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June 2016

Attention Highgrove Property owners! Highgrove Day May 7, 2016

Important information about Highgrove Parcel Fees

May 9, 2016

On April 12, 2016 I went to the Riverside County Treasurers office and the Riverside County Auditor-Controller's office and ask for public information regarding the number of parcels and parcel fees for the parcels in Highgrove east of the I-215 freeway. On April 13, 2016 I received the information I requested and I thanked them for their prompt response. Later that same day I requested an explanation about some of the information I received. Several days later, I received a call asking me to meet with the Riverside County Economic Development Agency about this issue.

On April 27, 2016 Denis Kidd and I went to a meeting with two representatives from the Economic Development Agency and two representatives from Psomas, which is an agency subcontracted by Riverside County. Suzanne Holland, Assistant Director of the EDA stated that all of the Spring Mountain Ranch parcels are now paying the annual fee we have been asking about. This fee was originally voted on in 1992 for a Sheriff Deputy assigned exclusively to the east side of the freeway in Highgrove's CSA 126. In 1997 it was voted on again and passed that added Park & Recreation Services. The ballot specified that all parcels within zone A (East of the freeway) will pay the annual \$120.00 fee.

The information we received on April 27, 2016 is in direct conflict of what was told to us by County CSA Director Bill Brown at our Municipal Advisory Council meeting on Feb. 18, 2015 when he announced that Spring Mountain Ranch does not have to pay the \$120.00 assessment. I reviewed the video tape of the Feb. 18, 2010 MAC meeting and Bill Brown also stated that in 2010 he knew about Highgrove not being able to keep up with the increased Sheriff costs. If Bill Brown knew about this in 2010 (6 years ago) when he was in charge of the County Service Areas, then he should have seen that the parcel owners were properly notified in writing that the Highgrove Deputy position was in jeopardy. Another vote could have been taken to:

1. Eliminate the \$120.00 fee and the extra Sheriff position.
2. Vote for an increase in parcel fee to cover the increased cost of the

Highgrove Sheriff.

3. Reduce the amount of hours of the Highgrove Sheriff so we can stay within our budget.

Unfortunately, none of these options were offered to the voters but the fee still is on our tax bills! When the parcel fee was established it was done in writing with a ballot in 1992 and again with another written ballot in 1997 but when the Highgrove Deputy position was eliminated no one was given written notice.

Since Feb. 18, 2015 we have had many monthly MAC meetings where written documentation could have been presented. We also have a local newspaper (Highgrove Happenings) that is delivered to each residence in Highgrove every month where a press release could have been given to notify everyone that we were about to lose the Highgrove Deputy.

As Chairman of the Highgrove MAC, owner of the Highgrove Happenings Newspaper, and a parcel owner within Highgrove's CSA 126E, I can assure you that no written notice was ever received from Bill Brown or any other county employee in regard to the elimination of the Highgrove Deputy. No one seems to know when the last day the Highgrove Deputy was on duty in Highgrove but the fee still continues to appear on our property tax bills.

This creates several questions that need to be answered:

1. When was the last day the Highgrove Deputy worked in Highgrove?
2. Why weren't the parcel owners who pay the fees, notified in writing when the sheriff position was eliminated?
3. What was Bill Brown's position with Riverside County in 2010?
4. Was any portion of the annual \$120.00 special assessment given to the Sheriff Department after the Highgrove Sheriff was eliminated?
5. If approximately \$132,840.00 was collected each year from the Highgrove parcel owners after the Sheriff was eliminated, what happened to those funds?

Remember, the written ballot was very specific! It specified that the funds were for the Highgrove Deputy Sheriff position that was

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Country Fair T-Shirt on Vince Yu



Recording Artist Jordan Bullins

Highgrove Day 2016

By Becky Luther

Highgrove day's 2016 has come and gone, even with the bad weather in the morning. I want to thank the classic cars for coming in and trusting the weather to clear up and it did and we had a great day with the entertainment: Phoenix Rising Band, CMT Artist Jordan Bullins from Nashville, TN. Bryan Powell with Sounds Divine. We had a Karate Demonstration, Square Dancers, Dog fashion show, Pie eating contest, and a raffle drawing.

We would like to take this time for a special thanks to the staff/committee Dianna Guyer, Vince Yu, Leila Santa Maria, and Louise Gutierrez for letting us use the library for our meetings. We would also

like to thank all of the volunteers that came out to help us on the day of the event. U.S. Navy Sea Cadets Corps and Col. Lewis Millett Division out of March Air Reserve Base, Lisa Betts with Civil Air Patrol out of Flaybob Airport and the students from the local schools.

We would like to take time to thank the donors: Vince Yu of Zorbas, Becky Luther, and Tony Mize of Highgrove Blossom Apartment, Toy Tech, and Johnson Tractor.

We are already getting ready for next year so save the date: May 13, 2017. Soon we will be sending out information on what you can do for the next Highgrove day, and we will be having some contests for our students to be involved in.



Their banner says who they are and their music was great!

Editor's note: Thank you to the committee for doing a fine job!

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June 2016

Hello Community members,

On behalf of Norton Younglove Community Center, I would like to extend the sincerest thanks for the time, effort, and generous donations to make this year's Pancake Breakfast/Highgrove Day a success. We really could not have pulled it off without your support!

Highgrove Committee: Dena Guyer, Rebekah Luther, Vincent Yu. **Volunteers:** Christina J., Irai R, Allie M, Cindi K, Rosalia N, Ara L, Oscar R, Lizette S, Yanet C, Susan D, Shane F, Louise G, Grand Terrace Leo's Club, **FSA Alessandro Kitchen** - Ceci, Maria, Mike, Tim and Stacy. **Out-reach Vendors:** Denia Innovage, Jessica/FSAHope, Rosa/El Sol, Ana/Assurance Wireless, Natasha/Riv Ofc on Aging. Rite Aid and Mini Medical School/UCR. **Music/DJ:** Armando Valencia. **Performance:** Molokai Polynesian - Lorena Rodriguez, Karen Carrillo, Nicole R, Sandra R, Maricela S, Manala S, Single Swingers Square Dance Club, and Areodancer Group.

June 3rd & 17th 8:AM Resource table:

Mini Medical School/UCR - hosted by students from the undergraduate, post graduate and medical school levels from University of California, Riverside. Resources and or Presentations can be about a medical problem or diagnosis, provide an explanation for the medical school and residency process, explain the difference between generic and brand name drugs, demonstrate a practical way to shop for healthy food alternative in the neighborhood or anything that is related improving the health or education of the public. **Hosted by Ana with Assurance Wireless:** "Come and get a free cell phone and a free service through Assurance Wireless! Don't forget your government benefit card (medical, WIC, EBT, SSI, proof of income, etc.), and picture ID!!"

County Regional Medical Center Mobile Health Clinic is back! 9AM - 2PM every 1st and 3rd Friday of each month: RCRMC will be here to answer your personal health questions and provide baselines assessment which include Health screenings (blood pressure /Diabetes-blood sugar screenings,) sick child visits. These health care services are being offered free as a community service to assist families, especially those who do not have, or who have recently lost, their health insurance.

SAVE THE DATE: July 15th from 7 AM to 10 AM for Free Dental Education and Dental Screening for Seniors hosted by Noell with Riverside Community Health Foundation.

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!

Norton Younglove Community Center

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HOURS OF OPERATION



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See you there!!

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Missing Tortoise

We are missing our desert tortoise from our residence on Main Street in Highgrove.

The tortoise is rather large. We thought he was hibernating but as it got hot we didn't see him. His hole is empty. So he dug out just before

winter or just recently. Not sure. We can offer a reward too. If he was not found in Highgrove he might be in Grand Terrace.

If found, please email. Kalker73tsbcglobal.net



NOTE: This is NOT the tortoise that is missing in the picture, it does look like this one.

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".

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HIGHGROVE SHERIFF REPORT



Highgrove Crime Stats Continue to look good.... we had only two part 1 crimes during the 5/03/2016-5/16/2016 reporting period; one assault and one auto theft. The deployment of extra duty deputies is progressing nicely. The Sheriff's Homeless Outreach Team has identified 5 homeless persons. They are working with them to get the housed. Some of those folks look good for housing and house be off the street soon.

Sheriff Dept.: **(951) 776-1099 X 5 (Non emergency)**

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The car show was wet in the morning but the sun came out in later on.



The pie eating contest was enjoyed by these hungry kids who made a mess!

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assigned exclusively to Highgrove with and a small portion for park and recreation services. It was not for regular sheriff services. None of the money should have gone to the Sheriff Dept. after the Highgrove Sheriff's position was eliminated! The Highgrove residents already qualify for 1.04 deputies per thousand in regular sheriff coverage through their regular property taxes without the special CSA 126E assessment.

6. Did the county keep a record of the income and expenses that appeared on our tax bills as CSA 126E?

7. Was there a separation showing how much was spent for the Highgrove Sheriff and how much for Park and Recreation Services?

8. Why was the name changed on our July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016 tax bills from CSA 126E to CSA 126, PARK & REC LNDSCPE?

9. Who authorized the name change of this deduction without a vote?

10. If each Spring Mountain Ranch parcel is paying the parcel assessment of \$120.00, is the \$120.00 being added to the CSA 126E account?

11. How is the money being spent that was collected under CSA 126, PARK & REC LNDSCPE?

The 2015-2016 tax records (under the new CSA 126 PARK & REC LNDSCPE designation) show that \$651,592.46 has been collected for this fiscal year. The \$651,592.46 shown in the new fund (CSA 126, PARK & REC LNDSCPE) is more than enough to pay for a Highgrove Deputy Sheriff to serve all of the area in CSA 126 east of the freeway.

12. Where is the money?
(Figures taken from Riverside County Auditor-Controller's Office)

FISCAL YEAR DISTRICT

YEAR	NUMBER	DISTRICT NAME	AMOUNT	COUNT
FY 2008-09	68-1883	CSA 126E	\$132,600.00	1,107
FY 2009-10	68-1883	CSA126E	132,960.00	1,110
FY 2010-11	68-1883	CSA126E	132,840.00	1,109
FY 2011-12	68-1883	CSA126E	132,840.00	1,107
FY 2012-13	68-1883	CSA126E	132,840.00	1,107
FY 2013-14	68-1883	CSA126E	132,840.00	1,107
FY 2014-15	68-1883	CSA126E	132,930.00	1,108
FY 2015-16	68-1883	CSA 126, PARK & REC LNDSCPE	651,592.46	1,337
TOTAL			\$1,581,442.46	

According to the above chart I received from the Riverside County Auditor-Controller's office from Fiscal Year 2008-09 to Fiscal Year 2015-16 there has been \$1,581,442.46 collected from the taxpayers on the east side of Highgrove for the special assessment that was passes by voters in 1992 and 1997.

We do not have the Highgrove Deputy Sheriff anymore, there is only one park in Highgrove and there are no recreational programs being conducted or Pony League games in the Highgrove Community Park. The landscaping in the Highgrove Community Park has not been replaced like mentioned in audit that was given to our Supervisor on the Aug. 5, 2015, and there is no landscaping in the medians on Iowa Ave. or in the parking lot at the Norton Younglove Community Center to be maintained. (See P. 9 of the May issue of Highgrove Happenings Newspaper)

I obtained a copy of a tax bill from one of the first homes built in Spring Mountain Ranch.

The Supplemental Property Tax bill shows \$1,957.55 due if paid by May 31, 2016 and a 10% penalty if paid after that date. The property tax details on the Secured Property Tax bill shows that \$1,016.65 was paid on 12-10-15 for the 1st installment and \$1,016.65 was paid on 4-11-16 for the 2nd installment under the heading of: CSA126, PARK & REC. LNDSCPE.

It appears that the Spring Mountain Ranch parcels are paying into the system but a new heading was created and changed from CSA 126E to **CSA 126, PARK & REC. LNDSCPE**.

To put this in perspective: The original 1992 ballot was very simple. It stated: "The need for extended police protection will be decided with this ballot". In 1997 it was modified by adding "Park & Recreation Services" due to proposition 218. This arrangement worked for 24 years but what we didn't know was that several years ago the dedicated Highgrove Sheriff position ended but today we are still paying for the dedicated Sheriff that we no longer have. The \$120.00 assessment still continues but has been re-named CSA 126, PARK & REC LNDSCPE and has no reference to the original intention which was for: "extended police protection" which in this case required a Sheriff Deputy because Highgrove is in Riverside County and not the City of Riverside. The Highgrove Sheriff's boundaries were limited to the east side of the freeway within the CSA 126 boundaries unless an emergency existed such as an "Officer Down" call.

The chart from the Auditor shows our tax bills as CSA 126E but the name on the special assessment has been changed. Instead of having our own Highgrove Deputy Sheriff the \$120.00 per year assessment is now being used to mow the grass in the park and according to the audit we received, these expenses include "landscape maintenance of orange groves at Highway 215 and Center Street, medians at Iowa Ave. and Center Street, Graffiti removal and reporting street light outages".

But there is no maintenance needed in the medians on Center St. because there are no medians. And there is no vegetation in the medians on Iowa Ave. or in the medians in the parking lot of the Norton Younglove Community Center. (See P. 9 of the May issue of Highgrove Happenings Newspaper)

I have written documentation to verify the previous statements and information provided in this article.

We need a written response from Riverside County with separate columns showing how much was collected each year for the Sheriff and how much was spent for the Sheriff. Other columns should show how much was collected each year for Park & Recreational Services and how much was spent for Park & Recreational Services.

The taxpayers in Highgrove and the Highgrove MAC deserve answers to all of these questions!

R. A. "Barney" Barnett

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Phil's Philosophy

By Phil Turner

Altered States

These days I often feel like the William Hurt's character in the movie Altered State. In the movie he plays a scientist experimenting with mind-altering drugs and environments, leaving him disoriented and feeling abandoned by society.

I'm not a Tea Party guy, but from all I see and hear, they are for a balanced budget and responsible government. Yet they are called bigots and racists. One would think that government and its officials that spend us into oblivion, and create chaos around the world would be vilified and drummed out of office. Yet we see those officials re-elected time after time.

We see people with vast business experience, and global success negotiating on behalf of their giant corporations, rejected as candidates for office. I refer to Meg Whitman, Carly Fiorina, Mitt Romney, and Donald Trump. We elect people with no experience at anything except politics, and in the case of Barak Obama, very little experience at anything.

Our government is now opening the way for transgender folks, or those who wake up today feeling transgender, to use bathroom facilities used by our children and loved ones.

We are told that Islam is the religion of peace, although we see every day, on every continent, that Islam is very violent, intolerant, and sexist. If you say what I'm writing now, you are judged to be narrow minded, uneducated, and uninformed. Although Christianity is the foundation of our country

it is being attacked at every turn. How many Muslim hospitals are there? Muslim charities, universities, schools? How many products have you bought made in an Islamic country? What have you purchased or used, that was manufactured in Iran, Iraq, Syria, Egypt, Libya, or any other Muslim country? What great scientific discovery has come from an Islamic country, what great literature, or music?

Every day we see the negative effects of unchecked illegal immigration. We are seeing upticks in violence, over burdened social services, and declining wages. But then again, if you actually mention these facts you are a racist, and intolerant.

The truth is most of us welcome legal immigration. We just want to know who we are allowing into our country. We just want to know that they are not carrying TB or the Zika virus, that they are not felons, that they will not be a burden to taxpayers. We need engineers, doctors, and teachers. Lord knows we don't need any more lawyers, grape pickers, or lawn care people. I'm Scots Irish, and I don't want any people from Ireland or Scotland to illegally enter the country.

Today we have crowds marching to the chant that "black lives matter". But apparently black lives don't matter to young black men with guns.

I recall the novel by Robert Heinlein, "Stranger in a Strange Land". This great novel speaks to the result of truth being perverted.

So, in my opinion we are living in an age of altered states. Good is bad. Evil is good. Truth is nonsense.

SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT: Metrolink to begin 91/Perris Valley Line service June 6

LOS ANGELES - Today, Metrolink and Riverside County Transportation Commission officials announced service along the 91/Perris Valley Line (91/PVL) will begin Monday, June 6. The 91/PVL is the first extension of Metrolink service since the Antelope Valley Line was built in 1994.

"We are very excited the residents of the Perris Valley will soon be able to board Metrolink stations in their community and reach areas through Southern California," said Metrolink Board Vice-Chair Daryl Busch, who is also the mayor of the City of Perris and a member of the Riverside County Transportation Commission. "Metrolink and RCTC staff has worked incredibly hard to make this concept a reality."

The extension of the 91 Line will serve four additional Riverside County stations: Riverside-Hunter Park/UCR, Moreno Valley/March Field, Perris-Downtown and Perris-South.

Weekday 91/PVL trains 701, 703 and 705 will all originate at the Perris-South Station with service beginning at 4:37 a.m. In the evening, trains 702, 704 and 706 will all return to Perris with the last train reaching its final destination at 7:50 p.m. There will also be three round trips each weekday between Perris and the Riverside-Downtown Station. There will be no weekend service to or from the four new stations.

The 24-mile 91/PVL extension enhanced 15 at-grade crossings in Riverside County. The variety of safety measures includes: flash-

ing warning devices, gates, raised center medians, striping and pavement markings. The project also added pedestrian crosswalks at two railroad crossings and permanently closed two others.

To increase awareness of the dangers of crossing railroad tracks, a continuing public outreach program, "See Tracks? Think Train," was launched in 2014 to select Riverside County schools, neighborhoods and community groups. Also, an extensive outreach campaign with the University of California, Riverside is ongoing.

For more information about Metrolink and the new service, please visit www.metrolinktrains.com/pvl.

CONTACT: Sherita Coffelt at coffelts@scrra.net or (213) 452-0318.

ABOUT METROLINK (www.metrolinktrains.com)

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The toilet seat was given to whoever broke down on a car run.


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Third Street Under Highway 91 to Close for 6-8 Weeks Starting Monday

Caltrans project to clean and preserve freeway overcrossings continues

RIVERSIDE, Calif. – Third Street between Vine and Mulberry streets will be closed starting Monday (5/9) as Caltrans continues its effort to clean and preserve the underbelly of Highway 91 where it crosses major streets in Riverside.

All vehicle traffic on Third Street under the freeway will be closed during the work period, which is scheduled to start Monday and take 6-8 weeks. Pedestrian access will be maintained during construction activities. No night or weekend work is scheduled.

A similar project on Mission Inn Avenue is expected to be completed Monday, opening the door for the Third Street project to start. Caltrans and the City previously agreed that the work should be done sequentially, with no two streets closed at the same time.

Once the Third Street project is completed in late June or early

July, the same sort of work will be started on Brockton Avenue/Mary Street under Highway 91. Similar traffic closures are expected there as well.

The work on all three overcrossings is designed to extend the life of each structure. Each overcrossing will receive a pressure wash, spot blast cleaning, and new paint. Caltrans awarded the contract to C.L. Industrial Coatings, Inc.

Residents are advised to use alternate routes. Advanced warning signs will be placed to inform motorists of closures. Plan ahead and rideshare if possible.

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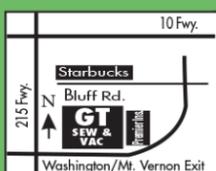
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Geological Rambles and Rumbles

By Robert Fakundiny
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Crestmore Quarries

One of the most famous and interesting mineral localities in California is the commercial quarry of the Crestmore quarries in Jurupa Valley, a mile or so northwest of Riverside (fig. 1); here more than 224 possible minerals have been found. I say "possible" because several of these minerals have not been verified or approved by the Mineralogical Society of America or the scientific profession as minerals not previously described elsewhere.

rare, whereas calcite and dolomite are abundant and used for production of portland cement, the industry at the quarries.

The Crestmore quarries comprise eight sites—two at Crestmore Hills, one on southwest Chino Hill, three on northeast Sky Blue Hill, and the adjacent Wet Weather and Lone Star quarries. At these eight sites, two layers of "limestone," actually marble, are separated by granitic and other metamorphic rocks. The limestone layers were most probably formed during the Mississippian Period (about 340 million years ago) and became metamorphosed into marble during the Early Triassic Period (about 250 million

years ago). The original limestones were rich in calcium and magnesium and now form magnesium-rich marbles. The silica-rich fluids that flowed from the hot batholith combined with the calcium and magnesium of the marbles to produce the wide variety of minerals that make Crestmore famous. Mineralogists call this process contact metamorphism, and many of the minerals at the Crestmore quarries are calcium-magnesium silicates. Most metamorphism of rock elsewhere occurs within deep parts of the Earth's crust, where pressures and temperatures are high, but the metamorphism at Crestmore was shallow and, thus, formed under lower pressure (but still high temperature) and led to the formation of minerals different from those of other metamorphic environments. The customary rule for naming a newly found mineral is that the person who first defines its chemistry and crystal properties is allowed to assign its name. The names can be for places, such as riversideite and jurupaite, or in honor of people, hence foshagite (for W. F. Foshag) and merwinite (for H. E. Merwin). Crestmore has provided at least 224 listed minerals, of which 157 are considered valid, 7 as being found here in their "type locality" (the locality where first reported), and 1 that has been recorded here but not officially approved as a new mineral. The 7 type-locality minerals at Crestmore are foshagite, jennite, merwinite, nekoite, riversideite, tilleyite, and wightmanite; the mineral that has not been declared valid is ellestadite. Riversideite and jurupaite are considered to be chemically and crystallographically the same mineral. Other minerals from Crestmore include treanorite, possibly a form of allanite (a radioactive mineral); plazolite (a form of garnet); and wilkeite (a form of apatite). Some lists of minerals from Crestmore do not include foshagite (a calcium silicate); the differences among listings may be due to the publication of early lists before newer discoveries had been made.

I do not know whether collecting is allowed today at any of the Crestmore quarries, as I have not been there in more than a half century, but local mineral-collecting societies can probably advise. If you are able to inspect Crestmore quarry minerals, you may have difficulty identifying them because many are white, gray, or colorless and appear similar, if not identical, even through a hand lens. Most identification today relies on x-ray and chemical analysis, identification by petrographic microscope (a special type of microscope that uses polarized filters), and other devices that reveal crystal characteristics.

Whenever you come upon a marble located near igneous rock intrusions, keep an eye out for the types of minerals that have been found at the Crestmore quarries. I have not included any photographs of the rare minerals at Crestmore because most are white, gray, or clear set in a matrix of other white minerals and thus are nondescript in hand specimens.



Figure 2. Corundum crystal with tapered ends and basal parting (fractures perpendicular to long axis). (From James Madison University Mineral Collection,



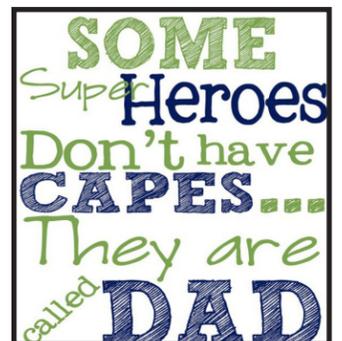
Figure 3. Star ruby and blue cat's-eye sapphire



Figure 1. Extent of Southern California Batholith and locations of areas in which gemstones and other rare minerals may be found in Riverside and San Diego Counties. (Modified from Jahns, R.H., and Wright, L.A., 1951, Gem- and lithium-bearing pegmatites of the Pala District, San Diego County, California, Special Report 7A: San Francisco, Calif. Div. Mines, 72 p.)

In previous articles I discussed the gem minerals within pegmatites of the Southern California batholith (SCB) around Pala, and the rubies and sapphires found near Cabazon within the old remnant rocks that were invaded by the granitic rocks of the SCB. This article addresses another set of old-rock remnants that were similarly invaded by the SCB granites in Jurupa Valley, but unlike the schistose rocks at Cabazon, the remnant at Crestmore consists of marbles. The minerals at Crestmore were formed by the reaction of the calcite (sodium-bearing) and dolomite (magnesium-bearing) crystals of the marbles with the silica-rich fluids emanating from the magmas of the batholith. Many Crestmore minerals, although rare, are not generally suitable as gemstones. Some of the 224 minerals found at Crestmore are extremely

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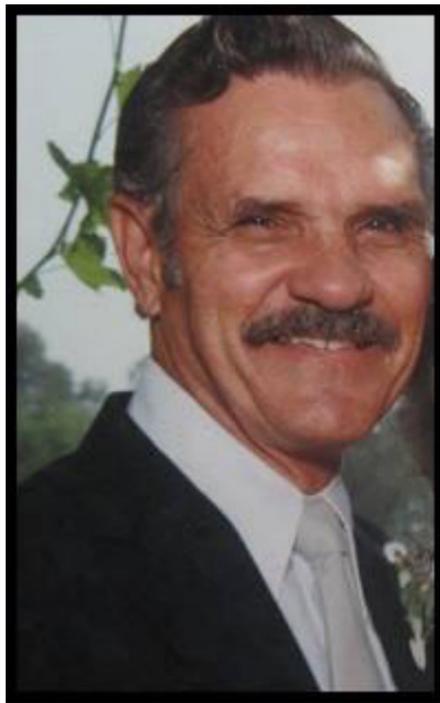
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HAPPY Father's Day

California Dreaming

by Dr. Cynthia Williams,

Graduations and weddings are the norm for June but Father's Day is the occasion nearest to my heart. Last month in honor of Mother's Day I told you about my mom. This month I want to tell you about my dad.



He was born Ernest McConnell Williams on October 15, 1925 in Phoenix, Arizona. The youngest of two boys, as a child he moved around quite a bit due to his mother's poor health. Besides Arizona, he mostly lived in Southern Cali-

fornia including Los Angeles, Montrose, Banning and Beaumont and Riverside. After graduating high school he joined the Army Air Corp with dreams of becoming a pilot but his first training was as a bombardier and as was typical, he never discussed his missions but he did tell us about some of his silly adventures, including the time a bomb was accidentally dropped on a farmer's corn field in Kansas while on a training mission. He was a strikingly handsome man, looking very dashing in his Air Force uniform. Lt. Williams met Mom while he was stationed at March AFB and they married at the old base chapel in March 1952. At the end of the Korean War he left the Air Force and he and mom and I moved back to Riverside.

"Bud" Williams had a delightful sense of humor and a sharp, inquisitive, amazing mind; he was precise and meticulous by nature and an incisive thinker. He always had a book with him and he read a wide variety of genres; he was well read and educated himself in a range of subjects, one page at a time. The example of being a voracious reader rubbed off on many of my siblings and myself and he delighted in finding books especially for us. He liked to bring me "bad doctor

books", mostly by Robin Cook- the ones with nefarious physicians. It was kind of an inside joke between us. He was also a puzzle solver; jig saw, wood, metal, all the little tricky mentally challenging things were a game to him. One year I mailed him a very large jig saw puzzle and I thought it would really stump him. It probably had a thousand pieces and I sent it without the picture on the box, just in a bag — no clues either! But he was good, very good. It wasn't too long before I received a photo in the mail of the completed puzzle! He was tickled with the challenge and thrilled with the win!

Dad was a very busy working two jobs to support his huge family so he had little time for socializing; he was shy by nature, preferring to visit in small numbers with his close friends and family. He had one brother, Howard and his very best friend from his Air Force days, Argie Torres; I think he enjoyed their company the most. Dad also wore his heart on his sleeve- he couldn't hide his love and affection. When we went to the house Dad would give us tight hugs, noisy kisses and a big smile. We knew we were loved by him. Mom was his true love and the devotion he had for her was endless and open. After he retired from

UCR he was her constant companion on her work-related road trips. They were each other's best friends and would prefer to spend time with each other over anybody else. They traveled all over California, Nevada and Hawaii for work and went further afield for their vacation trips which were more added joy for that meant more time together.

A month past their 40th wedding anniversary, at the age of 66, Dad passed away very suddenly and unexpectedly in his sleep. It was a horrible shock and devastated the family and our friends; none of us were the same after that; his passing left a large hole in our family and in our hearts. It's been 23 years but he's still missed so much. By now, in the course of time, many of our other family members, including Mom and my brother Randy, have joined him in heaven. His presence continues to be felt— I can see his underbite in my grandson Brady, who shares his middle name; his dry sense of humor in Dana, his open-book feelings in Mark and Cory and his warm smile in Brad. That's the way it goes in all families, isn't it. We get their best parts to keep those who have passed on close to our hearts.

I hope you enjoy your Father's Day and have a great start to Summer!

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Father's Day is Sunday,
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Happy Birthday Noah!



By: Danae & Alex Jaramillo

On June 11, 2010 I gave birth to a beautiful baby boy whom I never thought I would have due to medical issues. The doctors said I couldn't have kids and now I have 2 boys. Noah, my first born, I can't believe your 6 years old already. It seems like yesterday we were just at the hospital. I remember being in the hospital holding Noah, but not for long because the doctor and nurses took Noah to the NICU. He had swallowed some fluid. After 4hrs of not seeing Noah, my husband finally came to get me and take me to the NICU to see him and I held him chest to chest. I was so emotional, overwhelmed, and scared because being my first child I didn't know what to do. After being home a couple of days, it was like a mother's instinct had always been there. He has grown so fast; I enjoy every moment with him even if he gets a little crazy (haha!). He is smart, an awesome brother, a loving boy, and he loves going to church with his family every Sunday. Noah, you are the light of mine and your daddy's heart. We love you!

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