



# HIGHGROVE HAPPENINGS



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(FREE) Local News for the Highgrove Area

November 2010

## Cinderella Wedding for Highgrove MAC advisor



Brenda Salas has been the Municipal Advisory Council advisor ever since Highgrove went from CSA 126 to the Highgrove MAC. Brenda is the former Mayor, Vice Mayor, and city council member of the City of Banning, elected two terms, 2000-2008, and is currently employed as a Project Manager with the County of Riverside Economic Development Agency. Her previous employers are the Congress of the United States and the Riverside County Board of Supervisors. She has also served two terms on the Riverside Transit Agency Board of Directors, is a past Chair of the United Way of Greater Riverside and Relay for Life in the San Geronio Pass, and supports a number of charitable causes. Brenda is an alumnus of the University of Redlands, and received both a bachelor's degree in government and master's degree in business during the course of her enrollment. She is

currently enrolled in studies at the University of California Riverside, in the field of project management. Brenda is the eldest daughter of Mrs. Louise Lopez of Beaumont and the late Joe C. Salas, formerly of Banning. Her new husband, Tom Freeman is in charge of encouraging foreign investors to build businesses in the Riverside area and use local employees to help create jobs here in our area.

Tom is also employed by the County of Riverside and serves as its Commissioner of Foreign Trade. Tom's prior employment includes serving as region, group, and division Vice President of Waste Management. Tom served in the United States Air Force and later the California National Guard most recently serving as Assistant to the Adjutant General and a member of the General Staff at Guard headquarters in Sacramento.

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Supervisor Marion Ashley escorted Brenda Salas down the aisle.



The new Mr. and Mrs. Freeman leaving the church in Banning.

## Grand Terrace Stater Brothers Groundbreaking



**L-R: Grand Terrace City Mgr. Betsy Adams, Councilmembers Walt Stanckiewicz and Bea Cortes, Stater Bros. CEO-Jack Brown, Mayor Maryetta Ferre', Councilmember Lee Ann Garcia and Joyce Powers, EDA.**

On Oct. 21, 2010 Ardie and I attended the ground breaking ceremony for the new Stater Bros. Market in Grand Terrace. The event was attended by Jack Brown, CEO of Stater Bros. and many other Stater Bros. dignitaries, members of Grand Terrace and the surrounding communities and the Mayor of Grand Terrace, Maryetta Ferre, city council members (and candidates).

The new store will be 70% larger than the existing store and will be 45,000 sq. ft. with wider aisles, a fresh meat and seafood dept., delicatessen, bakery, flower dept., produce dept., pharmacy and a Chase Bank located inside. There will be 60% more parking than the other store and a carpool parking area that will accommodate 45 vehicles for Park and Ride participants and an area large enough for a pick up or trailer.

For 28 years Stater Bros. had their headquarters on Barton Road between the railroad track and La Cadena Drive. Jack Brown said "This store brings us back to Grand Ter-

race and will be the best shopping trip in Southern California!"

The new store will have skylights and require 30% less energy and there will be a recycle center inside the store to recycle paper and plastic grocery bags. Their paper bags are made from 100% recycled bags.

Stater Bros. was founded in 1936 in Yucaipa and is the largest privately owned Supermarket in Southern California and the largest private employer in both San Bernardino County and Riverside County. The company currently operates 167 Supermarkets with over 18,000 members in the Stater Bros. family and they will celebrate their 75th year in 2011. The Stater Bros. Towne Center and related businesses is projected to bring 200 jobs to the new location.

Jack Brown told us that the Highgrove area was also considered as a location for a market but the delay in the construction of the Spring Mountain Ranch homes had an influence on the store location.

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**Highgrove Community Center Hours: Mon-Thur 8am-5pm; Fri 8am-2pm**  
**Highgrove Community Park Hours: Dawn to Dusk**

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**459 Center Street- Highgrove [web site: www.nycchighgrove.com](http://www.nycchighgrove.com)**



## Highgrove Community Center calendar

November 2nd: 6:15 AM to 8:00 PM - Norton Younglove Community Center selected to serve as a Polling Place for the Consolidated General Election



November 2nd and 5th: 8:00 AM to 10:00 AM Andre with CareMore (951-264-8717) will be hosting a resource table. CareMore Health Plan is a Medicare Advantage organization with a Medicare contract.

November 2nd : 8:00 AM to 10 AM – Maria and Ashley (951-509-2500) with Care Connexus Adult Day Services will be here to answer any questions regarding about who and what is Care Connexus serving the disabled community.

November 5th: 8:00 AM-10:00 AM Norma (951-897-8670) with Concordia Insurance & Financial Solutions, LLC will be providing informative material.

November 11: Center closed for Veteran's Day

November 10th: 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM – Presentation by Andre with CareMore (951-264-8717)

November 16 : NO Brown Distribution this day

November 16th 8:30 AM – Izaro (562-308-2791) with SCAN invites you to A FREE Presentation regarding NO More Medicine Mayhem.

November 19th : 8:00 AM to 10:00 AM – Join Andre with CareMore (951-264-8717) for a complimentary Glucose Screening.

November 17th: 10:30 AM to 11:30 AM Monthly meeting – ALZHEIMER'S CAREGIVERS SUPPORT GROUP by Maria and Ashley (951-509-2500) with Care Connexus.

November 23rd: Commodities Distribution 7 AM

November 23rd: 2nd Annual Thanksgiving Dinner sponsored by Norton Younglove Community Center and Sandals Church from 6 PM to 8 PM. Call for seating reservation by November 16. (R.S.V.P. 951-341-6634)

November 25 and 26th – Center closed for Thanksgiving.

November 26th: NO Commodities Distribution this day (was moved to November 23rd)

## A special event from your Partners in Health

**Norton YoungLove Community Center and SCAN Health PLAN** invite you to a FREE Presentation.

**No More Medicine Mayhem**

**Tues., Nov. 16, 2010**  
8:30 a.m.

Norton YoungLove  
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Presentation by: Izaro Elorduy,  
Gerontologist and SCAN Community  
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A sales representative will be present with information and applications.



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## AUTO CLUB, RIVERSIDE POLICE, NICB AND CHP OFFER TOP TIPS TO PREVENT VEHICLE BURGLARY AND CAR THEFT

(RIVERSIDE, Nov. 17, 2010) – The Automobile Club of Southern California, the CHP's Inland Division, the Riverside Police Dept. and the NICB offer several tips to prevent vehicle burglary and theft:

- Always lock your vehicle with the windows completely closed.
- Never leave valuables inside the car, especially not in clear view, including small electronics, wallets, check books, credit cards, personal paperwork or any personal identification.
- Bring your electronics and personal items into your home or office whenever possible.
- Use anti-theft or automatic tracking devices. If your vehicle wasn't equipped with an alarm or hidden tracking device when purchased, have one installed.
- Consider adding visible or audible alarms, steering wheel locks, wheel locks and window etching.
- Never leave your keys in your vehicle, even at a gas station.
- Park in a well-lit area at night. Don't leave your vehicle in a high-crime area.
- Never hide a spare ignition key. Remove keys from under floor mats, sun visor, etc.
- Whenever possible, park your vehicle in a secure garage.
- Never leave the vehicle running at any time when you're not in it. This includes your driveway, while picking up friends, or while at a gas station, grocery store, or shopping mall.

**Notice:** The November MAC meeting will be at 7:00 PM on Nov. 17th at the Norton Younglove Community Center in Highgrove instead of Nov. 24, 2010 due to the Thanksgiving Holiday.

There is a vacancy on the Highgrove MAC due to Debbie Pierce having to resign due to a conflict in her schedule.

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We are 3/4 of the way through the WinterBall season. It is going well and we have 50% more teams than last WinterBall! We are also grateful for sponsorships from Highgrove Happenings and Grand Terrace Lions Club to help fill our season's needs. THANK YOU! In addition, Returning players and a few great coaches are making this a great season!

**UPDATED APPLICATION FOR WINTERBALL 2010 is NOW AVAILABLE!!**

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CLICK ON "HANDOUTS" ~ PLAYER APPLICATION. Fill out, sign and email to: [HighgrovePONY@wwdb.org](mailto:HighgrovePONY@wwdb.org) or call 951-846-9431 with Player's Name, Date of Birth and Phone number

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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	6	Calls for Service	116
Misdemeanor Arrests	0	Business Checks	24
Traffic Citations	7		

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Sgt. Andy Stonebreaker (951) 955 2654

Lieutenant Art Gonzales (951) 955 2600

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



Hello Highgrove parents and community,  
Welcome to yet another PTA posting. We look forward to finding new and creative ways to keep you informed with all of the exciting events occurring at our local elementary school. Here are a few events taking place in the month of November:

- On going membership drive (reminder: a good portion of the proceeds stay right here in the school for activities & field trip transportation)
- 2010-2011 Yearbook Pre-Sale! Produced through Lifetouch. Yearbooks will be soft cover, in color, and reasonably priced. Parent's dedication pages are being considered. Look for the pre-sale letter soon!
- Nov 9th/10th College & Career day
- Nov 19th Parent / Teacher Conf.
- Nov 22nd-26th Thanksgiving Recess
- Nov 30th 3:30 PTA meeting

The Highgrove PTA executive committee members are all volunteers; dedicated to insuring your children have a special school year. You can also help by sending in your membership forms and/or volunteering for an event. Remember, you are not required to attend executive meetings! Very special thanks to "Ardie & Barney" at "Highgrove Happenings" for bringing awareness to all parents by accommodating the Highgrove PTA monthly articles.

Respectfully yours,  
Eloisa Ally Blatchford  
PTA President

## E-Taekwondo Students 1st test at NYCC



Top row L-R: Maria Calderon, Venessa Rangel, Juan Chavez, Master Elvis chavez, Adael Moreno, Eddie Flores, Carlos DeLaPaz. Middle row: Venessa Flores, Veronica Velazco, Jaqueliem Fregoso, Omar Fregoso, Masrevo Dhagaswara, Ernesto Carrera, Jose Cisneros. Floor: Alex Gonzalez, Luis Rodriguez, Daisy Velazco, Angeles Perez, Danielle Gonzalez, Victoria Calderon, Leslie Ledgard, Angelica Flores

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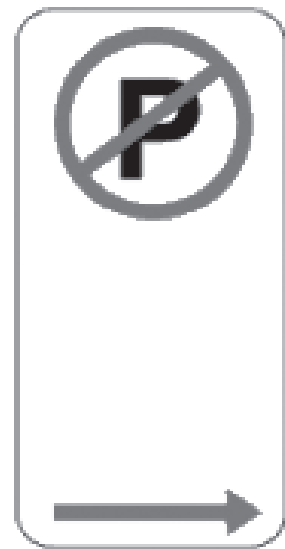
Thousands of people are attracted to the Eagles by our social events. We are fun-loving individuals who enjoy spending time with family, friends and neighbors. It is not uncommon to hear a longtime member say that a dance was the first Eagles function he or she attended. We also offer many social opportunities at our regional and national conventions. Call today to join or if you know someone who is a member come along as a guest and check it out!

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## Restricted parking on Center St. approved

On Sept. 4, 2010 the Riverside County Board of Supervisors approved item 3.44 presented by the Riverside County Transportation and Land Management Agency by adopting resolution 2010-232 designating restricted parking zones for certain commercial vehicles on Center St. in the Highgrove area of the 5th district.

New signs are being constructed and will be installed by the county along Center St. when they are completed in several weeks.



## 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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This 1936 Rolls Royce took them from the church to the reception.



The reception was held at the Edward-Dean Museum in Cherry Valley.

He retired as a Colonel (CA) after 28 years of service. Tom is the past Chairman of the Board of United Way of the Desert and past board member of The John F. Kennedy Memorial Foundation. Colonel Freeman is a member of the Board of Directors of the National Guard Association of California and he is an alumnus of Saint Catherine's Military Academy, the United States Air Force School of Medicine, and Harvard Universities John F. Kennedy School of Government. Tom is the host of the radio program Duty, Honor, Country. He is the son of the late William E. Freeman and the late Dorothea K. Freeman, both of Yorba Linda, California.

We attended Tom and Brenda's wedding on Oct. 14, 2010 in Banning at the Mountain Avenue Baptist Church and it was a beautiful ceremony. Supervisor Marion Ashley escorted Brenda down the aisle to join Tom at the altar for the ceremony. After the ceremony, as the new Mr. And Mrs. Freeman left the church, they passed through the uniformed soldiers holding swords and greeted the crowd before getting into a 1939 Rolls Royce for their journey to the reception.

The reception was held at the Edward-Dean Museum and Gardens on Oak Glenn Road in Cherry Valley. The facility there is very beautiful and guests gathered in the rose garden for non-alcoholic beverages

while the final preparations were being made in the large white tent nearby. The new bride and groom arrived in a Cinderella type, horse drawn carriage and walked together down the red carpet to the huge tent that was in my estimation at least 60 feet by 80 feet. There was a large dance floor and a 12 piece orchestra and a lot of round tables for the guests to find a place to sit for dinner.

This was definitely a Cinderella Wedding and many dignitaries attended the wedding and reception. For fun, Brenda and Tom enjoy home improvements and volunteering with Mountain Avenue Baptist church. They plan to make the San Geronio Pass their home.

We wish Tom and Brenda the very best and a long and happy life together.



Tom and Brenda at the reception.

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## Invisible Populations:

### A Deeper Look Continued

Jessielee Coley

The baby shower was a success! Someone had ordered a cake that read "Wishing You a Happy and Healthy Baby!" and many people brought presents. A few friends and I pitched in and were able to buy her a baby diaper bag filled with socks, bottles and a pacifier. She attended a few prenatal appointments and chose to keep the sex of the baby a surprise. We decided to go with a neutral jungle theme for her gift, all the items had little dancing monkeys and lions. As she opened her gifts, she could not wipe the grin off her face. She was filled with joy, so happy that others were being so generous. After opening the last one it appeared that she would be minimally equipped to care for her baby, I began to worry.

When the slices of cake were being passed out, Liz announced that she had an important update about their travels. As she continued talking I couldn't help but smile when I was handed a piece of cake that read "happy baby." I knew they would have a happy baby because they would raise the

baby with all the love they have to give. However, I still was nervous about the healthy part. Love is important, but a baby also needs a home and proper nutrition to thrive. I left my thoughts and began to listen to Liz make her announcement. She said her plans her finalized, her and her husband would travel up north to live with family. Her husband had a job waiting for him. She would be housed and well fed, she would be able to give her baby the proper care it would need before the delivery.

I was so happy to hear they would indeed be moving in with family. They had purchased train tickets and would be leaving the next day. The next day!? I wasn't ready to send her off just yet, but it was time for her to move forward in her life. I gave Liz once last, big hug and wished her and her family the best. I told her I wanted her to keep me updated on her pregnancy and life up north. When Liz left she took the sunshine with her, Santa Barbara has recently embraced winter weather.

## Diamond Valley Lake in Hemet



We recently visited Diamond Valley Lake in Hemet. My daughter and family recently purchased a home near the lake and we had never been there so we stopped by to look around. It is a beautiful lake but there are also many restrictions for its use.

There is no swimming, personal watercraft, water skiing, float tubes or body contact of any kind.

Pets are not allowed on trails, shoreline or on boats and smoking is only allowed in designated areas and alcohol is not permitted at the marina including the shoreline. Type B fire extinguishers are required on boats where a fire hazard could be expected from the motors or the fuel system

So what can you do at this lake?

Kayaks are allowed but must be at least 10 feet in length and have a current DVL inspection sticker and allow seating for all passengers inside the boat. Boat launching and landing is allowed only at designated docks and ramps and a fishing license is required for all anglers over 16 years old. You can obtain more information by visiting: [www.dvlake.com](http://www.dvlake.com) or call (951) 926 7201 or the marina store at 1 800 590 LAKE.

Diamond Valley Lake is owned by the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California and is committed to keeping this water clean for our domestic use.

## Board of Supervisors lighting ordinance



The Riverside County Board of supervisors is drafting an ordinance that would regulate outdoor lighting that shines across property lines and onto adjacent property. The light trespassing ordinance was passed by the Board of Supervisors on Oct. 19, 2010. When the wording is completed it would apply to the Highgrove area and other unincorporated areas of Riverside County.

## Report Illegal Dumping

If you see illegal dumping that is under progress call the Sheriff at (951) 776 1099.

If you notice any illegal dumping that has occurred please call (951) 955 8982 to report the location so the articles can be picked up by Waste Management. Spring St. has been an area where illegal dumping has occurred in the past. The trash collectors are supposed to pick up illegally

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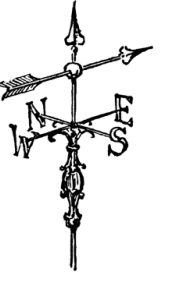
Mark your calendars for the "Switch-On Ceremony" at the Mission Inn. At 6:15 pm on November 26, 2010 the Mission Inn will switch on the lights for the "Festival of Lights" to turn on the beautiful Christmas decorations in and around the Mission Inn in Riverside. This is a free event that is something the whole family can attend and as always the decorations are very beautiful.

## Help Wanted!

We are looking for assistance with the Highgrove Happenings Newspaper. We need someone who is familiar with INDESIGN on the computer. We also need photos and articles about the happenings in and around Highgrove or something of interest to our readers. Please give us a call and we can talk. Thank you, "Barney" and Ardie (951) 683 4994

## Is Highgrove ready for the future?

Whether we like it or not changes are coming to our area! **NORTH** of us in Grand Terrace there is a new high school being built and construction of a new Stater Bros. Market will begin soon. **SOUTH** of Highgrove there are so many warehouses up and down Palmyrita Ave. and Columbia Ave. that you may have wondered why they keep building warehouses when so many are "Available", "For Lease" or "For Sale". **EAST** of Highgrove is the Spring Mountain Ranch project that will bring hundreds of new houses to our area when completed. This has not happened for several years but millions of dollars have already been invested in infrastructure to make this project "builder ready". This project only needs to have the tumble weeds scraped off of the pads to start building homes. Everything else is ready! Will this ever happen? Will Highgrove be ready when the construction actually begins? Other future plans east of Highgrove include the possibility of a new road to connect Moreno Valley to Highgrove from the top of Pigeon Pass to Main St. or possibly Center Street. These projects are based on the economy which may not happen until the economy improves. But you can bet that they are not going to re-grade everything and plant orange trees!



Near the **WEST** side of Highgrove is the I-215 freeway that has portions on the west side of the freeway that are still in Highgrove. Just a couple of miles south of the Center St. off ramp toward Riverside is the \$381 million dollar I-91/I-215/I-60 interchange and about 5 miles north of Center St. is the I-215/I-10 interchange. Highgrove is ideal for future growth! We have the vacant land and the location, location, location!

Yes changes are happening in all directions including the proposed construction **RIGHT IN THE MIDDLE** of Highgrove with the Bixby Land Co. owning 40 acres of vacant land just west of the school between Center St. and Spring Street. They also own another 27 acres south of their 40 acres on the south side of Spring Street. Is Highgrove ready to have more warehouses built right in the middle of our community between these residential districts? These 2 large areas of 67 acres also used to be orange groves but have been re-zoned for an Industrial Park and Manufacturing.

Do you think this is a good plan for this vacant land or is there a better use? Please let us know what you think should be in middle of Highgrove.

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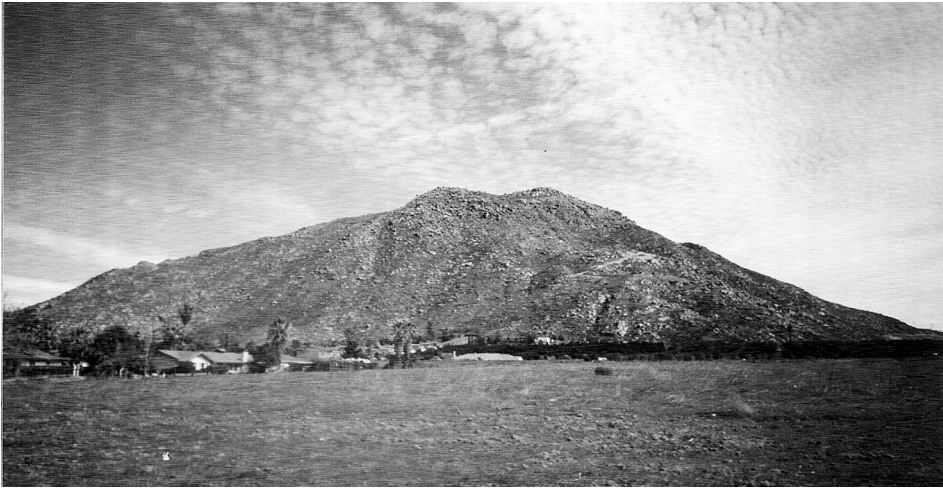
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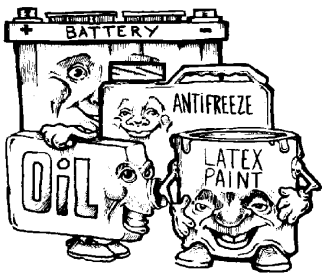
It (Pigeon Pass) provided a trail or primitive road as early as May, 1853, when U. S. Deputy Surveyor Henry Hancock noticed "a very clever watering place in a small canyon....on the trail from Jurupa to San Jacinto.

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What kind of car is this? see answer on P. 13



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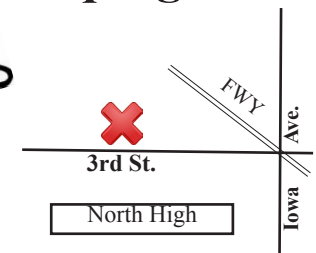
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## A "LOVING" LOOK AT POLITICS

by Jerry Lovng

Please Remember to Vote

We are the only nation that allows the people to choose their leaders by election. Throughout history, the people of any given nation have felt the heels of the leaders' feet on their backs. For example, in the Soviet Union (the old one), the people were allowed to vote but there was only one candidate. So after a few fixed elections, the people stopped voting and the communist gov't became entrenched and even murdered people to get in office.

It has been documented that Stalin in the early 20's killed over 1 million citizens to become the leader of Russia. And he died in office in 1953. Also, he was ill prepared for the invasion of Hitler, whose army made it to Moscow but had to endure a Russian winter which throughout history had protected Russia from invasion. Even Napoleon tried to defeat Russia but got caught by the worse winter in history and most of his army froze to death and they never reached Moscow.

Even in the South American countries, which are in our part of the world, each country had either a revolution or a long line of related leaders that controlled the gov't and are still in power today. Mil-

ions of innocent people have had to give up their land to the gov't or were placed in terrible concentration camps. Russia had the worse camps because they were located in the Ural Mountains and over 60 to 80,000 people perished from the terrible conditions of their camp.

To this day, Argentina, Australia, Austria, Hungary, and Bosnia still have concentration camps for the people who fought for democracy or opposed the dictatorships of their gov't. Of all the concentration camps, Auschwitz was the worse camp. To this day, there are still stories or documents surfacing to tell of the horrors of this camp.

In conclusion, on election day if you are trying to decide to vote or not, even if you don't like any of the politicians running for office, just picture yourself behind a barb wire fence staring out at a guard who would shoot you if you tried to escape, or you have done without food for days and several of your friends lie dead in their beds because your country does not allow elections. SO, ON ELECTION DAY, PLEASE VOTE. YOUR FREEDOM DEPENDS ON IT.

## Letter to the Editor from Grand Terrace resident

When we go to the polls in a few days we will be selecting the person who will represent our city. Our mayor mirrors who we are as a city. We must select carefully.

We have been privileged to have a mayor who personifies intelligence and class in Maryette Ferre. I have been proud she was representing our city at various meetings and functions. She is calm and level headed.

Perhaps, her years of dealing with children prepared her for the less than adult behavior that is often exhibited in our city. We, as a city, deserve such representation like Maryette Ferre. Who will do that now? I urge the citizens of Grand Terrace to put aside the awful politics we have been experiencing and vote for someone who models the attributes needed in a mayor. I hold Maryette as that model. Choose wisely!

Peggy Reagan: GT resident



## Highgrove Happenings voter guide:

### Propositions:

19 NO,  
20 YES,  
21 NO,  
22 No recommendation,  
23 YES,  
24 No recommendation,  
25 YES,  
26 No recommendation,  
27 NO,  
Measure K NO,  
Measure L, No recommendation,  
Measure M, No recommendation.

### Candidates:

I am a registered Independent because I do not like the constant cat and dog fights between the 2 major parties and the negative advertisements.

I am concerned about our choices for Governor and for Senator but I can not recommend either one. I will cast my vote but I see many problems with each of the candidates for these offices.

Be sure to think before you vote!!!

**Governors race too expensive!** I thought about running for Governor myself but I could only raise \$12.38 toward my television advertising and I was afraid that my opponents would find out that as a child I was once caught running with scissors and as an adult I left the water on while I was brushing my teeth! I am sure I would be criticized and they would make a big deal out of it! "Barney" Good luck to all of our voters!

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Some of the buildings are about half way of reaching their height.



The first principal of the new High School will be Angela Dischinger.



Other buildings are almost completed but there is still a lot to do!



This is how a bird will see the new Grand Terrace High School on the north side of Main St. in this conceptual rendering of the new facility.

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## DEVILS DEN

by Dennis Wilds

### A Halloween Apology

Postmaster  
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San Joaquin Valley

Mr. Mailman, could you please deliver this letter to the folks who lived at the second house on the right down the street from the gas station at the North end of town?

Hello neighbors. Do you remember Halloween night in 1954? You came home to a wet living room floor and you have me to blame for that and I am truly sorry. I am guilty with an explanation and here it is:

On this, my first participating Halloween, I went a little wild, but I had some help. That day in school the kids were buzzing about tricking and treating, a new concept for me. I had just recovered from appendicitis and slowly had regained my strength enough to be invited into town with the big kids for Halloween. My sister Anna Jane explained how you first put on a disguise or costume so I grabbed my coon skin cap and headed to the trash burning barrel and sooted up my face with ashes to look like an Indian Davey Crockett. David, my big brother and his friends gave several of us Harrigan's camp kids a ride into town in his Lincoln Zephyr from which he had removed all the seats so there was standing room only. The seats had been removed so that he and his friends could roll the car over while making smaller and smaller circles in the fields. Theoretically, this made the ordeal more like a carnival ride. David denies this but it has become part

of his teen legend.

Once into town, David dropped us smaller kids off by the library and proceeded to Weir G Smith's house. Mr. Smith doubled as Stratford's school principal and truant officer; therefore, he was considered the enemy to camp kids. David played the old joke on Mr. Smith by lighting a paper sack on the porch and then knocking and running off. You can figure the rest out from there. Meanwhile, my group of hobos and charcoal mustachioed tramps took up collecting candy, pennies, popcorn balls, and fruit from the townspeople of Stratford. Occasionally, the home owners requested a performance from us before surrendering the treats. Being the littlest, I would perform a rhyme or sing the new shoe song or something, to the delight of the adults. I must have been cute as heck because the treats kept coming. I was hoping the night would never end when we came to your house.

You were gone and the lights were out and one pie tin sat by the front door on the porch. A few pieces of candy corn were all that was left, so someone said "Let's trick them". Instantly the mood turned ugly and with great malice and aforethought the rest of my group began to rearrange your porch furniture. That seemed inadequate justice from my point of view so I separated from the group and went to the right around to the side of the house where I found a spigot and hose under the living room window. I turned the hose on and began to shoot a stream through the screen into the house, figuring that that would teach you a lesson about the spirit of Halloween as it had been briefly explained to me. When Anna Jane rounded the cor-

ner and saw what I was doing she yanked the hose from me and yelled for everyone to run like heck. We didn't stop running til we were on the other side of town. There and then, Anna Jane gave me more insight into the limits of tricking and treating.

So there, I am very sorry for the christening of your home 56 years ago and I know the odds are slim of this letter actually reaching the right people now, but just the same, here is my sincere apology. For what it's worth, my punishment has come over the years from other kids who have made me the butt of Halloween tricks so I guess it all evens out.

DEVIL'S DEN  
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BY Leilani Child Wilds

"THE HALLOWEEN APOLOGY"



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## VIRGINIA'S VIEWPOINT

by Virginia Harford

BEA CORTES

I would hope that you will read my entire column before you stop because I might say some things you do not want to hear. But we are all capable of learning and to write a column for a newspaper such as this one reveals when one does or most assuredly does not know something. By that I mean that Barney and Ardie have taught me more than you can imagine about writing a column, in many ways more so than what the Press Enterprise did.

However, I must explain to you that I think I know why you are crucifying Bea Cortes. Her ability to do her job as a Grand Terrace City Council member is wrought with a number of influences not to mention the public she is supposed to serve but her position on the council that is and has been for a long, long time dominated by Maryetta Ferre.

Bea's other sources of influence may or may not be things I know or do not know about and that is not to say I don't know her. I do. She was very helpful to me when I began my twenty year involvement with the Riverside Press Enterprise. Some of you may know that I wrote a column every week for twenty years with Grand Terrace and Highgrove as my

territories.

When I began my career with that paper Bea was one of those people in Grand Terrace that helped me get started. She helped me get news items that were timely and proper for my column and she was always eager to help me and never put me off saying she did not have time for me or some other excuse.

Over the years I became involved in other things. I was a nurse for many years and had my own business as a home health nurse. Therefore when Maryetta Ferre came along it was okay with me because I had known Maryetta for a long time having been a member of the Colton Women's Club with her mother, the late Pauline Huntoon who was not a politician, but Mr. Huntoon was a politician and that may be where Maryetta got her start.

Also over the years, Maryetta became more and more aggressive and seemingly dedicated to the idea of running Grand Terrace with an iron glove. Getting to her influence on Bea may or may not be all of Bea's problems in her position as council person.

When the three of these

women became a majority on the council I said to them all that they had a beautiful chance to make Grand Terrace into a mini Leisure World.

That place in Laguna is a beautiful senior citizen complex that can only be said to be a near perfect and wonderful place for the senior citizen who can afford to go there and live out his or her years. Daisy Broussard had a condo there and invited me to stay overnight with her. It was a grand place and I assume that it still is. Tom and Eleanor Beckwith who had an antique store in Grand Terrace at one time moved to Leisure World and Tom had an important position with them maybe in the top echelon.

Bea Cortes is not a bad person. She does not deserve to be crucified as you (and you know exactly who you are) are trying to do to her. Frankly I believe that most of the time when vituperative and destructive acts are performed the victim is in-

nocent. This has been one of if not the worst campaign I can remember. In addition, Bea is beautiful and she is older than she looks. She has a beautiful daughter Camille that is successful in her own right and loyal to her mother. Admit you are jealous of her and that your accusations may not hold up in court. Try to find it in your heart to be a human being and that holding the office you are vying for is not a be all and end all you thought it was. I am by no means a person who has done no wrong but in this instance I believe as Jesus said, "Let he who is without sin cast the first stone." FINIS

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## BUS TECHNOLOGY TO REDUCE EMISSIONS AND COSTS

Hydraulic hybrid technology relies on energy created by braking to propel the vehicle

The Riverside Transit Agency (RTA) plans to unveil a new type of bus technology next month that could usher in a new generation of cleaner-burning vehicles for the fleet.

The Agency's latest push for new bus technology has resulted in a hydraulic hybrid system aboard a 12-seat vehicle. Energy is harnessed during the braking process, and used to propel the vehicle when it needs to accelerate, resulting in less brake maintenance and reduced operating costs. Plus, better fuel economy means less harmful emissions.

The hydraulic hybrid system offers great advantages for buses that operate in stop and go conditions because the system can capture large amounts of energy when the brakes are applied. "RTA is proud to be a long-time proponent of cleaner, greener technologies in public transit," said RTA Chairman of the Board Jeff Comerchero. "This is another example how we are exploring new and innovative ways to travel."

RTA began work in earnest last spring, following nearly three years of developing the project with hydraulic giant Eaton Corporation, which chose RTA to install and test their new technology. After a short stint at UC Riverside, where students will compare current emissions levels with those done prior to the modifications, the hybrid bus is expected to hit the streets in early November.

This isn't the first time RTA has pushed the boundaries of bus technology.

Two years ago, RTA launched two pilot programs designed to reduce vehicle fuel consumption, cut emissions and improve bus engine performance. The success of those pilot programs has prompted RTA to consider the same technology for buses purchased in the future.

In 1988, prior to today's laws that regulate bus emissions, RTA was among the first transit systems in the nation to operate low-emission methanol buses. In fact, when RTA's Riverside headquarters was built in 1986, it included a separate fueling system for alternative clean fuels. The drive for cleaner fuel didn't stop there. In 2001, the agency took its biggest step by replacing its entire fleet of diesel buses with compressed natural gas (CNG) buses.

The Riverside Transit Agency provides public transportation for Western Riverside County, operating 37 fixed routes, 8 express routes and Dial-A-Ride service. RTA's service area spans 2,500 square miles, the second largest in the nation. For bus route and schedule information contact RTA at (800) 800-7821 or log on to our website at [www.RiversideTransit.com](http://www.RiversideTransit.com).

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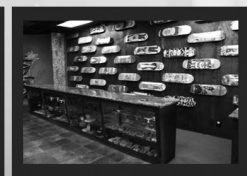
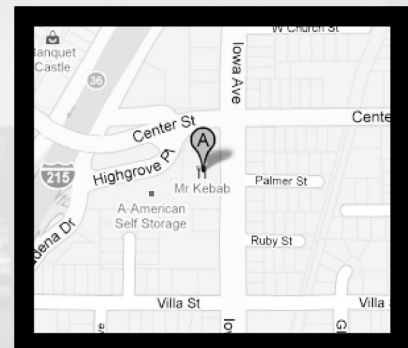
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Answer to P. 7 This is a 1993 Panoz Roadster and is not a kit car. The Panoz won the 24 hour LeMans and beat the Ferrari and Corvette teams. It has a 5.0 liter V-8, stainless steel frame, aluminum body and a 5 speed transmission. The car is owned by Jim Knight who we met at a car show in Glen Avon. This the first Panoz I have seen.

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Jaqueline Diaz is 8 years old and the daughter of Sandra Romero. She is this month's winner of the word search puzzle. She is in the 4th grade at Highgrove Elementary and her teacher is Mrs. Biedinkap. She has provided us with the words for November's puzzle. Thank you to all the children who have participated in our word search and good luck to the next winner.



Jaqueline Diaz

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