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'The Ojai' Heats Up

The annual Ojai Valley Tennis Tournament is under way as matches play out all over the Ojai Valley, leading up to the Pac-12 championship finals scheduled to be held at Libbey Park on Sunday. Torrey Pines High School player James Boyd, above, competes with Westlake High School's Matthew Gottlieb in the high school CIF championships. Check out Page B5 for additional photos.

City will consider ban on Smart Meters

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Tuesday night found City Hall ringing with accolades, pleas and reprimands for Ojai City Council and its gathered constituents. Mayor Pro Tem Paul Blatz began the regular meeting by informing all present that Ojai City Council had been presented a 2012 Climate Change Action Award by the Ventura County Board of Supervisors, primarily for the city of Ojai's new ban on single-use plastic bags. Ojai City Council received a renewable-source bamboo plaque, which reads, "Think global, act local. 2012 Ventura County Board of Supervisors Climate Change Action Award Winner: City of Ojai."

"While it was presented to the city of Ojai, believe me, it's accepted on behalf of all our citizens. You're the ones that make this place a very special place to be, and the ones that have really brought the attention for the environment," said Blatz. Audra Lucas, a resident of Ventura, presented Ojai City Council members with their just desserts: an organic, non-GMO cake. The cake was gifted on behalf of Occupy Ventura and Occupy 805 for Ojai City Council's resolution passed March 13, which calls for an Amendment to the United States Constitution abolishing corporate personhood. "I just wanted to come and say thank you for passing the resolution to end corporate personhood," said Lucas. "There have been quite a few people in Ventura trying to get our city manager and our city mayor and the city council to bring it to their attention so they could do the same. You guys did it quite quickly ... I think that you guys probably don't get the recognition that you need."

Blatz suggested the cake be divvied up for all after the meeting, but not everyone was appeased. "Please protect us," implored Marleen Luckman, in regards to the installation of

Ojai, Gold Coast detail route changes

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Gold Coast Transit representatives met with Ojai city officials and members of the public on Wednesday, showing details on new bus routes for the Ojai Valley. The meeting was the first of three designed to inform locals of changes in their public transportation.

The new Gold Coast route — still designated Route 16 — has the bus entering Ojai city limits, with new stops along Ojai Avenue. As in years past, the route will once again end at the Ojai Park & Ride lot.

Although now servicing downtown Ojai, in a controversial decision, Gold Coast will be eliminating its route through Meiners Oaks. Company officials and city engineer Greg Grant assured the public that service would remain for those riders in Meiners Oaks and that the Ojai

Trolley would pick up any slack left once the change goes into effect on Aug. 19. Officials acknowledged the concerns of regular riders of the bus, but said that due to a decrease in riders and funding, changes were necessary.

"We know there is a demand for service," said Gold Coast marketing director Helene Buchman. "We just don't have a choice. If we don't get enough ridership for the route, we have to change the route. Over the last few years, we've had to make some tough decisions."

Grant believes that the changes will bring a positive outcome for the people though. "We're going to make sure people can make connections with the bus to get to Meiners Oaks," he said. "The trolley will now run until after 9 p.m. for those making transfers."

Oak View resident and regular bus rider Sandra Grotzky says

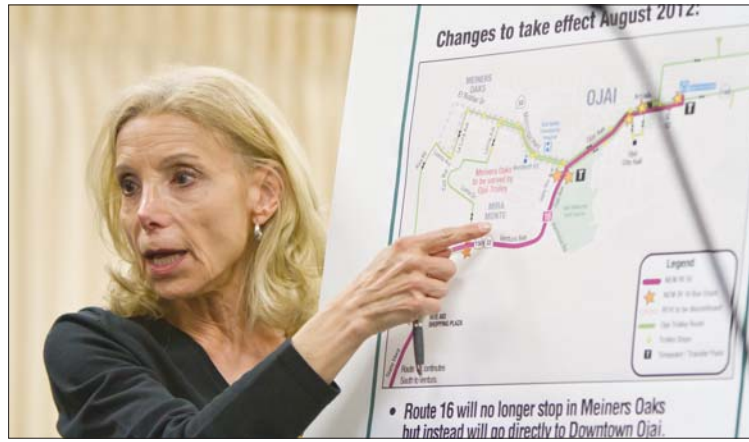


Photo by Logan Hall

Helene Buchman, Gold Coast Transit marketing director, shows locals the new route for Gold Coast buses in the valley.

the change will be good for her and other riders. "This is a good thing," she said. "Right now, I don't come into town as often as I'd like. This will change that."

Commenting on worries about

a negative impact that the change may have, Grant says the city will adjust the Ojai Trolley schedule to ensure that those

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Happy Valley graduate publishing 36-page book

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Lucy Bellwood is on a tear. If you're reading this article on Friday when this paper hits the street, then she's most likely just completed a 122-page

thesis for her graduation project from Portland's liberal arts Reed College.

"This is the longest thing I've ever written," she says in a rapid-fire monologue that can only erupt at the intersection of inspired sleep deprivation, cross-

hair focus and looming deadlines.

Her head seems to be on fire. Not just in reference to her shock of red hair, Bellwood's brain is alight and teeming with ideas and analysis, references and all the stimulation that comes from being an active part of Portland's burgeoning comics scene and being on the tail end of her soon-to-be-published, 36-page book, "True Believer," an autobiographical story about having the courage to do what you love.

The 22-year-old Happy Valley School (now Besant Hill) graduate spent the better part of her childhood and youth growing up in Ojai. Here she discovered and developed her love of theater. She departed briefly to act the part of a privateer and sail tall ships. Perhaps she took her first few dance steps here. And falling asleep to the sound of her father, Peter Bellwood tip-tapping away at his typewriter keyboard, Lucy



Photo submitted

Bellwood's interests span from tall ships to comics.

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OJAI EVENTS

"DISCOVER NATURE" AT WHEELER

On Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., the Los Padres Forest Association and Los Padres National Forest will host an open house at the Wheeler Gorge Visitor Center, 17017 Maricopa Highway, across the highway from Wheeler Gorge Campground. "Discovering Nature" will explore the outdoors through wildlife booths, nature walks at 10:30 a.m. and 1 p.m., and indoors with displays of rocks, gems, minerals, insects and local wildlife (yep, Chuck Testa of YouTube fame). Free parking and free admission. Bring a lunch and have some family fun.

PLAYWRIGHTS BENEFIT SATURDAY

The Ojai Playwrights Conference benefit gala will be held Saturday, beginning at 5:30 p.m. in Matilija Auditorium, 703 El Paseo Road, with an original show, "An OPC Cabaret: Body and Soul," featuring dramatic scenes and songs with a star-studded cast. Festivities continue after the show with a dinner, awards and auction at St. Thomas Aquinas Hall. Playwright Bill Cain and actress Dana Delany will be honored. Conan O'Brien will be a guest auctioneer. For tickets: ojaiplays.org or 640-0400.

"HUMAN LIBRARY"

The "Human Library" event will be held Saturday from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Ojai Library, 111 E. Ojai Ave. The Human Library project was developed in 2000 in Denmark. The "books" are human beings who are able to reply to the readers' questions. For details, call 646-1639.

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OJAI VALLEY TENNIS TOURNAMENT

The 112th Ojai Valley Tennis Tournament runs through Sunday at various venues, primarily at Libbey Park (where schedules are posted). See ojaitourney.org or call 646-7241 for more information.

LOCAL HIGH SCHOOL CHOIRS SING

Nordhoff High School choirs, along with Thacher, Matilija, and Rio Mesa High School choirs, will participate in the Southern California Vocal Association Festival on Tuesday at 7 p.m. at the Milligan Center for the Performing Arts at Thacher School, 5025 Thacher Road, Ojai. Admission is free. Call 640-4343, Ext. 1861, for more details.

Want to know what's going on in the valley this weekend?
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POLICE BLOTTER

REPORTED CRIMES

- Vandalism was reported in the 600 block of Shady Lane April 16.
- A Fairview Road resident reported identity theft April 16.
- Burglary and vehicle theft were reported in the 11100 block of North Ventura Avenue April 17.
- Residential burglary was reported in the 10400 block of North Dale Avenue April 21.
- Misdemeanor battery was reported at Libbey Park April 22.
- Grand theft was reported in the 11100 block of Creek Road on April 23.
- Burglary was reported in the 100 block of South Arnaz Avenue April 23.
- A MacDonald Drive resident reported identity theft April 24.
- Vandalism was reported on North

Ventura Avenue at Ranch Road April 25.

- Petty thefts were reported in the 200 block of Fox Street and the 700 block of North Ventura Avenue during the reporting period.

CITES AND ARRESTS

- A 20-year-old man was cited at Matilija Dam April 14 for vandalism.
- A 48-year-old man was cited on Spring Street April 18 for possession of less than an ounce of marijuana.
- A 20-year-old man was arrested on Carillo Street April 18 on suspicion of being under the influence of and possessing a controlled substance and resisting arrest. Bail was set at \$20,000.
- A citizen's arrest was made on a 59-year-old

man April 18 on Villanova Road alleging elder abuse.

- A 52-year-old man was arrested on Burnham Road April 19 on a \$2,000 warrant for violation of probation.
- A 48-year-old man was arrested on April 22 at an undisclosed location on suspicion of attempted murder, intimidation of a witness, and false imprisonment following a reported domestic incident. Bail was set at \$590,000.
- A citizen's arrest was made on a 30-year-old man on East Ojai Avenue April 22 alleging vandalism and battery. Bail was set at \$5,000.
- A 32-year-old man was arrested on South Padre Juan Avenue April 23 of making annoying or obscene phone calls,

cyberstalking, and trespassing. Bail was set at \$105,000.

- A 26-year-old man was arrested on Burnham Road April 26 on suspicion of being under the influence of a controlled substance. Bail was set at \$5,000.
- A 29-year-old man was arrested on Burnham Road April 23 on suspicion of four drug-related offenses. Bail was set at \$67,600.
- A 19-year-old man was arrested in Casitas Springs April 24 on suspicion of being under the influence of a controlled substance. Bail was set at \$5,000.
- A 32-year-old man was arrested on North Poli Avenue April 25 on suspicion of being under the influence of a controlled substance. Bail was set at \$5,000.

Have a problem in your area and want to ask a deputy for guidance? You can now e-mail your local beat coordinator for help!

- For residents within the city limits: vcso.cityofojai@ventura.org
- For residents of Mira Monte: vcso.miramonte@ventura.org
- For residents of Meiners Oaks and up Maricopa Highway: vcso.meineroaksrosevly@ventura.org
- For residents of Casitas Springs and Oak View: vcso.nvtaoakview@ventura.org

If you are in danger or the incident is ongoing, call 911.

To get updates on crime in the Ojai Valley, e-mail a request to be added to the City Watch list at ojaivalley.citywatch@ventura.org.

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MARK HATTON 1960-2012

I first became aware of Mark Hatton on my way home late at night when I passed a truck dragging a massive palm tree down Rice Road in a cloud of dust and sparks. I knew immediately that I liked how that guy rolled; late at night and by the seat of his pants.

A few years later my trees needed trimming and a neighbor recommended Tri Valley Tree Service. As someone who grew up around plant nurseries and landscaping, I thought I had a general idea of what to expect from a tree trimmer. Then I answered the door and met Mark Hatton.

Since that day, I have never looked at an Oak tree, a rock, a stump, bamboo, palm trees or the abilities of a piece of heavy equipment with Mark at the controls the same again.

By the end of my first day knowing Mark I realized that he was the guy that I saw dragging the palm tree down Rice Road years earlier. It was during my first visit to his property that I saw he was working his own type of genius in the form of palm trees, rocks and bamboo. He had palm trees laying on their sides that he called Hurricane Trees and massive clumps of bamboo seemed to be everywhere. Add some horses, peacocks, snakes, snapping turtles, dogs, pigs, cows, and tons of miscellaneous stuff on a large property and I thought Mark was the most creative and luckiest man in Ojai.

In truth, I know that Mark is both the greatest friend you could have and at the same time the most difficult person you will ever deal with. I don't say that with malice, but with regret. I regret that I failed to focus more on his friendship and the massive amount of energy that he put into every endeavor and less on what that energy often did to our friendship.

You see, we all know what Mark thought of us; he thought we were all SOB's and it was our job to deal with it and him. That was his charm. I doubt we all saw that as charming, but I appreciated his honesty, his get it done attitude and his generosity to others.

I have seen him try and save a cat only to get up there and have the cat bite him and jump to another tree. I have seen him help people during the floods and clean up the mud in the aftermath. He would trim any tree, any height and then disappear before you could pay him. He always took time to pay attention to my son and others that I took to his property for a visit. He would deliver fire wood in a massive pile and leave before you had a chance to figure out what the hell that noise was at 6:30 a.m. in your front yard on a Saturday. Yea, that was his charm.

Ojai will miss Mark Hatton. I already do.
Dan Breen
Ojai, CA

Kaufer will lead first walk in Los Padres

Ojai native plant guide Lanny Kaufer will lead an herb walk on the Rose Valley Falls Trail on May 6. The excursion will include a side trip on North Howard Creek Road before walking to the falls, a local scenic attraction. The total walking distance will be around one and a half miles on a level path, making this excursion ideal for hikers of all abilities. Participants will identify wild plants and learn about the many ways that have been used, and continue to be used, by the Chumash people, herbalists, foragers, campers and gardeners for food, medicine, wild-crafting, survival, landscaping, crafts and more. This will be Kaufer's first outing in Los Padres National Forest under his new Special Use Permit from the U.S. Forest Service designed for outfitters and guides who provide recreational and interpretive services to the public.

The walk will begin with a car pool from the Maricopa Plaza parking lot at 9 a.m. and return there by 1 p.m. The cost is \$25 for adults, \$15 for seniors 62 and older, and \$15 for full-time high school and



Photo by Duffy Knox

college students. Kids 5 to 12 can go free with an adult by prior arrangement. Toddlers must be in a carrier. No dogs are allowed. Register at HerbWalks.com or 646-6281. Participants will receive a confirmation e-mail with all necessary information.

Ojai Valley Weather Report

April 27, 2012

Seven Day Forecast

Friday
Sunny
High: 73 Low: 48

Saturday
Sunny
High: 78 Low: 50

Sunday
Sunny
High: 77 Low: 50

Monday
Sunny
High: 73 Low: 51

Tuesday
Sunny
High: 76 Low: 49

Wednesday
Sunny
High: 73 Low: 49

Thursday
Partly Cloudy
High: 71 Low: 50

In-Depth Local Forecast

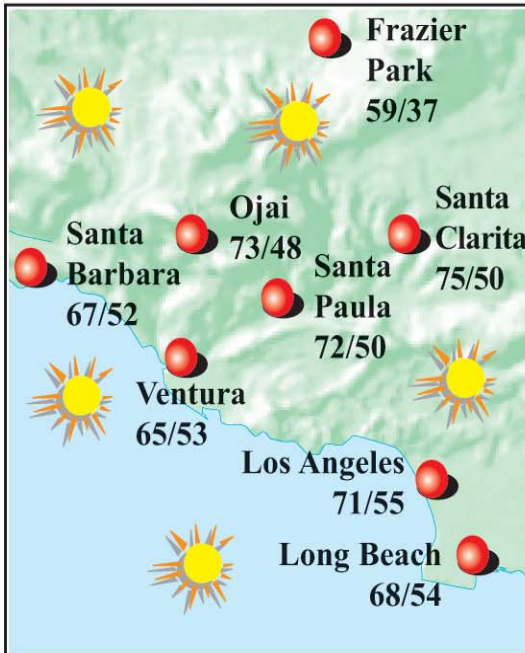
Today we will see sunny skies with a high of 73°, humidity of 49%. North northeast wind 5 mph. The record high for today is 91° set in 1996. Expect mostly clear skies tonight with an overnight low of 48°.

Last Week's Almanac

Date	Hi/Lo	Normals	Precip
Wed.	78/56	76/44	0.00"
Thu.	78/54	76/44	0.00"
Fri.	95/56	76/44	0.00"
Sat.	86/57	76/44	0.00"
Sun.	74/55	76/45	0.00"
Mon.	59/53	76/45	0.00"
Tue.	70/54	76/45	0.00"

Rainfall since Oct.12.09"
Normal rainfall22.68"
Departure-10.59"

Today's Regional Map



Local Sun/Moon Chart This Week

Day	Sunrise	Sunset	Day	Sunrise	Sunset
Friday	6:10 a.m.	7:39 p.m.	First	4/29	5/12
Saturday	6:09 a.m.	7:40 p.m.			
Sunday	6:08 a.m.	7:41 p.m.			
Monday	6:07 a.m.	7:41 p.m.			
Tuesday	6:06 a.m.	7:42 p.m.			
Wednesday	6:05 a.m.	7:43 p.m.	Full	5/5	New
Thursday	6:04 a.m.	7:44 p.m.			5/20

Local UV Index



UV Index
0-2: Low, 3-5: Moderate, 6-7: High, 8-10: Very High, 11+: Extreme Exposure

Weather History

April 27, 1988 - Mount Washington, N.H. reported seven feet of snow in 10 days, pushing their snowfall total for the month past the previous record of 89.3 inches, which was set in 1975.

Weather Trivia

What is brontophobia?

Answer: It is the fear of thunder.

www.WhatsOurWeather.com

Obituary

Mark Hatton



Mark Hatton, born in Ventura, Calif., on Oct. 31, 1957, died from natural causes in his home last week. He is survived by his mother, Marge Hatton, a longtime Oak View resident; daughters Tobi Hatton, Ventura, and Kylene Hatton, Simi Valley; brothers Tom Hatton, of Vacaville, and Matt Hatton, of Bakersfield; two nieces, Melissa Francisco, Vacaville, and Ashley Montoya, Oregon; three nephews, Troy and Shawn Hatton, Bakersfield, and Tyler Hatton, of Oregon; two great-nieces and six great-nephews. He also had many longtime friends who will miss him dearly.

Mark was an active and recognizable figure in the Ojai Valley community. He owned and operated Tri Valley Tree Service for over 30 years. He promoted the Special Olympics, was a familiar face at St. Joseph's, and worked on the Ojai Creek Restoration Project to help remove non-native trees and restore native varieties to the area.

Mark was intelligent, energetic and constantly moving. He worked hard and always had a new project under way. His kind heart and genuine concern for the environment was evident in all he did. In February 2010, the Ventura County Star staff writer, Allison Bruce, featured him in an article titled "Ojai man rescues wood for creative projects." It told of the many creative uses he had for urban lumber, local rock for tree wells, fences and other creative projects. He strived to make Ojai Valley a better place.

We have lost a caring, outspoken, bigger-than-life personality and it will be a duller place without Mark's big heart and enthusiasm.

Services with a barbecue and potluck will be held Saturday, May 5, 2012 at 1 p.m. at Soule Park in Ojai.

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Smart Meters that has begun in the Ojai Valley. Luckman mentioned the April 23 joint meeting of the Ojai City Council and the Planning Commission, in which a nonprofit organization called Strong Towns gave a presentation on municipalities, infrastructure, and return on investments. "Obviously this is a huge mistake financially," Luckman continued. "One thing that stuck out for me at the end of that meeting was Commissioner Merck said how grateful he was that in the 1970s, the City Council had the foresight not to allow a freeway to go through the middle of Ojai and ruin it. And I'm hoping that our City Council can have the foresight not to allow these Smart Meters."

"I am a cancer survivor of 13 years, and I really would like to keep it that way," declared Ojai resident Valerie Mince. "I have four meters on my patio wall. Two are analog meters still; they're on delay. The other two meters belong to the neighbors, which I don't have any control over, and they're not on delay. They are 7 feet away from the chaise lounge I used to love to sit on ... According to the FCC regulations, part 15, class 2, says that devices classified with the FCC as having antennas cannot be co-located, that is, that they cannot be clustered."

"We need you to help us," said Ojai resident Barbara Bowman. Bowman said she cannot even use a cell phone, and urged the council to make Ojai unique in more ways than "just a tourist destination."

"I really love this place, I love this community so much," said a tearful Patty Pagaling. "I appreciate the people here, and this is such an important issue. Pagaling mentioned that the FCC standards for electro magnetic radiation are based on thermal effects only, and that the current head of the California Public Utilities Commission is a former head of Southern California Edison.

Julie Tumamait-Stenslie, a tribal chair of the local Chumash tribe and an Ojai resident, stated that she knew nothing about Smart Meters until very recently. Tumamait-Stenslie has a son with autism, and there is a Smart Meter installed right outside his bedroom window.

"You stand as a fire wall between we citizens and fascism," said Ojai resident James Joseph. "All evidence points to the dangers of Smart Meters."

Ojai resident Sue Williamson pointed out that the money to install Smart Meters came from California taxpayers, and Southern California Edison is also asking that people pay to opt out. Both Williamson and resident Rae Amey offered their consultation and education services to Ojai City Council, and suggested a volunteer citizens panel be formed to advise council members.

"When you folks say, 'Why are they doing this? Are you naive?' queried Councilwoman Carol Smith. "We don't need more health effect research, it's already done. It's easy to sit on Google at 10 o'clock at night. It's harder to make a commitment to go out two hours a week and stand outside with a sign, protesting ... Edison will listen to their customers. It affects their reputation ... But don't do

any more public health research. How much more do you have to know?"

"I think the individual taking an action can have a tremendous impact, and I want you to do that, rather than expecting the city to do it for you," said Councilwoman Carlon Strobel. She urged residents to contact the governor of California, among others, to voice their concerns.

Ojai resident and local business owner Vicki Cohen may not have contacted the governor, but when she was told her commercial property was deemed not eligible to be placed on Edison's delay list, she wasted no time contacting Edison itself. Cohen wrote a letter titled, "Notice of No Consent to Trespass and Surveillance, Notice of Liability," which states, in part, "I forbid, refuse, and deny consent of any installation and use of any monitoring, eavesdropping, and surveillance devices on my property, my place of residence, and my place of occupancy. That applies to and includes 'Smart Meters' and activity monitoring devices of any and all kinds. Any attempt to install any such devices directed at me, other occupants, my property or residence will constitute trespass, stalking, wiretapping and unlawful endangerment of health and safety, all prohibited and punishable by law through criminal and civil complaints." Cohen mailed the letter to Edison April 6, and on April 9, she was notified by Edison representatives that her property was placed on the opt-out list. A copy of Cohen's letter is available through the city clerk's office.

Blatz directed city manager Rob Clark to draft an ordinance based upon that of the city of Fairfax, with the modification to the language reflecting a permanent ban, rather than a temporary one. Clark and his staff are to draft the ordinance and bring it forward for more discussion at the May 22 council meeting.

The next regular Ojai City Council meeting will be held May 8 at 7 p.m. at 401 S. Ventura St.

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who depend on public transportation will be affected as little as possible. "We are going to make sure that we're still able to get people where they need to go," he said.

Grant and Buchman also stated that a new stop at Loma Drive has been planned to help bridge the gap between Ojai and Mira Monte. Currently, the Gold Coast bus stops in front of the Rite Aide shopping center in Mira Monte, but the next stop is several miles away at the "Y" intersection in front of Vons.

"We really believe this will be a win-win for everyone," said Buchman, to nods of agreement from members of the public present.

Officials have not confirmed a date for the next public meeting regarding Ojai Valley's public transportation system, but say it is scheduled to be held at Nordhoff High School sometime in June.

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Bellwood:

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learned to love the power of words.

In Portland at Reed for the past four years, she's pooled all her resources and parlayed them into a passion for writing and illustrating comics.

"I love Portland," she gushes. "I think it's probably got one of the best comic scenes in the country right now. It's a very creative and supportive group of people."

So when she decided to publish "True Believer" as her final project for graduation, she chose to enlist the financial support of her friends and community through an online Kickstarter.com fund-raising campaign.

Launched this past Monday and set at a modest \$1,500 goal, which would provide enough to print 200 high-quality, large-format copies, as of



this writing, 124 individuals have donated and the total sits near \$5,000. And she's still taking donations for two more weeks. All this means that she will likely increase her print run and work to increase distribution of the book — including a few locations in Ojai.

"I didn't think that no one would give me money," she muses. "Lots of people support much bigger things. But it's impressive to receive \$200

and realize I have friends who are software engineers who have the bank to throw down on something like this."

She's hoping for more support on this project from her Ojai friends and fans. Bellwood says she will likely make the books available for purchase alongside her "Baggy Wrinkles" comics at Coffee Connection in Meiners Oaks where her dad holds court most mornings during the week.

Not exactly certain when she'll be back for a visit to her hometown of Ojai, Bellwood said she is getting "itchy to travel," and perhaps write and illustrate the third comic in her "Baggy Wrinkles" series.

With an enviable work ethic and stunning creativity, Bellwood says that the past six months of creating "True Believer" has taught her a lot about what it takes to get a large project done.

"Now I know what it takes to make myself work and get things finished," she says. "Rather than looking at the whole project and thinking, 'How am I going to get this done?' I can say, 'OK, today I have to draw page 6.' And when that's done I'm done for the day. And then it's like, 'Hey where did this 36-page book come from?'"

To learn more about the artist and be part of her kickstarter campaign, visit lucybellwood.com.

Meek honored for volunteer work

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Catherine Meek is a busy lady. The Ojai resident is the executive director of School on Wheels, an organization that provides free tutoring services for homeless children from Santa Barbara to Santa Ana. And not only is Meek the executive director of the organization, she also still volunteers, tutoring a student in the Ventura Library once a week. Because she has logged more than 500 hours of volunteer work for 2011, she will be receiving the gold Presidential Volunteer Service Award.

Meek recently discussed her organization and volunteer work with OVN reporter Tiobe Barron.

OVN: How did you first get involved with School on Wheels?

Catherine Meek: I started as a volunteer tutor in late 1999, early 2000. I had a business in downtown Los Angeles. I saw a public service announcement (for School on Wheels) on a local cable news channel, saying, "One hour per week is all we need." And I thought, "I can do that." I actually became the first tutor on schedule in Los Angeles. Over the years, I became more and more involved. The founder became ill, she actually took to the hospital, and she asked me to take over some responsibilities, which, of course, I did. I retired from my business in L.A., and began to live in Ojai full-time. When Agnes, the director, retired three years ago, I became the executive director.

OVN: Did you envision working with School on Wheels for 10 years when you first started out?

Meek: I definitely did not! I had no idea I'd be doing this, but it's one of those serendipitous things, it becomes wonderful.

OVN: Which subjects do you tutor?

Meek: Well, I started by working with a little boy

who was about 7 years old, basically tutoring him in everything. Which is kind of what we do. You tutor any subject the student needs help in. Most of our students are behind in school, our goal is to fill the gaps. This particular little boy couldn't read, so we really focused on reading.

OVN: What is the average age of kids you help?

Meek: The average age is probably about 8 years old, and I'd say a 50-50 split between boys and girls. And the average age of the tutors is probably in the 25 to 35 range, but we have volunteers all over the place, there's a chunk who are younger and a chunk who are older.

OVN: What are some of the challenges that face you as you tutor homeless kids?

Meek: Let's start with the physical. Where do you tutor them? The goal is to bridge the gaps in their education, and you go to where the kids are, this is not a brick-and-mortar institution. So sometimes you go to homeless shelters, battered women shelters, the library, bookstores. Anywhere public the kids can meet. Sometimes when you go to the shelters, there's a television blaring, kids screaming, and you can't get the kid (you're tutoring) to focus.

OVN: Are the parents usually supportive?

Meek: Absolutely! The parents are usually the most supportive. The second challenge is that because these kids are so transient, they're moving all the time, research shows that on average these kids are always four to six months behind in school. I have nothing but respect for teachers, but when you have a class of 30 kids ... (trails off). The third challenge is the human perspective. The economy is the largest reason for homelessness. So many of these families are newly homeless, and the kids are traumatized by the experience, they've never gone

through it before. School becomes not the first thing on their minds. They've lost their first home, and often also their second, their school. It's a very traumatic and challenging situation to be in.

OVN: What have been some of the best moments for you?

Meek: There have been so many! I'm not being clichéd. I tutored a little girl at the Salvation Army in Ventura. She was totally scared. She would be hiding under the table when I arrived to tutor her. So I'd get under the table with her. The first time she got out from under the table, I'd consider that a success. I also had a young lady I tutored go to UCLA. She was homeless for 18 months. I really think she's going to be president one day. Nothing's going to stop her! When she was at the shelter, she turned the broom closet into her study area. These kids are courageous, they're resilient. And they're also just kids.

OVN: What do you hope to see in the future for the organization?

Meek: We just finished developing our strategic funding for the next three years. Because these are challenging economic times, we'd like to double the number of kids we tutor over the next three years. Of course, that means we need to double the number of volunteers, too, and that can be very tricky.

OVN: How do you go



Photo submitted

Catherine Meek

about recruiting volunteers?

Meek: Most tutors come from online. We advertise with Volunteermatch, Craigslist, we post fliers everywhere it's allowed, word of mouth, college fairs, sometimes we do presentations to companies. We're always looking for volunteers! Our qualifications are a high school diploma, (the volunteer should be) 18 years old or older — although we do family packs sometimes, someone under 18 comes with a parent or guardian. We provide the training.

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THE CALENDAR OF OJAI VALLEY EVENTS

This Week

Friday, April 27
"THE OJAI" — The 112th Ojai Valley Tennis Tournament runs through Sunday at various venues, primarily at Libbey Park (where schedules will be posted). See ojaitourney.org or call 646-7241 for more information.
"POETRY, PROSE AND MORE" — Friday at 4 p.m. in the lounge at The Gables of Ojai, 701 N. Montgomery St., local writer Mel Bloom and residents will share their poetry. The public is welcome. Call Christine at 646-1446 for more information.

"DYING CONSCIOUSLY: THE GREATEST JOURNEY" — will be held today from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. at The Well Center for Conscious Learning, 214 W. Aliso St. Cost: \$175. Tomas Bostrom: 798-5648 or inkamedicinewheel.com. (A27)
"OKLAHOMA!" — will run through Sunday at Villanova Preparatory School, 12096 N. Ventura Ave., with performances at 7 p.m. in the outdoor amphitheater. Warm attire and blankets or chairs are suggested. Tickets: \$12.50 for adults, \$10 for seniors and students. Call 646-

1464.
"THE YOGA OF KRISHNAMURTI" — with Ravi Ravindra will be held today from 7:30 to 9 p.m. and April 28 from 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. at the Krishnamurti Education Center, 1098 McAndrew Road, Ojai. For details and to register: 646-2726 or info@kfa.org.
"OLIVER!" — creates powerful music and drama, torn from the well-worn pages of Dickens' "Oliver Twist," and comes with a warning that it may not be suitable for kids under age 10. It runs through Sunday at Ojai Art Center Theater, 113 S. Montgomery St.; 7:30 p.m. today and Saturday, and 2 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. Tickets: \$20 general, \$18 for seniors, students and Art Center members, and \$10 for youth 12 and younger. Reservations recommended: 640-8797 or OjaiACT.org.
"A ROSE" — Thespians at Besant Hill School will present "A Rose" today and Saturday at 7:30 p.m. in the school's Zalk Theater, 8585 Ojai-Santa Paula Road. Suggested donation: \$10. Call 646-4343 for more information or reservations.
"WOMEN OF TROY" — Senga Classic Stage Company will present "Women of Troy" through Sunday at Ojai Valley Grange, 381 Cruzero St., Ojai, with performances today and Saturday at 8 p.m. and Sunday at 2 p.m. Tickets: \$15 or \$12 for seniors and students (group rates available); 646-4885 or franciscabeach.com.



movie review

'Declaration of War' is a moving battle against illness

The Ojai Film Society will screen "Declaration of War" (France 2011) Sunday at 4:30 p.m. at the Ojai Playhouse, 145 E. Ojai Ave. Admission is \$10 for the general public, \$7 for seniors (65 and older) and students (with full-time student ID). Subscribers with valid 2012 identification will be admitted to regular Ojai Film Society screenings free of charge. This film is not rated.
 France's official 2012 Academy Awards entry for Best Foreign Language Film, "Declaration of War" is a life-affirming and deeply moving film directed by Valérie Donzelli, who also co-wrote the script and co-

stars with Jérémie Elkaim. With qualities akin to Francois Truffaut, the film follows newly in love Romeo and Juliette. Their romance unfolds in the bright city of Paris as they frolic and kiss passionately. They are free spirits who care little about the traditional ideas of work and marriage.
 Then, their son Adam is born and they must face the ultimate test when they discover he is very ill. Gathering friends and family together, they confront the ordeal as a form of warfare: the needed strength to deal with doctors, hospitals and procedures. The changes in their lives brought by Adam's illness offer Romeo

and Juliette a course in responsibility, patience and cooperation.
 The story is infused with unexpected verve using a host of cinematic techniques and top-drawer soundtracks. Donzelli and Elkaim give stellar and nuanced performances as the young couple who courageously do the best they can under fire. "Declaration of War" is their true story and the result is a film that will bring tears to your eyes, but will dazzle you with its contagious vitality for life.
"Declaration of War" feels very present, very alive. And it's very much worth seeing. — Steven Rea, Philadelphia Inquirer

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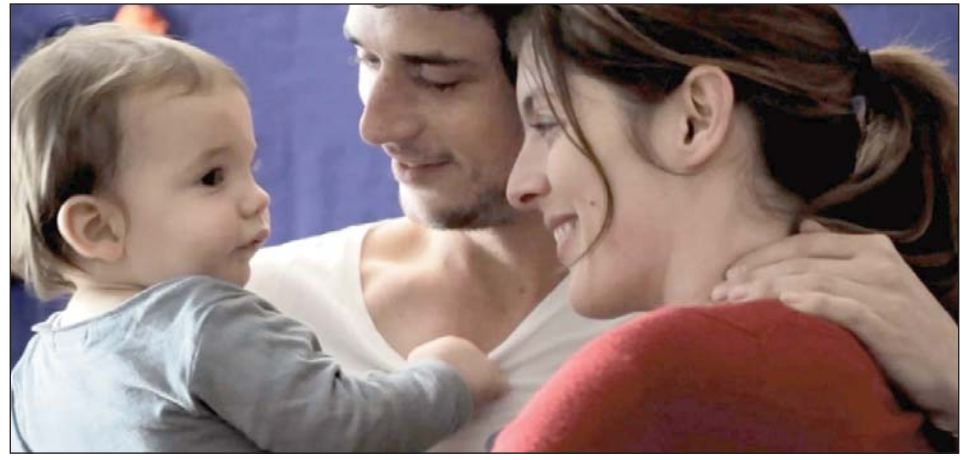
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The Ojai Film Society will screen the French film, "Declaration of War," Sunday afternoon at the Ojai Playhouse.

at the door, free for age 5 and younger, or \$40 for a group of 10. Call 889-3226.
BIRD WALK — The Ventura Audubon Society will hold a bird walk on Saturday from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. in the Ojai-Persimmon Hill Area, led by Allen Bertke (640-9037); meet at his place. Should see hooded and Bullock's orioles, western bluebirds, hummingbirds and many more. Bring binoculars, a field guide, hat and water.
HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS MATERIALS COLLECTION EVENT — The County of Ventura Pollution Prevention Center will host a household hazardous materials collection event for resi-

dents of the unincorporated communities of Ventura County on Saturday. Call 658-4323 for an appointment or more information. Small businesses should call 987-0717.
"DISCOVERING NATURE" — On Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., the Los Padres Forest Association and Los Padres National Forest will host an open house at the Wheeler Gorge Visitor Center, 17017 Maricopa Highway, across the highway from Wheeler Gorge Campground. "Discovering Nature" will explore the outdoors through wildlife booths, nature walks at 10:30 a.m.

and 1 p.m., and indoors with displays of rocks, gems, minerals, insects and local wildlife (yep, Chuck Testa of YouTube fame). Free parking and free admission. Bring a lunch and have some family fun.
"BEYOND THE SECRET" — a workshop with Dr. Lisa Love, will be held Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Meditation Mount, 10340 Reeves Road. Fee: \$65. Call 646-5508 or go to meditationmount.org.
OJAI HISTORICAL WALKING TOUR — is held Saturdays at 10:30 a.m., departing from the Ojai Valley Museum, 130 W.

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HUMAN LIBRARY — will be held Saturday from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Ojai Library, 111 E. Ojai Ave. The Human Library project was developed in 2000 in Denmark. The "books" are human beings who are able to reply to the readers' questions. For more information, call 646-1639.

"PLANTING WHAT YOU COOK" — Learn how to grow your own delicious and nutritious organic vegetables, at this free, hands-on workshop with Steve Sprinkel of The Farmer and The Cook on Saturday at 2 p.m. at the Ojai Community Demonstration Garden, 401 S. Ventura St., behind City Hall. He will cover everything from site planning, soil preparation and fertilizer to organizing crop successions, rotations, and pest control. There will be tips on how to increase your yield, what to plant in Ojai and when to plant it. Sprinkel will demonstrate techniques for digging beds and planting seeds and seedlings. Bring gloves if you want to dig in.

OJAI PLAYWRIGHTS CONFERENCE BENEFIT GALA — will be held Saturday, beginning at 5:30 p.m. in Matilija Auditorium, 703 El Paseo Road, with an original show, "An OPC Cabaret: Body and Soul," featuring dramatic scenes and songs with a star-studded cast. Playwright Bill Cain and actress Dana Delany will be honored. Festivities continue after the show with a dinner, awards and auction at St. Thomas Aquinas Hall. Conan O'Brien will be a guest auctioneer. For tickets: ojaiplays.org or 640-0400.

"FINDING YOUR VOICE" — Betsy Randle's "Finding Your Voice" workshop will hold its performance showcase on Saturday at 8 p.m. and Sunday at 2 p.m. at Ojai Youth Entertainers Studio, 316 E. Matilija St. Students Laurie Prange, Joan Rush, Eva Beebe, Briana Beebe and Paul Weaver will steel their nerves, take the stage, and sing their hearts out with accompaniment by Smitty West. Tickets are \$15 and are available at the door.

Sunday, April 29
PROBIOTICS EXPERT SPEAKS — The Ventura Chapter of the Weston A. Price Foundation will present Donna Gates, lacto-fermentation expert and author of "The Baby Boomer Diet" and "The Body Ecology," speaking on "Spring Cleansing with Probiotics" on Sunday at 1 p.m. at the First Baptist Church of Ojai, 930 Grand Ave. Learn how lacto-fermented foods play a key role in cleansing and energizing your body. This is a free event. Call (831) 246-

0162 for more information.

Monday, April 30
CALL FOR PLAYS — Monday is the deadline to submit suggestions for upcoming plays for the Ojai Art Center Theater, hand-delivered to the office at 113 S. Montgomery St., or by mail to Ojai A.C.T., P.O. Box 331, Ojai, CA 93024. For more details, contact Cecil Sutton at 477-8161 or Cecil.Sutton@aol.com.

Tuesday, May 1
"UNFOLDING THE HIGHER CONSCIOUSNESS" — with Pablo Sender, will be held from May 1 through 4 at Krotona School, 46 Krotona Road. Participants will explore practices recommended in Theosophical literature to achieve expression of higher consciousness in daily life. Tuesday through Friday, 10 a.m. to noon. Series, \$35; single session, \$10. 646-1139 or schoolinfo@krotona.institute.org.

"WILDFIRE SAFETY MEETING" — The next neighborhood "Wildfire Safety" presentation will be for homeowners in the Topa Topa Elementary School area; all residents, families and children are welcome. It will be held Tuesday at 5:30 p.m. at Topa Topa Elementary School in the parking lot, 916 Mountain View Ave., Ojai. Reminder signs will be posted in the neighborhood, and light refreshments will be served. For more information, contact Will Castagna, Ojai Valley Fire Safe Council, 646-7307.

VOCAL FESTIVAL — Nordhoff High School choirs, along with Thacher, Matilija, and Rio Mesa High School choirs, will participate in the Southern California Vocal Association Festival on Tuesday at 7 p.m. at the The Milligan Center for the Performing Arts at Thacher School, 5025 Thacher Road, Ojai. Admission is free. Call 640-4343, Ext. 1861, for more details.

"THE ELIXIR OF LIFE" — The Theosophical Society in the Ojai Valley will meet Tuesday at 7 p.m. at Krotona School, 46 Krotona Road. Pablo Sender will talk on "The Elixir of Life." Call 646-2653.

"IS KNOWLEDGE USEFUL, NECESSARY OR IRRELEVANT?" — will be discussed at the American Vedic Association Bhagavad-Gita As It Is Fellowship on Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. at 687 Villanova Road. Changing the world for the better requires useful information about what really matters. An individual will prosper to the degree they prepare for the "now" and not just surrender to it. Discuss the difference between mundane distractions and what the sages say is important at the next AVA fellowship. Always free. Call 640-0405.

Wednesday, May 2
MOBAA MEETING — The Meiners Oaks Business and Artists Association will hold its monthly meeting on Wednesday at 9 a.m. at Papa Lennon's, 515 W. El Roblar Drive. Agenda items include the election of offi-

cers for the 2012-2013 board of directors, "Welcome to Meiners Oaks" sign installation, and the Meiners Oaks Solstice Festival. Coffee and tea available. Open to the public. meinersoaks.org or 323-OAKS.

DOG OBEDIENCE CLASS — The Humane Society, 402 Bryant St., Ojai, will offer a six-week Dog Obedience Class starting May 2 at 6 p.m. Cost is \$75 and Jolene Hoffman is the instructor. Dogs must have current vaccination records. Bring a 6-foot leash and choke chain. Teach your dog to heel, sit, stay, come, place, not to jump on people, etc. 646-6505.

CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP — Beginning May 2, the Central Coast Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association will host a free Caregiver Support Group on the first and third Wednesdays of each month from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at The Gables of Ojai, 701 N. Montgomery St., Ojai. Call 484-6028 for more information.

OJAI STORYTELLING FESTIVAL — The 13th annual Ojai Storytelling Festival with America's finest storytellers will take place Wednesday through May 6 at various venues in downtown Ojai, including Libbey Bowl, featuring comedy, drama, adventure and ghost tales. For tickets and more information: 646-8907 or ojaistoryfest.org. The festival opens with "Ghost Tales" on Wednesday at 7 p.m. at Libbey Bowl (best for children ages 7-plus and adults).

MUSIC AT AZU — Well-known Fern Barishman will entertain with all your piano bar favorites every Wednesday from 7 to 9 p.m. at Azu, 457 E. Ojai Ave. Song requests are encouraged. For reservations call 640-7987.

OJAI LIBRARY BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP — The Ojai Library's Book Discussion Group will meet Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. to discuss "In the Garden of Beasts: Love, Terror, and an American Family in Hitler's Berlin" by Erik Larson. The library is located at 111 E. Ojai Ave. Everyone is invited to join the group. The only requirement for participating in the discussion is to have read the book and come willing to share your opinion and listen to others. Call 646-1639.

Thursday, May 3
INTRODUCTION TO MEDITATION — will be held Thursday from 6 to 7:30 p.m. at Meditation Mount, 10340 Reeves Road, Ojai. Suggested donation: \$10. For more details: 646-

5508 or meditation mount.org.

Down The Road

SAN ANTONIO SCHOOL BENEFIT — San Antonio Elementary School, 650 Carne Road, will hold a fund-raising event on May 4 featuring a golf tournament at noon (registration begins at 10:30 a.m.), a reception and awards at 5 p.m., followed by dinner and a spring auction at 6 p.m. Call Mariisa at (323) 854-5182 for more details.

OBSIDIAN HEALING — Ana Sylvia Serrano, the world's leading expert on obsidian, will give a free talk on healing on May 4 at 3 p.m. at the Ojai Library, 111 E. Ojai Ave.

"ROCKIN' IN RECOVERY" CONCERT — will feature the Michael Ian Band and guests, Sliding Glass Doors, playing May 4 at 6 p.m. at Ojai Youth Entertainers Studio, 316 E. Matilija St. Admission of \$20 includes dinner from Don Lalo's. Call 646-4300 or go to ojaives.org.
"FIREWORKS FOR THE SOUL" — a Tibetan bowl and gong experience by Diane Mandle, will be held May 4 at 7 p.m. at 1919 Meiners Road, Ojai. Bring a mat to lie on. Tickets are limited: \$20 before April 28, \$25 after. Call 646-5787.

WESAK FESTIVAL FOR WORLD HEALING — will be held at The Ojai Retreat, 160 Besant Road, led by Kathy Newburn, author of "Planetary Awakening," and others, on May 4 and 5 from 7 to 9 p.m. and May 6 from 1 to 3 p.m. Voluntary contributions will be appreciated. More details: ABT696@gmail.com.

VOLUNTEER TRAIL DAY — The Ojai Ranger District is hosting a volunteer project on May 5 on the Gene Marshall-Piedra Blanca Trail. The project will focus on brushing and light treadwork. The hike is a total of three miles. Bring a lunch, water, sunscreen, gloves, eye protection, hat, and wear sturdy shoes. It's a fun way to meet other outdoor enthusiasts or accrue community service hours. Forest Service will provide tools, instruction and drinks. Meet at the Ojai Ranger Station, 1190 E. Ojai Ave., at 8:30 a.m. to car pool to the trailhead and return by 4 p.m. For more information, call Heidi Anderson at 646-4348, Ext. 309.

K.F.A. GATHERING — "Approaching Freedom" will be the theme for the Krishnamurti Foundation of America's annual free gathering on May 5 and 6 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Krishnamurti Educational Center, 1070 McAn-



Randy Graham

CHEF RANDY

Asparagus pastry rolls a tasty treat

Tired of spring rolls? Try these asparagus rolls baked in puff pastry with tasty Pecorino cheese and truffle oil. Great as an appetizer.

Asparagus Pastry Rolls
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2 large egg yolks
5 ounces finely grated Pecorino cheese, about 1-3/4 packed cups
28 asparagus stalks, trimmed to 6-inch lengths including tips
3 Tbsp. white truffle oil (optional)
Preheat oven to 400 degrees.

Unfold pastry sheets and halve each parallel to the tri-fold lines. Roll out one half (keep remaining three halves chilled, covered with plastic wrap) into a 20-by-7-inch rectangle with a floured rolling pin on a well-floured surface. (Pastry will shrink slightly

after rolling.) Brush off excess flour from work surface and both sides of pastry, and then trim all edges with a sharp knife to make even. Cut crosswise into six (6-1/2-by-3-inch) rectangles.

Brush rectangles with egg wash (beat egg yolks with 2 teaspoons water) and sprinkle each rectangle evenly with 1 tablespoon Pecorino, leaving a 1/2-inch border on long sides. Lay asparagus stalk along one long side, then roll up asparagus in pastry, pressing seam to seal. Make more rolls with remaining pastry, cheese, and asparagus.

Arrange rolls, seam sides down, about 1 inch apart on lightly oiled baking sheets and brush top and sides lightly with egg wash. Chill rolls for at least 15 minutes in the refrigerator. Bake rolls in batches in middle of oven for 18 to 20 minutes or until puffed and golden.

Transfer with a metal spatula to a cutting board and trim about 1/2 inch from ends. Halve each roll crosswise, then, starting about 1/2 inch from either end, cut each section diagonally in half.

To serve, stand asparagus rolls on end, two by two on platters, and drizzle each top with 1 drop of truffle oil (if using).

Randy Graham has been a lacto-ovo vegetarian for 35 years. See ValleyVegetarian.blogspot.com for his complete recipe collection.

drew Road, Ojai. Go to kfa.org/gathering.

OJAI HISTORICAL WALKING TOUR — is held Saturdays at 10:30 a.m., departing from the Ojai Valley Museum, 130 W. Ojai Ave. (approximately one-hour tours of downtown historical and cultural attractions). Docent Helen Peterson will lead the May 5 tour. Cost is \$5 or \$15 per family. Drop-ins are welcome. For reservations, to schedule group tours or tours during the week, call 640-1390.

"HOPE FOR HOEFLING" BENEFIT — to raise funds for Jeff Hoefling's medical expenses, will be held May 5 from 2 to 5 p.m. at the Ojai Valley Athletic Club, 409 Fox St., featuring a car wash, Mexican dinner, live music, silent auction, kids' zone and raffle. Call 646-7213 for more information.

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Frank Malle and Marleen Luckman

We give to the Ojai Valley Green Coalition because we care about the resiliency of our community and using our natural resources wisely. We enjoy sharing new ideas and saving money through creative approaches to reducing energy use and meeting others with innovative ideas and similar interests. Events like learning about our Ventura Watershed, creating more community spaces where people can meet, the beauty of adding art to public places, and installing graywater systems to save

on water costs were useful and fun! At a garden party organized by the Food Council, we learned about preparing the soil and planting vegetables with a group of new friends followed by a potluck. One of our favorite events is the Green Home Tour each October that showcases "green" homes in the Ojai Valley. The Ojai Valley Green Coalition is working towards advancing a green and sustainable Ojai Valley. We're delighted to be part of it!

Why do YOU give? E-mail a photo and 150 words or less, telling us what organization(s) you donate to, and why, to editor@ojaivalleynews.com, with the subject line "OVN Giving."

A Call To Our Community

Dear Friends,

As many of you know, The Mob Shop is moving from Meiners Oaks to downtown Ojai and taking over the old gas station on the corner of Ventura St. and Ojai Ave. I am thrilled about this on several levels. I am so happy about the fact that someone is taking on the job of converting a once run-down property and turning it into a work of art that all of us can enjoy and use. I love that we'll have world class bike shop that will bring many new tourists to town who will shop, eat and bring their dollars to our economy. Finally, I really appreciate the friendly, excellent service that The Mob Shop provides and I want to welcome them to downtown Ojai.

I've been talking with a few friends trying to figure out the best way to express my appreciation to the partners - Kelly Pasco, Greg Prinz, Tim Rhone and John Lamar - and I think we came up with a pretty good idea. With permission and gratitude from The Mob Shop, I wrote this appeal to share that idea with you.

A large amount of effort is being devoted to creating a community space in front of the new shop and that space will be filled with landscape trees, shrubs and plants. So, I asked The Mob Shop to create a *Take Root* registry (think housewarming gift!) in cooperation with our local nursery, Flora Gardens.

Here's how it works:

1. Visit Flora Gardens at 245 Old Baldwin Rd/Rt 150 before May 9th (805-640-0055).
2. Ask to purchase a plant or tree for The Mob Shop or make a general donation.
3. The Mob Shop will honor contributors with an embossed, metal tag displayed on a *Thank You Tree* in the garden at the new shop. You can choose to leave your name and contact information or remain anonymous.

How exciting for our children and grandchildren to be able to contribute to a beautiful garden in the center of our community and to watch their plant thrive and grow alongside this wonderful business. Please join me in welcoming The Mob Shop to downtown Ojai!

Kim Smith

The Mob Shop would like to thank Kim Smith for her unbridled support, Flora Gardens for managing the registry free of charge and the Ojai Valley News for providing this space at a generous discount.



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In the third chapter of the book of Exodus in the Bible we are told of God seeing his people in bondage in Egypt and feeling compassion. A key verb in this passage is "yadah." It means "to enter in and participate in the experience, to take part in another's story." This is an important distinction in the difference between religion and ministry. Ministry is about intimacy. One cannot be detached in ministry; objectivity is not a luxury available to us. Ministry is about intimacy and intimacy is about entering into the lives of others. For those engaged in ministry, and this has nothing

whatsoever to do with professional ministers, some words and ideas become elemental to our lives: words like sympathy — sharing the feelings of another, especially in sorrow or trouble; empathy — identification with the thoughts, feelings, and attitudes of another; compassion — feeling deep sympathy for another who is stricken, accompanied by a strong desire to alleviate the suffering. These words, and others similar in meaning and function, have in common involvement, caring, feeling for and with. They are directed towards and for the benefit of another person. These defining words for ministry are all

about someone else and not one's self. Football great Gale Sayers' autobiography articulated this, "I Am Third." God is first, my fellow beings are second, and I am third. Jesus taught the same thing 2,000 years earlier. Jesus was asked what the greatest of the commandments was. He answered, quoting from Deuteronomy, Chapter 6, "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it; love your neighbor as yourself. All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments" (Matthew

22:37-40). It is important to note the "and." It is both, not either/or. Love God and love your neighbor. Playwright Charles M. Tanner once said, "Love is an insipid word, but a powerful action." Gospel balladeer Don Francisco said, "Love is not a feeling, it's an act of the will." In the Hebrew Scriptures, the prophet Micah tells the people, "He has showed you, O man, what is good. And what does the Lord require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God" (Micah 6:8). James, brother of Jesus and head of the church in Jerusalem, wrote to the early followers, "What good is it, my

brothers, if a man claims to have faith but has no deeds? Can such a faith save him? Supposing a brother or sister is without clothes and daily food. If one of you says to him, 'Go, I wish you well, keep warm and well fed,' but does nothing about the physical needs, what good is it? In the same way, faith by itself, if it is not accompanied by action, is dead" (James 2:14-17). This is the difference between ministry and religion. Ministry is activist, it is doing something. Ministry is, to steal from Larry the Cable Guy, a "git'er done" proposition. That is why those who claim the title of Christian talk about the

ministry of Jesus, not the religion of Jesus. Religion, for all the ways it does focus on God, a deity or a higher power, is centered on the self. Ministry is not. Ministry is about changing other's lives because your own has been changed. Ministry is about reciprocity, it's how you say thank you for all the blessings you have received in life. Ministry is something everyone can do. *John Robison is pastor of Ojai United Methodist Church. The opinions expressed are those of the author, and not necessarily those of his church, the Ojai Valley Ministerial Association, nor the Ojai Valley News.*

Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer
The Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer, 1290 E. Grand Ave., invites you to worship on Sunday at 9 a.m. The fourth Sunday of Easter is known as the Sunday of the Good Shepherd. The Gospel reading from John 10 shares the news that Jesus is the Good Shepherd. You are invited to come and worship our risen and living Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. A series of sermons titled "Living as Children of God" will continue, based on the First Epistle of St. John. This Sunday's theme is "God's Children Love in Truth," from 1 John: 3:16-24.
The Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer is located at 1290 E. Grand Ave., Ojai. Call 646-2064 for more information.

St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church
St. Thomas Aquinas Church is located at 185 St. Thomas Drive, Ojai. Sunday Mass is held at 7:30 and 10:30 a.m.; Saturday Mass is at 8 a.m., 5 p.m. and Hispanic Mass at 7:30 p.m. Daily Mass is held at 9 a.m. (the 6:30 a.m. Mass has b

een canceled).
Sunday readings are Acts 4:8-12 and John 3:1-2.
Open Pantry will be held Saturday at 9 a.m. Non-perishable food donations are always welcome.
Call 646-4338 for information.

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church
St. Andrew's Episcopal Church worships the Lord with joy and laughter, good music, short sermons and free coffee. Holy Eucharist is held at 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. Child care and Sunday School are provided at 10 a.m. All are welcome at the Lord's Table for Holy Communion.
Morning Prayer is offered Tuesdays at 6:45 a.m. and Centering Prayer on Thursdays at 7:30 p.m. The outdoor labyrinth is open daily for meditation.
St. Andrew's Episcopal Church is located at Bristol Road and Ojai Avenue. For information, call 646-1885.

Symphony of Life Spiritual Center
The Symphony of Life Spiritual Center practices the teachings of Ernest Holmes and the Science of Mind, "Change Your

Thinking, Change Your Life." People of all ages, faiths, lifestyles and ethnicities are welcome, knowing there is only one God within all.
This Sunday, the Rev. Marilyn Miller's topic will be "The Beloved Community." Services are held Sundays at 10 a.m. with a pre-service meditation and the service starts at 10:30 a.m. at the Ojai Valley Woman's Club, 441 E. Ojai Ave. Child care is provided.

First Church of Christ, Scientist
"Everlasting Punishment" is the subject of this Sunday's lesson at the Christian Science Church, based on a passage from Luke: "Fear not, little flock; for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom." The church service and Sunday school begin at 10 a.m. Testimonial meetings are held Wednesdays at 7 p.m. All are welcome.
The church is located at the corner of Oak and Blanche streets in Ojai. Call 646-4901 for information.

Jewish Community of the Oaks
The Jewish Community of

the Oaks, 530 W. El Roblar Drive, will have a Shabbat service today at 7 p.m., led by student Rabbi Dov Gottesfeld. A vegetarian-dairy potluck will start at 6 p.m. Rabbi Gottesfeld is a fourth-year rabbinic student at the cademy for Jewish Religion and also has experience in theater and film. He will incorporate a discussion on Israel's Independence Day into his service. He will also lead Torah study on Saturday at 10 a.m. Call 646-4464 or visit ojaitemple.org for more information.

Ojai Presbyterian Church
Ojai Presbyterian Church welcomes all who wish to come and worship with them. This Sunday the series continues on Paul's letter to the Galatians. The sermon, "Living by Faith," will be based on Galatians 3. During the 8 a.m. and 9:15 a.m. services, the Praise Team Band and Choir will perform "Pressing On." At the 10:45 a.m. service, the Chancel Choir will sing "The Church a Mighty Refuge Is," and during the offertory flutist Laura Walter will play "Allegro."

Three morning services are offered. The first is a contemporary service at 8 a.m. with nursery and toddler care. At 9:15 a.m., a contemporary service is offered with Sunday School for nursery through eighth grade. At 10:45 a.m. a traditional service is held. The Presbyterian Church is located at 304 Foothill Road. Call 646-1437 for information.

Ojai United Methodist Church
Everyone is welcome to the Ojai United Methodist Church, 120 Church Road, every Sunday at 10:15 a.m. The sanctuary is open Tuesday through Friday from 9 a.m. to noon for personal prayer and meditation. Adult Bible study begins at 9 a.m. Praise time is at 10 a.m. Sunday School for ages 2 through 8 is held at 10:15 a.m.
This Sunday, Pastor John Robison will talk about "Jesus' Other Sheep in Other Folds," based on Psalm 23 and John 10:11-18. Coffee fellowship on the patio follows the service.
On May 5 at 7 p.m. and May 6 at 3 p.m., the Ojai Community Chorus will

present "Midnight in Paradise," directed by Connie Woodson, in the church sanctuary. Advance tickets are \$15, available at Angela's Flowers. Call 646-0601 for more information. Tickets are now available for the United Methodist Women's annual Mother's Day luncheon and fashion show, to be held May 12 at 11 a.m.
For more information, call 646-3528. The monthly newsletter may be read at ojaiumc.org.

Our Lady and All Angels Liberal Catholic Church
Our Lady and All Angels Liberal Catholic Church will celebrate Holy Eucharist on this third Sunday after Easter at 10:30 a.m., led by the Rev. Robert S. Ellwood, Ph.D. All are welcome to attend and receive Holy Communion. A vegetarian potluck luncheon will be held following the Eucharist.
The Liberal Catholic Church promotes freedom of thought and does not require members to accept any dogma.
Our Lady and All Angels is located at 1502 E. Ojai Ave. For information call 646-0570.

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Passing the Buck

Saving dollars by dropping pennies

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Who else but the federal government would spend twice what a penny is worth just to make it in the first place? If that doesn't make sense, wait a minute, it gets worse. Part of that high cost is due to the fact that we import the metals used for making the penny. Rather than using good old steel, or some other abundant metal from this country, that might actually create a few extra jobs, we import much of the copper and zinc used to make the coins.

"We could save taxpayers an estimated \$433 million over 10 years in production if we moved to using steel instead of nickel and copper in nickels and pennies," says U.S. Rep. Steve Stivers, R-Ohio, who has introduced a bill to switch to steel coins. "Plus, the U.S. could see a \$4 billion profit from recovering the nickel, zinc and copper from old coins currently in circulation."

Why haven't we done this? Or better yet, why don't we follow Canada's lead, and just eliminate the penny altogether? We manufacture 7.4 billion pennies a year. At 2.4 cents each, that is over \$176 million dollars a year in savings. Why are we still making these things?



Bill Buchanan

Oh sure, someone's ancient Aunt Tilly in Omaha is sure to get on the evening news and wax nostalgic with a sentimental story from her childhood about the noble penny. But let's face it; we all hate those nasty pennies. What does a penny buy today? How many pennies do you lose or throw out each year? Who actually uses them? One study shows that the average American wastes 2.4 hours a year handling pennies, or waiting for people who handle them. That's probably why many convenience stores have little trays where people can either pick up a penny or two so you can have exact change without fumbling through your purse or pockets. And I read somewhere that picking up a penny from a sidewalk doesn't even pay the finder minimum wage unless you can pick it up in less than five or six seconds.

Who is keeping this metallic dinosaur alive? When Canada announced

it was killing off its one-cent coin, the Americans for Common Cents (cute name) started sending out press releases claiming that Americans wanted to keep the penny by a two-thirds majority. The ACC claims it is a consortium of 50 groups who praise the penny. Who heads up the ACC? The zinc lobby. Yes, there actually is such an entity. Something tells me they may not be terribly objective in their pursuit of keeping the penny alive. CNN Money reported that the opinion polls quoted by ACC are 12 to 20 years old. It also stated that the company, Jarden Zinc, spent about \$140,000 in 2011 for pro-penny lobbying services. As it turns out, Jarden was awarded \$48 million in federal contracts. I'm sure that is a mere coincidence.

Like so many other things, deep-pocket lobbyists control a disturbingly large segment of our government. The cost to taxpayers for unnecessary and over-subsidized products and services due to well-placed campaign contributions by special interest groups cannot be easily calculated. And if it were, it would probably scare the hell out of all of us.

Anyway, that's my two cents worth.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Smart meters not best choice

PATTY PAGALING, OJAI

We, as concerned community members, are urging the Ojai City Council, to enact an ordinance to ban "smart" meters. This is really of utmost importance, an emergency that is affecting not only the health of us adults, but also the health of our children, who absorb radiation at a greater rate than adults.

Please watch this video: youtube.com/watch?v=hSduANzggGY

Democracy vs. Corporate Power

In a talk to the San Francisco Tesla Society, attorney Larry Bragman, a council member in Fairfax, Calif., where he co-authored its ground-breaking ordinance banning wireless "smart" meter installation by corporate monopoly giant PG&E, talks about the importance of local legislative push-back in curbing the onslaught of technocratic totalitarianism sweeping the country under the greenwashing cover of "smart" grid technologies.

For more information see: EMFSafetyNetwork.org, StopSmartMeters.wordpress.com, EON3EMFblog.net and BioInitiative.org.

It is important to understand that the FCC safety standards are based only on thermal effects of radiation, meaning: How high can radiation go before the body tissues start cooking? Research has shown that the thermal effects of microwave radiation are not the only effects to be worried about. There are also non-thermal effects of RF that are very concerning.

One of the most informative reports written on the subject is the Bioinitiative Report of 2007: bioinitiative.org/freecaccess/report/docs/report.pdf.

Authored by 15 scientists, researchers and health policy professionals, this report clearly documents evidence that numerous health problems are created by exposure to RF, including DNA breakage and cancer — and this, at levels far below the FCC standards. The report is recognized by the European Parliament, the European Environment Agency, and the Breast Cancer Fund, among others.

The World Health Organization (WHO) and the National Toxicology Program have also studied the effects of RF on human health. Their updated results are that, among other things, RF can significantly increase the risk of glioma, a deadly brain tumor.

We urge the Ojai City Council to enact a ban on "smart" meters. If Fairfax and many other municipalities have done it, so can we!

For the birds, not the dogs

TRINA GRANTHAM, OJAI

The Ojai Meadows Preserve and Besant Meadow have been acquired and restored and are maintained by the Ojai Valley Land Conservancy for wildlife, plants and your enjoyment. They are not public parks and are kept open for public use and enjoyment by the Land Conservancy. The restoration is an ongoing process, but already the number of species of birds seen there has increased from 50 to 174. The Ojai Meadows Preserve is a fine-tuned wetland, and the water that runs through this preserve drains into the Ventura River and, ultimately, into the Pacific Ocean. The wetlands are intended to cleanse the water that flows through them, removing some of the contaminants as the water flows on to the ocean.

The OVLC encourages everyone to enjoy these preserves. It is unfortunate, however, some are abusing the good intentions of the conservancy. Dogs are run-

ning loose, swimming in the restricted areas, disturbing nesting and migrating birds, while their owners are leaving dog excrement for others to pick up and/or step in. The conservancy has provided doggie "poop" bags, and cans in which to deposit the used bags. Remember, the drainage goes to the ocean and the beaches. This small wetland cannot clean up an overload.

Also, and just as important, there is a leash ordinance in Ventura County. Dogs are supposed to be on a leash at all times unless restricted by a fence. Keeping your dog on a leash makes it easier to know when and where it defecates and keeps owners, dogs, other walkers, and wildlife safe. Since these are such interesting places to walk, it would be a shame if the OVLC decided to deny use of them for dog walkers. Please be responsible dog owners, keep your pets leashed, pick up their excrement, and do not rely on volunteers as they have better and more pleasant things to do.

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The students and faculty of the Nordhoff Health Science Academy would like

to thank Bliss Frozen Yogurt, Don Lalo's and Osteria Monte Grappa for their generous support. Thirteen students traveled to Garden Grove for the Health Occupation Students of America State Leadership Conference, where they competed in a variety of health-related events with more than 2,000 high school students from all over the state.

Six students finished in the top 10 in the state: Jeffrey Molloy earned the silver medal in Medical Math, making him eligible to compete at the national level in Orlando; the team

of Erica Gonzalez, Andrea Munoz, Chantal Robles and Marisol Rodriguez took fifth place for their Community Awareness project; and Jordan Alvarez finished in the top 10 in Medical Photography.

Participating in this conference is a great experience for our students, and it would not be possible without the support of people like our wonderful business owners! Thank you again!

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string band music on May 6 from 1 to 2 p.m. at the Ojai Library, 111 E. Ojai Ave. David Roine plays fiddle, guitar, mandolin and accordion; and Christian Gallo plays guitar and five- and six-string banjos. Enjoy an hour of music from our nation's history. Call 646-1639 for more details.

"GHOSTS OF THE ABYSS" — Oak Grove School, 220 W. Lomita Ave., will host a free screening of James Cameron's film, "Ghosts of the Abyss," at the high school student center on May 6 from 6:30 to 8 p.m.

The screening will be followed by a question-and-answer session with the film's star, Bill Paxton. The public is welcome.

BIRD WALK — Ventura County Audubon will hold a bird walk on May 7 at 8:30 a.m. at Lake Casitas, led by Adele Ferguson (415-4304). Should see egrets, herons and spring migrants.

OJAI BIKE TO SCHOOL AND WORK WEEK — May 7 through 11 will be Ojai's Bike to School and Work Week. Helmets are required. If you are interested in a raffle for riders, call Kelly at 798-0544.

thumbs up, down



- A reader sends a thumbs-up to Starr Market for including information about the upcoming food drive the post office carriers are doing on May 12. "Hope they get lots of donations!"
- A reader sends a thumbs-up to all those folks who don't use harmful poisons to deal with critters, "pests" and "non-native" species.



- A reader sends a thumbs-down to those who are running for political office and do not show their party affiliation on their name signs. "Show some courage. In this upcoming election season, we the people want to know which party you intend to represent."

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Dave Stewart, will perform on May 5 at Ojai Youth Entertainers Studio, 316 E. Matilija St., with two shows at 7 p.m. and 9 p.m. Tickets: \$12 in advance, \$15 at the door; available online at ojaiyes.org, or at Cardinali Bros. Music, 139 W. El Roblar Drive. Call 646-4300.

"MIDNIGHT IN PAR... OJAI" — Ojai Community

Chorus, directed by Connie Woodson, will present their spring concert, inspired by the movie, "Midnight in Paris," on May 5 at 7 p.m. and May 6 at 3 p.m. at Ojai United Methodist Church, 120 Church Road. Tickets: general admission, \$15 in advance, \$18 at the door; students and seniors (65-plus), \$10 in advance, \$12 at the door; ages 6 to 11, \$5; age 5 and younger, free; available at Angela's Flowers or from chorus mem-

bers. Call 646-0601. **FULL MOON COMMUNITY MEDITATION** — A community group meditation at the full moon of Taurus will be held May 5 at 7:30 p.m. at Meditation Mount, 10340 Reeves Road in Ojai, as an act of celebration and service to invoke, anchor and distribute blessings to the world. Donations are appreciated. Call 646-5508 or visit meditationmount.org for

more information. **"NAUGHTY TALES"** — an evening event for adults only, will be held May 5 at 9:45 p.m. at the Ojai Art Center, 113 S. Montgomery St. This is part of the Ojai Storytelling Festival. Tickets: \$45, includes wine, munchies and dessert; 646-8907 or ojaistoryfest.org. **FIRST SUNDAY MUSIC** — The Polecat Ramblers will play traditional old-timey fiddle tunes and

People



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Broida Named Junior Spirit of Fiesta



Photo submitted

Winning an April 14 competition, Ojai flamenco dancer Sadee Broida, above, earned the right to participate in the 2012 Old Spanish Days Fiesta as the 2012 Junior Spirit. The title means Broida will be performing as 2012 Junior Spirit in this year's Santa Barbara Fiesta, held in August. Her dance studio, the Paloma Rios School of Flamenco, will be appearing July 19 at 7 p.m. at the Ojai Youth Entertainers Studio. At left, Broida celebrates her Junior Spirit of Fiesta victory with cousin Noemi Vasquez, left, Kimberly Gebhart, and sister Isabella Broida, who also dances flamenco.

Local film screening benefits Chimp Haven

On Earth Day, April 22, the Ojai Film Society and Chimp Haven hosted a special screening of DisneyNature's new film, "Chimpanzee," at the Ojai Playhouse, followed by a sold-out gala party and silent auction at La Fonte restaurant in the Arcade. The event was a benefit for Chimp Haven, the National Chimpanzee Sanctuary in Keithville, La. Donations will contribute directly to the welfare of more than 130 Chimp Haven residents, who are retired from medical research or no longer wanted as pets or entertainers. Chimp Haven has a 200-acre wooded campus where many of its chimpanzees live in large social groups, much like they would in the wild. It is the only sanctuary in the United States capable of caring for chimpanzees infected with the HIV virus or hepatitis, a vestige of their former years in biomedical research. Before the screening guests heard informative and inspiring talks about chimpanzees by Chimp Haven founder, president and director, Dr. Linda Brent and Chimp Haven board chair and primatologist at the Lincoln Park Zoo, Dr. Stephen Ross. "The chimpanzees have paid an extreme personal price in the quest for human medicine and vaccines. We owe them a humane retirement," says Brent. Disney Studio executives Paul Baribault and Joe Rohde also attended the event and spoke about the work that went into the making of the "Chimpanzee" film and about the Disney Worldwide Conservation Fund. They said that chimpanzees in the wild are greatly endangered due to deforestation and poaching and that DisneyNature is proud to bring this film to the world and pleased to support the work of Chimp Haven.



Photo by Sally Carless

Among the attendees at the "Chimpanzee" event were Ventura County Supervisor Steve Bennett, left, Chimp Haven veterinarian Dr. Raven Jackson, Chimp Haven board member Erna Toback, Dr. Linda Brent, Chimp Haven president and director, and Dr. Stephen Ross, Lincoln Park Zoo primatologist and Chimp Haven board chair.

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2012 Sundowners season kicks off with ace

Birdies and eagles abound as players enjoy being back in the swing of competition at Soule Park Golf Course

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The 2012 Sundowners golf league season started off with a bang as players took to the tee box, kicking off the first round of play.

Week one was packed with plenty of action at Soule Park Golf Course's

front nine. Most notably, Doug Ragan (Five Blind Mice) pulled out all the stops, bringing out his A-game when he sank his tee shot on the third hole, acing the 135-yard par three.

"We were just standing there on the tee waiting for the group in front of us, talking about this

dude that aced the same hole at the City (Championship) last weekend," said Ragan, recollecting his round on Tuesday. "When they cleared, I gave it a little punch with my 8-iron. We saw it bounce, and then it just disappeared."

Ragan was skeptical as the other players in his group said that the ball probably went in the hole, but he soon realized that he'd drained his shot for a hole in one. "We walked up and there was only one ball on the green," he said. "I went up to the hole and there it was."

His ace on the third hole — said to be the second hole in one in league history — was just the beginning of a once-in-a-lifetime golf round for Ragan. With two par-5s and some tough finishing holes coming up, he needed to keep his cool and focus on his game.

"I just concentrated on my breathing heading to the next hole," he said.

After leaving himself 220 yards to the green for his second shot on the 505-yard, par-5 fourth hole, Ragan made another good swing.

"I just nudded it," he said on his solid second shot on the fifth hole. "It rolled onto the green about 25 feet from the hole. I made the putt for eagle, right after Chris (Harvey) knocked it in from 75 feet for eagle. As a foursome, my group played that



Photo by Logan Hall

Jim Nelson blasts an approach shot from a bunker during the first round of the 2012 Sundowners Golf League season.

hole 5 under."

On the fifth hole, a 475-yard par 5, Ragan drained another 25- to 30-foot putt for an unprecedented third eagle in a row. "I hit that putt pretty hard," he said. "I wasn't gonna leave it short for my third eagle in a row. It hit the back of the cup and just dropped."

Ragan would go on to shoot a 5-under 31 for his round, pulling in 26 points for his team.

"I've been playing for 25 years," he said, "and that's gotta be the coolest thing that's ever happened to me in golf."

Tyson York (Martin's Leftovers), Soule Park

golf professional, said he researched Ragan's accomplishment, and couldn't find a comparison. "Afterward," said York, "we tried Googling the odds of making three eagles in a row. We couldn't find it anywhere. It just doesn't happen — ever. Making two eagles in a row is like 13 million to one. It's just insane."

Also on Tuesday, Jim Coultas, co-founder of the league, introduced a new competition for this year's season. Called the Lenny Roberts Trophy, an award will be given at the end of the season for the most coveted of all

titles — the player with the most accumulated points for the year. Named after a Sundowner's co-founder and Ojai Valley News senior editor Lenny Roberts, Coultas says it's a fitting tribute to Roberts and the time he has dedicated to the Sundowners.

"This is to honor Lenny for his many years of service to the league," said Coultas about his longtime friend. "It's the most prestigious award that we have now."

Look for Sundowners week one results in upcoming issues of the Ojai Valley News.



Photo by Logan Hall

Doug Ragan lines up a birdie attempt on the seventh hole during Tuesday's Sundowners round. Earlier, he aced the third hole for the second hole in one in league history.

Roadrunners see great improvement in last meet

Holly Roberts
 OVN contributor

The Ojai Roadrunners Track Club hosted Heritage Valley from Fillmore last Saturday.

The high heat index and blazing sunlight did not

faze the competitors as many athletes earned personal bests and the varsity standard in a variety of events. Gremlin Roan England earned varsity honors in the long jump with a jump of 9 feet 8 inches.

Midget girls Caroline DelVecchio and Kyla Lenehan (4 feet 1 inch) both earned varsity status in the long jump. DelVecchio, who is just 4 feet 1 inch tall, jumped a whopping 4 feet 5 inches. Lenehan (13:33.25) and fellow Midget Tess Edwards (13:05.79) also reached varsity honors in the 3,200-meter run. Midget Conner McCune ate up the track in the 1,600-meter event with a time of 5:36.82 earning varsity status, much like older brother, Youth Spencer McCune who grabbed varsity in both the 3,200-meter run (10:29.39) and the 800 (2:22.02). Fellow Youth Roadrunner Alden DelVecchio also hit the varsity standard in both the 800 (2:31.59) and the 1,600 (5:20.02). Intermediate runner Cesar Esperanza finished second in the 800 (2:26.48) and first in the 1600 (5:18.76), earning varsity in both events.

Some of the fastest Roadrunners participate in the 400 and 4 by 400m relay races. Youth runners Joseph York (56.09), David Poindexter (60.80) and Ryan Jackson (66.23) came in first, second and third, respectively, in the 400-meter dash. Ojai athletes look forward to their next meet against the Ventura Tigers at Buena High School tomorrow.



Photo by Holly Roberts

Bantam runner Hannah Schindel earned third place with a time of 8:34.32.



Photo by Holly Johnson

Casitas Rowers Storm Long Beach Invitational

The Lake Casitas Rowing Association attended the International Long Beach Invitational last weekend, and rowed their way into 11 finals with various squads. In all, three of the crews brought home bronze medals, including the varsity men's double, varsity men's single and the novice men's squad (pictured above). The crew consisted of Jalin Coert, Zach Boucher, Aaron McDonald, Will Dumas and Hunter Godfrey.

Wildcat senior Campana will swim in Div. 1 this fall

Mike Miller
 mike@ojaivalleynews.com

Villanova senior swimmer and water polo player Edward Campana recently signed a National Letter of Intent and committed to swim for the University of Hawaii, Manoa.

"It has been my dream to swim at a Division I college program. I decided on them because they are the team I feel will help me reach my full potential as a swimmer," said Campana. The VPS senior has worked hard

to see his dream of becoming a Division I swimmer come true, often swimming two times a day.

Campana is quick to credit his coaches for his success in the pool.

"I attribute my success to my three coaches. Coach Rick Goeden taught me how to swim and has really helped me throughout the years. My high school coach, Jermaine Britton, has been my emotional and physical mentor for the past four years. Every time I have ever had a bad race or didn't get a time I wanted, he was

always there to give me a motivational speech. I would always be able to come back and swim my next race faster," he said.

Campana added, "My club coach, Bill Oliver, was the coach who really took me to the next level. When I came to him my sophomore year, he really forced me to work hard and always give 100 percent effort. His workouts are the hardest I have ever seen, but because of that, I have never feared the person in the lane next to me because I know I have worked harder than he has."

The Thacher School hosting annual basketball camp

Thacher School is offering its annual basketball camp in two sessions this year. Session one will run from June 18 to 21; session two runs June 25 to 28. The camp is designed for fun and the day concludes with an hour of pool time for the

campers. Thacher head coach and camp director Jason Carney said, "The camp is designed around teaching the kids the fundamentals of basketball. But, it is also great for those who have a few years of organized basketball experience."

Campers will be provided lunch from the Thacher dining hall and a camp T-shirt. Cost of the camp is \$245 for one session or \$465 for both.

For more details on the camp contact Carney at 640-7221 or by e-mail at jcarney@thacher.org.

Send results, photos and other information to sports editor Mike Miller at mike@ojaivalleynews.com.

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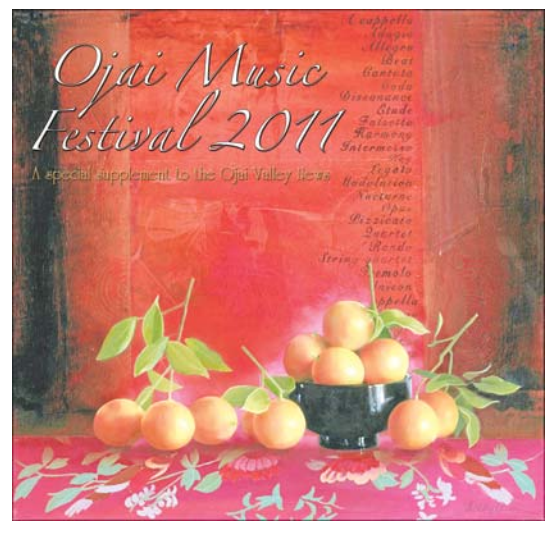
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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S
SALE TSG No.: 6231083
TS No.: CA110023771
FHA/VA/PMI No.:
APN:022-0-052-030
Property Address: 712
DROWN AVENUE OJAI,
CA 93023 YOU ARE IN
DEFAULT UNDER A
DEED OF TRUST,
DATED 02/28/05.
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ACTION TO PROTECT
YOUR PROPERTY, IT
MAY BE SOLD AT A
PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU
NEED AN
EXPLANATION OF THE
PROCEEDING AGAINST
YOU, YOU SHOULD
CONTACT A LAWYER.
On May 3, 2012 at 11:00
AM, First American
Trustee Servicing
Solutions, LLC, as duly
appointed Trustee under
and pursuant to Deed of
Trust recorded 03/03/05, as
Instrument No. 20050303-
0053085, in book , page ,
of Official Records in the
Office of the County
Recorder of VENTURA
County, State of California.
Executed by: DOMINIC
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PUBLIC AUCTION TO
HIGHEST BIDDER FOR
CASH, CASHIER'S
CHECK/CASH
EQUIVALENT or other
form of payment authorized
by 2924(h), (Payable at
time of sale in lawful
money of the United States)
At the main entrance to the
Government Center Hall of
Justice, 800 South Victoria
Avenue, Ventura, CA.. All
right, title and interest
conveyed to and now held
by it under said Deed of
Trust in the property
situated in said County and
State described as: AS
MORE FULLY
DESCRIBED IN THE
ABOVE MENTIONED
DEED OF TRUST APN#
022-0-052-030. The street
address and other common
designation, if any, of the
real property described
above is purported to be:
712 DROWN AVENUE,
OJAI, CA 93023. The
undersigned Trustee
disclaims any liability for
any incorrectness of the
street address and other
common designation, if
any, shown herein. Said
sale will be made, but
without covenant or
warranty, expressed or
implied, regarding title,
possession, or
encumbrances, to pay the
remaining principal sum of
the note(s) secured by said
Deed of Trust, with interest
thereon, as provided in said
note(s), advances, under the
terms of said Deed of Trust,
fees, charges and expenses
of the Trustee and of the
trusts created by said Deed
of Trust. The total amount
of the unpaid balance of the
obligation secured by the
property to be sold and
reasonable estimated costs,
expenses and advances at

the time of the initial
publication of the Notice of
Sale is \$515,670.24. The
beneficiary under said Deed
of Trust heretofore
executed and delivered to
the undersigned a written
Declaration of Default and
Demand for Sale, and a
written Notice of Default
and Election to Sell. The
undersigned caused said
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Election to Sell to be
recorded in the County
where the real property is
located. NOTICE TO
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you are considering bidding
on this property lien, you
should understand that
there are risks involved in
bidding at a trustee auction.
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itself. Placing the highest
bid at a trustee auction does
not automatically entitle
you to free and clear
ownership of the property.
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that the lien being
auctioned off may be a
junior lien. If you are the
highest bidder at the
auction, you are or may be
responsible for paying off
all liens senior to the lien
being auctioned off, before
you can receive clear title
to the property. You are
encouraged to investigate
the existence, priority, and
size of outstanding liens
that may exist on this
property by contacting the
county recorder's office or a
title insurance company,
either of which may charge
you a fee for this
information. If you consult
either of these resources,
you should be aware that
the same lender may hold
more than one mortgage or
deed of trust on the
property. NOTICE TO
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sale date shown on this
notice of sale may be
postponed one or more
times by the mortgagee,
beneficiary, trustee, or a
court, pursuant to Section
2924g of the California
Civil Code. The law
requires that information
about trustee sale
postponements be made
available to you and to the
public, as a courtesy to
those not present at the
sale. If you wish to learn
whether your sale date has
been postponed, and, if
applicable, the rescheduled
time and date for the sale
of this property, you may
call (916) 939-0772 or visit
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<http://search.nationwidestip.com/propertySearchTerms.aspx> using the file
number assigned to this
case CA110023771.
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short in duration or that
occur close in time to the
scheduled sale may not
immediately be reflected in
the telephone information
or on the Internet Web site.
The best way to verify
postponement information
is to attend the scheduled
sale. If the sale is set
aside for any reason, the
Purchaser at the sale shall

be entitled only to a return
of the deposit paid. The
Purchaser shall have no
further recourse against the
Mortgagor, the Mortgagee
or the Mortgagee's Trustee.
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servicing agent declares
that it has obtained from
the Commissioner of
Corporations a final or
temporary order of
exemption pursuant to
California Civil Code
Section 2923.53 that is
current and valid on the
date the Notice of Sale is
filed and/or The timeframe
for giving Notice of Sale
specified in subdivision (s)
of California Civil Code
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and has been provided or
the loan is exempt from the
requirements. Date:
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Santa Ana, CA 92707
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Collect a Debt. Any
Information obtained may
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NAME STATEMENT
File Number 20120411-
10004881-0 1/1
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Recorder
MARK A. LUNN
File Date: 04/11/2012
THE FOLLOWING
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DOING BUSINESS AS: J
& R PROPERTIES
Street Address of
Principal Place of Business
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acceptable):
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VENTURA County
Full name of 1st
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Corporation/Limited
Liability Company:
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Residence Address of 1st
Registrant (P.O. Box or
PMB not acceptable):
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Full name of 2nd
Registrant (Individual)/
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Liability Company:
RICHARD BARON
Residence Address of 2nd
Registrant (P.O. Box or
PMB not acceptable):
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commenced to transact
business under the fictitious
business name or names
listed on 5/15/2002.
I declare that all
information in this
statement is true and
correct.
(A registrant who declares
as true information which
he or she knows to be false
is guilty of a crime.)
James Baron, General
Partner
/s/LIZ LYNCH

NOTICE – in accordance
with subdivision (a) of
Section 17920, a fictitious
name statement generally
expires at the end of five
years from the date on
which it was filed in the
office of the county clerk,
except, as provided in
subdivision of section
17920, where it expires 40
days after any change in
the facts set forth in the
statement pursuant to
section 17913 other than a
change in residence address
or registered owner. A new
fictitious business name
statement must be filed
before the expiration. The
filing of this statement does
not of itself authorize the
use in this state of a
fictitious business name in
violation of the rights of
another under Federal,
State, or Common Law (see
section 14411 ET SEQ.,
Business and Professions
Code).
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with the County Clerk of
Ventura on the date
indicated by the file stamp
above.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC
HEARING AND
NOTICE OF SPECIAL
MEETING (SITE VISIT)
OF THE OJAI HISTORIC
PRESERVATION
COMMISSION
NOTICE IS HEREBY
GIVEN that the City of
Ojai Historic Preservation
Commission will hold a
public hearing on Thursday,
May 10, 2012 at 5:00 p.m.
in the Council Chambers of
Ojai City Hall, 401 S.
Ventura Street, Ojai,
California. Any interested
party may appear before
said Commission and
present their views.
Miscellaneous Permit
(MISC 12-10) for the
Consideration of Historic
Report and Resolution for
the George Washington
Smith, Spec House B, and
recommendation to the City
Council to approve the
George Washington Smith,
Spec House B as City of
Ojai Historic Landmark
No. 20 and if approved,
recommend the City
Council consider a Historic
Landmark Property
Agreement (Mills Act
Agreement) for the
potential City of Ojai
Landmark No. 20 for the
property located at 715 El
Toro Road, Ojai,
California. Assessors Parcel
Number 020-0-062-070.
The General Plan
Designation of the site is
Low Density Residential
(LR) and the Zoning
Classification of the site is
Single-Family Residential,
Low Density (R-O-1)
This project is categorically
exempt pursuant to the
California Environmental
Quality Act. Property
Owners/Applicants: Kevin
and Lisa Clark.
The Historic Landmark
Property Agreement is
intended to foster
preservation of privately

owned residential and
commercial historic
properties by facilitating
property tax incentives.
NOTICE IS ALSO
HEREBY GIVEN that the
City of Ojai Historic
Preservation Commission
will hold a special meeting
(site visit) on the subject
item on Wednesday, May 2,
2012. The special meeting
will convene at 3:00 p.m.
at 715 El Toro Road, Ojai,
California. Any interested
persons may attend.
Further information about
this matter is available from
the Community
Development Department
at 401 South Ventura
Street, Monday through
Friday from 8 a.m. to 5:30
p.m., or by calling (805)
646-5581 ext 112. Anyone
who seeks to challenge the
decision of the Historic
Preservation Commission
in court with respect to this
public hearing item may be
limited to raising only those
issues raised at the public
hearing described in this
notice or in written
correspondence delivered
to the City at or prior to the
public hearing.
Robert A. Mullane, AICP,
Community Development
Director

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NPP #200636
NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S
SALE TSG No.: 4750705
TS No.: CA1000219384
FHA/VA/PMI No.:
APN:010-0-130-170
Property Address: 1317
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CA 93023 YOU ARE IN
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DEED OF TRUST,
DATED 03/30/05.
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YOUR PROPERTY, IT
MAY BE SOLD AT A
PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU
NEED AN
EXPLANATION OF THE
NATURE OF THE
PROCEEDING AGAINST
YOU, YOU SHOULD
CONTACT A LAWYER.
On May 17, 2012 at 11:00
AM, First American
Trustee Servicing
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appointed Trustee under
and pursuant to Deed of
Trust recorded 04/08/05, as
Instrument No. 20050408-
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of Official Records in the
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Recorder of VENTURA
County, State of California.
Executed by: JUSTIN S.
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WIFE AS COMMUNITY
PROPERTY.. WILL SELL
AT PUBLIC AUCTION
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Ojai artists inspired by Europe

Linda Harmon
OVN contributor

If you can't get to Paris or Florence this summer you might want to check

out the Ojai Art Center paintings by four local women was inspired by their joint trek to these European cities. Joanna Berry, Bonnie Caruk Florence." This exhibit of

Iris Williams will fill the entire gallery with canvases that attempt to capture their collective rapture of two of the most beloved cities in Europe.

"I can't tell you what it was like to be at Sennelier in Paris where all the great European artists bought their art supplies," said Williams, about her first trip to Europe.

Sennelier, art supply store near the famous Ecole des Beaux-Arts, opened its doors in 1887 and produces an extensive line of pigments and binders along with about anything else you can imagine. Its founder, Gustave Sennelier, created pigments for Cézanne, Gauguin, Picasso, and Van Gogh. To this day, Sennelier continues to provide over 80 dry pigments with which artists can mix their own colors into the preferred medium.

"I just fell in love with Florence," said Riege, "with her storefronts like jewels on the ancient cobblestone streets. The history of the city is at your fingertips. Florence embraces a person with her closely knit alleys and narrow streets, which always lead to beauty."

This show will reflect that beauty and share visions of the quartet's favorite things discovered along their shared art pilgrimage.

An artists reception will be held May 12 from 6 to 8 p.m. in the main gallery at the Ojai Art Center, located at 113 South Montgomery St.

The exhibit is open during gallery hours, noon to 4 p.m., Tuesday through Sunday.



Shanbrom works utilize beeswax, resin base

"Euclid's Garden," an exhibit of new encaustic paintings by Ojai artist Jill Smith Shanbrom, will be on display May 4 through 27 at Vita Art Center, 432 Ventura Ave., Studio 30, Ventura. An opening reception will be held May 4 from 6 to 9 p.m.

"The laws of Nature are but the mathematical thoughts of God," attributed to Euclid, ancient Greek mathematician.

Shanbrom, does not have a head for math, which she will readily admit. She has always had an interest in biology, and botany in particular, having spent 25 years as a landscape designer before devoting all her time to artistic pursuits. Her son, Evan, a wildlife biologist, has shared her interests and in turn taught her a great deal. But her other son, Corey, turned out to be a mathematician, and it is this surprise that has inspired Shanbrom in her latest series of encaustic paintings, to be shown at Vita Art Center at the Bell Arts Factory.

"I got tired of not being able to speak with my son about his work," says Shanbrom. "I was math-illiterate!" She headed to the local library for some elementary books on mathematics and the history of math, and along the way found herself

intrigued by the strange beauty of the forms as well as this "alien language."

"I love hearing the rhythm and musicality of voices speaking another tongue such as Italian, French or Japanese, and find beautiful the delicate alphabets of languages like Arabic and Sanskrit, despite not understanding them. In the same way, I am attracted to the shape and weight of numbers, the enigma of equations, the abstract forms of geometry and the unique symbology of math. I have played with the contrast of this and biological forms in my latest series, called 'Euclid's Garden.' I still have just the most basic grasp of the math, however!"

Shanbrom works in the ancient medium of encaustic, which utilizes pigment in a natural beeswax and resin base. Using a heated palette, different layers are laid down and fused with a heat gun or propane torch. "Encaustic allows me to explore in layers, to hide and reveal, to contrast organic gesture and natural texture with the crisp lines of transfers, as well as to build and carve dimension."

Vita's gallery hours are Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., or weekends by appointment; call 644-9214.



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Matt Previdi, of Team Solinco — a major sponsor of the 2012 tournament — restrings a racket at Solinco's tent in Libbey Park on Thursday during high school CIF matches.



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Kim Stubbe (Arizona State) returns a serve during tournament play this week at the Ojai Valley Athletic Club.



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Valencia High School players Chris Pope and Joey Fernicola slug it out with Torrey Pines High School during the CIF boys' doubles competition in Libbey on Thursday.



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Oregon player Mico Santiago returns a shot during men's Pac-12 play at the Ojai Valley Inn & Spa on Thursday.



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Oregon's Tracy Dupont keeps her eye on the ball during women's Pac-12 collegiate singles play at the Ojai Valley Athletic Club on Thursday.



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A line judge watches over a Women's Pac-12 collegiate singles match in Ojai.

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PET PSYCHIC**



Do what you feel is right

"Do what you feel is right," I have heard my whole life. A psychic child has a strong sense of right and wrong. They do not tolerate lying, prejudice, bullying, or choosing friends by other people's values, because to a psychic child these things do not "feel" right. This is how I grew up. Often, with much embarrassment, I will not remember all the details of my sessions with clients. But I will remember with great clarity how I felt, how the people felt and how the animals felt the last time I was present with them. This to me is remarkable.

My animals and I have lived in the same house for the last 10 years. Recently I have done a lot of work on my house. I told myself that I was doing it for my

animals and me. That I was picking the colors for me and fixing the fence for my pets and finding the most amazing beautiful bamboo for our enjoyment, but deep in my body I have felt that I am getting the house ready for someone else. I did these things for love of the house and for gratitude that it has carried me through some of the most difficult and profound times in my life. I divorced in the house and my animals battled cancer. But my animals also had miraculous healings and I went from a shy hermit to a person whose blog and videos are read and watched by people all around the world. My life with my animals touches thousands of people every day and that spark generates in my sun-filled home.

Today my house officially goes up for sale. When making this decision I thought that I would be worried. I thought that I would be sad and scared. But to my absolute amazement I am excited. As soon as I made the decision, I have felt a hundred times lighter. I have a feeling, like the pulling of an ocean tide around my ankles, that my house is pulling someone in and my animals and I are headed out to sea.

So, my two bedroom, one bath next to the park on Park Road in Ojai is for sale if you know anyone who is looking for a special house protected by a great oak. New residents must be willing to feed the many rare birds and Mr. Squirrelly sunflower seeds and fresh water. My animals and I are searching for a house to

buy on a little land where we can perhaps have a few farm animals like some pigs and couple of ducks and I can write and video blog in the serenity of nature. We desire closer to the ocean in Santa Barbara or Ventura County, but we will consider anywhere in the country if the place feels just right. I once transferred colleges from Hobart and William Smith in upstate New York to the University of Colorado at Boulder because I saw a photo of the Boulder Flat Irons on a friend's calendar. The mountains were so beautiful to me that I felt I had to live near them. It was one of the best decisions of my life.

I feel this article would not be complete if my animals did not get to say a few words. So here they are:

Stormy, Aussie dog, says, "I feel like leaving our house is allowing someone else to move in and to become brighter themselves."

Makia, white cat, says, "I would love to have some farm animals that we can take care of. If you have a home that feels happy and you love farm animals we can take care of them for you. We would like land that is pure."

Serafina, gray cat, says, "I feel like the most perfect place is going to show up for us. I feel like we are going to find a place where my mom can write a book that changes the way people treat animals. If you know of a magical place, tell my mom and the angels. If it is the right place for us our angels will work with your angels and many animals will be

happy. And please pray for Mr. Squirrelly. He has been our friend for a long time and we want him to be happy with the new owners of our house."

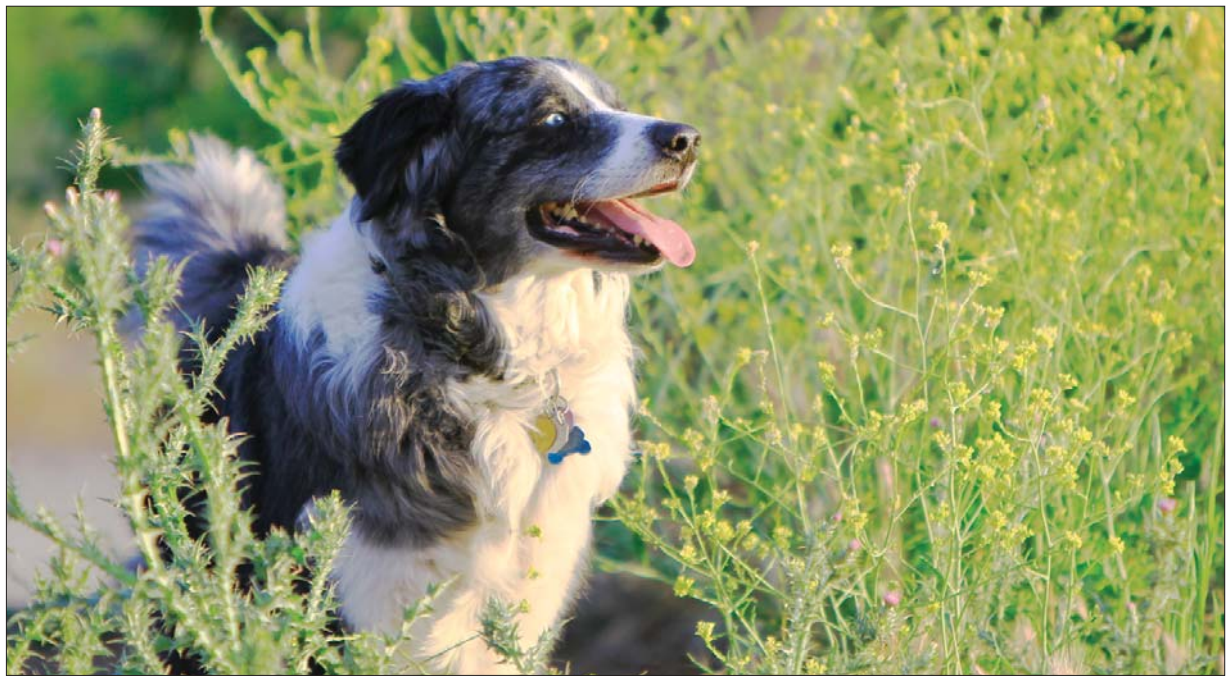
The poodle, Luka, says, "I go wherever my mom goes. She knows best. I do know I love our house. So someone else will love it too. If you don't love it you shouldn't move here."

Bean, the bunny, says, "I would love to live at a place where we can take in animals that need help. I don't know what ducks are but they sound neat. We just want a few animals because it takes mom a lot of time to talk to us all every day. But she can handle a few more and if you help us find the most perfect place, I will share my carrot tops with others."

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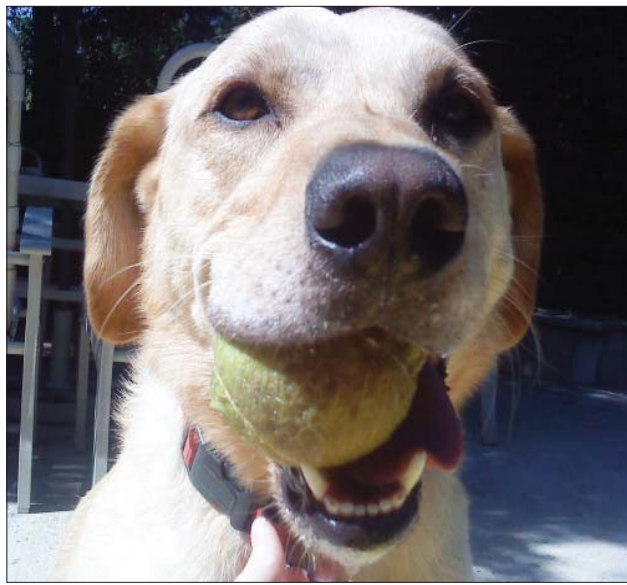


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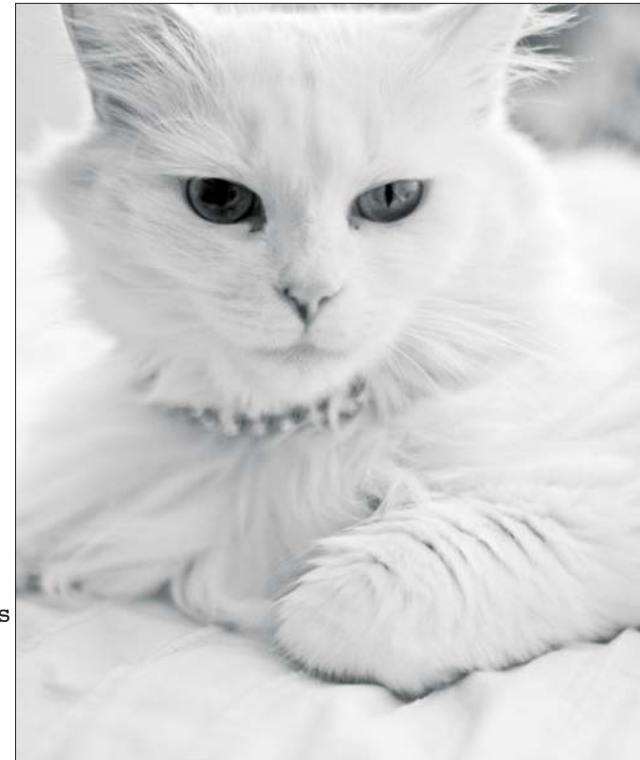


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MeowMeow



This sweet girl is a 6-year-old couch potato cat. She is a little shy at first but loving when she warms up. She always remembers to use her litter box and is OK with other cats. Her adoption fee is \$75 because she is a senior.

Willa



Willa and Wolfe came in together because their owner passed away. Both are senior miniature schnauzers. They are friendly lap dogs who would love to be adopted together. They are spayed and neutered. The family member who brought them to the shelter said they use a doggie door to go outside as needed. Their adoption fee is \$75 since they are seniors.

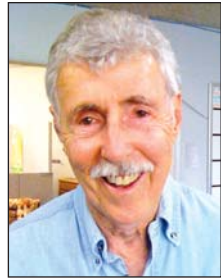
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MEL BLOOM'S
MUCH ADO ABOUT NOTHING



One remarkable dudette

In Irving Berlin's enchanting "Annie Get Your Gun" there is a warehouse of great songs, including "Falling in Love Is Wonderful," "Doin' What Comes Naturally," "The Girl That I Mary" and, arguably the cleverest of all, "Anything You Can Do, I Can Do Better." This show-stopper is a singing duel between the musical's two protagonists, Annie Oakley and Frank Butler, who strive to top each other by vain-glorious boasts of their multitudinous, and often fanciful accomplishments. For example, he sings "I can knit a sweater"; and her topper is "But I can wear it better." And although Frank has some good ripostes, Annie comes out best.

Irving Berlin was a grand master in his field and I don't know if he genuinely felt anything he did, she could do better or did he just come up with a humdinger of a melody and lyric to move the plot forward? I'll never know and it's not really important in the infinite scheme of things. But if he did feel Annie was higher (not taller) than Frank, I subscribe wholeheartedly to that concept. I have always looked upon women as the superior sex. Men generally are physically stronger, but as King Arthur said, might doesn't make right, and as the Bible often implies, right is might.

I was delighted with the current production of "Oliver!" at the Ojai Art Center, which is more Lionel Bart than Charles Dickens. Were it otherwise it wouldn't be the joyous romp which sends audiences dancing out of the theater. It is exuberant and fun and I would guess if it didn't have to adhere to the Art Center's rigid time

schedule, it could like "Old Man River," "just keep rolling along" until seen by everyone in Ventura County. It has not a mere gloss but a deeply penetrating aura of high professionalism and when melded to a batch of kids, it offers a rollicking time for everyone from kids to great-grandparents.

With so many people on stage simultaneously, it's difficult to focus on one. In fact, it is a challenge, but in the process of scanning continuously one can eventually spot a stand-out and that is probably where most of the time the eyes will be fixed. I thought the young boy who played the Artful Dodger was not only cool, smooth and terrific, but also had a keen perception of how the role should be played.

After watching him for a prolonged time, I turned to Sweetie and said, "Keep

your eye on the kid playing the Artful Dodger. He's making all the right moves."

Sweetie turns her attention to him and after a fairly thorough once-over says: "I think that kid is a girl, not a boy."

"Are you crazy?" I replied with my customary response whenever I think Sweetie is going over the top. "These are boys. Dickens wrote them as boys."

"He may have but some of these boys on stage are being played by girls."

"I can see that myself. But this one is a boy!"

"Have it your way," she says, turning back to the action on stage.

I began a closer scrutiny of the Dodger and in time moved to, "Well, it could be a girl — But I don't think so." And as the evening progressed, I whispered to Sweetie, "Maybe she is a girl."

"Of course she is," answered Ms. Knowitall.

"How do you know everything?" I asked, a bit irritated with her superiority.

"I don't know everything. You're the one who knows everything. But I know it's a girl."

"Would you people please keep it down?" said the man in front of us turning around.

At the intermission I opened my program and read that the Artful Dodger for that evening performance was being played by 11-year-old Riley Conrad.

"See," I said triumphantly shoving the program in Sweetie's face, "It's a boy. His name is Riley."

"You always shoot from the hip. Riley can be a girl's name. And if you paid attention and read a little further you'd see in this instance she is."

"The Dodger's a girl?" "I told you that 20 minutes ago."

When the show was over and both cast and audience met in the Art Center's gallery, I saw the Dodger and without the hat which covered her head in the performance, she looked like a girl.

"Are you Riley?" I asked.

"Yes," she answered.

"Well, you were wonderful. The whole show was wonderful! But for me you were the best thing about it. You were really sensational. You're a marvelous actress."

She thanked me. It was an unforgettable moment for me, and not just because I was meeting this talented and gracious young lady, but it reaffirmed for me my notion of the superiority of women, even to a degree that a woman can play a man and beat him at his own game.



STATE OF MIND
Bruce Gladstone, Ph.D.

Bullying on the rise and often ignored

A bully is a person who "uses strength or power to hurt or frighten others" (Oxford Dictionary). Bullying is physically or verbally aggressive behavior that is usually unprovoked and is intended to hurt, frighten or intimidate. Nearly everyone has encountered a bully at school or at work, in the parks or in their neighborhoods. While bullying among elementary and high school age students gets the most attention currently, bullying by youth older than 18 is becoming more common as formal and informal gang activity increases.

In his book, "Low Level Aggression" (1999 Research Press), psychologist Arnold Goldstein notes that bullying had received relatively little attention by researchers in the United States. "One might even say," Goldstein writes, "we have been bully-shy in the United States ... In spite of the substantial frequency with which bullying occurs, it is often the school's (or the community's) best-kept secret." The recent movie, "Bully," is a landmark event in exposing how serious and prevalent bullying is in our schools. But bullying is no

longer simply restricted to school campuses. Kids tell us that bullying occurs frequently. It usually occurs in hallways, on playgrounds, at bus stops, parking lots, public parks, in neighborhoods, and on the internet, beyond the observation of parents, teachers, administrators, police or bystanders. Bullying often takes the form of repeated behaviors which bullies justify as "perfectly legal" although they are clearly harassment. For instance, bullies may shout obscenities at their victims and defend themselves by invoking "freedom of speech." Or they may drive their cars or motorcycles up and down the street where victims live, defending this harassment as their "right to drive in public places." When bullying is reported, adults have tended, until recently, to minimize its impact on victims and its frequency and intensity. One result of this denial of bullying is that verbal abuse, teasing and harassment escalate without consequences, bullies are emboldened and the escalation leads to physical assault and sometimes death, as it did three years ago in Ojai. Most acts of violence among youth

and young adults are preceded by significant verbal abuse and threats. Bullying is well-concealed. Bullies are smart in evading detection. Victims often don't report instances of bullying because they are intimidated and threatened by bullies and they want to avoid being labeled as a "snitch" or a "rat" by peers. Victims may not even tell their parents because they are afraid that parental intervention at school or with the police will result in unwelcome attention upon them and further threats from bullies or from "lieutenants" they enlist to do their dirty work. Frequent reports to police, school officials and parents often create a backlash against victims as being overly sensitive or "crying wolf." When police do get involved because of a report from parents or school officials, they arrive on school campuses in black and whites, drawing more attention to the victim, who later suffers for it.

It is important to understand that bullying is verbal and physical aggression and often vandalism. The bully is the perpetrator and the victim is innocent and not responsible for the

aggression of the bully. Anyone can be a victim of bullying and at any age. Bullies tend to pick on people who they see as shy, timid, different, and vulnerable. They do it most often where others do not see it. Often they will use the internet and Facebook to threaten, intimidate and slander victims. When victims report the bullying to authorities there may be an investigation. Most often the bullies deny their offenses and since there is often no evidence other than the victim's testimony or story, no arrests or expulsions are made. Even when bullies assault their victims, often in small groups or informal "gangs," the reports of victims to police do not lead to arrests or sanctions against bullies. Bullying behavior is thus unintentionally reinforced. The absence of clear and decisive consequences from authorities and the community emboldens bullies and leaves victims vulnerable. Bystanders who witness bullying are usually reluctant to intervene for fear of "getting involved" or fear of retaliation by bullies. Often victims feel so frustrated by this process that they react aggressively them-

selves, which, however understandable, simply makes a bad situation worse.

Frequent victimization by bullying pushes the victims into increasing social isolation and psychological despair. Especially for younger children, frequent bullying violates their physical and psychological boundaries, impairs their sense of safety, security and self-esteem and interferes with their emotional development and educational success. They are often caught in a downward spiral of victimization, rejection, social isolation, anxiety and depression. They feel estranged from their community because so little is done to protect them, to stop bullying and to arrest and prosecute

bullies. Bullying seems to be on the rise in the last decade. There are many contributors. We live in a violent society in which violence is frequently portrayed as a solution to problems. Harsh economic conditions impose significant stresses on families, communities, social services and law enforcement, limiting the effectiveness of anti-bullying programs. Bullies thrive on chaos, which is no surprise because bullying unchecked causes chaos. It is an expression of chaos and anarchy. Stopping bullying must come from a communitywide effort, not just from law enforcement or from school administrators. I'll write more on how to stop bullying in the next issue of "State of Mind."

'Wildfire Safety' meeting set for Tuesday at 5:30 p.m.

The next neighborhood "Wildfire Safety" presentation will be for homeowners in the Topa Topa Elementary School area; all residents, families and children are welcome. It will be held Tuesday at 5:30 p.m. at Topa Topa Elementary School in

the parking lot, 916 Mountain View Ave., Ojai. Reminder signs will be posted in the neighborhood, and light refreshments will be served. For information on this event, contact Will Castagna, Ojai Valley Fire Safe Council, 646-7307.

Funding for this project is provided by a National Fire Plan grant from the cooperative Fire Program of the U.S. Forest Service, Department of Agriculture, Pacific Southwest Region, through the California Fire Safe Council.

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Arts Calendar

- **April 28 & 29:** Ojai artist **Christine Brennan** will host an open house at her home studio at 175 N. Pueblo Ave. on Saturday and Sunday from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Artwork by her invited guests, **P. Lyn Middleton** and sisters **Mette** and **Sissel Auerbock**, will also be on display.
- **Through April 29:** The Artists' Union Gallery, 330 S. California Street Plaza, Ventura, will display "Guerillas on the Edge" through Sunday. The juror is Ojai artist **Sylvia Raz**. Call 643-3012.
- **April 29:** The Corner Gallery of Ojai, 302 N. Montgomery St., will hold an art market on Sunday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., featuring varied works by eight local artists.
- **Through April 29:** The Beatrice Wood Center for the Arts, 8560 Ojai-Santa Paula Road, will display a special exhibit in the Logan Gallery through Sunday, to support the Besant Hill School's Spring Arts Festival. Call 646-3381.
- **Through April 30:** "New Works — Fine Female Figuratives" by Ojai artist **Leslie Marcus** will be on display through Monday at The Oaks at Ojai, 122 E. Ojai Ave. Call 646-5573.
- **Through April 30:** "Color in Abstraction," an exhibit of new work by OSA member **Carlos Grasso**, will be on display through Monday at Ojai Coffee Roasting Co., 337 E. Ojai Ave.
- **Through April 30:** The Beatrice Wood Center for the Arts, 8560 Ojai-Santa Paula Road, will display works by ceramicist **Victoria Littlejohn** through Monday. Call 646-3381.
- **Through April 30:** **Bohemia**, 214 W. Ojai Ave., will display "The Art of Autism" through Monday. Ojai artists are **Florentina Clarke** and **Sheila Mahon**.
- **Through May 12:** The Ojai City Gallery, 401 S. Ventura St., will display prints and paintings by **Maggie Garrett** through May 12.
- **Through May 20:** "Horace Bristol Photographs: Selections from the 1930s" will be on display through May 20 at the Museum of Ventura County Agriculture Museum, 926 Railroad Ave., Santa Paula. Bristol had retired in Ojai; he died in 1997.
- **May 26 and 27:** The Ojai Art Center's 35th annual "Art in the Park" will be held May 26 and 27 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. in Libbey Park. Admission is free.
- **Through May 31:** The Ojai Café Emporium, 108 S. Montgomery St., will display paintings by Ojai artists **Kate Hoffman** and **Dennis Wood** through May 31.

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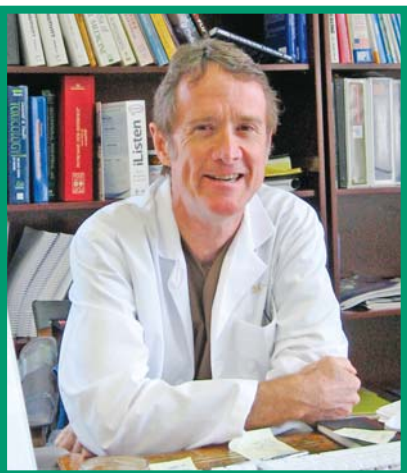
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