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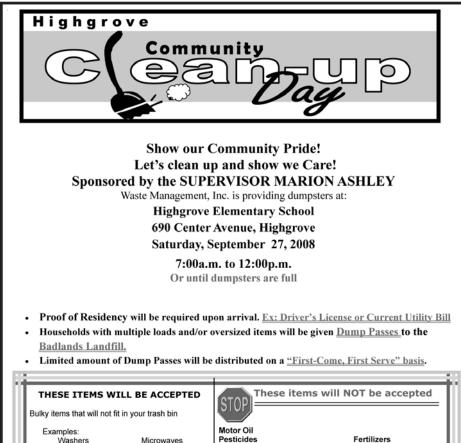
September, 2008

Mt. Vernon Ave. to Palmyrita Ave.: Good news/Bad news

Before Paving.....



The above photo was taken on July 15, 2008 and shows the in-completed portion of Palmyrita Ave. that we pictured on page 11 in our August issue. The good news is that the dirt portion is now paved and the new asphalt connects to the old part of Palmyrita and there is a new double center line that has been recently painted. See photo to right.

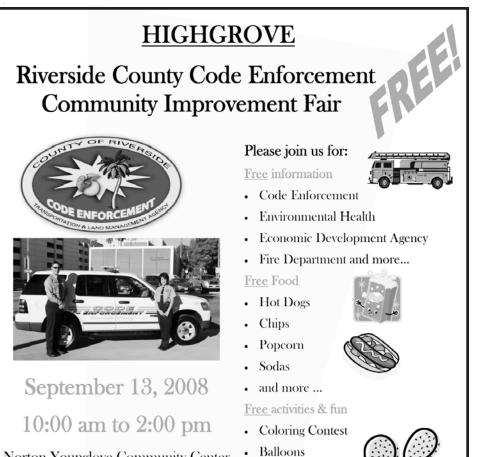


After Paving.....



All of Palmyrita Ave. is now paved clear to the east end of the road including the portion from Mt. Vernon Ave. across the Springbrook wash to Spring Street.

Bad news: see page 5



orton Younglove Community Center

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Coordinated and hosted by Riverside County Code Enforcement Department. Donations of t-shirts, supplies, and staff include WRCOG, Waste Management Inc., Riverside County Waste Management,, Highgrove MAC, and community volunteers

MAC Community meetings changed to the 4th Wednesday of each month. Next meeting Wed. Sept. 24, 2008 7:00 PM Norton Younglove Community Center, 931 Center St. Highgrove 7:00 pm Bring a neighbor!

459 Center Street

Highgrove, CA 92507

 Games And more...



HIGHGROVE RESIDENTS ONLY

For more information or to volunteer, please contact Chaka Ferrell at (951) 955-5257 or (951) 892-1377

Are you registered to vote?

Are you registered to vote on Nov. 4, 2008? Do you know where to obtain the proper forms to register? If the answer is no to these 2 questions you can obtain more information by going to www.election.co.riverside.ca.us or call: (951) 486 7200 from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm on Monday through Friday.



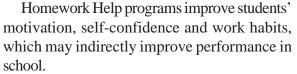
norton younglove Highgrove Community Center Hours: Mon-Fri 8:00am-2:00 pm Highgrove Community Park Hours: Dawn to Dusk Contact: Sherry at (951) 341-6634 (951) 786-6912 THE NORTON YOUNGLOVE COMMUNITY CENTER 459 Center Street- Highgrove



Homework Help is offered at the Norton Younglove **Community Center**

Family Service Association will hold a Homework Help program for children ages 5- to 12years-old, at the Norton Younglove Community Center.

The program offers children help with their homework, snacks and activities after they finish their homework.



The program provides students a safe environment during the after school hours, which are a critical time for them. It also reinforces what they learned in school and offers opportunities to expand their research and studies.

The program started on Aug. 25th and will be held every Monday through Friday, from 2:30 to 4 p.m. Cost per week is: \$5 for one child; \$8 for two children; \$11 for three children; and \$14 for four children.

If you would like to enroll your child, become a volunteer, or make a donation to the program, then please call the Center.

The Norton Younglove Community Center is at 459 Center Street in Riverside. Phone, 951-341-6634.

Young Californians Remix All Stars

Starting Monday September 15, 2008 New classes will be offered for Cheer & Jazz Dance They will meet every Monday from 6:15pm to 7:45pm For further information please call 951-359-7827 or



Norton Younglove Community Center 951-341-6634

Country Line Dance Classes Wednesday's 1:00pm-2:00pm Cost: \$2 per class Line dancing is a great, low-impact exercise that offers

Spend time with the Masters

Learn the basics of art and color and create your own personal creations by using the techniques of the art masters at each session. The instructor will be Annette Ramsey of HeArt Enterprise. Classes are on Fridays at 12:30 p.m. for adults and 2:30pm for youth. Cost is \$1 for supplies.



Please contact the center for informatioon



2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Come in every day to pick up a raffle ticket for prizes to be drawn on this day. Also keep September 24th open at 11:00am for an Educational Workshop scheduled called "Sensible Seniors".

Come on down to the...



Low Cost Pet Vaccination and Microchipping Clinic: Sign-up for a voucher for low cost spay and neuter!

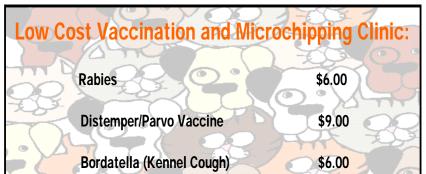
Norton Younglove Community Center 459 Center St. Highgrove, CA 92507

Date: Time:

September 17, 2008 10:00am-2:00pm

For more information please call:

(951) 358-7387 Dogs on Leashes and Cats in Carriers Please





emotional and physical benefits. Come join the fun,



beginners welcome! Lessons are taught by Martha Quintero.

County of Riverside Department of Animal Services

Rolling Cart FOOD GIVE AWAY

1st and 3rd Friday of the month



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

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

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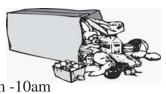
The Center now offers FREE access to high-speed WiFi network. The community is now free to bring their laptops to the Center and surf the net in the Cool Center.



Don't Forget!!!

Brown Bag:

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





The Riverside County Economic Development Agency and it's Graffiti Removal Program, "Graffiti Busters" responded to 6,611 calls for service in 2007, removing 16,304 graffiti signs, symbols, letters, and

emblems. Taggers were responsible for defacing some 700,894 square feet of property last year.

Robin Zimpfer, Assistant County Executive Officer for the Economic Development Agency said, "We need the public's help, assistance, and support, we want members of our communities to call our graffiti hotline and report the location of graffiti for removal. We have added two additional crews and two more trucks to our response force. One new unit will join the two already in service in Western Riverside County and the fourth unit has been assigned exclusively to the Coachella Valley.

"The Graffiti Busters toll free hotline for the majority of the county is (866) 732-1444. You may also visit our web site at www.rcgraffitibusters.com to report graffiti. Graffiti Busters serves the unincorporated communities of Riverside County as well as the newly incorporated cities of Menifee and Wildomar.

For additional information regarding this press release, the media may call Tom Freeman at 951.201.7312 or send email to tomfreeman@rivcoeda.org.



Riverside HIGHGROVE PONY LEAGUE BASEBALL/SOFTBALL 2008/2009

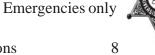
Due tot the loss of Johnny Hernandez and my new hours and responsibilities to my grandson I will not be able to run Highgrove Pony Baseball/Softball League without more help. Right now I have 2-3 parents helping and that is not enough. We need a few more. There will not be any winter ball but I would like to do a regular season starting January 2009. I would like to keep this league going in honor of Johnny who started this in Highgrove and was very dedicated. We need children ages 5-12 to sign up but most of all I need parents willing to help the league get started again. We will need help with all aspects of the league plus donations to replace lost and missing equipment and uniforms. If you are interested in helping please contact me on Sundays between 4:00pm-6:00pm or leave your information at the community center Sorry this has taken a while but I would like to try one more time to see if we can bring baseball and softball back to our community and youth of Highgrove. Linda Tobin (951) 323-1467

HIGHGROVE SHERIFF

Deputy Bryan Vig Stats :

Felony Arrests

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Keeping Fido Safe On The Road

(NAPSI)-Pet owners spend a whopping \$40 billion on their furry friends each year. That's enough to buy a gallon of gas for every man, woman and child in the United States...44 times.

Insurance companies haven't always viewed pets with the same passion as their owners. If you're in an accident, generally



everyone in the car-except your four-legged friend-is covered.

The Progressive Group of Insurance Companies now recognizes Fido and Fifi as family members. A Progressive policy with Collision coverage now extends to cats and dogs. The coverage pays up to \$500 if your dog or cat is hurt or dies as a result of a car accident.

And, best of all, the coverage is free.

"We know how much our customers love their dogs and cats. Many of us have pets, too, and we feel the same way," said Geoff Souser of Progressive. "Progressive has a long history of product and service innovations that prove you can teach an old dog new tricks. Knowing that most people think of their pets as family members, it felt like the right thing to do."

Progressive's pet injury coverage is available in most places. To find out more, visit <u>www.progressive.com/pets</u>.



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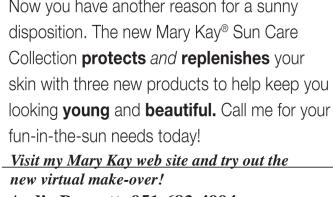
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Phone Number for the Sheriff Dept.: (951) 776-1099 (Non emergency) Hot line tips for Highgrove Deputy Bryan Vig: (951) 955-2611

Highgrove Library

The library is open Tues., Thur: 10:00 am to 6:00 pm Wed., 10:00 am to 2:00pm Closed Sun., Mon. & Friday. 690 Center St., Highgrove (951) 682 1507 www.riverside.lib.ca.us



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HIGHGROVE HAPPENINGS 1936 softball champions Highgrove Mahalas



Do you know any of these Highgrove softball players? Maybe they are a relative of someone still living in Highgrove. We would like to put names on their faces and be able to identify these 1936 softball champions. If you know the name of any of these champions, please give us a call. (951) 683 4994

Hands free while driving!

While traveling on the I-10 the other day we witnessed a pick-up truck tailgating another vehicle, two lanes to our right. The driver of the pick-up had a set of drums in the back of the truck but he had no hands on the wheel. He was using both hands to hold his drum sticks while tapping on his steering wheel as if the steering wheel was a drum! Needless to say we



gave him plenty of room but we couldn't believe what we saw. (At least he wasn't holding a cell phone to his ear with his foot!)

Good news wanted!

With the recent IndyMack Bank collapse, the dollar at all time low, rising cost of fuel and food, the drop in car sales, hundreds of homes that are in foreclosure, the airlines are set to collapse due to fuel price increases that will add \$20 Billion to their costs of operation, GM, formerly the largest corporation in America, needs to raise \$15 Billion in capital and their stock is at a 50 year low, we are having the worst fire season California has ever seen, the war in Iraq is still going, and other bad news items too numerous to mention, we would like to hear from you about some good news! I like to be an optimist but we are running out of good things to write about and it is discouraging. Give us a call and we will share your good news with our readers! If you would like to announce a Anniversary, Wedding or other celebrations that will be of interest to our readers we would like to hear from you.

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Bad news



Photo taken July 15, 2008

The bad news is that the K-rails are still in place on Mt. Vernon Ave. at the east end of Palmyrita Ave which blocks traffic from getting through between Mt. Vernon and Palmyrita. Unfortunately the developer has not signed easement documents to make the road a public right-of-way and there are further complications! According to Juan Perez, Deputy Director of Transportation for the Riverside County Transportation Department Transportation and Land Management Agency, "What's making it more difficult to have them provide us with the right-of-way and complete the work is that the bank is now in the process of taking over the project. We'll continue to push hard and do our best to get this road opened; we know it's very important to the Highgrove community"

This road has been closed since the spring of 2005. The signs that have been changed numerous times showing the date the road will be opened but we know by now the signs are not to be taken seriously. If the bank takes over the project, your guess is as good as mine when we will be able to get from Mt. Vernon Ave. to Palmyrita Ave. over this new road. The solution seems so simple to just remove the K-rails but this barrier seems to have become a local version of what President Reagan once said to Khrushchev: "Tear down this wall!"

County offers Assisted Transportation TRIP program For adults 60 + and people with disabilities living in Riverside County

You may qualify for special TRIP assistance to help you secure a volunteer escort-driver. You will be asked a few questions and if appropriate, will be referred to TRIP. Once you have completed the necessary application procedures, and if you are determined to be eligible for TRIP assistance you will receive monthly cash mileage reimbursements for your volunteer.

Arrangements for travel are made between you and your volunteer driver, as mutually convenient. Records of travel are sent to TRIP each month to validate your completed travel. TRIP is that simple. It is very user friendly and convenient. Please call 1 800 510 2020 for more information on TRIP.

Highgrove Backbone Sewer by Andy Frost Economic Development Agency

On June 22, 2004 the Board approved agreements with the City of Riverside by which they will provide sewer service to the Highgrove Community. Pursuant to those agreements, the County was to have conducted a feasibility study and prepare a plan for future installation of sewer lines within the community. This has been completed and the first phase of the sewer is in design.

Krieger and Stewart are presently designing a backbone sewer that will run the length of Center Street to be connected to the City of Riverside's wastewater system. Specific improvements to be designed consist of approximately 15,700 linear feet of sewer

The Riverside County Economic Development Agency has launched a new First Time Home Buyer program.

According to Ms. Robin Zimpfer, Assistant County Executive Officer for Economic Development, "We have had discussions with our development community, real estate brokers and lenders on how we could stimulate home sales in our county and our 2008 First Time Home Buyer program is one way to do just that. We have created a media campaign using radio advertising, print ads, billboards and a new web site to get the word out."

The First Time Home Buyer program began accepting applications on July 15, 2008. This program provides down payment and closing cost assistance that will allow qualified families to purchase a home. The program is designed to help moderate income families become homeowners. A family of four could earn up to \$53,300 per year and still



Economic Development Agency

main along a portion of East La Cadena to Center Street then easterly on Center to about 300 feet east of Mt. Vernon Street.

Design costs of \$298,000 are going to be shared between the Agency and private stakeholders Bixby Land Company and AW Properties West LLC. The eventual construction of this backbone sewer is estimated to be approximately \$6 million. Once constructed sometime in mid 2009, the sewer improvements will make sewer available to new and existing businesses and residential units adjacent to this backbone line.

qualify for the program. That is about the starting salary of a local deputy sheriff or police officer.

The process for purchasing a home under the First Time Home Buyer program is easy to follow and starts when a prospective home buyer contacts a lender participating in the program. Lenders know how to go through the process and get the applicant pre-qualified for a loan.

The First Time Home Buyer program helps with the down payment on a home and can also assist with closing costs. The First Time Home Buyer Second Mortgage will not require repayment until the home is sold or no longer owner occupied. After 15 years, the loan may be converted to a grant, eliminating the requirement to repay the First Time Home Buyer Second Mortgage.

For more information on the First Time Home Buyer program please visit the Riverside County Economic Development Agency's new web site at www.rchomelink.com or please call 800-909-0079.





Community representatives meet with RCTC

On Aug. 21, 2008 community representatives from Highgrove and Grand Terrace met with the Executive Director of the Riverside County Transportation Commission, Ann Mayer and other RCTC representatives, John Standiford, Cathy Bechtol and Eliza Echeverria. Community representatives included former Grand Terrace City Councilman Gene Carlstrom, Denis Kidd, Melanie Zimmermann and yours truly, R. A. "Barney" Barnett. The topic of discussion was the location of the proposed Metrolink stations in the Highgrove area. There is a difference of opinion regarding where to put the station. RCTC wants to put a station on the Perris Valley Line just south of Palmyrita Ave. (see photo below). This would require the demolition of an existing warehouse and would result in another delay of commuter train service to the area for approximately 3 or more years until the entire 23 miles of the old Perris Valley Line track is upgraded for commuter trains. The community's position is that by purchasing one piece of vacant land where there is already commuter train service, and does not require any demolition, is more efficient than buying two pieces of property where one of the locations will not have commuter trains for several years. Buying the property for the curve and then buying additional property for the Palmyrita station where there are no commuter trains is inefficient expenditure of our

tax dollars. The property north of the arroyo and south of Villa St. is <u>manda-tory</u> for the curved track between the PVL track and the BNSF tracks. And this property already has Metrolink trains on the west side of the property that go through Highgrove 7 days a week. We have waited 6 ½ years for Metrolink service and we would have to wait another 3 to 5 years under the RCTC plan.

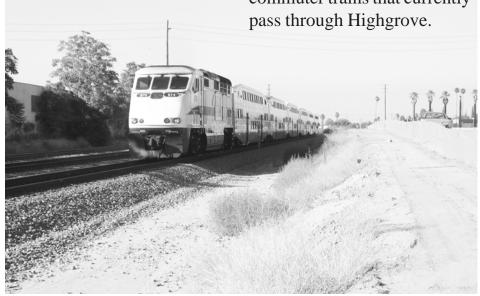
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See page 11 for schedule of commuter trains that currently pass through Highgrove.

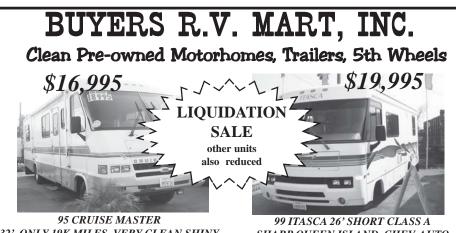


This is the warehouse that would have to be purchased and demolished to make room for a Metrolink station south of Palmyrita Ave. under the plan proposed by RCTC. The Perris Valley Line railroad track is located to the right of the photograph but is not pictured. There will be no commuter train service over this track at this location until the entire 23 miles of track are upgraded and a signal system for train movements (Traffic Control System) is installed between Highgrove and Perris on the PVL.





This is just one of the sixty-two (62) commuter trains that already pass through Highgrove each week. A platform is needed near this location that could be used for destinations in three different directions: to and from **Riverside**, to and from **San Bernardino** and in a few years when the Perris Valley Line is rebuilt and upgraded for commuter trains, this same location could be used for commuter trains to and from **Perris**. The purchase of one 19 acre piece of property could be used for both the curve and a platform to serve all three destinations. And <u>all of the 19 acres are still vacant land!</u> There used to be 35 acres of vacant land but our suggestions have been ignored for the last 6 1/2 years and warehouses are now being built on the south side of the arroyo. Time is running out because if this land is not purchased soon there are plans for 2 more warehouses on the north side of the arroyo and RCTC will not have access for the curved track to Perris.



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A "LOVING" LOOK AT POLITICS

Do We REALLY need a National Convention? With the Democrat and Republican Conventions taking up all the air time on our televisions I wonder if anyone is REALLY watching and does anyone really care? With all of the primaries and the media beating up the candidates on a daily basis, it isn't too difficult to figure out which network is for or against a particular candidate. And the trivial comments about a candidate's private life or what he had for breakfast is breaking news? Now it seems the candidates are picked by the media and talking heads on televisions. Does anyone but me remember when a National Convention meant that the delegates would ACTUALLY pick the next Presidential candidate?

In reality, we are seeing firsthand that the political process is being stolen by the sponsors and big money people in this country. In essence, we, the taxpayers, still pay our taxes in order for the candidates to get their matching funds and then they get a ton of money from their big backers and the media tells us who is good and who is bad. And to make matters even worse, we are now seeing that in a lot of past elections, our votes aren't even counted. In 2004, just in California alone, over 2 million absentee ballots were not even counted. And in 2000, it took just 9 people (the Supreme Court) to pick the President. Folks, we have lost control of our political process.

I am very disappointed that the political process has been stolen from us and that the upcoming national conventions are so orchestrated that it is a waste of our time to even watch them. Of course, if you are watching them, you are being barraged by advertisers and

politicians who you know are being told what to say. It makes me wonder if we actually have real representation in Washington, D.C.

They say for any country to survive, it must take care of its rich. Well, our rich people are getting richer and a lot of them are politicians who are getting rich off of our taxes, contributions from lobbyists, and kickbacks from contractors. Yet, we are forced to watch the respective National Conventions so we can be hoodwinked into thinking the political process really works.

Please, don't get me wrong. I will vote in November and pray that my vote gets counted, but to be honest, I am not watching either convention but will probably vote against one of the candidates in November. However, I can remember in the good old days when I would have voted FOR a candidate and felt confident that my vote counted. In closing, it doesn't make any difference who wins in November, but I can tell you who will lose - we will. In fact, we have already lost control of our political process and to confirm my suspicions, just look at the conventions and who is running them. They are a waste of time and the politicians and people in them are puppets. And it doesn't take a rocket scientist to figure out who is pulling the strings. Thank God I have a remote control. But, no matter what happens, DO vote in November. After all, we may just preserve our Republic for our children.

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"



lessening its ills, and by promoting peace, prosperity, gladness and hope.

This procedure requires vehicles to go around the modulars into on-coming traffic and there was no flagman to help traffic get around these large trucks and trailers. There was also a fork lift on Citrus St. helping with the trailers. This location is only 1/2 block from residences on Citrus Street where employee parking has previously been a problem. The road on the south side of Citrus St. across from these houses is really rough between the P V L RR track and Northgate. Please watch out for trucks and trailers in this location and on Northgate between Citrus and Palmyrita where large trucks often block the road.

Banning Gang Task Force makes local presentation

At our Highgrove Municipal Advisory Council meeting on Aug. 27, 2008 the Gang Task Force from Banning presented an informational program about recognizing gang activities, body markings, and graffiti. Riverside County Deputy Sheriff, Sean Freeman and Detective Brian Callahan kept everyone's interest as they showed pictures of gang members and talked



about the crimes they have been arrested for. The Riverside County Sheriff Dept. has 2 different Gang Task Force units that serve the Highgrove area. One is Regional and the other Task Force operates out of the Jurupa Sheriff station. To report gang activity please call the Sheriff at (951) 955 2600 or our Highgrove Sheriff Deputy Bryan Vig at (951) 955 2611.

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This photo was taken on Aug. 17, 2008 showing how the trucks and modular trailers block Citrus St. just west of the Perris Valley Line railroad track. The process of getting the trailers ready for public roads should be done on private property where they make the trailers and not on a public street.



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By Kathlyn Quatrochi, M.H., N.D.

This is where we begin a new journey dear friends. I am here to share a map that can lead to living a more rewarding life. No doubt, you have noticed how complex our lives have become with the advent of electronic gadgets that captivate our time, and circumstances that consume our energies. The world has changed. It does not feel safe, it does not sound nice, it does not smell good, it is not always pretty...and economic instability leaves a very bad taste in our mouths. Our senses have been so attacked that they have become numb. We often tend to be on auto pilot, just to get through the days and nights. How frequently do you wonder where it is all going?...and whether you want to go there? How often do you feel victimized, or on the verge of it? How repeatedly do you think that the best days may be behind us? What happened to baseball and apple pie? Is it now all high dollar contracts and high fructose corn syrup? Are we destined for demise? So many doubts.....so much confusion....so little peace.

In the quest for being conscientious of the ecology of our planet, the integrity of our human interactions, and the attainment of optimal health, it is easy to lose sight of the simple picture. I have chosen to dedicate my life to living a more natural existence by living in of a new path, or perhaps the

a rural area, eating healthier foods, utilizing alternative healing methods when possible and being more sensually aware. My intense, yet broad studies have taught me never to take anything for granted or to trust the media hype whether it is about politics or foods, or medicines. It has amazed me to learn how we are manipulated by corporations through foods, drugs, cosmetics and countless other resources to fill the pockets of a few individuals. I am often overwhelmed and feel powerless when I find out that a product we have been led to believe is healthy is actually poisoning us and creating illness. It feels like my spirit of optimism takes a hit, every time I learn of another lie for profit.

It is all these things that tend to occupy my mind.....until I gaze outside my windows. It is then, when my vision is changed by nature herself and my outlook is detoxified by scenic views. Observing the landscape awakens my soul and reminds me that we still have a connection to something much greater than we are. I am harkened to the fact that there is an order, a natural order of which we are merely a part....that it is we, who choose to complicate it or enjoy it by our selections in life. This is what keeps me sane, and grounded....and happy.

So here we are....at the beginning

reconnection to an old one. In the months ahead, I am going to share some observations, and lessons I have learned about how to reduce stress and optimize your existence while you are here on Earth. My message is simple, as you will see, but the journey is delightful. It is an awakening. There is no need to abort the road to the future...this is not a detour. You can use the gadgets and electronics to your heart's content....for this is the journey of the heart, reclaiming your soul and being true to your spirit. We will maximize all the resources available to make the most of this living experience. I don't think we were ever intended to be slaves to electronic screens, or to be incessantly looking down and tapping little buttons with numbers and letters on them. On the positive side, these devices can be very nifty when used to constructively converse. Living with or

without technology is not the question or the quest. Each of you will utilize your own method of communication. Living joyfully and living well is the mission of this expedition. We are on a journey of sensual awakening. Don't fasten your seatbelt for this exciting ride....you gotta feel the bumps, smell the scents, taste the sweetness, hear the laughter and see the sights. So, let go of the handrail, and take a step onto the glorious path of the good life....where birds still fly in the sky, and apples still grow on trees....where you can dance, eat and sing all day....and if you choose, you may tap little buttons with letters and numbers on them to share the experience with friends.Until next month,

"Count your blessings every day and love each other like there was no tomorrow". email me at drkathlyn@airenetworks.com



I took this photo about 20 years ago headed south on Rancho Ave. in Colton. For the northbound view of this sign turn to Page 14.



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Virginia's View Point

by Virginia Harford BUSY LITTLE CITY

In November, 2008 three seats on the City of Grand Terrace's council come up for grabs: Lee Ann Garcia, Jim Miller and Dan Buchanan. As of this writing all three want to retain their seats. In an attempt to unseat at least one of them is Walt Stankiewitz, owner operator of the business Pasta Italia located in the Smart Time store mini-mall at Barton Road and Canal Street.

BERRY APPOINTED ACTING CITY MAN-AGER

For several months Tom Schwab, Grand Terrace's City Manager and Finance Director has been absent due to illness. During that time Steve Berry, assistant city manager has covered Tom's responsibilities. Steve has been in that position for several years. Last month the council appointed Steve as Acting Finance director and City Manager at its regular meeting on August 26, 2008. Several citizens who have had direct business dealings with Berry spoke of his talents and ability and agreed that he was a good choice to take over Tom's work.

Patricia Farley, community activist, spoke about a recycling business that she feels is not being monitored by the City of Grand Terrace. Apparently the business is not being cognizant of the materials they are using. Some hazardous materials may be being used without the necessary care not to corrupt the area. **SENIOR CITIZENS RE-CEIVE AWARD**

Also during last month's council meeting the city decided to recog-

nize the considerable contributions made by the senior citizens under the direction of President JoAnn Johnson. A plaque was given to JoAnn and about a dozen seniors who attended, lined up in front of the council in the chambers and were recognized for their efforts. Photos were taken of the group and applause rang out.

The Grand Terrace Seniors' group is instrumental in several projects throughout the year in an effort to help the city stay safe and sound. Up until very recently several senior citizens were occupied with the Citizen Patrol, giving many hours of service to observe and patrol the city and to report any suspicious activity. JoAnn was one of them and had more than 20 years of devoted service to Grand Terrace as a regular Citizen Patrol member.

The seniors provide lunch Monday through Friday at the temporary center on Grand Terrace Road just east of Mt. Vernon Avenue. Everyone 60 years of age or older are welcome. These are nutritious lunches which are served by Betty Marshal, kitchen manager. She has been working there for about 15 years. A donation of \$3.00 is asked for lunch for those 60 years of age or older. The charge is \$5.00 for those under 60.

The center provides activities such as card playing, musical fun with guitar playing and singing, painting classes led by well-known artist Betty Hayes, arts and crafts and much more. There is a monthly program geared to helping seniors attain help in such areas as Statewide programs, safety and educational help and some entertainment. It is a great place to spend the afternoon. If you come on the days that Doris Wright is having lunch you may get to meet her. She will celebrate 105 years of life on her next birthday.

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The new senior center and living quarters is being built and shows promise of being a special addition to Grand Terrace. There have been many disgruntled neighbors who have been able to delay the progress of the new center and housing complex but it appears that the center will be completed early in 2009 baring further complications.

SOFTBALL TEAM REC-OGNIZED awards, the Grand Terrace softball team of girls was given individual certificates in appreciation of their efforts in their games. About a dozen girls in uniform paraded in front of the council to receive their certificates. The team had a brilliant season and although they lost their last effort, they played valiantly and made a mark that will stand them in good stead for the next season. **FINIS**

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Meet "Roco" a 125 lb Affrican Tortoise that is 28 inches long. "Roco" is 16 years old and was the biggest of all tortoises on display at the California Turtle and Tortoise Club open house that was held in Redlands at the Redlands Senior Center on Aug. 9, 2008. We advertised it in our August issue and hope you were able to attend. My son Mike took our two granddaughters Roxie and Cheyenne and they were able to adopt a Desert Tortoise. For more information please call (951) 785 6991 or www.tortoise.org

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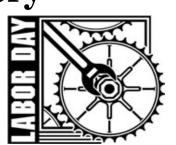
Labor Day History

To most of us we think of Labor Day as just another Holiday when we can get paid for not working and celebrate with friends and family but do most of you know how Labor Day started?

As the **Industrial Revolution** took hold of the nation. the average American in the late 1800s worked 12-hour days, seven days a week in order to make a basic living. Children were also working, as they provided cheap labor to employers and laws against child labor were not strongly enforced.

With the long hours and terrible working conditions, American unions became more prominent and voiced their demands for a better way of life. On Tuesday September 5, 1882, 10,000 workers marched from city hall to Union Square in New York City, holding the first-ever Labor Day parade. Participants took an upaid day-off to honor the workers of America, as well as vocalize issues they had with employers. As years passed, more states began to hold these parades, but Congress would not legalize the holiday until 12 years later.

On May 11, 1894, workers of the Pullman Palace Car Company in Chicago struck to protest wage cuts and the firing of union representatives. They



sought support from their union led by Eugene V. Debs and on June 26 the American Railroad Union called a boycott of all Pullman railway cars. Within days, 50,000 rail workers complied and railroad traffic out of Chicago came to a halt. On July 4, President Grover Cleveland dispatched troops to Chicago. Much rioting and bloodshed ensued, but the government's actions broke the strike and the boycott soon collapsed. Debs and three other union officials were jailed for disobeying the injunction. The strike brought worker's rights to the public eye and Congress declared, in 1894, that the first Monday in September would be the holiday for workers, known as Labor Day.

The founder of Labor Day remains unclear, but some credit either Peter McGuire, co-founder of the American Federation of Labor, or Matthew Maguire, a secretary of the Central Labor Union, for proposing the holiday.

Although Labor Day is meant as a celebration of the labor movement and its achievements, it has come to be celebrated as the last, long summer weekend before Autumn.

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"Calvary, The Brook" plans new Church in Highgrove

Future location on Main Street



by Pastor Rick Doucette

Calvary, The Brook is about to break ground on its New Church facility on Main Street in Highgrove right on the border of Riverside County and Grand Terrace. Calvary The Brook, an affiliate of the Calvary Chapel movement, began as a Bible study in Grand Terrace 2001 and officially became a church in 2004 when they began meeting Sunday Mornings in the auditorium of Grand Terrace Elementary School.

The churches commitment has been to serve the community in various ways, in various community events and activities, which has led to them to securing a 4.6 acre parcel of land just off the corner of Michigan & Main



Artist rendition of new church in Highgrove

street, directly across the street from where, eventually, the New High School will be built! "Many churches that have started here in Grand Terrace, ended up moving out of town, but we plan on staying here! We were able to secure the land in Jan of 2006 and it has taken us until now to get all our entitlements secured with the county of Riverside, but we are almost ready to get started" said Pastor Rick Doucette. The ground breaking will take place sometime in the next month. The facility will have a 320 seat sanctuary, classrooms for children's ministry, office space, High School & Jr. High meeting rooms and more. More information will be given as it becomes available, such as ground breaking ceremonies and dedication services. We currently meet at Grand Terrace Elementary School on Sunday mornings at 9am & 11am. Our office is Located at 11210 Michigan St. For more information on the Brook or its construction project please call (909) 424-0010.



What's going on? This photo was taken on July 15, 2008 during the construction phase and remodeling of the entrance to the Norton Younglove Community Center in Highgrove. The north entrance was used during the remodeling.



With a big smile on her face, Sherry Morris-Logan the new project manager of the Community Center is shown sitting at the new entry table by the front door. The new entrance and floor tile is a nice improvement and the granite counter tops are beautiful! Stop and visit with Sherry take a look at our new entry way.



Riverside Authorities Seek Public's Help

This is a Cold Case! Kayla Tolson, 22, was found dead on the roadside more than 2 years ago. POSTED: 4:10 pm PDT April 6, 2008, UPDATED: 5:13 pm PDT April 6, 2008 GOOD HOPE, Calif. — Homicide investigators are seeking the public's help in explaining the death of 22-year-old Kayla Marlene Tolson, (daughter of Kim Quinn, & granddaughter of Don & Marlene Ritz). Kayla's body was discovered on a Riverside County roadside on Thanksgiving night, 2005, City News Service reported. Tolson was found shortly after 10 p.m. on Nov. 24, 2005, lying in the 21,000 block of Ellis Road in rural Good Hope, west of Perris, Riverside County sheriff's officials said. Homicide investigators do not have any suspect information.



feet 4 inches tall, 130 pounds, with brown eyes and brown hair.

In the event potential witnesses recall Tolson from her appearance, deputies are asking anyone with information about Tolson's death to call homicide investigator Gary LeClair at (760) 393 3500, or (951) 955-2777 or 800 950-2444.

Detectives described her as 5

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"I have seen patients with serious pain come into my office who sometimes after only one treatment, walk out pain-free," Dr. Keough said. "The laser does not cure problems, but in many cases can completely eliminate the painful effects of a serious problem.

One of Dr. Keoughs patients, Gary Corsiglia, said, "I work on my feet all day and have had pain in my right knee for years. After one treatment, the pain decreased dramatically. I had a total of five treatments, and now I feel as good as new."

Some of Dr. Keough's patients come for the treatment and then return for a follow up.

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The benefits are easily catalogued and most conditions start to show signs of improvement in just a few visits. There are no harmful side effects like those associated with pain medications or surgery. Laser therapy is a safe, pain free treatment that takes only a few minutes per visit.

Dr. Kelly Keough, owner of Grand Terrace Chiropractic, has been in practice for more than 27 years, incorporating many modalities for patient care. His office is located at 12139 Mt. Vernon Ave., Ste 100, Grand Terrace, CA 92313. Appointment may be scheduled by calling 909-783-4950.

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Word Search Winners of the Month

Sarai & Ericka Lopez were the winners for this past month's Word Search puzzle. Sarah age 6 and Ericka age 8 are both students at Highgrove Elementary. Congratulations to both of you.



Ericka age 8 and Sarai age 6

Undated photo stirs curiosity



Do you know if this is the building on the north east corner of Center St. and Prospect Ave. across from the United Methodist Church? Longtime resident Francis Ayers said she does not know if there is any connection to her namesake. The sign to the left of the awning over the doorway is visible on the orriginal and reads "Highgrove Post Office". I know there used to be a post office on the east end of the building across from the church in the 50's but this post card photo must have preceeded that time.

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