG (San Bernardino Associated Governments).

Also included was an article titled: **"Complaints against Riverside County Transportation Commission"** that lists several things RCTC staff has done in the past such as withholding surrounding city resolutions of support for a Highgrove station that were not distributed to the RCTC commissioners for 14 months after they were submitted on Aug. 16, 2006.

In another instance on April 4, 2007, the San Bernardino Associated Governments (SANBAG) voted to wait on the results of the Southern California Associated Governments (SCAG) study of the Highgrove location but on the following day, on April 5, 2007, the previous RCTC Executive Director, Eric Haley and the RCTC Commissioner from Hemet, Robin Lowe went to Los Angeles and stopped SCAG's independent study of the Highgrove location. (I have a tape recording of this meeting).

We are still asking why any Executive Director of a transportation agency would want to stop a study of this prime location that is supported by the people, surrounding cities, and organizations in the entire

Minor Storm damages in our area!

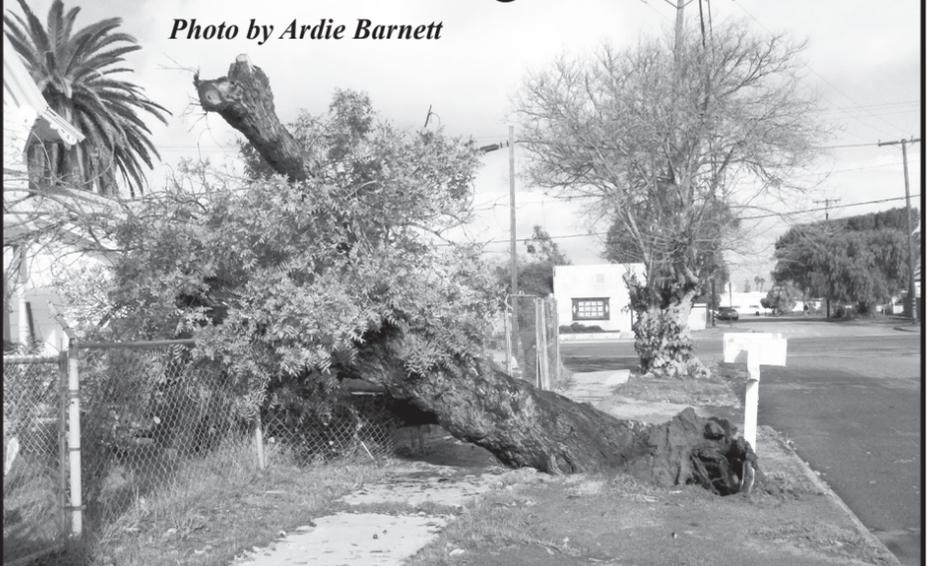


Photo by Ardie Barnett

This tree fell over near the south west corner of Center St. & Prospect Ave in Highgrove across from the Methodist Church due to the heavy rains.

But other areas were not so lucky!



Grand Terrace Road
Photo by Jeffrey McConnell

Rain rain go away, I guess we can't use this road today!

EMERGENCY COUNCIL MEETING CALLED

An emergency meeting was called by the Grand Terrace City Council on December 27, 2010 to declare the city a disaster area in an effort to deal with the rainy season and it's ramifications. Much damage has been done and more was expected on December 29. Of course no one could tell at that time how much more rain could come our way. (As you know I write my information well in advance of publication day.) Jap Hill was closed to traffic so that the dirt that washed down onto the road could be cleared. Betsy M. Adams, City Manager and finance director has determined that the cost for clean up and repair to date (December 27, 2010) will be about \$441,000 with more to be expected. *by Virginia Harford*

area. We know that the study would have shown that Highgrove is the best location because of the 19 acres of vacant land next to the Metrolink trains that pass by 7 days a week. Only 1 mile east of the requested Highgrove Metrolink site there are hundreds of completed pads ready to build 2,500 new homes where the infrastructure is already finished including sewer, electrical, water, flood control, etc.. There are over 30,000 residents within a 2 mile radius of the Highgrove location **even**

before these new homes are built! I have requested e-mail addresses of the 2011 RCTC commissioners to prevent another occurrence similar to what happened on Aug. 16, 2006 so that each commissioner will directly receive what has been sent to the local, State and Federal authorities and surrounding cities and organizations. If the present Executive Director of RCTC, Ann Mayer and her staff, want to insure greater transparency of this transportation **cont. on P 5**

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Highgrove Community Center Hours: Mon-Thur 8am-5pm; 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](http://www.nycchighgrove.com)



Hello Community!

by Sherry Morris-Logan

Wow! We've had a busy 2010 and we could not have done it without YOU! Thanks to the many supporters of the Norton Younglove Community Center. You are dedicated, supportive, and caring people who are making a difference in your community; and I salute you. Note: A special "THANK YOU" to the volunteers who helped us have an October smashing costume ball but were not recognized in November's newsletter. Happy Holidays to all!!

Volunteers – Christian Logan, Emma Carrizosa, Maribel Gonzalez, Veronica Velazco, Jonah Jalocon, Jason Greenberg, Shirley Chapman, Gail Sweet, Carmen Carranza, Cindy Martinez Sanchez, David Garcia, David Garcia Jr., Lynn Santamaria, Connie Mejia, Bonificio Florez, Dottie McKeown, Julia Lopez, Jack Burton, Kenisha Howard, Cavin Paul (DJ for the event), Pete Bradley and Trevor Haton (Fire Dept), Trunk and Treat Participants: James Ruiz, Gina Taliaferro, Ellen McMaster, Richard Witaker, Vickie Pearson, Kyle Chambers, Kevin Chambers, Paul Wynn, Shilo Boardman, Barney and Ardie Barnett, Gwen Howard, Chris Nelman, Karate Demonstration participants: Vanessa Flores, Angelica Flores, Yolanda Flores, Martin Fregoso, Omar Fregoso, Esther Gradille, Briana Fregoso, Jackie Fregoso, Alex Fregoso, Alia Fregoso, Kenya Carreon, Isrrvael Gradille, Leticia Gonzalez, Danielle Gonzalez, Emily Gonzales, Lesly B. Ledgard, Juan Chavez, Melissa Martinez, Alex Rodriguez, Cesar Rodriguez, Melissa Somarriba, Isaias Cabelero, Vanessa Chavez, Jose Cisneros, Luis Rodriguez, Victoria Calderon, Marin Rodriguez, Luis Rodriguez.

We are truly grateful to all of our community members for their support throughout this past year. Many blessings to all this 2011.

**A special "Thank You" to Supervisor Marion Ashley for his generous donation towards our children's Christmas toy distribution and well as our Seniors' holiday Stater Bros. gift cards give-away, and to Sandal's Church (wonderful Thanksgiving fellowship) and Sensible Seniors (Tim for providing music at the Thanksgiving Dinner). Thank you Cheri Patterson and the Spark of Love for their continued support. Thank you Cheri Patterson and the Spark of Love for their continued support.

Your Manager, Sherry Morris – Logan

January Line Up:

Per your request: EVENING Aerobics Session on Monday and Thursday from 8:15 PM to 9 PM and on Friday from 7:15 PM to 8 PM

January 3rd (6 session cooking class) Healthy Cooking Class from 5 PM to 6:30PM Call Laurie Hawel for more information and enrollment 951-686-1096.

January 4th Visit Riverside County Office on Aging Nutrition Info Van/Anna 800-510-2020.

January 5th New weekly ongoing class: Sewing with Sandra on Wednesday from 1 PM to 4 PM. Sign Up Today!

January 18th from 8:30 AM to 10 AM Presentation by Izaro with SCAN

January 25th from 12:30 to 1:30. Join us at the Senior Birthday Celebration hosted by Andre Scott with CAREMORE 800-965-1217

Note-Center closed on January 17th for Martin Luther King Civil Rights Day.

Thanks to the firemen from Highgrove

Station 19 for another year of spreading the Christmas spirit by their members visiting the neighborhoods in Highgrove with their fire trucks and Santa Claus. This local tradition has been going on for many years and we appreciate the home town atmosphere created by this activity that is enjoyed by everyone in Highgrove. Thank you again to the firemen of Station 19.

RIVERSIDE COUNTY OFFICE ON AGING Nutrition Info. Van



Is coming to
Norton Younglove
Tuesday, January 4, 2011
8:00a.m.-10:00a.m.

The Goals of the Nutrition Info. Van:

- Provide quality, up to date nutritional information to older adults, disabled adults, seniors, caregivers and the community.
- General nutrition information is provided to allow seniors, caregivers, communities and senior care providers with valuable information to make good nutritional and healthy lifestyle decisions.
- Information is provided in easy to read format with clear information.
- Provide information on the services including resource and referral provided by the Office on Aging HelpLink Call Center.

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Level 2 Session Cake Decorating Class

Left to Right Back row: Filomena Garcia - 4th place, Irma Vargas - 3rd place, Maria Laris - 4th place, Ana Martinez - 1st place, Lorena Estrada, Elvia Martinez

Front Row: Left to Right Instrsctors / Mary Martinez and Marvel Diaz

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HIGHGROVE SHERIFF REPORT

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	0	Calls for Service	71
Misdemeanor Arrests	1	Business Checks	66
Traffic Citations	2		

Call 911 for Emergencies only

Sheriff Dept.: (951) 776-1099 (Non emergency)

Sgt. Andy Stonebreaker (951) 955 2654

Lieutenant Art Gonzales (951) 955 2600

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

NEW LAWS FOR 2011 MOTORISTS

SACRAMENTO, Calif. -January 1 not only ushers in a new year but also a handful of new laws for California's motoring public. These new traffic laws were passed by the Legislature and signed by the Governor earlier this year, and the California Highway Patrol (CHP) is asking the public to familiarize themselves with the new laws before they take effect in the coming days.



"The new laws are designed to make California roadways safer for travelers regardless of their mode of transportation," said CHP Commissioner Joe Farrow.

Below are synopses of a few of the significant changes for the upcoming year:

Instruction Permit: Motorcycle This bill added Section 12509.5 to the Vehicle Code, which lays out the age-specific requirements drivers must fulfill to obtain a motorcycle instruction permit. Among those requirements for drivers younger than 21 years of age is the successful completion of the motorcycle safety course administered by the CHP.

Motorcycle Theft: This bill adds Section 466.65 to the Penal Code and makes it a misdemeanor to possess, give, or lend the following:

- Any device designed to bypass the factory-installed ignition of a motorcycle in order to start the engine without the manufacturer's key.
- Any motorcycle ignition or part of motorcycle ignition, with the intent to unlawfully take or drive, or to facilitate the unlawful taking or driving of a motorcycle, without the consent of the owner.
- Items of hardware, including bolt cutters, electrical tape, wire cutters, wire strippers, or allen wrenches, with the intent to aid in the unlawful taking or driving of a motorcycle without the consent of the owner.

High-Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) Lanes These bills extended the life of the yellow and white clean air stickers for low emission vehicles. Vehicles bearing these valid stickers can continue to access HOV lanes regardless of vehicle occupancy. Hybrids with Yellow Clean Air Access stickers set to expire the beginning of January 2011 will be given a six-month extension until July 1, 2011. White Clean Air Access stickers will be valid until Jan. 1, 2015. Additionally, SB 535 provides that starting in 2012, 40,000 HOV access stickers can be issued to early purchasers of Enhanced Advanced Technology Partial Zero Emission Vehicles.

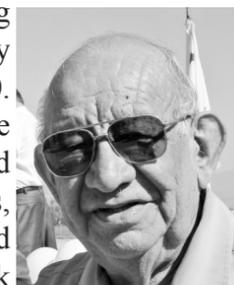
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OBITUARIES

GASPER H. DIAZ February 22, 1934 ~ November 18, 2010 Gasper H. Diaz was born and raised in Highgrove, California. He enlisted in the California Army National Guard in 1953, drafted in the Army and served in Korea until 1958. Gasper lived in Colton, Ca. for 50 years. He worked for Food Machinery Corporation until retiring with 42 years. He is survived by his wife of 50 years Antonia Chavez Diaz, 2 sons Orlando and Gasper and wife Lisa, 4 grandchildren Aaron, Elias, Nicholas and Danielle. 11 surviving siblings, including 4 brothers, Victor, Hank, Jesus "Junior" and Antonio Diaz, 7 sisters, Sally Espinosa, Esparanza Mejia, Carmen Gonzalez, Jenny Acevedo, Margaret Reynosa, Virginia Fernandez and Lupe Delahoya. He was preceded in death by his sister Eleanor Vazquez and his parents Jesus and Hepolita Diaz. Cause of death was gallstone Pancreatitis.



RAY ABRIL, JR. Ray Abril, Jr., age 78, a life-long resident of Colton, CA, passed away peacefully with family at his bedside on December 14, 2010. He was born on June 5, 1932, to Ray Sr. and Nellie Abril. Ray was preceded in death by his beloved wife, Hortensia Abril (Gasca) of 53 years, parents, Ray Sr. & Nellie, brothers, Don Abril & Richard (Dickie) Abril. He is survived by his sons, Nick Abril, Michael Abril (Stella), & Dominic Abril; daughters, Melinda Medina (Mike), Becky Gonzales (Ruben) & Nellie Carnero (Joe); sisters, Linda Ramirez (Bear), Rosemary Prieto (Johnny), & Sylvia Abril; also survived by his beloved 19 grandchildren & his 29 great-grandchildren, along with many nieces, nephews, extended family & friends.



Floyd Harvey Matteson (July 6, 1935 - Dec. 22, 2010). He was preceded in death by his father Floyd, mother Martha and brother Bill. His is survived by his wife of 53 years, Judy; sons, Steve, Jerry, John, Dan, and daughter Vicki and granddaughter Sarah, brothers Luke, Byron, John, Maruice and sister Donna & many cousin, nieces, and nephews. He grew up in Grand Terrace and attended Colton High. He served in the U.S. Marine Corps and had many friends, especially his poker buddies.



New shipment 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".

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New Laws cont. from P. 3

Windshield Video Event Recorder

This bill amended Section 26708 of the Vehicle Code to allow a video event recorder to be mounted in a 7-inch square in the lower corner of a vehicle windshield on the passenger side, or a 5-inch square in the lower corner of the vehicle windshield on the driver's side, outside of an airbag deployment zone. It also makes it legal to mount the video event recorder in a 5-inch square in the center uppermost portion of the interior of the windshield. The law also defines a video event recorder and requires a vehicle equipped with one to have a notice posted in a visible location which states that a passenger's conversation may be recorded. In addition, this law lays out rules for recording events, notes who the rightful owner of the footage is, and who is entitled to a copy of the recording.

Emergency Alert System: Law Enforcement Officers (Blue Alert)

Much like an AMBER Alert, this bill added Section 8594.5 to the Government Code. Activation of the Emergency Alert System for a Blue Alert would occur if all of the following conditions are met:

- A law enforcement officer has been killed, suffers serious bodily injury, or is assaulted with a deadly weapon, and the suspect has fled the scene of the offense.
- The investigating agency has

determined that the suspect poses an imminent threat to the public or other law enforcement personnel.

- A detailed description of the suspect's vehicle or license plate is available for broadcast.

- Public dissemination of available information may help avert further harm or accelerate apprehension of the suspect.

Mobile Billboard Advertising Displays

This bill created Section 395.5 of the Vehicle Code, which defines "mobile billboard advertising display" as an advertising display that is attached to a wheeled, mobile, non-motorized vehicle that carries, pulls or transports a sign or billboard and is for the primary purpose of advertising. This bill also amended Section 21100 of the Vehicle Code to give local authorities the ability to adopt rules/regulations by ordinance/resolution to regulate mobile billboard advertising; this includes establishing penalties that could authorize removal of the mobile billboard advertising display. In addition, VC Section 22651 was amended to say that the mobile billboard advertising display may be towed when left parked or standing in violation of a local ordinance. Warning citations advising of the consequences, including towing of the mobile billboard display, are sufficient enough warning to the public.

Miscellaneous Transportation

This bill was responsible for the following new law, as well as the amendment of others:

- Section 667 of the Vehicle Code was added to define a "utility trailer" as a trailer or semitrailer used solely for the transportation of the user's personal property which cannot be used in commerce, cannot exceed gross weight of 10,000 pounds, but can be used for transportation of livestock.

- This bill also amended Section 5201 of the Vehicle Code to require license plates to be mounted parallel to the ground so the characters are upright and display from left to right.

- Section 21755 of the Vehicle Code which allows drivers of vehicles to pass on the right under specified conditions was amended to clarify that it does not prohibit a bicyclist from passing on the right in either a bicycle lane or on a shoulder.

- Section 22511.55 of the Vehicle Code has been amended to allow a disabled person or disabled veteran to display their distinguishing placard on a clip installed by the vehicle's manufacturer on the driver's side front windshield.

There are a couple of bills that were passed by the Legislature and signed by the governor this year that don't go into effect in the coming year, but are worth highlighting:

Driving Under the Influence

(DUI) Repeat Offenders Section 23579 was added to the Vehicle Code which authorizes the court to order a 10-year revocation of a driver's license if a person has been convicted of three or more DUIs. However, under this new law, a motorist will be allowed to apply for reinstatement of his or her driver's license with the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) after five years if the person installs an Ignition Interlock Device (IID) in their vehicle. It also allows the DMV to terminate the restricted license if the IID requirements are not met. This law goes into effect Jan. 1, 2012.

Motorcycle Exhaust Systems

It will be illegal to park, use or operate a motorcycle registered in California, which does not bear the required applicable federal Environmental Protection Agency exhaust system label consistent with federal regulations. This law only applies to motorcycles manufactured on or after Jan. 1, 2013, or a motorcycle with after market exhaust system equipment that is manufactured on or after Jan. 1, 2013.

These points are only a synopsis of the new laws listed here and only a partial list of new laws adopted for 2011. For complete information on chaptered bills enacted in 2010 please refer to the Legislative Counsel website at www.LegInfo.ca.gov.



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FINANCIAL FOCUS

Should You Worry about Bond "Bubble"?

These days, many investors are focused on the volatility of the stock market. But if you own bonds, you're probably looking at a different picture. In fact, bond prices have risen so much that there's now talk of a possible "bubble." If this happens — that is, if bond prices reach unsustainable levels and then drop sharply — how should you respond?

Before we consider the likelihood of a potential bubble, let's look at just why bond prices have risen so much. The chief cause is falling interest rates. When market interest rates decline, the price on existing bonds — which may carry higher rates — will rise. That's because investors, seeking higher interest payments, will be willing to pay a "premium" to purchase those bonds. Bond prices are also being pumped up by the huge infusion of cash into bond-based mutual funds, spurred, in part, by investors' concern over the stock market's performance.

Now, let's return to the issue of a potential bubble. It's almost impossible to predict such an event, but some factors would seem to lessen its likelihood. Although past performance is no guarantee of future results, bond declines historically have been less frequent and less severe than stock plunges. Also, while interest rates will rise eventually, they appear poised to stay relatively

low for a while. Furthermore, as investors remain somewhat pessimistic about the pace of the economic recovery, they may continue to be leery of the stock market, choosing instead to continue putting money into bonds, thereby helping keep prices high.

Ultimately, though, even if a bond bubble were to occur, it wouldn't necessarily have a major impact on your investment success. —Here are a few things to consider:

- Hold bonds until maturity. If you buy bonds for the income they provide, there's typically no need to sell them prior to maturity. No matter what happens to the market value of your bonds, you will receive the same regular interest payments. And when your bonds mature, you'll receive all your principal back, unless the issuer defaults — an unlikely event if you purchase "investment-grade" bonds.

- Build bond ladders. You can't always anticipate changes in interest rates, but you can prepare for them by building a "ladder" of bonds of varying maturities. When market interest rates rise, you can reinvest the proceeds of your maturing, short-term bonds into the new bonds being issued at the higher rates. And when market rates fall, you'll still have the higher rates of your long-term bonds working for you. (Generally speaking, longer-term bonds pay higher interest rates than shorter-term bonds; this is to reward

investors for the greater risk, and built-in inflation expectations, of the long bonds.) Be sure to evaluate the securities held within the ladder to ensure they are consistent with your investment objectives, risk tolerance and financial circumstances.

- Diversify. Of course, you don't want to invest only in bonds. Try to build a diversified portfolio based on your goals, risk tolerance and time horizon that could include bonds,

quality stocks, certificates of deposit, government securities, bond funds and other securities. Keep in mind, though, that diversification, while helping reduce the effects of volatility, can't guarantee profits or protect against loss.

Whether or not we see a bond bubble, these moves can help you — so give them a place in your overall investment strategy.

By Edward Jones Financial Advisor.

Metrolink cont. from P 1

organization, then an independent study of the Highgrove station should be conducted before a decision is made regarding station location. In addition, an independent qualified civil engineer of the people's choosing should be paid for, using our transportation funds held by RCTC, to give an unbiased opinion of which location will serve the most people. It is time for a second opinion on station location that examines efficiency, existing commuter trains, parking, future growth and destinations, instead of only using information from the Civil Engineers that RCTC hired

with our tax money!

This \$232 Million dollar project should use our local and state transportation funds and federal tax money to serve commuters on both sides of the county line and not just locations within Riverside County.

A colored map and detailed information can be seen on our web site: www.highgrovehappenings.net

Please click on: "Federal Transit Administration" and "Supporting Docs" and click on each document. R. A. "Barney" Barnett Editor, Highgrove Happenings Newspaper.

(Please read article below)

Adding lanes is not the only answer!

Car pool lanes between counties estimated at \$150 million dollars!

The addition of one lane each way on the I-215 between Orange Show Road in San Bernardino and the I-215/60/91 interchange in Riverside is estimated at \$150 Million dollars but states: **"This estimate is subject to change, based on future cost escalations"**.

At the Highgrove MAC meeting on Nov. 17, 2010 a presentation was made that explained this project between the 2 counties. Also on Dec. 13, 2010 I attended another similar meeting in Grand Terrace that addressed the same issue of adding a High Occupancy Vehicle lane (HOV) in each direction. Four-

teen thousand five hundred and eight (14,508) commuter trains have gone through Highgrove since July 15, 2006 when service was increased to 7 days a week. These trains would have taken tens of thousands of commuters off the I-215 freeway and the \$150 Million Dollar expenditure for the addition of these car pool lanes would not be necessary now, during these difficult financial times!

The following RCTC item titled "Carpool Lane Benefits" are the same goals we have tried to accomplish for the last nine years by building a Metrolink Station in Highgrove. The Highgrove Metrolink site is only ½ mile east of the I-215 freeway at Center Street.

(Please see RCTC item below)

Edward Jones

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Commuter rail has same goals as car pool lanes!

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by Dennis Wilds

Hay Zoose of Hileesko and The Holiday Hare

The preacher from Paso Robles stood there with his engineer boots planted firmly onto the wood floor of the shack and his right arm extended into the air toward the leaky roof and the heavens above, palm up in supplication. His left elbow pressed into his rib cage holding his left hand steady, cradling an open bible from which he read aloud. The text was foreign and sounded like "Hey ba ba ri ba, yaba daba doo." What more need I say, he was a Pentecostal missionary, and his job was to bring the Christmas message of Jesus of Nazareth to the camp kids of Devils Den. This preacher was young and dressed in black Frisco jeans and a white dress shirt and his big ears held wire rim glasses in place on his sharp and somewhat pointed nose. He was pale and frail with soft hands and clean finger nails that had been spared field work. Brylcream slicked back hair parted in the middle gave the preacher a severely unkind, and overly pious look. He stood out as a singular character even from his small entourage of disciples. This was Christmas Eve, 1957, and this would be the closest thing to Santa Claus or Jesus and Christianity that us Devils Den kids would get that year. These missionaries had shown up in the camp the previous summer and projected movies and cartoons against the barracks wall at night and we would sit on our butts in the dirt and laugh at the Looney tunes. In spite of the language barrier, the camp Mexicans came out for the movies too. These young men, guest workers from Mexico, had to learn Mom's cookhouse version of the English language which

was a hybrid of Spanish phrases and Okie dialect. Among the Mexicans were the occasional Indians who spoke a mixture of more guttural Mayan and Spanish languages. One such young worker was Jesus, pronounced Hay Zoose. I first became acquainted with this Jesus on one of those summer theater nights outside the cookhouse. I had made myself a reclining loge seat out of a cardboard box by sitting inside it with my shoulders and arms over the back and my knees and feet over the front. Jesus had come over and sat down on the bare dirt, legs outstretched and crossed at the ankles, leaning back on his palms, luxuriating on the dirt under the starry night. Over time Jesus became my friend as he did not fit into the Bracero culture and had his own agenda at Devils Den. He was from Jalisco, pronounced Hileesko, he said and appeared to be no more than seventeen or eighteen. He was a man child with an easy smile which showed silver caps on his front teeth. Even though he had the benefit of good food since arriving at camp his ribs still showed when he took off his shirt and he had a sizeable crude silver crucifix around his neck. Mom said he was wormy, but I think he had the skinny physique of a natural hunter, which is exactly what Jesus proved to be. His prominent nose and sloped forehead betrayed his Mayan heritage. He carried a hand sewn denim pouch on his belt with a snake rattler and fox tail attached to its drawstring. Among other things, his pouch contained steel ball bearings for his slingshot, with which he hunted birds and rabbits. When Jesus was not wearing his rubber work boots, he wore crude leather sandals with car tire soles. Jesus' jet black hair was over his ears and held out of his dark eyes by a knot-

ted and braided leather head band.

One summer evening sitting next to Jesus watching Bugs Bunny and Elmer Fudd I asked him what he thought about Porky Pig and he said "Me no savvy", with a big silver grin. I never deciphered the God - cartoon connection, but the kids, Jesus and I did incorporate some of the new phrases into our daily communications with each other. For instance, "Goodbye" was replaced by "Ba daba, ba daba, that's all folks". Jesus' favorite was Bugs Bunny and he proved to be an uncanny mimic, learning to talk like the cartoon character. This Christian ministry was a little over our heads I guess. Besides, these missionaries were somewhat sinister to me because I could not fathom the real reason for their visits at my young age. My mom allowed them access to me but she did not invite them into her life for some reason. I know now she knew better than to waste her time on nonsense and people who didn't know nothing about nothing.

John, Mark, Paul... They might as well have been talking about Dick, Jane and Spot or the three stooges for all I knew but I guess that is why they were there weren't they? Oh yeah, they had a yellow bus with faded lettering on the side that read "Paso Robles Unified School District". One of them was a young woman, a very lady like woman with nice hair and nice modest but unmistakably feminine dress. This was a well groomed and obviously cleaner woman than our Devils Den variety. This winter day she and the preacher invited all the camp kids onto the bus for bible camp so without asking permission of our parents we climbed in and off we went toward Avenal to an old house a hundred yards or so off the

Highway 33. This unpainted shack had no furniture or utilities. It had rained that morning and you could smell the dust in the air that the brief hard rain had raised from the dry ground. Inside the old shack the dusty columns of light descended onto the wood floor. The preacher started a fire in an old wood burning stove and the pretty woman heated up some beans in a pot. Another apostle or someone dumped a cardboard box full of loaner toys onto the floor and the dozen or so of us kids soon were playing with the toy cars and trains or such. I remember looking up and the young evangelist was reading out loud over us from the bible in his strange Looneytoon language and walking slow circles around us. Later on the disciples fed us the beans and cool aid. I had never seen or heard of cool aid and it was wonderful. It made the whole religious experience worth it. This went on and on until the sun was getting low and some of the little kids started crying for mom or whatever. Then the missionaries loaded us up again and took us back to camp. From the bus window I saw Hay Zoose off in the sage on a steady run toward the camp a mile or so in the distance. I reported back to the kitchen on arrival at the cookhouse and mom asked where I had been all day. I told her "bible camp with the missionaries" but she barely acknowledged this and let it drop. There was little or no trouble to be found for a kid in Devils Den and the missionaries were harmless in her eyes. As a side note, twenty or so years later seeing on the news how Reverend Jim Jones had used poisoned cool aid on his church members I did the mental arithmetic and figured out chronologically that could have been a young Jim

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Jones driving that bus that day at bible camp experimenting with cool aid recipes.



And just like that, the Pentecostal preacher from Paso Robles and his missionaries were gone for the holiday season taking with them the satisfaction of saving our souls and leaving me with more questions than answers as I washed the pots and pans in the cookhouse kitchen. There would be no festive interruption of the Devils Den routine to mark the holidays. The daily tidal flow of workers to and from the fields and in and out of the cook house would mark the twelve hour cycle of three meals a day that made every day the same. The big

constant was the warmth and light of the kitchen and the sounds of the dining room juke box. Its one Christmas tune was Gene Autry's "Santy Clause is Coming to Town", and I could hear it playing on the juke box tonight. The rest was just work and sleep unless you got creative and branched out into exploring or hunting like Jesus did. He had become one of Mom's favorites and she treated him more like one of her kids than an outsider, enough that she would cook up the occasional pheasant or rabbit he showed up with. I wondered what his life in Mexico had been like and if he was homesick for his family this Christmas. With that big grin and Mayan sloped forehead, our Hayzoos from Hileesko was inscrutably pagan and perpetually happy, as he was this evening when he showed up on the cook house steps holding his sling shot in one hand and a skinned and skinny jackrabbit by its long ears in the other. I asked "Hay zoos, what's up? What ya got there?" and he replied with a big silver smile, "Ehhh, what's up Doc?"

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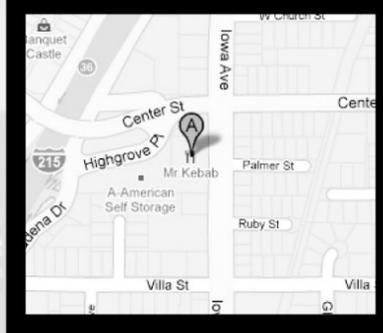
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Highlighting Highgrove Neighbors:

“A PROUD MOTHER”

Connie Glang-Yetter, a 31-year resident of Highgrove is especially joyful this New Year. Her daughter Michelle and son Kevin have soared in their life accomplishments. She quotes her favorite saying:

“In my life I have received two awards. They cannot be hung on a wall or put away in a drawer to collect dust and be forgotten. My awards were given to me in 1982 and 1985. The awards I’m speaking of are my two precious children.”*

STUDENT OF EXCELLENCE



Michelle Elizabeth Yetter has been admitted to the New York State Bar Association.

She is a recent graduate of Cornell Law School 2010 and a recipient of multiple awards: The Kasowitz Prize for Excellence in Legal Writing and Oral Advocacy, the CALI award for Advanced Legal Research in Business Law, the CALI Award for Biblical Law, and the American Bar Association Award for Health Law. She was a Representative for the Woman’s Law Coalition. Michelle was Editor-in-Chief of the Cornell International Law Journal and was a summer extern for a Federal Judge at the U.S. District Court House in San Jose, California.

Michelle received her B.A. from the University of California, San Diego in 2007. She graduated

Magna Cum Laude, receiving a Phi Beta Kappa and the Friedman Award for Outstanding Contributions to the Arts and Humanities. She was a Sven-Peterson Memorial Scholar, Erion-Laidlaw Scholar and received Provost Honors. She was the Chair of the Associated Students Council and Representative on the Provost Advisory Committee. She became a member of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution. Michelle studied abroad at the University of St. Andrews, in Scotland.

She graduated from Loma Linda Academy and was a Congressional Page for the U.S. House of Representatives.

Beginning January 2011 Michelle will be working at a prestigious law firm in Washington DC.

(* adapted from a poem by Patricia Epps)

MAN OF ACHIEVEMENT



Kevin L. Yetter of Highgrove has been promoted to Information Systems Staff I with Bechtel National, Inc. at the Hanford site in southeastern Washington. He is a computer software engineer focused on database design and web application. He has also been trained as a Subject Matter Expert (SME) for supplier qualification in Computer Software.

Historically, Hanford was established in 1943 as part of the Manhattan Project. It was home to the B-Reactor, the first full-scale plutonium producer in the world.

The plutonium was used in the first nuclear bomb during World War II. This site has been decommissioned but left behind 53 million gallons of radioactive waste threatening the nearby Columbia River. Bechtel National is assisting in the clean-up efforts.

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Kevin has lived in Kennewick, Washington for 3 years. He participates in Bechtel’s Next Generation Group and is active in the mid-Columbia Rotaract.

Kevin graduated from California State University, San Bernardino in 2007. He received Departmental Honors in Computer Systems. He is a graduate of Loma Linda Academy and an Eagle Scout. His community service project helped Grand Terrace meet the mandates of the Federal Clean Water Act by coordinating the stenciling of the City’s Storm Drain inlets with the phrase “No Dumping Flows To Creek.”(2) This message reminds us of the environmental impact of illegal dumping into storm drains.

Kevin and Michelle are the children of Gary Yetter, Moreno Valley and Connie Glang of Highgrove.

(1) www.hanfordlvitplant.com

(2) City of Grand Terrace Newsletter, Spring 1998 (Vol. 7, No. 2, p. 7)

PROUD GRANDPARENTS!

Long time residents of Highgrove, Willy and Sally Espinoza, have a lot to be proud of these days. One of their granddaughters, Jamie Clark, who is also a Highgrove native, was recently named as the CCCAA Women’s Water Polo MVP.

Jamie has played for the Riverside Community College (RCC) women’s water polo team for the last two seasons. At the conclusion of her freshman year, back in 2009, Jamie was named to the Orange Empire Conference team, the Southern Region team and was also named All-American for JC Women’s Water Polo in California. RCC had a respectable record in 2009 with 29 wins and 3 losses, but fell short of a State Championship, losing to Golden West City College and having to settle for third place last year. 2010 brought another chance for the coveted state championship ring and Jamie and her teammates decided this was their year. Back in October, RCC ended their regular season and found themselves undefeated going into the Conference Championships. The Tigers won the tournament defeating Orange Coast and Golden West, keeping their streak alive and advancing to the Southern Regional Tournament and Jamie was named as the Con-

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Jamie Clark



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ference MVP!

The So Cal Regional tournament was held in San Luis Obispo and RCC was the #1 seed. Riverside faced the defending State Champion Golden West in the semi-final game and defeated their rival 7-6, with Jamie Clark scoring 5 of the 7 goals! The Tigers then beat Long Beach 8-5 in the championship game keeping their record in tact and advancing to the State Finals! Clark was named All-American for the second year and also awarded So Cal Co-MVP, sharing the honor with a player from Long Beach City.

Riverside concluded their "Perfect Season" in Sacramento, winning the California Community Colleges Athletic Association (CCCCA) state championship, defeating Long Beach City 9-7. The victory was the

Tiger's 32nd win of the season. All-American Jamie Clark was named to the all-tournament team and named the State MVP!

For 2 consecutive years, Jamie was the leading scorer for the Tigers with 81 goals in 2009 and 102 goals in 2010. This season she also had 42 assist and 49 steals. Jamie is currently being recruited by the University of Hawaii.

When asked about their granddaughter's accomplishments, Sally Espinoza says, "We are proud of all of our grand kids and Jamie has made us very proud! If she does decide to attend Hawaii to finish her schooling, of course we will miss her, but we are happy for her to get a good education and enjoy doing what she loves to do". Willy agrees saying, "She is really good at water polo and I am very proud of her!"

New Shell Station set to open Spring 2011



In our Dec. 2010 issue we had 2 photos of the Shell station on the curve on Iowa Ave. by the Yum Yum and Jack-in-the-box. One photo showed the station "before" the demolition and the other what the mess looked like "after" the demolition of the old station.

This photo of the new and larger station was taken on Dec. 28, 2010. The new station has a new and larger canopy and new tanks have been installed for the gasoline. In the background is where a new car wash facility will be located. Not shown is the main store that is under construction which is left of the photo along the rear of the property. If the weather holds out the plan is to have the station ready in the early spring.

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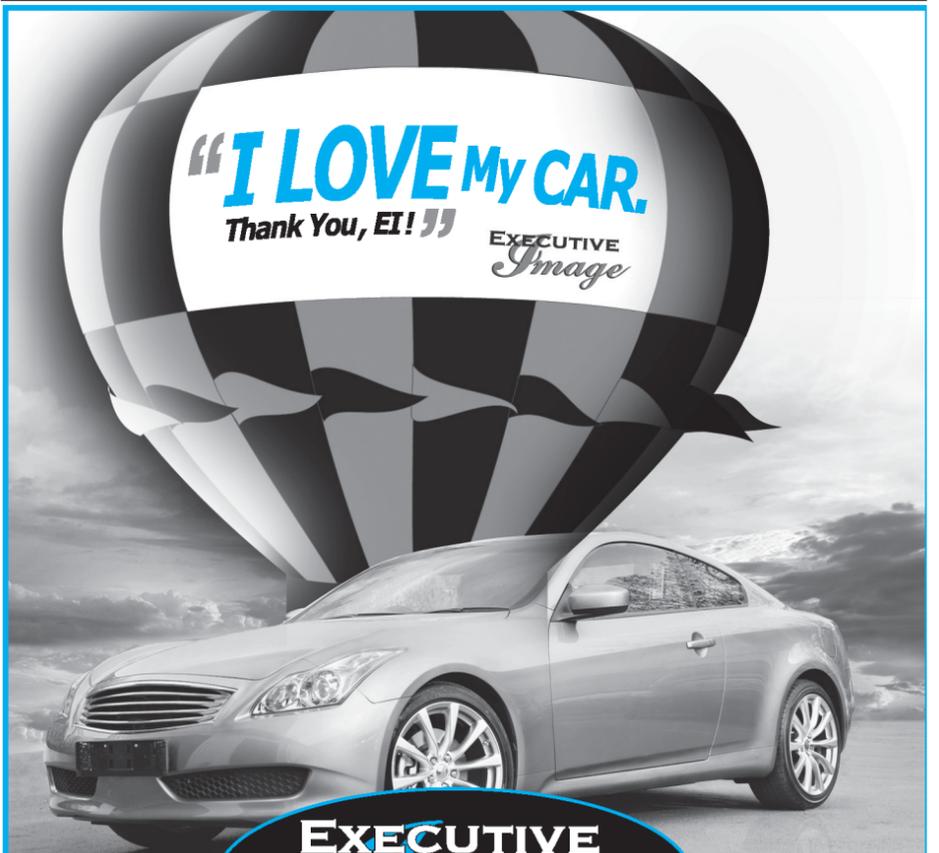
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Invisible Populations:

Jessielee Coley

Homeless Death Rates Continued

As we dive into the winter season, we are all anticipating a decline in the temperature. The majority of us will purchase warm coats, scarves and gloves; but what about the homeless? They have already adapted to confronting the elements, but with a cold winter approaching the scare of frost bite and hypothermia arise. Along with the chilly nights, we see a rapid spread of contagious illnesses, like influenza.

Homeless are more prone to many of these effects because some of them have compromised immune systems. Those suffering with uncontrolled diabetes are more susceptible to temperature drop injuries due to decreased blood flow in their extremities. For an individual living in the streets it is extremely hard to monitor their blood sugar levels and proper insulin intake. This neglect can lead to the numbing of extremities "diabetic foot" which makes individuals more likely to get frost bite.

Influenza is spread through saliva droplets, which makes this flu very contagious. In order to stay warm on freezing nights, most homeless sleep in close quarters. The proximity of sleeping individuals allows for the spread of the virus to happen quickly and easily.

In order to fight the effects of winter, prevention is the best method. The non-profit I volunteer for,

Doctors Without Walls- Santa Barbara Street Medicine, urges our friends on the streets to test their blood sugar during our street clinics. Though some of them might not have a history of diabetes in their family, type II diabetes can arise through certain diets. Since most homeless are not able to eat proportional nutritious meals and exercise regularly, this combination may contribute to an onset of this disease. Therefore, if we check their blood sugar weekly, we are able to closely monitor any changes and provide them with the proper help if changes do occur. This is one preventative method we use in our backpack based medicine to keep winter weather from causing serious complications.

Another prophylactic measure is proving free vaccine clinics for the homeless and the sheltered community. Vaccines provide your body with a "hint" of the virus's characteristic, so if/when you are exposed to the real virus your body already has an advantage. This advantage is a boost in your immune system and an increase in virus killing cells so you are able to quickly deter the virus from entering your cells. As more people are vaccinated for the flu, the possibility of spreading the virus declines. Many organizations in Santa Barbara (and all cities alike) are holding vaccine clinics; especially due to the H1N1 scare last flu season.

If you have not received your influenza vaccine for this season,

check your area for a vaccine clinic or for a pharmacy that has vaccine shots. If you do purchase a shot they are normally affordable and well worth the cost. This preventative method will help your body stay strong during the most flu-prone time of the year.

Remember, good hand washing technique is another good preventative measure that you can do every day for yourself during the

winter months and any time of the year. Time spent hand washing is as important as using soap and water. The recommended time is the time it takes to sing Happy Birthday to yourself. Who knows, you might just chase away the blues that show up during the winter time too.

In the next Invisible Populations article I will explore what legal records are being made in order to track and reduce homeless deaths.



Digging in the rain!

Workers were still at it at Garfield Ave. and Center St. when the rain came. Garfield was closed between Center St. and Spring St. while a bore hole was being dug. This hole will allow another hole to be drilled under the street as part of the new sewer line that is being placed in Center Street. This will be Highgrove's first sewer line and when completed will run from Center St. and Michigan Ave., west on Center to E. La Cadena Dr. and south to Palmyrita Avenue to connect to the Riverside sewer system.

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2010 New Year Thoughts and Thanks

by Dr Cynthia Williams

2011 is a tear-off page away. Traditionally writers like to look back, wax nostalgically, and make wishes and predictions for the upcoming New Year. This year I am breaking away from that; there's a change in the direction of the Santa Ana winds for me. The winds are blowing me north to Bend, Oregon. I am joining my daughter Mandy, her husband Terry II and my darling grandsons Terry III and Brady. This is a big change for me and while I don't have second thoughts, I am looking back wistfully, with fondness and a tear in my eye.

I started thinking about what I am NOT going to miss as well as those things I WILL miss dearly after I leave Highgrove and Southern California.

The things I won't miss, well you might wish you could have it behind you as well! The first thing that pops to mind is that I will not miss driving to work in San Ber-

nardino and having the signs and billboards coming at me in Spanish. Mc Donald's, Bank of America, Chase Bank, and San Manuel all have something to say, but they are not talking to me and obviously don't want my business. Speaking of driving, I am not going to miss the heavy traffic, the angry drivers, and the gas prices that are nearly the highest in the country! I won't miss the 106 degree summers, the smog, the constant threat of earthquakes, and the daily news of drive-by shootings, gang violence, and armed robberies.

But there is so much more I will miss! The cool evenings punctuated with the screech of hawks and owls, the clear blue skies over the snow capped mountains, and the nightly howl of the coyotes in the hills of Blue Mountain. I'll miss driving by Highgrove Elementary School and seeing the same bell I used to rub on my way to class a very long time

ago. Palm trees, BBQs in January, and going to the beach will be fondly remembered. Disneyland will be far behind me, as will the Riverside Plaza and Tyler Mall.

Some things I will miss are already just memories- the intoxicating fragrance of the orange blossoms in the surrounding groves, the fresh orange harvest with the workers unloading at the L.V.W. Brown Estate packing house, and the rainbow lit waters of the Lilly-Tulip cup on Iowa Ave. I already miss my childhood home on Flynn St, playing baseball in the street with all the neighbor kids, and playing hide-and-seek in a two block radius.

I will be back for visits- two of my brothers live in the I.E., my aunt and uncle and my cousin live in Grand Terrace. The first time I see a big warehouse plopped in the former orange grove on Center St or the huge number of houses in the new "development" I am going to throw a tantrum. It's not what the people of our community want or

need, but it's what the greedy-self-serving guys want. What money wants- money gets.

So, my thanks include having had a good teaching job at Valley College, working for the "mouse" in Anaheim, and having wonderful students and friends around me. I am thankful that the Spring Mountain Ranch development is still stalled and that some of the wildlife has returned. I am very happy Highgrove will have a big new library! I have been a patron of the library in three different buildings and the new one opening soon will be the biggest and most beautiful yet. I can't wait to see it! Highgrove deserves this wonderful opportunity.

A new year gives us the opportunity to look back at what the last year brought, allowing us all the year-end gift of hindsight. At a minimum, we are given the chance to give thanks for our blessings.

Happy New Year to You and Yours.... Dr. Cindy

Barnett Alaskan fish stories: Three that didn't get away!



Bob Barnett

My brother Bob Barnett shown above, has been to Alaska about 20 times fishing and hunting. Here he is shown with a King Salmon caught on the Kenai River in Alaska.

(Center photo) About 15 years ago I went to Alaska with my brother Bob and caught this 31 lb. octopus. There were 4 of us in our group and I thought I had hooked onto a rock on the bottom of the ocean but the octopus was holding on with these suction cups. The beak was re-



31 pound octopus moved and I gave the octopus to the skipper because I didn't want it. Recently, I received a call from Steve Crites one of our fishing buddies who found the beak in the bottom of his freezer. We had lost track of the beak that I had given to him. He called me and I picked up the beak and I am considering having it polished. It is similar to a parrot's beak and is quite colorful. My problem is I can't seem to find any octopus beak polishers listed in the yellow pages!



(Right photo) In 1992 Bob took our oldest brother Ron Barnett from Grand Terrace, to Alaska and Ron caught this giant 225 lb. halibut. Ron is shown on the right with the skipper of the boat. These fishing trips consists of fishing in both the ocean and on the Kenai River.

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VIRGINIA'S VIEWPOINT

by Virginia Harford

HAPPY NEW YEAR EVERYBODY

One word describes December 2010—wet, wet, wet. We haven't had torrents like this for several years. It actually became too much and flooded homes in Highland and elsewhere. But we did pray for it and we got it, big time!

But the big news for this report is the shuffling of the Grand Terrace city council. Mayor Maryetta Ferre' did not seek re-election, Walt Stanckiewicz was elected mayor, and Bea Cortes was not re-elected and Bernard Sandoval and Darcy McNaboe were elected as new members of the Grand Terrace city council. The vacancy created when Walt Stanckiewicz moved from councilman to mayor will be filled by appointment. The council felt this was the proper move because an election would have been too expensive. It was believed this decision saved the city somewhere in the neighborhood of \$40,000.

The Historical and Cultural committee under the leadership of Ann Petta, held its annual birthday party for the city of Grand Terrace. Grand Terrace became a city 32 years ago in 1978. After the city birthday party most of us went into the council chambers for the meeting to install the new council members.

The most outstanding aspect of the meeting was the number of people that chose to attend. There were more than 150 people and standing room only. It was heartening to see so many citizens attending the meeting. I wish we could have that many at every meeting. I am proud of you for attending and hope you are inspired to attend more. It is always interesting to see what the

council is up to.

LET'S ALL BE WATCHDOGS

Let's not allow the city council to make decisions without knowing what we want or think. You have the privilege of speaking up at any meeting about what is bothering you during public comments. We do not want a recurrence of the CJUSD meeting wherein the citizens were not only ignored but sent home without protocol. The incident was the situation in which the board wanted to ramrod the naming of Grand Terrace High School after Ray Abril. Mr. Abril died recently and one wonders if all the controversy had anything to do with his demise.

One of the things the council does that irritates me no end is the holding of "closed sessions", a practice that I hope the new council abandons. Why would they need closed meetings? If they indeed intend to be open and aboveboard about their ideas and intentions then tell us about this at the meetings or put the agenda in the paper.

SENIOR CENTER IMPROVEMENTS BEGUN

During the last part of December, 2010 the San Bernardino County Health Department gave its permission to begin the renovations for the Grand Terrace Senior Center dining room kitchen. All equipment and storage units were removed and replaced. I was told that the work would not be finished before April. I have a connection at the health department but he does not want to have his name in the paper.

He said that the kitchen fell short in several places for qualifying for a public kitchen where food can

be prepared. You will see many of these corrections the next time you come to the center for lunch. Several months ago, Walt Stanckiewicz informed all those who would listen that the kitchen was woefully inadequate. Walt being a restaurateur for several years in Grand Terrace is very knowledgeable about how to run a business such as his.

Everybody in Grand Terrace 60 years of age or older is welcome and encouraged to come over for our programs and for lunch. The requested donation for lunch is \$3.00 and \$5.00 if you are less than 60. (No children, please).

APOLOGY IN ORDER

I owe a public apology to our City Attorney John Harper. I have criticized him unfairly on decisions and admonishments he made that were appropriate and timely. I am not much of a politician and even worse as a critical observer. I hope I have learned a lesson. Attorney Harper has courteously accepted my apology and I am grateful.

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"

Grand Terrace High School delayed! Frustration dominates School Board Meeting



The completion of the Grand Terrace High School has been delayed 8 months due to complications that include rain and contractor problems.

At the Colton Joint Unified School district meeting on Dec. 16, 2010 the developer Vanir Development presented their case regarding the delay in construction of the new Grand Terrace High School. The project is reported to be 8 months behind schedule. Vanir presented information how the rain has caused delay to the project and how they encountered a very hard surface 3" to 18" below the ground level that may have been a former parking lot that resulted in the material having to be crushed on-site. There were many school board members who were not happy about the delay and wondered why there was not better notification about the up-coming delay. Newly elected Mayor of Grand Terrace, Walt Stanckiewicz stated that with all of the core samples taken on the property they should have known there was a very hard surface just below the ground level. Two options were discussed. One was to pay additional costs of \$5 Million to

\$6 Million dollars to cover overtime and other costs to complete some of the facilities by December of 2011. This option would not include the football field, tennis courts or swimming pool. The other option discussed would include all of the amenities that have been planned but the opening of the high school would not be until the fall of 2012.

After listening to the comments between the school board and developer and comments from the public, it was decided to wait for a full report from a sub-committee who will be meeting with the developer and report to the school board on **Jan. 13, 2011**. The meeting will begin at **5:30 Pm** at the Colton Joint Unified School District board room, **851 S. Mt. Vernon Ave. in Colton**. The board room is located on the west side of Mt. Vernon Ave. just before crossing the Santa Ana River on the way to Colton from Grand Terrace.

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Grand Terrace: 32nd Birthday!

The city of Grand Terrace's 32 birthday celebration on Dec. 14, 2010 was followed by a city council meeting that had a packed house with standing room only that lasted until 11:15 pm and the vacancy on the city council was not filled.

A special meeting was called on Dec. 21, 2010 to address these same questions: How will the vacancy be filled and who will it be? At the end of the 2nd meeting that lasted about 2 hours, the 4 members of the city council voted to appoint someone to the vacant seat but to hold interviews rather than spend \$30,000 to \$50,000 dollars on a special election.

Former mayor Maryetta Ferre' did not seek re-election and the vacancy was created when councilmember Walt Stanckiewitz was elected mayor in the Nov. 2nd election.

Candidates can apply for the vacancy until Jan. 4, 2011 and will be interviewed during the next Grand Terrace city council meeting on **Jan. 11, 2011 at 6:00 pm at the Grand Terrace city hall**, at 22795 Barton Road in Grand Terrace. Please call (909) 824 6621 for more information.

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The earth movers were stopped during the rain but the grading continues for the new Stater Bros. Market for the opening target date of late 2011.

Grand Terrace Mayors



L-R Walt Stanckiewitz mayor elect of Grand Terrace is shown at the Grand Terrace 32nd birthday party celebration with outgoing mayor Maryetta Ferre'. Shortly after this picture was taken Mr. Stanckiewitz was sworn in as the new mayor in addition to new council members Bernardo Sandoval and Darcy McNaboe, and Maryetta Ferre' ended her 10 year term on the city council. At the special meeting on Dec. 21, 2010 Mayor Walt Stanckiewitz was appointed the SANBAG representative from Grand Terrace.



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Jacob Hernandez

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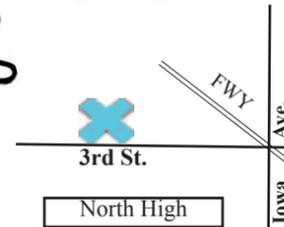
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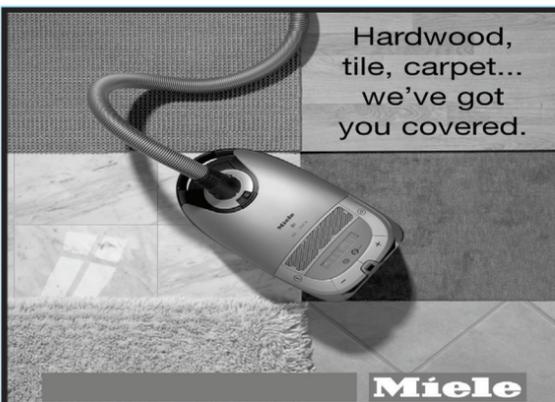
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