



**THANK YOU, CALTRANS:** During the May Municipal Advisory Council meeting, we asked guest presenter Caltrans to please update our freeway population sign. The population of 12,573 was from the 2000 census. 26,232 is the 2020 census number which has grown to 27,546 since then. It is surprising how quickly the sign was changed! Sometimes, all you must do is ask!

## Busy intersection to get 3-way stop and future traffic signal

Sycamore Creek resident **Ben Vanhorn**, like many area motorists, was concerned with the safety of making a left turn from **Mayhew Canyon Road** onto **Campbell Ranch Road**. But instead of complaining, he did something about it.

“I was tired of worrying about my wife and kids getting T-boned pulling off Mayhew, so I started calling county departments,” said Vanhorn. “I think it was the **Transportation Department** where a woman led me to the form.”

“The form” Vanhorn refers to is available online and allows the public to submit requests for traffic signals. Vanhorn in January used social media to ask people to request a signal at that intersection, and even suggested the wording for the reason the request was being made.

He was surprised to receive a letter less than two weeks ago from the county’s Transportation Department that contained positive news. A social media post last week about a traffic accident at that intersection became the perfect platform for Vanhorn to share the news.

“Good news, my wife and I received a letter that they are going to install a light. They will start with stop signs and then install lights. People fly up and down Campbell Ranch. That blind corner on the right is terrible when turning left from Mayhew. Thanks to everyone that took the time to fill out the form. It worked.”

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**DUE IN JUNE:** Campbell Ranch and Mayhew Canyon roads will become a 3-way stop thanks to Ben Vanhorn and others who, at his urging, filled out an outline form requesting a traffic signal.

# 3-WAY STOP SIGN ...

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Mark Lancaster, the county's Transportation Department director, verified the news. According to Lancaster, "The intersection was studied to see if it meets the warrants necessary to install a traffic signal and it is very close, but currently does not meet warrants."

Lancaster said "warrants" are the yardstick that legally justifies the installation of a traffic signal. The warrants analyze:

- 8-hour volume
- 4-hour volume
- Peak Hour volume
- Pedestrian Volume
- School Crossing
- Coordinated Signal System
- Crash Experience
- Roadway Network
- Intersections near a railroad crossing

According to Lancaster, if the methodology of analyzing traffic signal warrants is not used when a signal is placed, there is a risk of a traffic incident happening at the intersection, and the county and its taxpayers being found liable for causing the accident.

"I feel that Transportation needs to be very careful and make sure an intersection meets traffic signal warrants to avoid the risk," Lancaster wrote in an email.

He said the intersection will be getting a three-way stop installed sometime this month.

"The intersection is on Transportation's **Traffic Signal Priority** list, but there is no programmed project in the **Transportation Improvement Program** for a traffic signal at this location, so the intersection may be stop-controlled for a couple of years or more," Lancaster said.

When asked, he also noted, "The cost for a traffic signal at a 'T' intersection can range from \$500,000 to \$600,000, based on the complexities, such as if the intersection needs widening or utilities need to be relocated, or drainage considerations, to name a few."

And, citizen Vanhorn is feeling pretty good about getting something accomplished to better the community. "We love living here. There truly is a feeling of community."

## Resurfacing set for TCR

**Temescal Canyon Road** is due for resurfacing, according to **Mark Lancaster**, director of the county's **Transportation Department**.

The 2.23-mile stretch between **Dawson Canyon** and **Campbell Ranch** roads should be completed by June 2024, or "maybe earlier," Lancaster indicated in an email.

The department's **Transportation Improvement Plan** also lists the resurfacing of 3.25 miles of Temescal Canyon Road between **Indian Truck Trail** and **Hostettler Road**. Lancaster indicated the resurfacing was included in the plan for an unscheduled future fiscal year but he "will encourage the project manager to line up the two projects so that one can follow the other."

# SOUND OFF!

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This Month:

## A SIGN OF THE TIMES

By **KEITH BOYLE**  
**Terramor Resident**

In early 2001, I had recently quit Corporate America to form my own independent manufacturing consulting practice and was on my way to visit with a client in Rialto from my home in San Diego.

As I hit unplanned traffic heading north on I-15 and realizing I was going to be late, I called Bob, my contact, to let him know I was being delayed. Bob asked, "No problem, but where exactly are you?"

My response was, "I don't know exactly but I can see a big roadside sign that reads 'Corona Lakes Fishing.' I know I'm not in Corona yet but a little south on I-15." "Aha! I know where you are, we will see you soon," Bob responded.

Some 20 years later as we relocate to Terramor for our retirement, I find it ironic that every time I exit northbound I-15 at Indian Truck Trail I see this sign again ... AND IT'S UGLY AND ABANDONED. There are other signs close by that are in worse states of disrepair. As part of the Temescal Valley beautification, these need to be removed – but who owns them?

Lee Lake (sometimes referred to as Corona Lake), was closed to fishing several years ago when a developer purchased the land around the lake with plans to build about 400 homes. The sign is still there. I am on a personal quest to find out who owns it and the actions needed to have this and the other abandoned signs removed as we focus on the beautification of Temescal Valley and our wonderful communities.

Do you see something in your community that has a negative impact on our beautification efforts? Report it to the WeAreTV group, or better yet, attend one of the group's monthly Saturday morning meetings to make our leaders aware.

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** *Lee Lake is owned by Elsinore Valley Municipal Water District. The property around the lake is owned Summit Land Partners*

*In January 2017, the county Board of Supervisors approved land use changes that would allow 67 of the 548 acres to be used for residential development. Since that time there has been no progress on the original plan. The county has only indicated there are "environmental concerns."*

*We do not know if Summit still owns the property, but that will be the next step in getting the signs removed. Learn more about Lakeside Temescal Valley [HERE](#)*





# Decision on Robertson's vested rights due June 27

A May 2 **Board of Supervisors' public hearing** to determine if **Robertson's Ready Mix** has a vested right to mine an additional 657 acres without a surface mining permit was continued to **Tuesday, June 27**.

The marathon meeting contained over three hours of presentations from Robertson's representatives and county staff as well as public comments. The majority of those making comments were Robertsons employees, who urged the supervisors to acknowledge their employer's vested right to mine the 657 acres.

Corona residents living in the **Dos Lagos** community, adjacent to Robertson's current mining activities in **Temescal Valley**, chose to primarily submit their protests against vested rights via email, instead of in-person.

But it was the concerns voiced by the **Pechanga Band of Indians** and the response to those concerns by Robertson's that was the reason for the hearing's continuance.

**Assembly Bill 52**, enacted by the state in 2015, made changes to the **California Environmental Quality Act** to better protect tribal cultural resources by requiring developers and others to consult with Native American tribes early in the CEQA process.

Pechanga representatives argued the vested rights determination would allow Robertson's to mine the additional acreage without a permit which would have triggered the CEQA process. Without CEQA, AB 52 would not apply to the 657 acres Robertson's intends to mine.

Without consultation with Robertson's prior to mining activities, the tribe voiced concerns about the impacts to ancestral remains, artifacts and rock art that can be found at sacred sites, which they say the area is. Additionally, even though a reclamation plan that requires the CEQA process must be approved before the area is mined, Pechanga representatives reasoned, a reclamation plan reclaims the land and not an artifact that has been destroyed.

## Memorial scholarships awarded

The **Temescal Heritage Foundation** continued the tradition it began in May of last year and again gave scholarships to graduating seniors at **Santiago, Centennial** and **Woodcrest Christian** high schools.

The **Daniel Hawkins, Drake Ruiz** and **Jacob Ivascu** scholarships memorialize the three young men who were slain in a Jan. 19, 2020, road rage collision on Temescal Canyon Road in Temescal Valley. The 16-year-olds were the closest of friends but attended different high schools with Daniel going to Santiago, Drake attending Centennial, and Jacob enrolled at Woodcrest Christian.

The scholarships are unique – not a “one set of requirements” for all three schools. The parents established the criteria for the scholarship in their son's memory and attend the school's **Senior Awards Night** to present the scholarships in-person.

Each of the scholarships this year was **\$2,500**. The parents can choose to award the entire amount to one student or divide it between two or more students. Recipients this year: **Chase Moy** and **Jacob Marroquin** received Daniel's scholarship, **Daniel Gallardo** and **Aniyah Lancaster** received Drake's, and **Marcus Combs** received Jacob's.



**DOS LAGOS FALLOUT:** Residents living in Corona's Dos Lagos community sent emailed comments for the public hearing complaining about slab leaks, cracks in their foundations, broken water pipes and windows, and dust.

Robertson's representatives indicated the company is always willing to have consultations with the tribes and would be happy to meet with Pechanga. That opportunity arose when a five-minute recess was called in hopes of delivering some type of agreement between the tribe and Robertson's.

That didn't happen and the Board voted to continue the public hearing to June 27 to allow more time for a possible agreement.

**Board Chairman Kevin Jeffries** made it clear the public hearing was closed and testimony on June 27 will not be allowed on items already discussed but only new issues that might arise.

**Supervisor Karen Spiegel** admonished Pechanga for submitting a letter the day before the hearing explaining in more detail the tribe's AB 52 concerns than were outlined in correspondence submitted in February. She said the supervisors were given no time to examine the additional details, and with two postponements of the public hearing since February, the letter could have been submitted earlier.

Read a detailed synopsis of the meeting in the [Riverside Record](#)



**SANTIAGO AWARDS NIGHT:** Sarah, Josh and Janet Hawkins present the Daniel Hawkins Memorial Scholarship to graduating senior and football player Chase Moy.

The 22-year-old Temescal Heritage Foundation is a 501c3 organization, dedicated to preserving and promoting the over 200-year-old Temescal Valley history, and hosts the annual **Temescal Valley Community Faire**. The 2024 scholarships will be funded by the proceeds from a golf tournament to be held later this year.

# TRILOGY RESIDENT NAMED YEAR'S VOLUNTEER

## Laurie Gwyn gives new meaning to the word 'Assistance'

Congratulations to **Trilogy** resident **Laurie Gwyn**, who was honored at a county Board of Supervisors' meeting as **Supervisor Karen Spiegel's** Second District **2023 Volunteer of the Year**.

Laurie is chairman of the **Corona-Norco Branch of Assistance League of Riverside** which is headquartered in **Temescal Valley** and meets at Trilogy.

She was recognized for her extraordinary vision in seeing a need to help the children of **Corona-Norco Unified School District** and her leadership in establishing the Assistance League branch to address those needs.

### **Q. What is Assistance League and how did you get involved?**

**A.** Assistance League is a national organization with 120 chapters nationwide that focus on making our communities better places to live. We are the Corona-Norco Branch of Assistance League of Riverside, a volunteer organization focused on clothing, comforting and educating children of our community.

I became involved after I retired and was looking for a local volunteer opportunity. **Donna Mills**, a neighbor here in Trilogy, suggested Assistance League of Riverside. I believe she is responsible for many of us joining the Riverside chapter. At the time, there was no Assistance League serving our local area.

### **Q. How did the Corona-Norco Branch come to be and why is it named that when it is in Temescal Valley?**

**A.** This could be a long story. Basically, some of us who lived in the area felt the chapter was a great resource for helping children, but we wanted to expand to help children in our area. Members of the chapter agreed with the need and, before the pandemic, included a goal to explore expansion in the strategic plan. Eight of us, seven members from Trilogy and one from Corona, formed an exploration committee and talked with many local people about the potential. At the time, the national organization was supporting the establishment of branches as a way to grow. The first branch was out of the Boise chapter.

As we were coming out of the pandemic, we felt chapter members were hesitant about expansion. So, we suggested that we become a branch. While we are formally a committee of the chapter, we are responsible for establishing our own programs and raising the funds to support those programs. We were organized as the Corona-Norco Branch in June 2021.

Why the name? Two primary reasons. First, we established our service area as the geographic area of the Corona-Norco Unified School District, with whom we work on our programs. Second, while most of our members are from Temescal Valley, we hope to grow and include members from throughout the area. That way, we can serve more children in need. It's a big undertaking so we need more members.

### **Q. What were your greatest challenges in getting the branch up and running?**

**A.** Wow, you ask tough questions! There's just a lot to do for our members, who are relatively new to Assistance League.



**DISTRICT 2 VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR:** Riverside County Supervisor Karen Spiegel, left, presents proclamation to Temescal Valley resident Laurie Gwyn, naming her one of five recipients of the 2023 Volunteer of the Year award.

Our members join because they want to help children. Most joined because of **Operation School Bell**, through which we provide school clothes to children from low-income families. The idea is that if these kids have clothes similar to what other students are wearing, they will feel better about themselves, improve school attendance and focus more on their classes. Operation School Bell is our most expensive program. Students who come through our program next year will be able to select school clothes worth from \$125 to \$150 each, depending on their age.

So, I think, fundraising is our greatest challenge. We joined the organization to work with kids in need but now we have to have fundraisers and solicit financial support. That's not something many people are comfortable doing.

Most of our members who live in Trilogy moved here from somewhere else so they don't have a lot of local connections. I am so grateful for members who have joined from outside of Trilogy because they have some needed connections and local knowledge.

Another challenge is trying to become better known in the communities we serve. You know that's why I agreed to do this with you. It takes time going out in the community talking about the organization.

I must also say that there are positives about so many of us living in Trilogy.

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# VOLUNTEER ...

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First, I have found that the residents here are extremely caring and want to help the local community. Second, **Trilogy Glen Ivy Maintenance Association** allows us to use the facilities when they are available and publicize what we are doing within Trilogy. That's really helped us get up and running.

**Q. Tell us about your projects and how do you raise funds to support them?**

**A.** Right now we have three projects, all of which I think are very exciting and can be a great benefit to local children and youth. I guess I am a bit biased.

First, as I mentioned previously, is Operation School Bell. All referrals to this program come through the school district's Parent Center. The staff and director, **Cassandra Willis**, have been so supportive and helpful. The first year, we provided clothes to 92 students. This year, we served 129 students. Next year, our goal is 150. **Carol Nichols**, our chairman of Operation School Bell, has done a wonderful job.

Our second program is **SOAR** (Students Overjoyed About Reading). Early on, we brainstormed what we wanted to focus on in addition to Operation School Bell. We all agreed that reading is most important. We started tutoring reading skills with a small group of children who were brought by their parents to the Parent Center.

Our chair, **Nonette Allen**, thought working in a school would be better for the students and their parents. Nonette's daughter, **Heather Regus**, a fourth grade teacher at **Todd Elementary**, agreed to help develop a program where our members could tutor students on reading skills. About 120 students have participated this school year and testing has shown that most have improved their reading skills.

Our third program is in the pilot stage right now. **John Gordin**, one of our members and a retired banker, worked with the school district to develop a **Financial Literacy** program. Currently, it is being offered as part of the afterschool programs at Home Gardens Academy and Adams Elementary.

To raise funds, we have had online sales of pasta and See's candy. We also work with local restaurants on what we call "dining for dollars." A certain percentage of the tab for anyone who brings in our flyer on a given day is donated to our branch. These have been really popular and a lot of fun. And, we soon will be selling tickets to a Lake Elsinore Storm baseball game in July. (See flyers in this newsletter.)

But, our biggest fundraiser is our Wine & Roses dinner that was held May 24, at The Retreat. It was a great event, with silent auction items, surprises in the "wine tree," wine and good food.

A highlight of Wine & Roses was the presentation of our first **Community Hero Award** to Heather Regus. We established this award to recognize a community member whom we believe has gone above and beyond expectations to help children and/or youth in the Corona-Norco area. The award was presented to Heather because we have seen all the time, effort and care that she has put in to help our volunteers and the students.

**Q. When and where do you meet, and how do people join the organization or volunteer to help.**



**COMMUNITY HERO AWARD:** Heather Regus, left, a fourth grade teacher at Todd Elementary, is congratulated by Kris Effinger, Todd principal. The award was presented at the Assistance League's Wine & Roses fundraiser held last month.

**A.** Our branch meets at **11:30 p.m.** on the **third Thursday** of the month at Trilogy. Anyone interested in finding out more about our Branch can email [c-nbranch@alriverside.org](mailto:c-nbranch@alriverside.org).

**Q. Where are you from originally and how long have you lived in Temescal Valley.**

**A.** I grew up in Rochester, New York, but came to southern California with my parents after high school. My husband and I moved from West Los Angeles to Trilogy in 2007.

**Q. What did you do prior to retirement?**

**A.** I started my career as a reporter for small newspapers in the San Gabriel Valley and Orange County. I worked in public relations for the Northrop Corporation for a few years then went to Southern California Gas Company, where I held several different public relations/public affairs positions over 31 years. Before I retired, I managed the company's media relations and employee communications groups.

**Q. Tell us about your family.**

**A.** I have been married to **Jim Gwyn** for nearly 40 years. He is a great guy who has been very supportive of my involvement with Assistance League. I have two stepsons. **Chris** lives in Illinois and **Jon** lives in Mission Viejo with his wife, **Traci**, and sons, **Matthew** and **Nicholas**.

**Q: What do you do for relaxation? Hobbies?**

I walk several miles with a group of friends twice a week. We've been doing it for years and laugh that we exercise our jaws as much as our legs. Once a week we have breakfast, usually at Panera. I feel sorry for anyone who decides to sit near us because we continue talking and laughing. I take classes at Club Pilates in Dos Lagos when I can and I enjoy the exercise classes here at Trilogy, although I haven't gotten to them in the last couple of months. I enjoy reading, and my husband and I go to the local casinos. We are not really big gamblers, but we enjoy playing the slots. We also are members of Trilogy Wine Tasters Club. What's better than enjoying good wines with good people?



# GROUP STARTS INDIAN TRUCK TRAIL CLEANUP

## Cleveland Caretakers closer than ever in getting ITT reopened to licensed OHV

By **JOE ROSEN**

**Cleveland Caretakers and Trilogy Resident**

On May 6, the **Cleveland Caretakers** (all two of us who made it), met the **U.S. Forest Service Volunteer Coordinator** at **Indian Truck Trail (ITT)**, for a volunteer orientation.

He walked us through how the volunteer process works with the USFS, answered lots of questions, and even helped us fill in ruts on ITT. That was hard work, but the feeling of accomplishment is always rewarding! Plus, just being there on top of the valley in the quiet of nature is worth the trip.



I also want to acknowledge other USFS staff who came to help with our orientation (in a fire truck and everything!) But we universally agreed our turnout was too low to justify the cost of their time and equipment for

only two people. However, the show of support from those members of the USFS is applauded and appreciated!

In case you didn't notice, on the north end of **Main Divide** in **Cleveland National Forest (CNF)**, **Skyline** and **Main Divide** were recently graded and groomed to near perfection. From the bottom at **Foothill Parkway** all the way up past **Beek's Place**, past the **Doppler tower**, and beyond. I don't know how far it went since I didn't ride my bicycle far enough to see the end of the work zone.

When I saw all the work I thought, "This is great! Spring maintenance is underway!" To get caught up, I emailed the **Trabuco District Ranger** for an update on when the public can expect ITT to receive similar maintenance and repair. The most bizarre conversation ensued. Let's just say after a short exchange of emails it was looking obvious the conversation wasn't meant to go anywhere. So, I left it at that.

The dysfunction between myself and the District Ranger aside, the "project" (reopening ITT to licensed OHV), is moving forward more smoothly now. The volunteer coordinator recently contacted me to let me know he and the **USFS Recreation Officer** are preparing to make ITT accessible to the Caretakers for debris cleanup without a USFS representative present. There are, of course, a few rules. More details on that will be provided directly to the Caretakers at a later date.

USFS leadership has been remarkably cooperative with **Tread Lightly!**, a nonprofit organization that leads a national initiative to promote the responsible use of motorized vehicles when recreating outdoors. Size does matter! **Tread Lightly!** has been able to move things along quite well.

In an email from **Tread Lightly!** a few days ago, it sounded as if the project can move forward, and the contractor referred to us by USFS will be assessing ITT very soon. Whatever suggested work comes from that assessment should also be coming to ITT soon.



**NOW YOU SEE IT:** A work party of two, plus the Forest Service Volunteer Coordinator, was not thwarted by the eroded trail.

Also, one of the new Caretakers emailed the District Ranger about ITT and received a more easily deciphered response. The District Ranger told him contractors are currently being organized, and news of ITT's (long overdue) maintenance and status is expected sometime in a couple of weeks.

Holy cow! Are you seeing the same consistency in this information as I am? It all sounds like great news! I'm cautiously optimistic. We're keeping our fingers crossed the **California Off-Road Vehicle Association** and **Tread Lightly!** can successfully partner with the USFS and finally convince them to take the appropriate action to reopen ITT to licensed OHV.

If you would like to join the Cleveland Caretakers, please send an email with your name, email address and phone number to [joseph\\_a\\_rosen@yahoo.com](mailto:joseph_a_rosen@yahoo.com).



**NOW YOU DON'T:** Joe Rosen said filling in the ruts was hard work but worth the effort.



# Local trail 'blitzing' turns up wild-growing milkweed

By **TRACY DAVIS**

**Monarch Butterfly Guru and Wildrose Ranch Resident**

**Bioblitzing:** With the Bioblitz City Nature Challenge in April, my husband and I hiked trails around Temescal Valley, including **Indian Truck**, **Vista** and **Trilogy** trails. During these hikes, we had the good fortune to find a few species of native milkweed in the wild.

The first species was a rare sight ... **California milkweed** (*Asclepias californica*). Prior to this new location up Indian Truck Trail, I knew of only two locations in Temescal Valley. These other locations were on private property or a preserve. This winter's rain and the 2018 Holy fire have given rise to this beauty. California milkweed can sometimes be purchased at native plant nurseries, but being rare, it is hard to find at those as well.

The second species I observed is the most common. When **Terramor** was developed, at our request a large patch of **narrowleaf milkweed** (*Asclepias fascicularis*), was planted along the Vista Trail near the main gate. The area was planted using 10,000 seeds, per county agreement with **Foremost**, the developer.

The last species I recorded for the Bioblitz was **Hartweg's climbing milkweed** (*Funastrum cynanchoides* var. *hartwegii*). This milkweed was observed on all three hikes during the Bioblitz. It's fairly common on fencing, in freestanding mounds and climbing over other plants and shrubs. Monarch caterpillars rarely use this particular species as a host plant. However, the **queen butterfly** caterpillars do feed on this plant. Any adult butterfly and other pollinators will use the nectar from the pretty little cluster flowers on this milkweed vine. Learn more about queen butterflies [HERE](#).

**Where can you find the native milkweed for your gardens?** **7 Oaks Nursery** has one last season of narrowleaf milkweed available. They are currently holding a 75% off sale to remove all the old stock. There are new plants every week including 4-inch narrowleaf milkweed at \$9.99 (or \$2.50 per plant at the 75% off pricing).

Due to 7 Oaks cutting back, I needed another local source. **Sycamore Creek Interpretive Center** hosted a native plant sale in April. Not only did the center sell narrowleaf milkweed but also 28 other varieties of native plants, shrubs and trees. They continue to sell these plants, grown from locally sourced seeds, every weekend the center is open. Check the calendar [HERE](#)

**DO NOT buy any tropical milkweed ever.** Because it grows year-round, during winter it stops the migration of monarchs to the coast. Plus, it harbors a protozoan parasite that weakens the adults because it doesn't die back in the winter. Start to replace the tropical milkweed with the native species. You can tell because all tropical types have yellow, orange or red blooms. It's frequently sold at big box nurseries, but some of the neighboring counties have stopped all tropical sales to aid the monarch population.

I am working on dates for monarch butterfly presentations at Sycamore Creek Interpretive Center and 7 Oaks later in June. Watch the **We Are Temescal Valley** Facebook page for updates.



**RARE SIGHTING:** California milkweed (*Asclepias californica*)



**MOST COMMON:** Narrowleaf milkweed (*Asclepias fascicularis*)



**NOT FAVORED BY MONARCHS:** Hartweg's climbing milkweed (*Funastrum cynanchoides* var. *hartwegii*)



# EAGLE PROJECT WAS MEANT FOR THE BIRDS

## Boy Scout offers swallows an alternative to water district eaves



What does 18-year-old, **Wildrose Ranch** resident **Ian Buckley** have in common with Neil Armstrong, Bill Bradley, Steven Spielberg, Gerald Ford and Sam Walton?

As of his May 22 **Court of Honor**, Ian now is an **Eagle Scout** and joins these notable figures in achieving the highest achievement in the **Boy Scouts of America** program. Only 6% of all eligible Scouts earn the rank of Eagle and only after they have completed an approved original project for their community, church or school.

### IAN BUCKLEY

Ian's project of creating an alternative home for nesting swallows doesn't seem that unusual when you realize his dad is **Michael Buckley**, a member of the **Temescal Valley Water District Board of Directors**. During nesting season, the eaves of the water district office are a favorite place for the fabled birds to locate their cup-shaped nests they construct primarily of mud. The nests are durable and with a little patch-up work by the birds, they can be used for more than one season.

But the water district office is a public building with many daily visitors. Walking under the swallow nests puts pedestrians at risk, so Ian set out to build new housing for the birds. While the project didn't attract swallows this year, maybe next year or future nesting seasons?

### Q. How long have you been in the Scouting program?

**A.** I started Cub Scouts when I was in second grade. I started Boy Scouts the summer going into sixth grade.



**WHEN IS A NEST NOT A NEST?** The Scouts created imitation nests that resemble ones that swallows make from mud.



**HELPING HANDS:** Ian's friends helped him with the project.

### Q. What made you decide to go for your Eagle? What were the prerequisites to do so?

**A.** The main deciding factors in me going for my Eagle Scout was the motivation from my dad, the opportunities it provides in the future, and to follow the steps of all the inspiring people I met through Scouting that also earned their Eagle Scout Rank. The prerequisites to becoming an Eagle Scout are to earn all of the ranks leading up to the Eagle Scout rank. These ranks include Scout, Tenderfoot, Second Class, First Class, Star, and Life.

### Q. How did you come to choose swallow nests as your project? How did you research how to go about it?

**A.** As a hunter and a member of Ducks Unlimited, wildlife conservation has always been important to me. So, when my dad brought the idea to me I thought it was a great idea. There were several things that went into the research of my project. The first thing that I did was see if this had even been done before.

I got in contact with a professor from Tulsa and he said that repairing old nests or creating new ones from scratch are both realistic options. He did note to make sure that the nests are at a height that will attract swallows.

To find this ideal height, I went around the property where my Eagle Scout project was located and went around looking for swallow nests. I noticed they did prefer places that were high above the ground. Something else that I noticed was that all the nests were south facing. One last thing that I noticed was that the swallows preferred a nesting location that provided protection. They tended to build their nests at a height of around 15 feet and like a large overhang. The overhang provides the swallows with protection from bigger birds swooping in. I made sure to incorporate all these things into my Eagle project.

### Q. How did you recruit your volunteers? How many?

**A.** I recruited my volunteers for the most part from other Scouts in my troop. My mom and dad were also there to help. In total I had around 12 volunteers to help me with my project.

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# EAGLE SCOUT ...

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## Q. How long did the actual work take?

A. The project itself only took one day. Although the prep work following my project took the entire week to get all my materials ready.

## Q. What was the most difficult part of the project?

A. The most difficult part of the project was getting all the approvals and signatures that I needed before I could begin.

## Q. Which of your Scouting badges are you most proud of and why? Which of your Scouting badges was the hardest to earn and why?

A. The Scouting badge that I have the most pride for would have to be either my Lifesaving Merit Badge or my Mile Swim Badge. Both were challenging to get and they both hold a large amount of significance to me in my life. Knowing first aid and being a strong swimmer puts me at ease when I am outdoors with other people and in just my day-to-day life.

## Q. What has the Scouting program taught you that you can use later in life?

A. Scouting has taught me many things. I believe that being a leader will hold the most value in becoming a man.

## Q. What school do you attend and what are your plans after graduation?

A. I'm a graduating senior at **Santiago High School**. My plans after graduation are to go to **Cal State University Bakersfield** for the pre-med career path so that I can become a nurse.

We asked Ian's parents – Michael and **Gena Buckley**:

## Q. What do you feel is Ian's greatest accomplishment? You must be very proud of him.

A. We are most proud of Ian for his perseverance. His tenacity allowed him to overcome obstacles and place in CIF for Wrestling at Santiago and get his Eagle Scout with Troop 127 out of **Olive Branch Community Church**.

## RMC TO HOST BLOODMOBILE

**LifeStream Blood Bank** will visit **Riverside Medical Clinic** on **Friday, June 16**, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., to collect urgently needed blood donations.

While registration is not required, it is preferred and can be made **ONLINE**. When donating blood, bring current photo ID. Maintain a regular meal schedule and increase fluid intake (water is best) in the 48 hours prior to donation.



# 365 calls for service in May are 15 more than in April

Lt. **Jared Howe**, with the **Lake Mathews Sheriff Station**, has provided information on Part I crimes that occurred here during **May, April and March**.

There were **365 calls** for service from Temescal Valley during May – **15 more** than received in April. **Twenty-five** calls in May, **11** calls in April and **13** calls in March were for Part I crimes.

There were no homicides, arsons or robberies reported for the three-month period. Here's the breakdown:

**Assault – 3 in May, 4 in April and 2 in March.**

**Burglary – 2, 1 and 0.**

**Grand/Petty Theft – 11, 4 and 6.**

**Sex Crime – 1, 0 and 0**

**Theft from Vehicle – 5, 0 and 2.**

**Stolen Vehicle – 3, 2 and 3.**



**There were two felony arrests in May**, one for negligent discharge of a firearm, and the other for domestic violence. **There were two misdemeanor arrests in April**, both on local warrants. **There was one felony arrest in March**, for assault and battery. There were five misdemeanor arrests.

There was **one vandalism** reported for May, **one** for April and **14** for March. **Disturbing the peace** calls numbered **51** for May, **39** for April and **37** for March.

## Avoid 91 Eastbound this weekend

The **Riverside County Transportation Commission's** 71/91 Interchange Project will require **roadway closures** the **weekend of June 9-12**.

- Nighttime full closures on the eastbound 91, between **Green River** and **Serfas Club/Auto Center** drives will occur Saturday and Sunday, June 10 and 11, from 1 to 7 a.m., and Monday, June 12, from 1 to 5 a.m.
- Day and nighttime full closures will occur on the eastbound and westbound **91 Express Lanes** in Riverside County from 9 p.m., Friday, June 9, to 5 a.m., Monday, June 12.
- Nighttime full closures will occur on the eastbound Green River Road on-ramp, Saturday and Sunday, June 10 and 11, from 9 p.m. to 7 a.m., and Monday, June 12, from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m.

The southbound 71 connectors to eastbound and westbound 91 will remain open. The eastbound and westbound 91 general purpose lanes will remain open during daytime hours.

According to RCTC, the closures will allow crews to safely lift a large support structure in the 91 median, place it in a pre-drilled hole, and pour concrete to form the foundation for one of the support columns for the new interchange.

## Representatives from Edison, landfill are tentative speakers at MAC meeting

The Temescal Valley Municipal Advisory Council will meet at 6 p.m., Wednesday, June 14, at the Terramor Terrace Club, 11750 Temescal Hills Drive.

Tentative presenters are Jeremy Goldman with Southern California Edison, and David Meyer and Art Marquez with the El Sobrante Landfill.



# 2023 Faire Photo Contest Winners

## CATEGORY: PETS & WILDLIFE



**FIRST PLACE & BEST OF SHOW: Joe Rosen**  
"Gotta Feed the Kids!"



**SECOND PLACE: Rob Mucha, "Wake-Up Call"**



**THIRD PLACE: Laura Jannuzzi, "Squirrel Friend"**

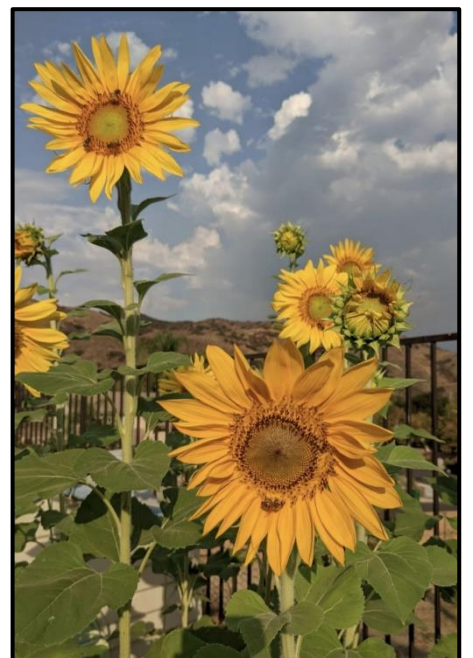
## CATEGORY: FLOWERS



**FIRST PLACE:**  
**Rob Mucha**  
"Poppy Focus"



**SECOND PLACE:**  
**Yvonne Guzman**  
"Wildrose  
Roses"



**THIRD PLACE:**  
**Maureen Kovach**  
"Sunflowers"



**CATEGORY: LANDSCAPE**



**FIRST PLACE: Tom Bleicher, "Snow-capped Santa Anas"**



**SECOND PLACE: Rob Mucha, "Red Sunrise"**



**THIRD PLACE: Anna Ruiz, "God & Country"**

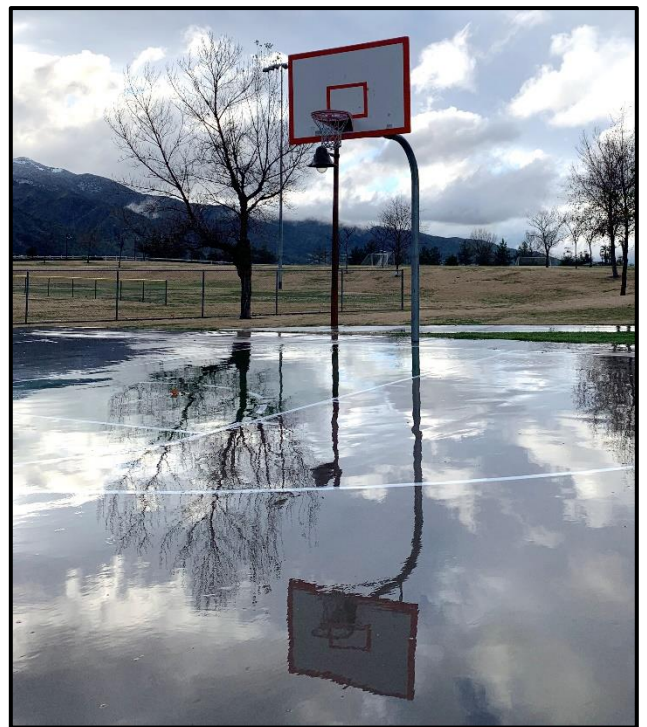
**CATEGORY: THINGS TO DO**



**FIRST PLACE: Carlos Molina, "A Place to Make Friends"**



**SECOND PLACE: Rob Mucha, "Race Start"**



**THIRD PLACE: Crystal Bleicher, "Basketball Reflections – Deleo Park"**



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# MOVIES *In The* Park

## Deleo Park

25655 SANTIAGO CANYON RD, TEMESCAL VALLEY, CA



**PUSS IN BOOTS: LAST WISH**

**JUNE 10, 2023**

**MINIONS: THE RISE OF GRU**

**JULY 8, 2023**

**ACTIVITIES START AT 7PM ★ MOVIE STARTS AT DUSK**

**GRAB YOUR BLANKETS AND LAWN CHAIRS AND JOIN US FOR A NIGHT OF  
FILM AND FAMILY FUN UNDER THE STARS!**

**CONTACT [PAUHERN@RIVCO.ORG](mailto:PAUHERN@RIVCO.ORG) OR 951-955-3105 FOR MORE INFORMATION**



Dear Supervisor Spiegel -

I am truly humbled to have been chosen as your inaugural Senior Legacy Award recipient. I feel there are many seniors within the District 2 unincorporated communities far more worthy of this honor.

Thank you ...

Jannlee

A flyer for the Senior Legacy Awards event. The background is light blue with abstract, flowing line art. The text is centered and uses a mix of bold sans-serif and elegant script fonts. At the top, it says 'RIVERSIDE COUNTY SECOND DISTRICT SUPERVISOR KAREN SPIEGEL PRESENTS'. The main title is 'SENIOR Legacy AWARDS'. The date and time are 'JUNE 21 2023 | 11:30a-1:30p'. The location is 'Glen Ivy Golf Club, Golf Course Ballroom, 24400 Trilogy Parkway, Corona'. At the bottom, it says 'REGISTER AT: SENIORLEGACYAWARDS.EVENTBRITE.COM'. A dark blue footer contains contact information for sponsorship opportunities: 'For Sponsorship Opportunities please contact: Amber Smalley 951-955-1020 or asmalley@rivco.org'.

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# Story Time Among the Sycamores

Free story and an activity: Second week of each month • 10:00 am

**April 7, 2023** Farfallina & Marcel by Holly Keller  
Activity: Caterpillar Portrait (Please register by April 5)

**May 12, 2023** Pangolina by Jane Goodall  
Activity: Leaf animal (Please register by May 10)

**June 10, 2023** Brave Little Fox by Muriel Pepin  
Activity: Paper plate mask (Please register by Jun 8)



We read rain or shine! Please register ahead of time. All children are to be accompanied by an adult, and a liability waiver must be signed at first class attended.

To register:  
email [scic@rcrcd.org](mailto:scic@rcrcd.org)

- Practice rhythm and sounds.
- Work on following directions.
- Practice fine motor skills.
- Use imagination and get creative!
- Cultivate a love of nature.
- Parents: meet other local parents.



## Sycamore Creek Interpretive Center

11875 Indian Truck Trail  
Temescal Valley, 92883



Riverside-Corona Resource Conservation District

Sycamore Creek Interpretive Center is one of three educational sites of the Riverside-Corona Resource Conservation District (RCRCD)





## Sycamore Creek Interpretive Center

# Rattlesnake Avoidance Training for Dogs

Southern California is a high snake area and late summer is the height of hatchling season. Anyone who enjoys outdoor time with their dog can benefit from this class.

**Join us for a unique dog training experience:**

- One-on-one attention with highly skilled Snakeworx dog trainers
- Dogs gain life saving skills
- Live muzzled snakes are used to expose your dog to the sight, smell and sound of native rattlesnakes. No snakes are harmed during the training.
- Additional info: <https://snakeworxavoidance.com/>



Western Diamondback Rattlesnake in striking position

**Saturday, June 24, 2023 • 9:00 am**

**\$95 per dog, payable the day of class by cash or check only**

To register: email [scic@rcrcd.org](mailto:scic@rcrcd.org)

*Please register by 4 PM Thursday, June 22nd*

**Training Location:**

**Sycamore Creek Interpretive Center**

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The Sycamore Creek Interpretive Center is a project of:







Just present this flyer to your server (or show it on your mobile device) and Islands will donate 20% of your food and beverage purchases back to Assistance League of Riverside Corona-Norco Branch.

Dine-in only.

# ASSISTANCE LEAGUE OF RIVERSIDE CORONA-NORCO BRANCH

**Date: Wednesday, June 21st, 2023**

**Time: 4pm to close**

**Location: Islands Corona**

**1295 Magnolia Avenue • (951) 279-7724**

**HELPING CHILDREN IN NEED IN THE CORONA-NORCO AREA**

Not valid with any coupon, offer, discount or third party delivery.  
Proceeds exclude gratuity and tax.

Craft burgers, fresh-cut fries, salads & tacos. Bring your family and friends to Islands, and help raise money for Assistance League of Riverside Corona-Norco Branch.



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**NEXT MEETING: 6 P.M., WEDNESDAY, JUNE 14**

**Terramor Terrace Club, 11750 Temescal Hills Drive**

# TEMESCAL VALLEY

## MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETINGS

**Held Monthly on the Second  
Wednesday at 6:00 P.M.  
(Dark in December)**

Riverside County District Two's Office is looking for community feedback to help address questions and concerns about local issues as well as hearing your thoughts and vision as the community continues to grow.

For more information, please visit  
[rivcodistrict2.org/temescal-valley-mac](http://rivcodistrict2.org/temescal-valley-mac)



**Karen Spiegel**

Riverside County Supervisor - 2nd District



# FUNdraise

for Assistance League of Riverside Corona-Norco Branch  
at a Lake Elsinore Storm Baseball game!

Assistance League of Riverside Corona-Norco Branch will receive a percentage of  
all Storm Baseball ticket sales when using code **Support** on July 20<sup>th</sup>, 2023.



Buy tickets online at [STORMBASEBALL.COM](https://STORMBASEBALL.COM)

Select July 20<sup>th</sup>, 2023 and enter code **Support** and you will be  
directly supporting Assistance League of Riverside Corona-Norco Branch!

\*Enter promo code in the promo box on the right when selecting seats before continuing to the cart to pay



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# RIDE FOR 25¢



Beginning August 1 through June 30, 2023, RTA is offering 25-cent bus rides to youth, seniors, disabled and veterans on all bus routes, including CommuterLink! While on board, enjoy free Wi-Fi, USB charging ports, comfortable seating, friendly drivers, and, as always, our commitment to safety wherever you're headed.

**Just show your valid ID to receive the discounted fare.**



**Youth** Age 18 and Under



**Seniors** Age 60 or Above



**Disabled** Customers and  
**Medicare** Card Holders



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