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It's that time of year again. Yes, when Oak Glen lives up to its reputation as the region's apple capital. September marks the beginning of Apple Season, and you can be sure there's an apple pie with your name on it somewhere. My favorite apple spot in Oak Glen is OakTree Village. Not only do you get all the apple goodness, but there is much to do there to keep the kids plenty pleased. Before you head on up the hill, however, check out our guide on pages 4-5.

As the summer winds down, we squeeze in a few great Inland Empire traditions this month with the Big Bear Lake Oktoberfest (page 6) and San Bernardino's Route 66 Rendezvous (page 9), and in early October with Calico Days (page 11) and the Southern California Fair (page 13).

Of course, there's a lot more than that going on. So check out the pages ahead and get busy!

Tom Pigeon, Editor

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The Apples in Bloom

A family favorite, apple season opens in Oak Glen



Crafters at OakTree Village in Oak Glen. Especially during apple season, Oak Glen is a step back in time and sure to please the entire family.

When Enoch Parrish planted his first apple tree in the foothills of San Bernardino in 1860 I'm sure he never envisioned that legions of families would someday flock to the Glen to enjoy sunshine and, of course, apples.

But the seed that Parrish planted wasn't just a crop, it became an Inland Empire institution. Word spread about the fertile land in the mountains, perfect for producing crisp, delicious apples. The farms are still there and still producing apples to everyone's delight.

Oak Glen has evolved over the years into an interesting blend of working farms and theme park. It's the perfect destination for families looking for an outing, with plenty of activities and interests for kids plus attractions for adults ... like great apple pie.

Oak Glen operates year-round, but the official apple season begins in September and runs through November. This is when you will find Oak Glen at its best, with plenty of apples, lots of variety, and bushels of country charm.

Oak Glen's attractions run from family-

oriented activities to nature-inspired tranquility. Activities include: apple picking, trout fishing, numerous restaurants and bakeries, live music, shops and crafters, western shows, cider mills to tour, panning for gold, festivals, petting farms, animal shows, Civil War re-enactments, nature trails, and more.

OakTree Village

One of Oak Glen's family highlights is OakTree Village, a one-stop activity zone that has all that's alluring about Oak Glen. The Village is a 14-acre family entertainment park with a collection of restaurants and a wide range of entertainment options, including music, craft fairs, fishing contests, a petting farm, train rides, animal park and reptile cave, gold & mineral panning, pony rides, goat milking, animal shows, a jumper, face painting, and shops.

The Animal Park hosts more than 100 animals from llamas and sheep to New Guinean Singing Dogs. For a quarter you can get a handful of food from a vending machine to feed the animals through the fence.

The Mountain Town Museum is another child-pleaser. Housed inside a 10,000 sq. ft. building, the museum is a re-creation of a mountain. A cave-like entrance opens up displays of animals from around the world, as well as the newly added Live Exotic Animal Exhibit.

The Village also features the Apple Annie restaurant, where family fare is served and, of course, lots of apple pie.

With free general admission and free parking, OakTree Village is a joy for adventure-seeking children and budget-conscious parents alike.

Big cat birthday bash

Join an unusual birthday party in September as OakTree Village celebrates the birthday of Shangani the African Serval Cat. Animal Ambassadors is throwing the bash on Sept. 24 and 25, all day each day, with crafts and activities for kids, close encounters with the animals and photo opportunities.

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Riley's Farm


If you not only love fresh apples, but American history, then Oak Glen has a unique attraction in Riley's Farm.

Riley's is a working apple orchard as well as a living history farm in Oak Glen. In addition to farming sweet corn, apples, raspberries, pears, and sunflowers, Riley's offers a venue for historical re-enactments comprising many different eras.

Every year, thousands of students participate in tours, where they experience everything from weaving, candle-dipping, and cider pressing to the drill and muster of a Revolutionary War or Civil War battle. Riley's has appeared on the History Channel and in the feature film, Amistad, as well as many other film and television productions.

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Other Attractions

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Oktoberfest Tradition

Big Bear Lake Oktoberfest celebrates 35 years

The Big Bear Lake Oktoberfest will celebrate 35 years of German style good times this year. As one of Southern California's longest running, family-operated events, this year's festival will offer visitors new entertainment, special contests and games and expanded dates. The 35th annual Big Bear Lake Oktoberfest kicks-off on Saturday, September 17 and runs for six consecutive weekends through Sunday, October 23 with the addition of a special anniversary celebration on Saturday, October 29.

"We've been celebrating the same great traditions for 35 years, yet it's always a new adventure," explained Burgermeister Hans Bandows.

"While the good times are always the same, each Oktoberfest has its own memories. We now have second and third generations of families celebrating with us. It's all about letting your hair down and escaping from the everyday. When you leave with a smile on your face, we've done our job!"

The Big Bear Lake Oktoberfest began in 1970 when German immigrant, Hans Bandows, threw the first Oktoberfest in Big Bear. Bandows and his family had relocated to Big Bear from New York City. After their first year in Big Bear, the family decided it was time to throw a good old fashioned Oktoberfest to thank their new friends and clients. The townsfolk had such a good time, they asked Bandows to head up a community-wide event that has continued as Big Bear's largest special event for thirty-five years.

It is an opportunity to enjoy a weekend away from the stress and obligations of everyday life in a beautiful alpine setting. The Burgermeister and his entourage offer non stop entertainment with contests, dancing and zany German antics



found only at Big Bear's festivals.

This year's entertainment line-up features the Rhoenland-Echo band, direct from Bavaria; the Express Band, known as Southern California's top German Band, log sawing, stein holding and beer drinking contests, the Big Bear Chicken, and a variety of authentic dance groups including the Cripple Creek Cloggers, making their first appearance at Big Bear's Oktoberfest. The annual Queen Stein Carrying Contest is a test of strength as the women competing carry as much as 90 pounds in one-liter beer steins. Rumor has it the 2004 Queen will be back to challenge the world record set in 1976 by carrying as many as 23 steins. The

world record is currently 21 steins, also held by a former Big Bear Oktoberfest queen.

In celebration of 35 years, the Big Bear Lake Oktoberfest will offer many special promotions including prize giveaways to South Lake Tahoe, Palm Springs and Big Bear Lake. Expanded entertainment includes new dance groups and children's contests. The festival will close with an added seventh Saturday. The final Saturday will be a 35th anniversary celebration featuring specially reduced gate, food and beer prices.

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Hot rods in Bakersfield

'Reunion' brings rods and more

Hot rod and classic car buffs can get a weekend of excitement in Bakersfield, Sept. 30 to Oct. 2, thanks to the Automobile Club of Southern California. The Fourteenth annual NHRA California Hot Rod Reunion, presented by the Club, features top nostalgia drag racers competing in such categories as Top Fuel, Junior Fuel, Supercharged Gassers, A/FX as well as a variety of exhibition entries.

The weekend will include hundreds of street rods, customs, and muscle cars as well as the Reunion Swap Meet, Manufacturers Midway and lots of celebrities.

Friday night is the CHRR Reception in the DoubleTree Hotel ballroom, and Saturday features the Pit Pass Barbecue. Don't miss the "Cacklefest," where more than 30 historic race cars are push-started and then lined up side by side where they all cackle at the same time and light

up the night!

This event benefits the Wally Parks NHRA Motorsports Museum. The museum opened to the public April 4, 1998, after years of planning. Housed in a 28,500-square-foot building on the edge of the historic Los Angeles County Fairplex, the Wally Parks NHRA Motorsports Museum's mission is to celebrate the impact of motorsports. They collect, preserve, exhibit and interpret the vehicles, stories, and artifacts that represent the influence of automotive speed and style in all its forms. The museum features an impressive array of vintage and historical racing vehicles.

The Wally Parks NHRA Motorsports Museum is located at Fairplex Gate 1, 1101 W. McKinley Avenue in Pomona. For more information about the museum, call (909) 622-2133.

On Friday, the gates open at 8am. Qualifying and time trials, including Top

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WHEN: Sept. 30-Oct. 2

WHERE: Auto Club Famoso Raceway, Bakersfield

TICKETS: See article.

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Cruisin' in San Bernardino

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With an extended cruise route and a new location, the 16th Annual Stater Bros. Route 66 Rendezvous Presented by Firestone has doubled in size. The cool-car lovers' event has expanded from its grassroots of being held exclusively in downtown San Bernardino to now include the NOS (National Orange Show) Events Center as a new venue. The cruise route has been extended to five miles offering more cruisin' and show-n-shine.


The San Bernardino event, Sept. 15-18, will continue to be headquartered in downtown offering the same sound, spirit and sense of nostalgia as in years past. The addition of the NOS Events Center provides a gated facility, over 100 acres of commercial exhibitor space, 500 spaces for participant parking and four buildings to showcase top-notch classics, rods, and custom cars and other special exhibits including the

Cruisin' Hall of Fame Museum.

A new feature will showcase sixty-six vehicles in the Citrus Orange buildings at the NOS Events Center competing to win the "Rendezvous Best of Show" Award which also carries a large cash prize.

A rolling array of over 2,000 pre-1974 classics, hot rods, custom and muscle cars will be revving up the five mile cruise route which incorporates the 37-blocks of downtown and NOS Events Center festival grounds. A free shuttle will be available to transport attendees during event hours between the two venues to enjoy the music, entertainment, vendors, legendary guests, burnout and flame throwing contest, and open header contest.

The event kicks off on Thursday evening with the Neon Light Cruise and Contest lighting up the downtown streets with cool cars glowing and sparkling. The Firestone Burnout & Flame Throwing Contest on Friday evening at the Orange

Show Speedway gets everyone's attention. Thousands of spectators cheer on the contestants as they squeal tires, burn rubber and send up a wall of smoke to see who can do the best burnout performance. The flame throwing contest is amazing when you see flames coming out of the tailpipes. The Firestone's grand finale features the famous monster truck "Big Foot," crushing and jumping vehicles. Roaring engines will echo off the buildings during Saturday's Open Header Cruise and Contest. 

WHEN: Sept. 15-16 6-10pm, Sept. 17 10am-10pm, Sept. 18 10am-4pm.

WHERE: Downtown San Bernardino and NOS Events Center

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The parade will be held on Twenty Mule Team Road, with other activities at the Kern County Community Park, located south of the railroad tracks at the corner of Boron Avenue and John Street.

As the history of mining towns go, the unincorporated town of Boron is young. The rich borax deposit was discovered in the 1920s and developed in the early 1930s. The borax wagons, pulled by 20 mules, were used to haul borax from the Harmony Borax Works in Death Valley to the railroad in Mojave. Pacific Coast Borax Co., now U.S. Borax or Borax Global, used the 20 mule team and wagons to promote the sale of borax by touring and appearing in parades throughout the United States.

For more information, call (760) 762-5810.

Avoid the heat

Make a break for the pines to beat the sun

It's September, and is it still too hot for you? If the beach is the first thing that springs to mind, think again. Perhaps the best remedy to escape the sun is to get closer to it, by going up a mountain.

In Big Bear Lake the temperature is typically 15 to 20 degrees cooler than most Southern California cities. Big Bear is a cool haven that averages 77 degrees for daytime summer temperatures.

It's only a two hour drive or less from most Southland cities to get away from the dreaded heat and into Big Bear's cool alpine climate.

Big Bear's air is clean with blue skies. The atmosphere is surrounded by lush and shady pines. The lake level is at the fullest it's been since 1998. At 7,000', Big Bear shines in more than 300 days of bright sun each year, making it a great place for sun-

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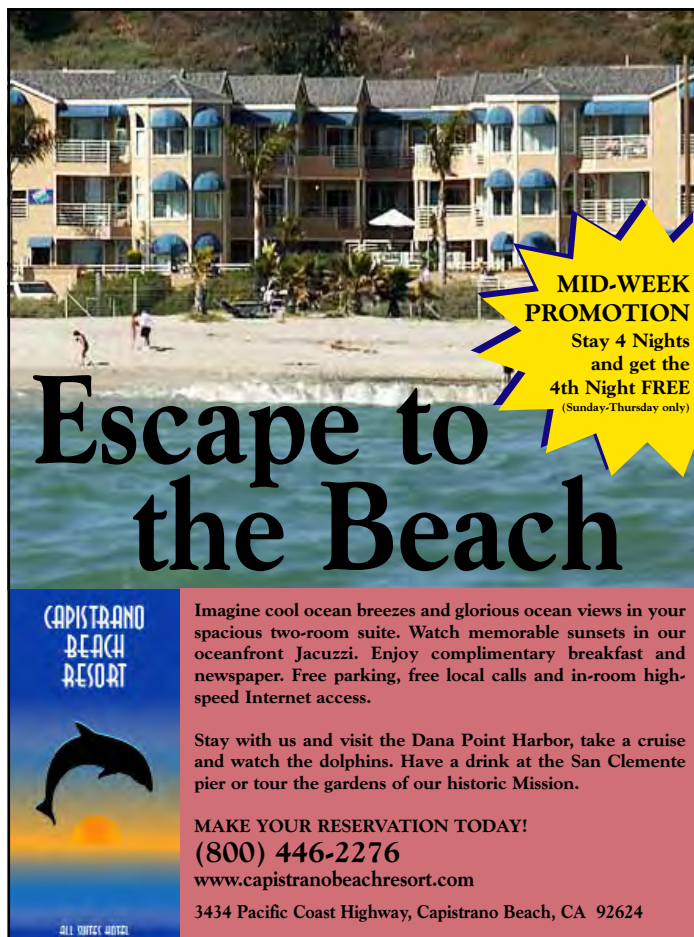
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Thirty-nine years ago Calico Days began. Its purpose was to celebrate Calico Ghost Town's Wild West past and the discovery of silver ore in 1881.

Today, Calico Days is rough and ready as always. The celebration runs October 7, 8 and 9 in the tiny ghost town just north of Barstow. Some of the many events include a steak fry and costume contest Friday evening. Saturday features an 1880's costume parade at high noon followed by an evening under the stars with a BBQ and

dance with music by the Johnny James Band. On Sunday watch a wild burro race followed by the National Gunfight Stunt Exhibition.

In addition, egg tossin', frying pan toss and bucket brigade contests are among some of the many events designed to transport participants back in time to Calico's "Glory Days." All contests are free to enter and offer prizes and ribbons to the winners.

In town, the old mingles with the modern and visitors can find cowboy hats and old-time photos next to hamburgers and french fries. Enjoy the experience as they did back when, with a tour around town on horseback. Wooden plank sidewalks line Main Street, which is paved, and many employees dress circa 1881.

At the north end of town teepees surround a broom swept dance area. Story telling and Native American cultural displays provide a back drop to lively tunes by Border Radio. Then on Sunday at high noon enjoy rock wrestling, the first of three trials during the Miners Triathlon takes place.

Cowboy honky tonk and bluegrass music broadcast from the likes of Witcher Brothers, Cornbread Washtub Band, Grass Backwards and Ernie Sites. Then Main Street crowds up when KC Douglas calls a Country dance lesson.

Between festival events, The Calico Ghost Town Gunfighters create their own exciting shoot outs on Main Street. A ride on the Calico-Odessa Railroad offers further details of the ghost town and Maggie's Mine provides a peek inside a hardrock silver mine. ■

WHEN: Oct. 7-9

WHERE: Calico Ghost Town, I-15 to Ghost Town Rd. exit, 10 miles North of Barstow.

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The top of the Tramway is transformed into a pristine snow-covered playground during the winter. Visitors can try their hand at cross-country skiing or snowshoeing. Enthusiasts have found the area to be unsurpassed in its challenging trails. Didn't bring your own? Rental equipment is available at the Adventure Center, which is open from mid-November until mid-April (snow conditions permitting).

During the summer months, when it is well into the 100s in the desert, the mountains offer more than 54 miles of hiking trails, camping and guided nature walks as a pleasant alternative to chilling out. It's nearly 40 degrees cooler at the top.

Trails range from the awe-inspiring 512-mile trek to the peak of San Jacinto (at 10,834 it is the second tallest mountain in southern California) to the one-mile nature walk through picturesque Long Valley, located just behind the Mountain Station. Campsites are located throughout the State Park. Wilderness permits are required for any hiking or backpacking and may be obtained from the Ranger



Station located in Long Valley.

For those who are environmentally oriented, the Mount San Jacinto State Park Volunteers conducts free-guided nature walks each weekend during the summer. The Natural History Museum, located on the lower level, offers maps and nature books for a fee. At the Mountain Station enjoy view-points, cocktail lounge, gift shop, Natural History Museum and two documentary style movies about the Palm Springs Aerial Tramway and the Mount San Jacinto State Park.

Dine at one of the two restaurants. Elevations Restaurant offers fine dining, while the Top of the Tram Restaurant offers an affordable cafeteria-style alternative.

The first Tram up Monday through Friday leaves at 10am, Saturday and Sunday 8am. The last Tram up is 8pm and the last Tram down 9:45pm. Tram admission is \$21.50 for adults and \$14.50 for children ages 3-12 years. Discounted Twilight Tickets are available for purchase from 3pm. Cost of the Twilight Tickets are \$18.50 for adults and seniors and \$11.50 for children ages 3-12. Ride In' Dine tickets are available from 3pm and include Tram admission and dinner at Top of the Tram Restaurant. Cost of the combination ticket is \$30 for adults and seniors and \$19 for children ages 3-12. Reservations are not taken.

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Concerts at the Fair

Southern California Fair is "Jammin" With 38 Special, LeAnn Rimes, and More

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In "Preserving" the tradition, SoCal Fair's 2005 Concert Series lineup is "Jammin"—scheduled to perform are 38 Special, Clay Walker, Bill Engvall, LeAnn Rimes, and Third Day. This year's fair will run Oct-8 through 16 at the Lake Perris Fairgrounds.

Kick-starting the Concert Series on Monday, Oct. 10 is 38 Special. After more than two decades together, the band is still playing more than 100 shows per year. And at every one of them, thousands of audience members are completely blindsided by the power and muscle of their performance. "When we come out, people

are like, 'Whoa! It's like a freight train rolling over them,'" says vocalist/guitarist Don Barnes. While most associate the group with its arena-rock '80s pop smashes, these days the band's harder edge is what is immediately noticeable.

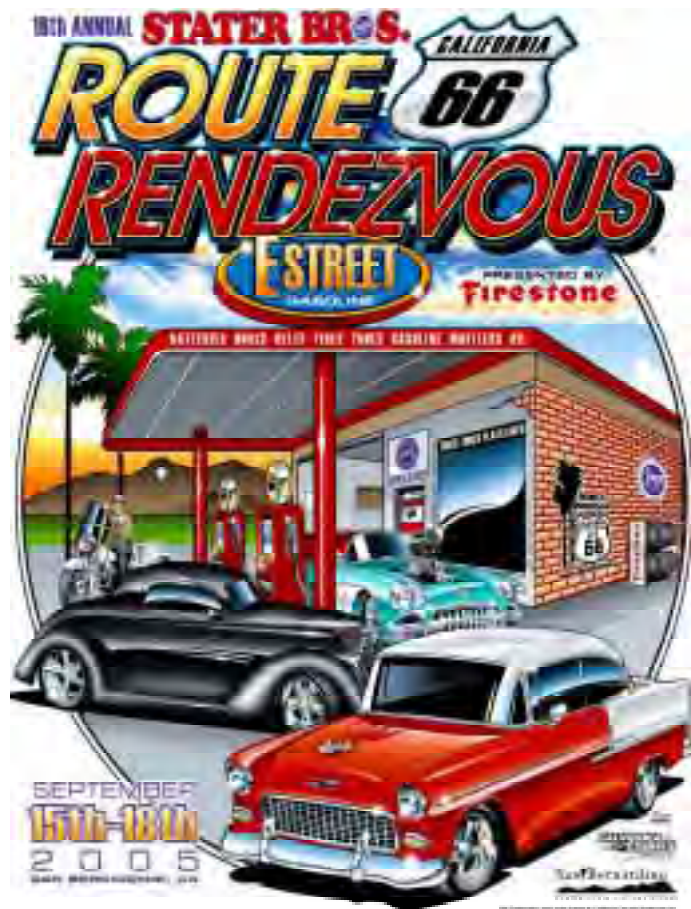
Barnes says it's all about maintaining the intensity that they deliver in their live shows. Over the years, the band has scored big with a slew of hits, including such rockers as "Caught Up in You," "Hold on Loosely," "If I'd Been the One," and "Rockin' into the Night."

Scheduled to perform on Tuesday, October 11, is the award winning country singer, Clay Walker. He is one of only a few artists to have one of his songs included five years consecutively in Billboard's year-end Top 10 country list. He's also been one of country's top 10 grossing touring acts several times. Walker, known for such


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LeAnn Rimes, just one of the headliners at the Southern California Fair:



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Benefits of vacationing in a motorhome are very apparent. Many of us have family or friends who vacation in a motorhome and dream how wonderful it would be to load up and head out on any free weekend. We think how wonderful it would be to drive down the beach and have cool drinks, a shower and a TV to catch the sports scores or just camp out at the river and sleep in a nice comfortable bed.

But according to Tim Joslin, the

general sales manager for La Mesa RV San Bernardino, what is not often appreciated until a customer goes away for their first vacation is the quality family time that a motorhome delivers. "Traveling in a motorhome is not only comfortable and flexible but it is also stress-free. You can stop when and where you want and the conveniences and entertainment that are available onboard means enjoyable, quality cruising. In a motorhome the journey is an enjoyable part of the vacation," Joslin said.

Buying a motorhome can often be a daunting proposition with so many makes and models. They range in size from small vans all the way up to big 40-plus feet diesel pushers. Interestingly these larger diesel pushers do not require a special drivers' license and the controls are very similar to an automobile, just make sure you make wide turns. Find a motorhome dealer who you feel comfortable with and they'll help you find the motorhome that's right for you.

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RV Show offers major prizes for camping lovers

When the 53rd Annual California RV Show opens its gates at the Fairplex in Pomona, October 14-23, it will boast a sweepstakes bonanza. For the first time ever, show goers will have a chance to win three grand prizes; A Jayco Qwest Baja Folding Camping Trailer, a Weekend Warrior Toy Hauler Trailer and a Rage'n Toy Hauler Trailer will all be given away at this year's show in addition to other prizes.

In addition, show goers will also get a chance to win the use of one of 15 El Monte RV Rentals, 10 BenchMaster Furniture European Leather Recliners, 10 Catalina Island Mini-Vacations and there will be daily hourly drawing for a Laughlin Mini-vacation.

Show hours are from 10am to 6pm daily and tickets are available at the gate. Adults are \$6, Seniors are \$5 and children 12 and under are free. RV giveaway drawings will be held Sunday, Oct. 23, at 3 pm.

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Entertainment is a big lure, too, for those who enjoy the annual Old Miners Days, Cowboy Poetry & Music Gathering, Antique Auto Show, Big Bear Renaissance Faire, and Art on The Lake. This month starts their annual Oktoberfest (see article on page 6).

Whatever the diversion, the one thing Big Bear visitors have in common is getting away from the sizzling summer heat down below.

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Travel to old Germany ... in Corona

Grab a tankard of ale and head back in time to the Koroneburg Old World Fall Renaissance Festival in Corona. The Sept. 10-11 festival celebrates all things Renaissance, with shopkeepers, artisans, food, music, shows, stag plays and more.

Simulating a 1450-1600 European Village, "residents" in era garb will stroll and interact with patrons, inviting you to play along. The setting is the fictitious estate of the Baron Heinrich Von Lauffer, located along the Rhine river.

General Admission is \$14. The event runs Saturday from 11am to 9pm, and Sunday 11am to 6pm. The Festival is located at Crossroads Riverview Park, 14600 River Rd., in Corona. For more information, call (800) 320-4736 or go online to www.renaissanceinfo.com.




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Summer Link heads to the Oceanside Harbor Day Festival


The Summer Link Beach Train enters the end of summer with service continuing through the second week of October, with trips to the beaches of San Clemente and Oceanside.

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Tickets are purchased from machines on the platforms.

The San Clemente shuttle, which runs between the San Clemente Pier and Downtown, is operating on a regular schedule and a number of major events are planned throughout the summer, including the Oceanside Harbor Day Festival on September 17 and 18 and the San Clemente Sea Fest and Chowder Cook Off on October 9.

Passengers also have the chance to win gift certificates and gift baskets throughout the season by entering a drawing conducted by merchants in Downtown San Clemente.

Summer Link Beach Train service will be offered every Saturday and Sunday until October 9, with the exception of Labor Day weekend. For Summer Link Beach Train information log on to www.rctc.org and click on the Beach Train button or go to www.metrolinktrains.com/beachtrains. Or, call 1-800-371-LINK for information. 



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hits as "What's It To You," "Live Until I Die," "Dreamin With My Eyes Open" and "If I Could Make A Living," has sold more than eight million albums, performed for sellout crowds and racked up eleven "number one" hits.

Wednesday, October 12 brings funnyman Bill Engvall to the Southern California Fair. Bill stars in the WB Network show "Blue Collar TV," and is known for his best selling comedy album "Here's Your Sign." Bill's ability to connect with an audience as well as his gift of sharing the humor in everyday situations has made him one of the top comedians today and among the busiest.

Appearing Thursday, Oct.13 is country sensation and multiple Grammy winner LeAnn Rimes, bringing her "This Woman" tour to the Southern California Fair. During her show, LeAnn will treat fans with performances of the latest hits from her current album "This Woman," along with some of her all-time biggest hits and ballads. This highly energized and visually appealing show will feature LeAnn's breathtaking vocals. LeAnn's hits have included "Blue," "Can't Fight the Moonlight," "Commitment" and "How Do I Live."

Closing the fair's Concert Series on Friday, Oct.14 will be the contemporary Christian rock group, Third Day - a band of enormous depth and passion. Over the span of Third Day's career, the band has garnered 23 Dove Awards, two Grammy's, multiple ASCAP honors, two consecutive American Music Award nominations, and has surpassed the five million mark in career sales. Backing up the band's ascent, Billboard magazine noted the act is "not only one of the best Christian bands of the '90s but one of the best rock bands, period."

All concerts are free with fair admission; however, a limited number of reserved seats are on sale for \$10. Reserved seating does not include entrance to fair. All concerts are scheduled to begin at 7:30pm. Advance fair admission tickets can be purchased for \$5 for general admission (ages 13 and older), and \$2 for children (ages 6-12). Unlimited carnival ride wristbands are available in advance for just \$14. All advance tickets and wristbands are on sale through Oct. 7 at the Lake Perris Fairgrounds administrative office. Office hours are Monday-Friday 8:30 am-5pm. Tickets and wristbands can also be purchased via the fair's website at www.socalfair.com.

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Hilary Cable

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Native American Festival comes to Moonridge Park

Creativity is in bloom at the Moonridge Animal Park's (also known as the Big Bear Zoo) Native American Arts Festival. In its first year, the festival will showcase the work of numerous fine artists and craftsman.

This 2-day celebration of work by Native American artisans will also feature individual artist's demonstrations, Native American song and dance, time-honored music and children's activities such as storytelling. Shop and browse traditional and contemporary works, meet the artisans and discuss their individual craft and style, and enjoy animal tours of the Moonridge Animal Park threaded with Native American narrative. Indian Fry Bread and Tacos will also be available.

Moonridge Animal Park, is located in Big Bear Lake across the street from Bear Mountain Ski Resort. The park is open daily from 10am to 4pm, Monday through Friday, and until 5pm on weekends. ☐

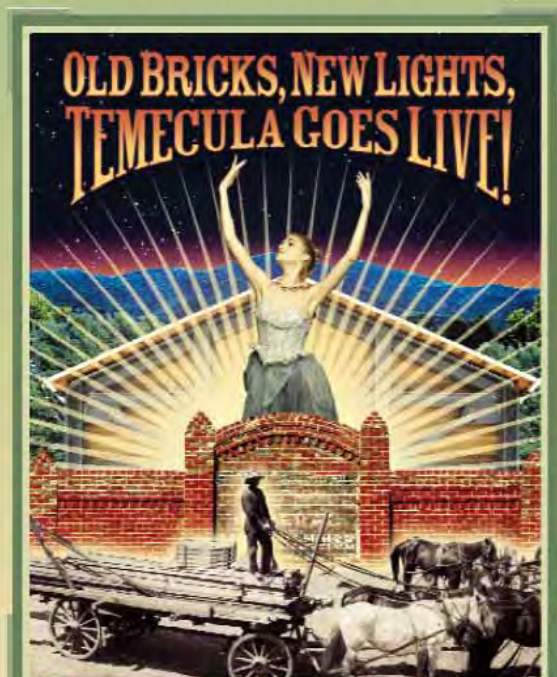
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WHERE: Moonridge Animal Park, 43285 Goldmine Dr., Big Bear Lake

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- 9/7 COMEDY NIGHT
- 9/15 MONDAY NIGHT MADNESS BEGINS
- 9/16 - 9/18 SOBOBA POW WOW
- 9/21 REVOLUTION - A TRIBUTE TO THE BEATLES
- 9/23 KING OF THE CAGE



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BALLADEER PAQUITA LA DEL BARRIO: Sept. 9, 8pm, Special Events Center. Mariachi tradition while poking fun at macho Mexican society. Tickets \$35, \$45, \$55, and \$65.

DARRYL WORLEY: Sept. 21, 8pm. Wednesday, Sept. 21. "Rising Stars Of Country" concert in the Fantasy Lounge. Tickets are \$40 (General Admission) and \$55 (VIP seating with dinner buffet).

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COMEDY NIGHT: Sept. 7, AC's Lounge. Tickets \$5 with Player's Club, \$7 without.

POW WOW: Sept. 15-18.

REVOLUTION: Sept. 21, Beatles Tribute.

KING OF THE CAGE: Sept. 23, cage fighting.

AC'S LOUNGE: Live entertainment throughout the week.

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TRUE LEGENDS OF POP: Sept. 3, 8pm. Bobby Vee, Fabian, Johnny Tillotson, Brian Hyland and The Chiffons. Tickets: \$55, \$45, \$35, \$30.

CARROT TOP: Sept. 17, Showroom, 8pm. Tickets \$35, \$30, \$25.

COACHELLA VALLEY MUSIC AWARDS: Sept. 20, 7pm. Tickets TBA.

WILLIAMS AND REE: Oct. 1, comedy, 8pm. Tickets \$35, \$30, \$25, \$20.

DJ LIFE: Wednesdays, in the Blue Bar, 8 p.m.-

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Ed Sullivan presents

Flamingo's 'Big Shew' brings variety to Laughlin

A Really Big Shew, "America's Favorite Variety Show," returns to the Colorado River at the Flamingo Laughlin Monday, September 12. A Really Big Shew was recently voted "Best On-going Show" for the second consecutive year by the Mohave Daily News in Laughlin, Nevada.

The show runs through April with cast changes approximately every eight weeks. The show is a tribute to Ed Sullivan and features an assortment of variety acts: music, comedy, impersonations, dancing, juggling, magic and much, much more!

Returning for his third year with the cast, impressionist and character actor Jerry Hoban will be entertaining the audiences as Ed Sullivan. Jerry is no stranger to playing Mr. Sullivan, for he portrayed the variety show host in the hit movie *Pulp Fiction* with John Travolta and Uma Thurman. You may have seen Jerry in one of the many television commercials he has acted in or perhaps you've seen him on stage, since he has performed in showrooms from Atlantic City to Las Vegas to Laughlin emceeing A Really Big Shew.

World Champion fiddle player Yogi Baird will be amongst Mr. Sullivan's first cast line-up this September. This high energy, country fiddle player is also a contortionist and has been featured in Ripley's Believe It Or Not and was recently on *The Tonight Show* with Jay Leno. In fact Yogi is "The World's Only Contortionist Fiddler." As he starts playing his country solos on his fiddle, his body starts twisting and bending right into a human pretzel.

The hilarious Jeff Dehart will return for a second run with the cast. Dehart's talents have earned him three television Emmys. Not only does Dehart's diversity run the gamut of actor, impressionist and singer, he also writes jokes for David Letterman. In keeping with refreshing his act, Jeff is always creating new material for his appearances and has to his credit over one hundred personalities he can impersonate. During his Flamingo run Jeff will be doing a special salute to the late great George Burns.

The show's producer Gene Siler likes to keep to tradition by ending the show with a musical number. Sherie Rae Parker

who has portrayed Bette Midler on many stages including some on the Las Vegas strip will be the closing act. Sherie's high energy and dynamic personality makes for the right mix for the show's finale.

Mr. Sullivan's trusty sidekick Topo Gigio will also make a guest appearance during the show. The Italian mouse made over fifty appearances on the original Ed Sullivan Show. There will also be special guest surprises by other personalities during the show's run at the Flamingo.

A Really Big Shew is the brainchild of producer Gene Siler, who was inspired to be an entertainer while watching Sullivan's show as a kid. Having wanted to develop a Sullivan-style variety show for years, it was seeing Hoban's true to life impersonation of Ed Sullivan at Bill Medley's rock and roll diner, The Hop, that set the wheels in motion. Siler scouts the country for great variety acts to bring into his show. "The show is about variety and lots of it," Siler said.

Show times are 7pm and 9pm nightly. Tickets are priced at \$14.95 and can be purchased at the Flamingo Connection Center or by calling (800) 435-8469. ■

Rogers, Crosby, Stills and Nash at Flamingo

The Laughlin Flamingo continues its series of outdoor concerts well into the warm Fall months. Spend the evening under the stars with two legendary acts, Kenny Rogers and Crosby, Stills and Nash.

Country superstar Kenny Rogers will take the stage of the Flamingo Amphitheater, Sept. 10-11 at 8pm. Rogers will perform material from his extensive catalogue of music including countless hits that has defined his career.

Kenny Rogers has undergone a unique and prosperous musical journey. With 61 recorded albums, hit singles in six decades, three Grammy Awards, and over 100 million records sold, he has proven that his musical formula works. For more than half a century, Rogers has delivered memorable songs, drawing fans among rock, pop, soul and country audiences.

Not only successful in the recording studio, Rogers is also an established photographer, actor and author. Through the

years, Kenny Rogers continues to display his versatility through his creative spirit.

Tickets to the Sept. 10 performance are \$30, \$35 and \$40. Tickets to the Sept. 11 performance are \$25, \$30 and \$35 plus tax.

The Flamingo Laughlin presents an "An Evening with Crosby, Stills and Nash" live on Sept. 16 at 9pm. For over three decades, Crosby, Stills and Nash have enthralled the world with their impeccable three-part harmony. Their songwriting abilities have been credited with providing a voice of an entire generation.

Crosby, Stills and Nash have consistently sung about socially relevant issues and universal values, touching the lives of their legions of fans. Their timeless hits include, "Marrakesh Express," "Guinnevere," "Teach your Children," "Wooden Ships," "Dark Star" and "Just A Song Before I Go."

In 1997, Crosby, Stills and Nash were inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of



Crosby, Stills & Nash

Fame, cementing their massive contribution to contemporary American music. Currently, the group is embarking on an extensive tour in support of the recently released albums entitled, "Crosby*Nash," "Man Alive" and "Crosby, Stills and Nash Greatest Hits."

Tickets to the one-night only performance of Crosby, Stills and Nash are \$40, \$45 and \$50 plus tax. Tickets may be purchased at the Flamingo Box Office or by calling (702) 298-5111. ■

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Tuesday - registration begins at 11am, session starts and Noon with final round at 7:30pm. 1st-\$600, 2nd-\$250, 3rd-\$150.

FREE \$1,500 VIDEO POKER

TOURNAMENT: Every Wednesday - registration begins at Noon, tournament begins 1pm; 1st-\$800, 2nd-\$500, 3rd-\$200.

\$1,600 BLACKJACK TOURNAMENTS:

Every Tuesday and Thursday - registrations at Noon; sessions start 4pm; \$15 buy-in with buffet; \$10 without buffet, \$ for re-buy

BRENDEN THEATRES: For movie schedule, call (702) 535-7469 or go online to www.brendentheatres.com.

FLAMINGO: Features a 60,000 square foot casino, 1,555 slots, fifty-four table games, twelve restaurants and a hotel with 1,996 rooms. For more information go online to caesars.com/flamingo/laughlin or call (800) 435-8469. The Laughlin Flamingo is located at 1900 South Casino Drive.

REALLY BIG SHEW: Ed Sullivan-style variety show, running through April, 2006. See article on page 21.

KENNY ROGERS: Sept. 10, tickets \$30, \$35, \$40. Sept. 11, tickets \$25, \$30, \$35. In the Amphitheater.

CROSBY, STILLS & NASH: Sept. 16, 9pm in the Amphitheater. Tickets \$40, \$45, \$50.

THREE CARD POKER NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT:

Qualification rounds held Sept. 22-24 for the first annual Three Card Poker National Championship to be held in Las Vegas, Nov. 27-Dec. 2. One-time entry fee of \$199 will include \$3,000 in tournament chips for each day's play. Regional tournament registration material is available at the Flamingo Laughlin Connection Center and at individual table games. All entries must be received by Sept. 21. For additional information on the tournament call Casino Reservations at (800) 662-6004.

SLOT TOURNAMENTS: Island Hoppers Slot Tournament September 6-8, Wizard of 7's Slot Tournament October 3-5. Each tournament offers over \$15,000 in prize money. First prize is \$3,000, second prize is \$1,500, third prize is \$850, and prize money paid down to 50th place. The entry fee for is \$99 and includes two days of tourney play and two tickets to an awards banquet.

FLAMINGO'S FLUSH ON THE RIVER

POKER TOURNAMENTS: • \$5,000 Free Roll Poker Tournament September 15. First prize is \$1,000, second prize is \$500, and prize money paid down to 6th place. Entry is earned through regular poker room play.

• Daily Texas Hold 'Em- held everyday at noon. Entry fee is \$25. Prize money is dependent on the number of entrants. ▣

Laughlin Avi expanding

The Laughlin Avi is booming, with construction planned to make room for new visitors. In October, the Avi will add 16,000 feet to the current property floor space, which will include a new restaurant, a new poker room, a race and sports book, and five meeting rooms that will open into one convention room that can seat up to 600 for dinner. This expansion will take place at the north end of the casino, requiring the existing swimming pool to be relocated.

The Avi is also expanding across the river with its Event Center. The facility is designed to eventually accommodate up to 8,000 patrons for concerts or be divided into smaller venues. The center will open within a year.

The casino is building a new, three-story parking structure, with surveillance cameras, a VIP parking area for top Advantage Club players and Valet Parking. It will have a single middle ramp design and will feature two elevators for customers' convenience. The exterior will feature a Mojave Tribe design. A breezeway will connect the structure to the main entrance to the hotel. The new structure is expected to be complete this Fall and ready for use by Thanksgiving.

The final phase of construction at the Avi will add 256 more rooms to the hotel and an expansion of the beach and the creation of a new marina with boat slips. This final phase of construction is set for early next year.

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That's Some Play

Charlotte's Web takes the stage

"It's not often that someone comes along who is a true friend and a good writer. Charlotte was both." E.B. White wrote these famous lines in his classic children's book *Charlotte's Web*, and a colorful cast of characters (both human and animal) brings the classic tale to life at the opening of the 2005-2006 Family Series at Riverside Community Players.

Charlotte's Web tells the story of Wilbur, a sweet but lonely pig, who befriends an ordinary barn spider named Charlotte. When Wilbur learns that Mr. Zuckerman wants to have ham for Christmas, Charlotte uses her incredible intellect and extraordinary web-making ability to try to save Wilbur's life. However, Wilbur's fate is uncertain unless he

wins a blue ribbon at the state fair and proves to everybody that he really is "SOME PIG."

Riverside Community Players presents the touring version of E.B. White's *Charlotte's Web*, dramatized by Joseph Robinette. For

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WHEN: Fri.-Sun., Oct. 7-9, 7pm on Fri. and Sat., 2pm on Sat. and Sun. No evening performance on Oct. 9.

WHERE: Riverside Community Players, 4026 14th St., Riverside

TICKETS: \$8

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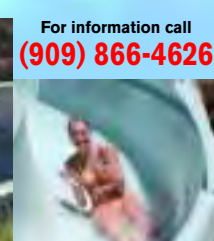
The Children's Literature Association named this "the best American children's book of the past two hundred years," and Joseph Robinette has created a play that captures the very essence of the work. All the enchanting characters are here - Wilbur, Templeton, Fern and, of course, the extraordinary spider, Charlotte, who proves to be "a true friend and a good writer." This is a beautiful, knowing play about friendship that will give the whole family a wonderful experience.

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this production, eight "humble" actors will provide "radiant" portrayals of a variety of humans and animals.

The cast includes: Karri Bates as Charlotte, Levi Hawkins as Wilbur, Christina McCarty as Fern Arable, Wayne Astin as John Arable/Templeton the Rat, Dane Johnston as Homer Zuckerman/The Old Sheep, Lance Hutchins as Avery Arable/Lurvy, Vanessa Downs as Mrs. Arable/The Goose, and Joey Mercado as Narrator/The Gander/Uncle the Pig/President of the Fair. The technical crew for *Charlotte's Web* includes: Jeremy Hansen (Director), Larry Bates (Technical Director), Stacey Claflin (Assistant Director), and Ted Dyer (Costumes).

Concerning the authors, Elwyn Brooks (E.B.) White was once described as "the finest essayist in the United States." However, he is best known for his children's books, the most popular of which is *Charlotte's Web*. The Children's Literature Association named *Charlotte's Web* as "The best American children's book of the past two hundred years." In the early 1980's, Joseph Robinette dramatized *Charlotte's Web* for the stage, and, in 1984, a touring version was produced by the Lincoln Center in New York City. Joseph Robinette has adapted several classic children tales, and, in 1976, he was presented the Charlotte Chorpennig Cup as "an outstanding writer of children's plays who has received national recognition." ■

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GROVE THEATRE: Located in historic downtown Upland, 276 E 9th St., (909) 920-4343, grovetheatre.com.

THE LIVING DESERT: Zoo featuring flora and fauna of the area's deserts. Located south of State Highway 111 at 47-900 Portola Avenue, Palm Desert. 760-346-5694, www.livingdesert.org.

MOONRIDGE ANIMAL PARK: Commonly called the Big Bear Zoo, located in Big Bear Lake across from Bear Mountain Ski Resort. Park admission is \$5 for adults, \$4 for seniors, age 60 and over, and \$4 for children ages 3-10; kids under age 3 are free. The park is open daily and hours Sept. through May are 10 am - 4pm Monday through Friday, and until 5pm on weekends. • Music in the Zoo fundraiser, Sept. 3, 5:30pm. Guitarist and vocalist, David Key accompanied by Ms. Becky Spiro Green. Flute enthusiasts will take

pleasure in Carlos Reynosa's art. Gary Lemos and Sarah Thompson perform Native American music. Dulcimer with Sandra Huckaby and Diane Grady. For more information go to www.BigBearZoo.com or call (909) 878-4200.


OAKTREE VILLAGE: 38480 Oak Glen Rd., in Oak Glen. Open every day, with entertainment every weekend. Artisans, pony rides, animal park, trout fishing, shops, restaurants and more. (909) 797-4020. www.oaktree-village.com.

ORANGE EMPIRE RAILWAY MUSEUM: Museum open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily, 2201 S. A St., Perris; train and trolley rides, weekends and holidays, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.; all-day train and trolley pass \$8, children 5-11 \$6. (909) 943-3020. www.oerm.org.

RIVERSIDE CHILDREN'S THEATER: Ramona High School. (951) 359-6075.

RIVERSIDE COMMUNITY PLAYERS: *Charlotte's Web*, Oct. 7-9, tickets \$8. See article on page 23. 4026 14th St., Riverside. Theatre in the Round. Box office: (951) 686-4030.

For more fun kids' events, see the *What To Do* section on page 31. ■



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Theater & the Arts

Text in **RED** denotes an event occurring this month.

AMERICANA INDIAN SHOW: More than 5,000 authentic items for sale. Sept. 30, 3-10pm, Oct. 1, 11am-9pm, Oct. 2, 11am-7pm. Elks Lodge in Riverside. For more information, call (951) 786-9738, or go online to www.americana.net. See article on this page.

ART-A-FAIR: July 1-Sept. 4, art on display and to purchase, exhibits, food, kids' activities and more. See article on p. 5. 777 Laguna Canyon Rd., Laguna Beach. Tickets \$6 adults. (949) 494-4514.

BEN BOLLINGER'S CANDLELIGHT PAVILION DINNER THEATER:

• Jubilee 2005, Sept. 2-18.
Candlelight revisits some of their favorites from 20 years of musicals.
• Forever Plaid, Sept. 23-Oct. 9 (909) 626-1254. 455 Foothill Blvd., Claremont.

BIG BEAR JAZZ FESTIVAL: Sept. 23-25. (909) 866-4970.

BIG BEAR LAKE INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL: Sept. 16-18, vari-

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Art of Americana

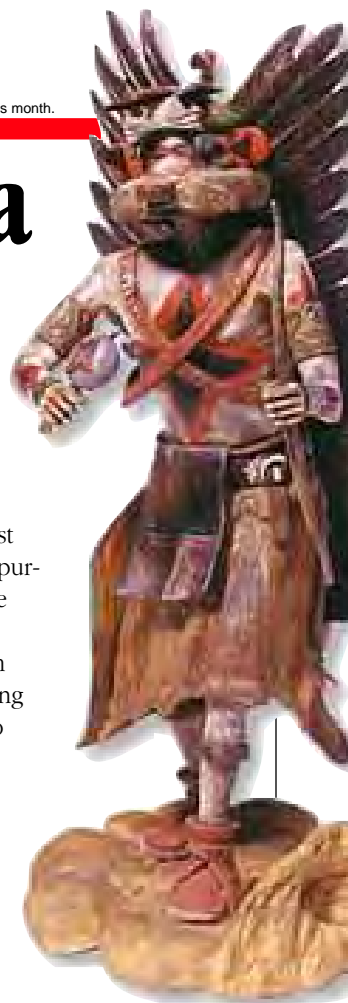
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The origin of Americana Indian Shows began in 1968 in Flagstaff and Tucson, Arizona, by three brothers. Lee, Wayne and Arvid are native born sons of the state and are the fifth generation of an Arizona family which first came to Arizona in the mid-1870s. All three were born in Morenci, the copper mining town, site of one of the largest open pit copper

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ous locations. (909) 866-3433.

BLUES AT THE CASTLE: Sept. 10, 7:30pm., featuring blues artist Preston Smith. At Kimberly Crest House and Gardens in Redlands. Tickets are \$30 for lawn seating, \$40 for terrace seating, \$50 for Terrace VIP seating, and \$60 for Porch VIP seating. (909) 792-2111.

CAT COMMUNITY THEATER: At the Historic Corona Civic Center Theater, 815 W. 6th. (951) 279-2298.

ELSINORE VALLEY ARTS

NETWORK: Music with a View, through Sept. 3, 7:30pm. Free concerts ranging from country western to the Riverside Philharmonic Orchestra. At McVicker Park in Lake Elsinore.

FONTANA MUMMERS

COMMUNITY THEATRE: (909) 822-4052. 8443 Nuevo Ave. Fontana, on the corner of Nuevo and Spring, across from the Fontana Water Co. Doors open 1/2 hour prior to show time.

GROVE THEATRE: The Phantom of the Op'ry, Oct. 1-29, a spoof of Leroux's novel. Tickets \$6. Time

Sat. 2pm. Located in historic downtown Upland, 276 E. 9th St. (909) 920-4343, grovetheatre.com.

FALL CONCERT ON THE GREEN:

Sept. 18, 4:30-7pm, Temecula. Music and dance at Duck Pond Park, corner of Ynex Rd. and Rancho California Rd. Free.

HYUNDAI PAVILION: The Art Laboe Show, Sept. 10, 7pm, featuring various artists. In Devore. www.ticketmaster.com, www.hyundaipavilion.com. (909) 880-6500.

LIFEHOUSE THEATER: Reservations may be made by calling (909) 335-3037, ext. 21. www.lifehousetheater.com The theater is located at 1135 N. Church St. in Redlands.

MCCALLUM THEATRE: Box Office: (760) 340-ARTS. www.mccallumtheatre.com. 73000 Fred Waring Dr., Palm Desert.

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Sinfonia Mexicana holds 20th anniversary concert

Celebrating 20 years of presenting "Musical Treasures of Mexico" to the Inland Empire, Sinfonia Mexicana holds its anniversary symphonic concert on Saturday, Oct. 15. The concert will feature the La Jolla Symphony Orchestra conducted by Maestro Jeff Nevin and Maestro Harvey Sollberger, artistic director of the orchestra.

Soprano Monica Obrego and tenor Jose Medina are featured vocalists and will sing pieces by Maria Grever, Agustin Lara and Juan Gabriel. Music by famed composers Silvestre Revueltas, Carlos Chavez, Blas Galindo, and Jose Pablo Moncayo, which were played in Sinfonia's first concert in 1985, will again be played by the La Jolla Symphony Orchestra.

Maestro Nevin, principal trumpet of the San Diego Symphony Orchestra and director of Mariachi Champana Nevin, accompanied Placido Domingo in a concert in San Diego last year. Vocalists Obrego and Medina are regular performers of the Tijuana Opera in Tijuana, Mexico.

Tickets are now on sale and can be purchased by calling the Sinfonia office at (909) 884-3228 or toll free 1-800-901-5002. For more information, go online to www.sinfoniamexicana.com.

41810 Juniper St., in Old Towne Murrieta. (951) 600-7273. www.murrietarep.org.

PALM CANYON THEATRE: Palm Springs. Information (760) 288-4897 or (760) 574-1063, www.palmcanyontheatre.org.

PALM SPRINGS INTERNATIONAL

FILM FESTIVAL: Sept. 20-26 with over 300 short films. Camelot Theatres, 2300 Baristo Rd., Palm Springs. Call for ticket information

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Theater classic at Ramona

Ramona Bowl Amphitheatre to Present Oklahoma! in September

With the vitality and inspiration of Hammerstein's text and lyrics and Rodgers' music, the Broadway favorite, *Oklahoma!* will be presented in The Ramona Bowl Amphitheatre in September.

The setting is the Indian Territory now known as the state of Oklahoma at the beginning of the 20th century. The plot revolves around the love shared between Curly, a cowboy, and Laurey, a woman living in the territory. Conflict arises when hired-hand Jud, who also loves Laurey, starts making trouble. Also appearing in the play are Laurey's friend, Ado Annie and her boyfriend Will Parker, who serve as some comic relief to lighten up the situation.

Oklahoma is a great show for all audi-

ences as it offers fun, excitement, and wonderful music. Ramona Bowl General Manager Janine Mundwiler is excited to have the play at the Ramona Bowl.

"It's a great play for us because the Ramona Bowl can so easily be transformed into the wild outdoor setting of early Oklahoma. Also adding to that realism is the ability to utilize live animals like horses, something that you cannot do in indoor theatres."

Oklahoma!, first produced at the St. James Theatre on March 31, 1943, has been entertaining audiences ever since. Many of its songs have become classic hits sung for generations. In fact the State Legislature of Oklahoma adopted the title song of the play as the official state song and anthem in 1953. Other hit songs like "Oh What a Beautiful Mornin'," "Surrey with the Fringe on Top," and "People Will

Say We're in Love" also come from the play.

Also during the month of September the Ramona Bowl will host the San Jacinto Valley Shakespeare Festival production of *Hamlet*. The Ramona Bowl ticket office is available from 10am to 4pm, Monday through Friday. ■

WHEN: Sept. 23, 24, 30, Oct. 1. Gates open 5pm, show 7pm.
WHERE: Ramona Bowl Amphitheatre, 27400 Ramona Bowl Rd., Hemet
TICKETS: \$20

For more information, call
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and times. (760) 322-2930.

OLD TOWN TEMECULA COMMUNITY THEATER OPENING: Celebration Oct. 4-9 in Old Town Temecula. See article on this page.

PERFORMANCE RIVERSIDE:

Ragtime the Musical, Sept. 16-18, 23-25. At Landis Performing Arts Center, 4800 Magnolia Center, Riverside. For further information or to purchase tickets call the Performance Riverside box office at (951) 222-8100 or www.performance-riverside.org.

RAMONA BOWL AMPHITHEATRE:

• *Hamlet*, Sept. 9-10, 16-17. • *Oklahoma*, Sept. 23-Oct. 1. Tickets \$20, show time 7:30pm. Ramona Bowl Amphitheatre, 27400 Ramona Bowl Rd., San Jacinto. (951) 658-3111. See article on this page.

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Sylvia, Sept. 9-Oct. 2, a modern romantic comedy. Tickets \$12 general, \$10 seniors and students. Fri. &

Old Bricks, New Lights, Temecula Goes Live!

The stars will be aligned to shine brightly in Temecula this fall as the City of Temecula celebrates the arts at the new 362-seat, state-of-the-art Old Town Temecula Community Theater on Main Street in the heart of Old Town Temecula.

There will be six days of celebration during the grand opening festivities which are scheduled from October 4 through 9. Festivities will start daily at noon.

In harmony with the City of Temecula's motto, "Old Traditions, New Opportunities," the grand opening theme is "Old Bricks, New Lights, Temecula Goes Live!" The mission of the new theater is to foster the development of community arts and entertainment by presenting quality theatrical experiences and artistic expression, and encourage a life-long appreciation for the performing arts.

The Old Town Temecula Community Theater will offer performances every month. A wide range of performances to satisfy all age groups and tastes are currently booked and many more artists will be added throughout the coming year. Temecula Presents, the producing arm of the theater, will present new acts, national tours, and established artists.

The new theater is accessed through the historic Mercantile Building, in Old Town, which will host continuous entertainment featuring jazz, blues, classical music, and more on its club-style



The new theater (above), and an artist's rendition of the completed interior.



performance stage.

The gallery in the Mercantile will house a visual arts exhibition of prominent Temecula Valley artists and there will be an arts and crafts festival juried by the Arts council of Temecula Valley in the Jeanne Burns Courtyard. In addition, Theater tours will be offered daily during these six days of celebration.

For more information about upcoming events, tickets, and volunteer opportunities, call 1-866-OLD-TOWN (1-866-653-8696).

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Cinema in the pines

Big Bear Film Festival spotlights independent work

The sixth annual Big Bear Lake International Film Festival will be held the weekend of September 16-18. The festival highlights independent feature-length films, student films, short films, documentaries, family films, animation films, digital films and a screenwriting competition. Juried awards, audience awards, animation awards, family film award and screenwriting competition awards will be presented.

This year's Lifetime Achievement Award for Cinematography will be given to Academy Award nominated Cinematographer William A. Fraker. His work includes *Looking for Mr. Goodbar*, *Heaven Can Wait*, *1941*, *War Games*, *Murphy's Romance*, *Bullitt*, *Rosemary's Baby*, *Paint Your Wagon*, *Rules of Engagement*, *Town and Country* and *The Island of Dr. Moreau*. The award will be presented Sept. 16.



On Saturday, Sept. 17, the Acting Award of Excellence will be presented to Steven Gilborn (*Doctor Doolittle*, *The Brady Bunch Movie* and *Formosa*).

Each year the festival includes a cultural sidebar. This year's will showcase German language films. "In the spirit of showcasing German language films, the festival will also have an 'Octoberfest' theme to its Saturday night Wrap Party," Eric Lewis, the festival treasurer and party event planner, said.

"We are excited about going into our sixth year and we continue to grow as a film festival," festival president Gail M. McCarthy said.

"The film festival's rapid growth and inclusion of many film categories has brought exposure to a wide range of independent feature films, student films, short films, documentaries, family films, animated films and digital films, many of which went on to win other prizes, including Academy Award nominations and Independent Spirit Award nominations," artistic & programming director Monika Skerbelis said.

In addition to a successful screenwriting competition, the festival hosts an annual screenwriting/filmmaker panel discussion with many of the film industry jurors in attendance. These jurors help make the festival valuable to new film-

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Looking Forward, Giving Back

20th Anniversary 'Jubilee' Celebration at the Candlelight Pavilion

Celebrating 20 years of musical dinner theater, Ben Bollinger's Candlelight Pavilion offers a retrospective production with "greatest hits" from their most memorable productions with Jubilee. The theme of the 20th Anniversary Jubilee is "Looking Forward, Giving Back," with 10% of the show's proceeds benefiting local charities.

Charitable recipients include Karousel Kids, Habitat for Humanity, Pomona Valley Workshop, Rising Stars, Shoes That Fit, Inland Valley Hospice, Ability First, Foothill Philharmonic Committee, Young Life, Crossroads, Claremont Educational Foundation and the Glendora Library.

On October 4, 1985, Ben Bollinger's Candlelight Pavilion Dinner Theater opened its doors with the musical revue "Premiere Jubilee!" Twenty years and 117 productions later, the Candlelight Pavilion celebrates with a very special production, "The 20th Anniversary Jubilee!" which runs September 2-18.

Take a walk down memory lane with owner/producer Ben Bollinger as he hosts a magical evening full of favorite moments unfolding on the Candlelight stage when some of the best-loved musicals of all time are revisited.

The leading actors and actresses who delighted audiences in the original productions are returning to the dinner theater's stage for this once-in-a-lifetime run.

Ben Bollinger's Candlelight Pavilion Dinner Theatre is located at 455 W. Foothill Blvd., in Claremont. "The 20th Anniversary Jubilee," sponsored by Crestview Cadillac, will be presented six times a week through September 18. Seating for dinner shows Thursday through Saturday begins at 6pm, with the curtain rising at 8:15pm. Seating on Sunday evenings begins at 5pm with a 7:15pm curtain time. There are also matinee performances on Saturdays, Sunday and selected Thursdays, with seating beginning at 11am and curtain at 12:45pm.

Prices range from \$34 to \$70 per person and include salad (fruit salad for matinees), choice of entrée, beverage, sales tax and the show. Appetizers, alcoholic beverages, desserts and gratuity are additional. All major credit cards are accepted and parking is free. For information and reservations, call (909) 626-1254, or go online to www.candlelightpavilion.com. ■

Fun for everyone in Lake Elsinore

Put that 60-hour work week in your rearview mirror and that never-ending list of household chores on the backburner for a lazy and relaxing Saturday afternoon. On Oct. 8, the Third Annual Art & Wine Festival in Lake Elsinore is an opportunity for you to enjoy Historical Downtown Lake Elsinore's City Park with your friends and family while browsing the works of local artisans, listening to live entertainment, and tasting great food, wine, and beer from around the world.

The Art & Wine Festival will include local artisan exhibitors that will show stunning, original work in photography, painting, pottery, glass, wood, and ceramics. The wine selection offered will allow you to learn more about the different kinds of wine from around the world.

There will be several food vendors that will offer you the rich and diverse foods offered throughout the Temecula Valley. The Micro-Brew area will offer several of the local beers for the "hops lovers." The popular soda tasting station returns this year with several new designer soda flavors.

The children will have plenty of activities as they enjoy themselves art activities available throughout the day.

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Riverside Community Players this month presents its season opener: *The Constant Wife*. Written by the great W. Somerset Maugham, *The Constant Wife* is a modern and very humorous look at marriage, adultery, and the appearance – at its best and its worst – we project to the world. *The Constant Wife* was first produced in London in 1927 and has enjoyed numerous revivals

worldwide, most recently on Broadway and the renowned Guthrie Theater.

Director Don Walters has assembled a talented cast of contrasting characters. The cast includes Janet Hodge as Mrs. Culver, Ryan Sparr as Bentley, Tamara Hall as Martha, Cathy Maxwell as Barbara, Susan Boldt as Mary-Louise, Kevin Bray as Dr. Middleton, Branton Lachman as Bernard, Phil Holmer as Mortimer, and Sandra Ford as Constance – the constant wife. The technical crew, headed by Dick

Lawrence, will create a diverse set representative of the 1930s.

The Constant Wife will open September 9 and run for three weeks. Evening performances are 8pm on Sept. 9, 10, 15, 16, 17, 22, 23, 24. Matinee performances are 2pm on Sept. 11, 18, 24, 25. Tickets are \$15. Reservations can be made by calling (951) 686-4030. Riverside Community Players is located at 4026 Fourteenth Street in Riverside. ■

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mines in the world. The mine is also known for the high quality turquoise mined in conjunction with the copper.

Lee and Arvid spent as much time as possible dealing in coins, especially at flea markets. Wayne happened to pick up a selection of Navajo Indian woven saddle blankets and sent them to Tucson where Lee and Arvid, in turn, sold them at flea markets. They were highly successful and the brothers were off and running.

Trips to the Navajo Reservation began where they bought Navajo weavings wholesale from trading posts.

As the inventory grew Lee began putting on shows with other dealers and individuals and soon it was shows that had nothing but vendors and artisans of Indian arts and crafts. By the mid 1970s their inventory became large enough and varied enough to put on shows with their own inventory.

By the early 1990s shows had been conducted in numerous states from coast to coast. Hopi potters included many of the Nampeyo family, the Feather woman family and the Frog Woman family plus many more potters from other pueblos. Artists, the living legend, Harrison Begay, Beatien Yazz, Calvin and Irving Toddy-Yazz's sons and the late Robert Draper. Robert Redbird Sr. the very noted Kiowa artist came in and established a long term relationship. Jewelers, the multi-award winner Al Nez, the fantastic micro-inlay jewelers Carl and Irene Clark, Bruce Hodgins of many talents as well as awards. The list goes on through kachina carvers, Navajo rug weavers sand painters, and many other "art" forms.

Items range in price from two or three dollars to thousands of dollars. The sellers guarantee their product, with onsite appraisers.

The inventory spans the ages, from contemporary pieces to historic works, many by the late legends such as Maria Martinez, Margaret Tafoya Preston Mononge, Camillo Sunflower Tafoya, and prehistoric items.

The Anderson's host about 27 shows a year. The Riverside show began in 1980 at the Mission Inn. Shows are also held in Las Vegas, Yuma, Denver, San Antonio, metro Washington DC, metro Baltimore, Philadelphia, Lancaster, and a coming show in Frederick, Md.

The sixth generation of Andersons has come along with Lee's sons Eric (a partner), and Mathew.

Admission is free to the show. The Elks Lodge is located at 6166 Brockton Ave in Riverside. For more information, call (951) 786-9738, or go online to www.americana.net. ■

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Sat. 8pm, Sun. 2pm. 150 E. San Bernardino Ave., Rialto. (909) 873-8514.

RIVERSIDE COMMUNITY PLAYERS: *The Constant Wife*, Sept. 9-25. Tickets: \$15. 4026 14th St., Riverside. Theatre in the Round. Box office: (951) 686-4030.

RIVERSIDE JAZZ FESTIVAL: Sept. 24-25, 1-9pm, Fairmount Park in Riverside. (951) 687-2448.

RIVERSIDE LITTLE OPERA: Held at All Saints Episcopal Church in Riverside. (951) 781-9561. www.riversidelittleopera.com.

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SAWDUST ART FESTIVAL: Through Sept. 4, 10am-10pm daily. 935 Laguna Canyon Rd., Laguna Beach. (949) 494-3030, www.sawdustartfestival.org.

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GRANDPARENTS' DAY FASHION SHOW: Sept. 11, 4-5:30pm. Featuring the children and parents of Children's Center of the Inland Counties. Wallace Theatre, Cal Baptist University. Fashions will be provided by Gottschalks of Riverside. (951) 784-0020 ext. 159 or 123.

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OKTOBERFEST: Sept. 17 weekends through Oct. 23, Big Bear Lake. See article on page 6.

ORANGE SHOW SWAP MEET: Every Sun. in Sept. at the Orange Show, Carnival Lot, gate 4. (909) 888-6788.

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CALIFORNIA MUSEUM OF PHOTOGRAPHY: 3824 Main St., Riverside, (951) 787-4787. www.cmp.ucr.edu.

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CORONA HERITAGE PARK & MUSEUM: 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesdays through Saturdays, 510 W. Foothill Parkway, Corona, free, (951) 898-0687.

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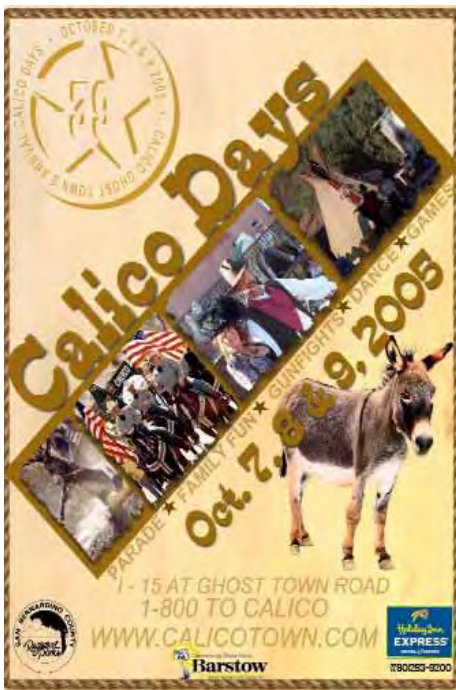
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makers, film distributors, agents, managers, producers and film fans in Big Bear Lake. "The screenwriting/filmmaker panel has been one of the most popular events each year," screenwriting competition director Sandy Steers said. "It gives everyone a chance to hear some of the success stories and to get their questions answered about their own careers."

Past well-known honoree participants have been Academy Award winning actress, Shirley Jones; Emmy Award nominated actor, Ron Perlman ("Beauty and the Beast"); and Emmy and Academy Award nominated actress & director, JoBeth Williams ("Adam", "Baby M", "On Hope") and many more.

Among the films screened in the past at the Opening Night Gala before they were released domestically in theaters were "Finding Home," "Secondhand Lions," "Moonlight Mile," "Hearts of Atlantis" and "Almost Famous."

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On Saturday, gates open at 8am. Qualifying, time trials and exhibition runs begin at 11am. Jr. Fuel, A/Fuel and the Top Fuel qualifying session #2 are at 2pm. The Special Awards ceremonies are at 6pm.

The Jr. Fuel, A/Fuel and Top Fuel qualifying session #2, followed by Top Fuel Round 1 Eliminations, are at 6:30pm. The Twilight Memorial is at 8pm. followed immediately by "Cacklefest."

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