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Snack bar will be open, and, as always, picnic grounds are available. On Saturday there will be a classic car display and on Sunday the Crown Fire Coach Enthusiasts will stage their annual "pump in" and display of antique fire engines.

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Teaching kids about good health is important to start them on lifelong good habits. The Kids Fitness Challenge in Fontana this month aims to promote health with large heapings of fun included.

The Kids Fitness Challenge will be held on Saturday, March 21, at the AutoClub Speedway in Fontana. This challenge is the premier event promoting healthy lifestyles for kids and their families across the Inland area and is brought to you by the Kids Fitness Challenge Foundation, The AutoClub Speedway, and Healthy Communities from San Bernardino County Department of Public Health.

The morning begins with a 5K Fun Run on the Speedway Track where the NASCAR races are held. Kids and their families can walk, jog, skate, bike, or scooter on the track.

The 5K ends at the Speedway Fanzone which is turned into the Get Healthy California Expo. This expo is completely geared to kids of all ages providing lots of fun activities such as sport exhibitions, rock climbing walls, basketball, soccer clinics, Zumba dance, skateboarding, food samples, and more.

The Kids Fitness Challenge provides a fun-filled family-oriented activity at no cost. There is no charge to park or participate, and nothing in the expo is sold. The goal is to promote a healthy lifestyle and educate families about activities available to them locally and to make physical activity a part of their life.

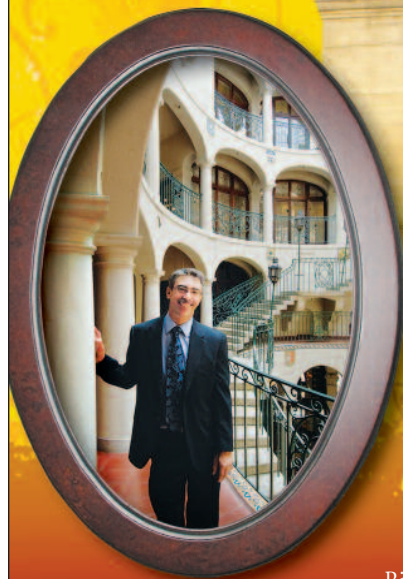
This event is also an opportunity for schools to earn grants and/or equipment for physical activity. Schools that participate with 65 or more people are eligible for grants. Everyone in the family that participates can attach their name to their children’s school to receive credit.

Go to fitnesschallengefoundation.org to register and download the waiver. If you have questions, call Healthy Communities at (909) 888-3571 or email healthycommunities@dph.sbcounty.gov.

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Tickets go on sale for the San Bernardino County Fair

By Miguel Gonzalez, San Bernardino County Fair Director of Communications

Can you smell that? The San Bernardino County Fair is nearing and this year's event has something for everyone. Whether you are a hopeless lover of fair food, rides, contests or concerts, this year's fair features one of most impressive line-ups in its history.



This year's two stand-out concert events feature Country music sensation Gretchen Wilson and former Poison frontman and VH1's star Bret Michaels. "Our fair has always been known to bring up-and-coming

stars, but this year we are featuring our best line-up ever," Fair CEO Ken Alstott said. "As if that was not enough, this year we will feature 42 carnival rides. Think about it, that's more rides than Disneyland itself."

The event, located in nearby Victorville, runs from May 9 through May 17 and will also feature events such as an extreme motor bike show, bull riding, demolition derby, freestyle bike show among many other events. "In a year

where economic challenges are many, The San Bernardino County Fair continues to be one of the few places where affordability and fun for the whole family is a sure bet," Alstott said.

Advance ticket sales begin March 16, with adult admission at \$6, seniors \$4, and children 6 to 12 \$3 (\$2 savings on presale tickets). General grandstand tickets to Bret Michaels is \$5, and Gretchen Wilson is \$7. Tickets are available on their website at www.sbcfair.com and at the fairgrounds.

This year's Fair theme will be Green Acres. According to Alstott, this theme perfectly combines both the agricultural aspect of the Fair and their continuous effort to conserve our natural environment. Whether you enjoy exhibits, food, entertainment, or participating in competitions, this year's Fair is designed to teach while having fun at the same time.

"Young people, especially, cherish the fun of the carnival, the awe and curiosity inspired by exhibits, and the pride of competing in Junior Livestock events. The Fair is for everyone, but Fairs and children are a natural mix!" he said.

Alstott credited his fair board of directors and staff as the key components to launch a fair that can easily rival fairs such as Los Angeles or



Gretchen Wilson




Bret Michaels

Photos by Mitchell Parsons

Orange counties.

"We have a team that thinks outside of the box. Our board had a vision to give residents of the county the very best, while our staff is dedicated to vision," he said.

The fair's website, www.sbcfair.com, and a recently implemented cell phone text system are just some of the most effective tools the fair has to communicate directly with patrons. "If you text FAIR to 88202, you will be added to receive exclusive information to concerts, events and even coupons for food inside the fair," Alstott said. The website will give fans direct and exclusive access to tickets for concerts and other events. 

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Killarney's can be found in two locations in the Inland Empire: Riverside at the Riverside Plaza and Temecula.

The Temecula location will be expanding its outside parking lot area once again this year to include a stage, two bars, merchandise table, and a new food to go table, for those who do not want to wait in line to get their Irish fix.

Killarney's Riverside has been open for over a year, and has brought the same warm, friendly, and unique atmosphere to the patrons there. Expanding the festivities into the courtyard once again helps make room for all the thirsty patrons. Extra lunch seating will be available

this year for those looking to score the best "Corned Beef and Cabbage" around, and feast on delicious "Harp Beer Battered Fish & Chips."



Both locations will host live music all day featuring one of Southern California's best Irish bands, the California Celts. The California Celts will be playing in Riverside at noon, and in Temecula at 5pm. Irish dancers will adorn the festivities, once again bringing the Irish culture to life through their beautiful dance and costumes. As always, the sounds of bagpipers will be heard throughout the day inside and out.

This March 17 may be a Tuesday, but that will not slow this party down. Last year Killarney's saw over 2,000 customers at each location, and they expect to see the same, if not more, this year. www.killarneys.com

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Eagle Falls is home to such prestigious events as the annual Playboy Golf Scramble (Nov. 13-14, 2009) and the 2008 Pro Sports Team Challenge featuring Charles Barkley, LaDainian Tomlinson, George Brett and Mario Lemieux. The course is one of Golfweek Magazines "Top 50 Golf Courses" and a back to back "Best Value" award winner from Greenskeeper.org.

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Casinos

Fantasy Springs Resort Casino awards 'dream cars'


Fantasy Springs Resort Casino helped Lydia S. from Palm Desert drive away in one of three luxurious cars that are up for grabs during the Fantasy Dream Car Giveaway event.

Through March 28, players can swipe their Club Fantasy card at one of the special kiosks, located on the casino floor, and play the Fantasy Dream Car Giveaway Game. Swipe your card everyday and earn entries into the last grand prize drawing, which takes place on Saturday, March 28.

At the Fantasy Dream Car Giveaway Grand Prize drawing, two lucky players will be chosen at random each hour, beginning at 3pm. One more player will be chosen at 7pm. In all, nine players will gather at 7:15pm to choose one of the nine Fantasy Dream Car Giveaway cases, with eight cases containing a consolation prize of \$1,000 in free slot play and one of the cases will hold the key to their choice of one of the Fantasy Dream Cars.

The Fantasy Dream Car Giveaway features three of 2009's sleekest and sexiest rides available today: a Jaguar XF, the Audi TT Coupe, and the Land Rover LR2.

All Fantasy Dream Car Giveaway participants must be present to win.

Fantasy Springs Resort Casino is located north of Interstate 10 at the Golf Center Parkway exit near Indio. For more information, call (760) 342-5000, (800) 827-2946 or visit www.fantasyspringsresort.com. 



The Jaguar XF, one of three cars offered as prizes in the Fantasy Springs Resort Casino's Dream Cars Giveaway event.

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Paul Anka: March 14, 8pm.

Frankie Valli and the Four Seasons: March 21, 8pm. See article on page 13.

Improv Comedy Club: Fridays and Saturdays, 8pm & 10pm each night, through April 25. Tickets: \$20. Second Floor Mezzanine. New comics each week. Enjoy your favorite comics from Los Angeles, Orange County and Last Comic Standing Fame and more. (760) 342-5000.

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Meet playmates at Fantasy Springs event

Fantasy Springs Resort Casino is hosting a special Playboy Magazine signing party on Saturday, March 7 from 9pm to midnight, on the casino floor. Miss February 2009, Jessica Burciaga and Miss March 2009, Jennifer Pershing will be on hand to meet and sign autographs.

The free event is the 4th Playboy Magazine signing event to take place at Fantasy Springs Resort Casino. Patrons must be 21 or older to enter the casino.

In a continuing partnership with Playboy, Fantasy Springs Resort Casino will team up once again with Playboy Golf for the 3rd Annual Playboy Golf Scramble at Eagle

Falls Golf Course, November 13 and 14, later this year.

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Jennifer Pershing



Jessica Burciaga



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Canyon Crest Towne Centre hosts family events

Easter egg hunts, car shows, Cinco de Mayo and more

Canyon Crest Towne Centre in Riverside has a wide range of family events coming up, including car shows, live music and the Easter Bunny.

A Car Show on Sunday, March 7, will feature live entertainment by the band, the 5th Dementia. The Canyon Crest Towne Centre's Car Shows are held on the second Sunday of each month from 2 to 5pm, weather permitting.

Shoppers at the Centre on St. Patrick's Day, March 17, are asked to wear green and receive special discounts at participating merchants. Look for the green balloons.

The Easter Bunny, Easter egg hunt, crafts, photos, scavenger hunt, and more, all highlight Canyon Crest Towne Centre's annual Funfest on Saturday, April 11, between 11am and 2pm, at the Centre, 5225 Canyon Crest Dr.

The Easter Egg Scramble (hunt), beginning promptly at 11am, will be divided by age



groups for children 18 months to age 10. Colorful eggs will be filled with candy, toys and surprises. (Children are reminded to bring their Easter baskets.) A scavenger hunt will be held in the Centre for kids 11-13.

Child Finger Printing will also be available, sponsored by News Talk Radio, 590 KTIE and the Norris Group.

The next day, Easter Sunday, the Easter Bunny will also appear at the Centre's April 12 Car Show.

Uptown Kiwanis of Riverside will present the Cinco de Mayo Family Fun Fiesta, May 2, at the Canyon Crest Towne Centre, from 4 to 7pm. Tickets will be \$5 each (available in books of 10 for \$50), which will pay for twilight dining and other promotional activities provided by participating merchants in the Centre.

There will be Folklore dancing exhibitions by Folklore Mexicano Del Sur De California; music provided by D.J Dave Parsons; children's activities including puppeteers, face painting by Grezie the Clown (free with one paid \$5 ticket), character balloons (also free with one paid \$5 ticket).

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Rock n' roll Hall of Famers Frankie Valli and the Four Seasons perform at Fantasy Springs


Their distinctive singing voices and street corner doo-wop stylings has made hits like "Sherry," "Big Girls Don't Cry" and "Walk Like A Man" into instant classics. Now, Fantasy Springs Resort Casino features the legendary *Frankie Valli and the Four Seasons* to the Special Events Center stage, Saturday, March 21 at 8pm.

One of the most popular vocal groups of the 60's, *Frankie Valli and the Four Seasons* racked up a total of 29 Top 40 hits including "Rag Doll," "December, 1963" and "Dawn (Go Away)." As a solo performer, lead singer Frankie Valli scored 9 Top 40 hits. The list features "My Eyes Adored You," "Grease," "Can't Take My Eyes Off Of You" and "Swearin' to God."

Before their induction into the Rock N' Roll Hall of Fame in 1990, *Frankie Valli and the Four Seasons* grew up singing on the street corners of Newark, NJ. After forming the group in 1960, they would sell a remarkable 100 million records from 1962 through 1968. Even the Beatles couldn't surpass their popularity or knock them off the charts.

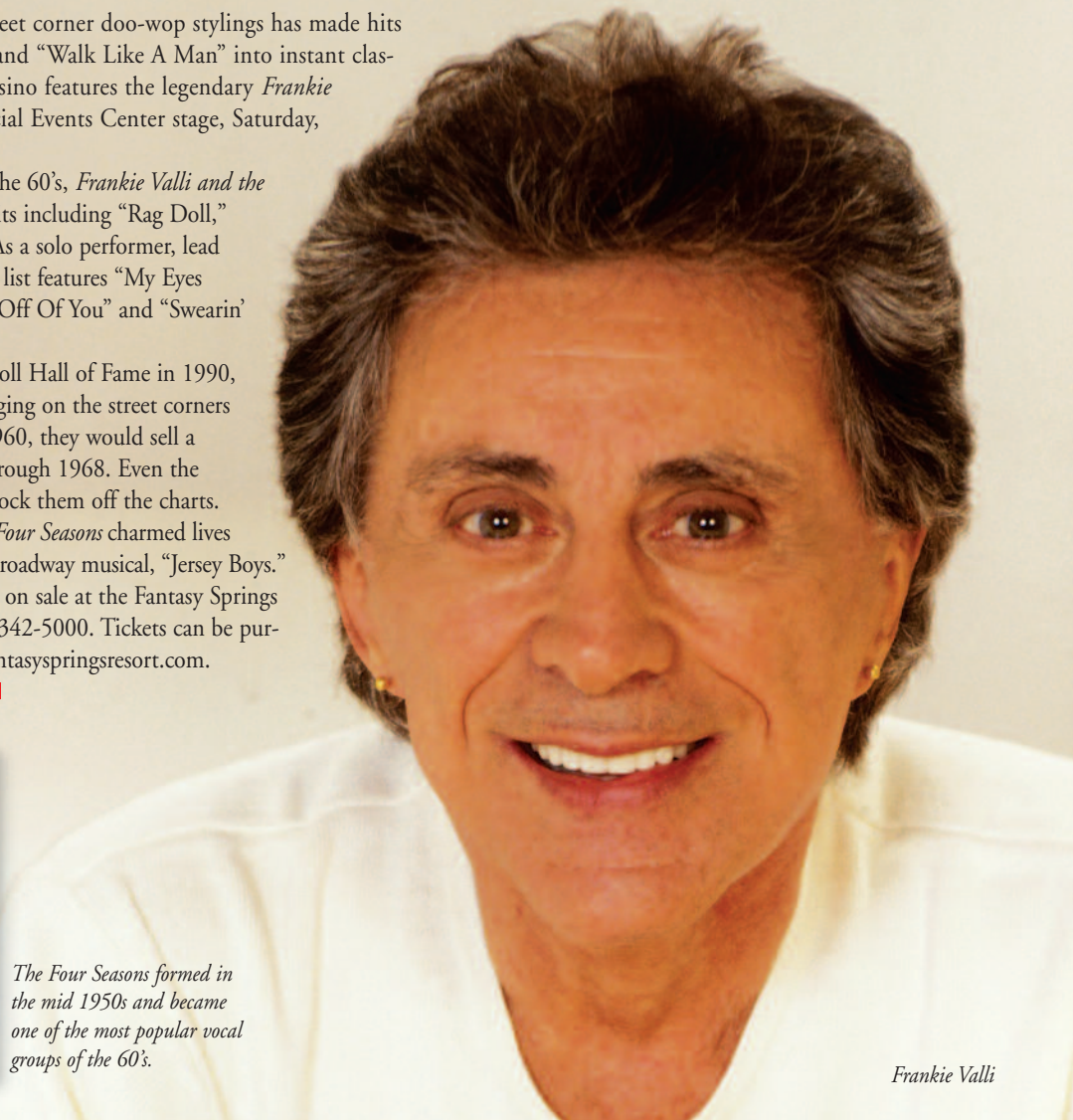
In the years to come, *Frankie Valli and the Four Seasons* charmed lives with would become the basis for the popular Broadway musical, "Jersey Boys."

Tickets for this one-night performance are on sale at the Fantasy Springs Resort Casino Box Office or by calling (760) 342-5000. Tickets can be purchased on-line at www.tickets.com or www.fantasyspringsresort.com.

Tickets are priced at \$59, \$49 and \$29. 



The Four Seasons formed in the mid 1950s and became one of the most popular vocal groups of the 60's.



Frankie Valli

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Theater & the Arts

Orchestra brings 'Russia' to Corona

By Tom Pigeon

When Don Kindred moved to Corona, he felt the area needed its own orchestra. As a musician himself, he knew a little something about music. So, he started one up.

"I just thought, we can do this," Kindred said. "This area was right for a symphony orchestra."

Thus was born the Corona Symphony Orchestra. Kindred gathered a couple of musicians and started putting it all together. Their first concert was last August at the Corona Civic Center. It played to a sold out crowd.

"That was just really, really great. It was just a great start for us," he said.

Barely six months later, the orchestra is preparing for its third concert, "A Taste of Russia," on April 4.

Kindred is pleased with how the orchestra has grown in such a short time. "Their level of



Pianist Janelle Tag accompanies the Corona Symphony Orchestra in "A Taste of Russia."

play just continues to go up," he said. "We're pretty excited."

The orchestra is a labor of love, with the

musicians all volunteers. As a 501c3 charity, it is non-profit and tax exempt. Kindred said the local response has been very supportive.

"The response from the community has been so positive. This is a non-paying gig for everyone, we are so grateful for volunteers stepping up," he said.

The April 4 "A Taste of Russia" concert features pianist Janelle Tag playing *Piano Concerto No. 2 in C-Minor* by Sergei Rachmaninoff, plus the orchestra performing the *Russian Easter Festival Overture* by Rimsky-Korskov and Modest Moussorgsky's *Pictures at an Exhibition*.

Conductor Marco Mejia chose the Russian music for its bombastic brass. "We have a very, very talented wind and brass section," Mejia said. "I wanted to do a concert featuring that."

Like Kindred, Mejia is pleased with the level of talent the orchestra has attracted. "This is an

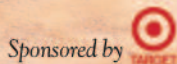
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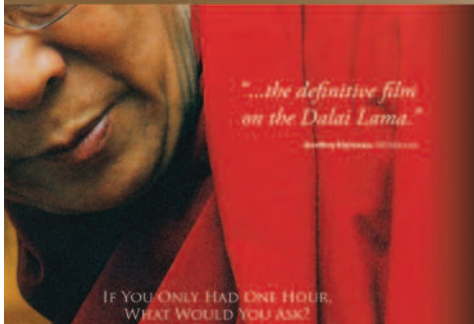
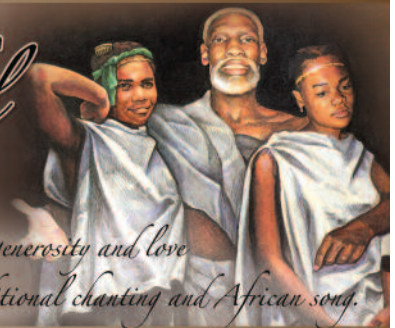


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Performance Riverside Salutes Broadway with 'Sensational Showtunes: Up Close and Personal'



Broadway headliner and Redlands native Byron Nease, photographed here in the title role in the Kopit/Yeston musical *Phantom*, appears in Performance Riverside's *Sensational Showtunes: Up Close and Personal*, March 27-April 5 at Landis Performing Arts Center.

April 4 and 5 at 2pm. Tickets are \$25, \$30, \$37, and \$43. A specially priced "Discovery Theatre" performance for school and senior groups is also available March 27 at 10am. For more information and to purchase tickets contact the Landis Box Office at (951) 222-8100, or purchase online at www.performanceriverside.org. 

Enjoy an elegant salute to the Great White Way this month with *Sensational Showtunes: Up Close and Personal*, opening March 27 at Performance Riverside. The production features lovingly crafted renditions of the best in Broadway showtunes, a look forward to Performance Riverside's 2009-2010 season, and a personal look at just what goes into the making of those who make the theatre their life's work.

Sensational Showtunes features a cast headlined by Broadway veteran and Redlands native Byron Nease, who made his Broadway debut across from Angela Lansbury in *Mame*. Nease is notable for having portrayed both Raoul in Andrew Lloyd Weber's *Phantom of the Opera*, and the titular role in the successful Kopit/Yeston production *Phantom*.

A limited number of cabaret-style VIP seats to *Sensational Showtunes* are available. This unique experience is the ultimate treat for theatre-buffs, who sit onstage in the very best seats



Performance Riverside presents *Sensational Showtunes: Up Close and Personal*, March 27-April 5 at Landis Performing Arts Center.

in the house as they are treated to lovingly crafted renditions of award-winning showstoppers up close and personal.

The Landis Performing Arts Center is located on the Riverside City College campus at 4800 Magnolia Avenue. Performances of *Sensational Showtunes: Up Close and Personal* are March 27, 28, April 3 and 4 at 8pm and March 28, 29,

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'42nd Street' tapping its way to Claremont

A classic musical is tapping its way to the Candlelight Pavilion Dinner Theater in Claremont. *42nd Street*, playing now through April 5, is the legendary tale of young ingénue Peggy Sawyer who lands her first job in the chorus of a new Broadway show. When the star performer, Miss Dorothy Brock, has an accident, Peggy is given the chance of a lifetime to take center stage.

With a book by Michael Stewart and Mark Bramble, music by Harry Warren and lyrics by Al Dubin, this unforgettable musical includes tunes such as "We're in the Money," "You're Getting to be a Habit With Me," "Lullaby of Broadway," and, of course, "42nd Street."

Teamed with this musical extravaganza is a production staff and cast of unmatched talent. Having previously directed such hits on the Candlelight stage as *Peter Pan*, *Kismet*, and *My Fair Lady*, Chuck Ketter is elated to bring this nostalgic musical back in 2009.


"I've been looking forward to working with this brilliant cast," said Ketter, who will work along with Musical Director Vonetta Mixson and Choreographer DJ Gray. Having graced the Candlelight stage in various roles through-

out their careers, both Mixson and Gray look forward to giving back their time and talent for *42nd Street*.

Featured in *42nd Street* are actors Allison Knight (Peggy Sawyer), Michael Milligan (Billy Lawler), Aileen-Marie Scott (Dorothy Brock), Danny Michaels (Julian Marsh), Orlando Alexander (Pat Denning), Jamie Snyder (Bert Barry), Bobby Collins (Andy Lee) and Ann Myers (Anytime Annie).

"*42nd Street* is a dazzling classical musical that has won the hearts of many for years. It is one of those shows that you just have to see and it never loses its luster! The Candlelight Pavilion will recreate this radiant, tap-dancing musical with a magnificent set design and costuming," Artistic Director Mindy Teuber said.

Tickets for *42nd Street* are available now by calling (909) 626-1254 ext. 1 or by visiting www.candlelightpavilion.com. Ticket prices vary by seating preference. Prices for adults range from \$48 to \$75 and are \$25 for children on select performances.

Performances run Thursdays through Sundays. The ticket price includes both the dinner entrée and the show. 

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455 Foothill Blvd., Claremont. candlelightpavilion.com.

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(951) 343-4319. calbaptist.edu/theater. Wallace Theater, 8432 Magnolia Ave. in Riverside.

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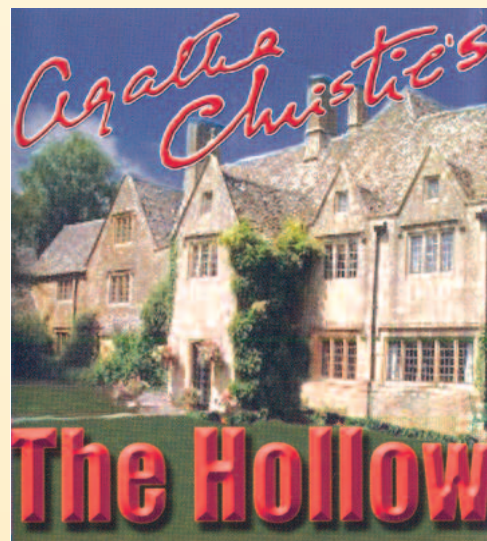
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Mufaro's Beautiful Daughters: March 12, 7pm, presented by Dallas Children's Theatre. When a great African king desires a wife, only the most worthy and beautiful maidens in the land are invited to meet him. For ages 8+. General \$13.50, seniors \$11.50, youth \$9.50.

10 Questions for the Dalai Lama: March 17, 7pm, as part of the Lewis Family Playhouse Film Series. Tickets \$10.

Aesop's Fables: March 18, 10am. Aesop's fables brought to life with costumes, wacky wit and audience participation. For ages 2+. Tickets: \$9.50.

The Jungle Book: State Street Ballet presents a colorful new production of the classic Rudyard Kipling tale. March 21, 2pm and 7pm. General \$20, senior \$18, youth \$16.50.

Altar Boyz: April 4, 3pm and 8pm. A musical comedy spoof about a fictitious Christian boy band on the last night of their national tour. General \$16.50, senior \$14.50, youth \$13.50.

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War of the Worlds and The Lost World: March 9, 7pm. Radio theater from LA Theatre Works. Tickets: \$45, \$35, \$25, \$15.

OLD TOWN TEMECULA BLUEGRASS FESTIVAL

Pickers, jammers, and bluegrass fans will converge on Old Town Temecula Streets March 21 & 22 for the ninth annual Old Town Temecula Bluegrass Festival. This year's event features the Claire Lynch Band. Also performing at the 2009 event is: Bluegrass Etc., the Silverado Bluegrass Band, Whistle Stop, This Just In, Flint Hill Special, Sligo Rags, Bluegrass Brethren, Windy Ridge, Haywire and Older than Dirt. Bands will perform on two stages from 11am to 5pm on Saturday and on Sunday. All daytime concerts, workshops and jam sessions are free. Saturday evening from 7 to 10pm will feature a concert in

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CATS season opens with variety show

CATS, The Community Arts Theater Society of Big Bear Valley, will open its 2009 season with an original variety show, *Junior Musical / Senior Class Reunion*. A mix up in the schedule at the school gym has the kids' original musical revue mixed in with the 50th reunion of the Senior Class Alumni.

The talented CATS kids are featured in the *Junior Musical* revue. *Senior Class Reunion* will contain highlights of the original musical comedy revue written by Saul Ilson, which premiered with CATS in Big Bear before playing several seasons in Palm Desert. Featured in *Senior Class Reunion* are

members of the original Big Bear cast, John Grandi, Karen Sargent Rachels, Nancy Walker, Bill Ferguson, Richard Rosborough and Elena Peavy.

Junior Musical / Senior Class Reunion plays for six performances only on April 3, 4, 8, 10, 11 at 7:30pm and April 5 at 1:30pm.

Performances are at the Big Bear Lake Performing Arts Center. Tickets range in price according to dates and location: Adults: \$12 - \$25; Seniors: \$11 - \$23; Under 18: \$9 - \$18. Tickets can be purchased on line at CATS web site: www.bigbeartheater.org or thru the PAC Box Office at 909-866-4970. 



The Rest of the Season

The remainder of the 2009 season for CATS includes ...

The Wizard of Oz

The CATS summer musical will be *The Wizard of Oz*, with music and script based on the movie. Featuring all of the movie's favorite characters, it's sure to be a family favorite. The musical plays for 13 performances: June 26, 27, July 1, 2, 3, 6, 8, 9, 10 & 11 at 7:30pm and on June 28, July 5, & 12 at 1:30pm.

Old-Tyme Silent Movie Matinee

As a special fund-raiser for their new Warehouse Theater project, CATS will present the second annual *Old-Tyme Silent Movie Matinee* starring the incredible Bob Salisbury on the theatre organ. One matinee only: August 16 at 2pm.

You're A Good Man Charlie Brown

Rounding out the season will be *You're A Good Man Charlie Brown*, featuring the CATS Kids. The musical plays 11 performances: Nov. 13, 14, 18, 20, 21, 24, 27, 28 at 7:30pm and Nov. 15, 22 & 29 at 1:30pm.



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Guys & Dolls auditions at Performance Riverside, April 5

Performance Riverside announced open call auditions for professional, non-union performers for the upcoming production of *Guys and Dolls*, based on a story and characters by Damon Runyon, with book by Abe Burrows and Jo Swerling, and lyrics and music by Frank Loesser. The production is directed by Douglas Austin, choreographed by John Vaughan, and musically directed by Scott T. Smith.

Auditions will be held on Sunday, April 5 at 6pm, at Landis Performing Arts Center on the campus of Riverside City College. Performance pay is available.

Prepare a song (16 bars) that shows your voice and personality. Have another contrasting song prepared in the event one is requested. Wear clothes appropriate for moving and dancing. All persons who audition must bring a resume, headshot, and a 110 word biography with them.

Performances are June 5, 6, 7, 12, 13 and 14 at Landis Performing Arts Center. Come

prepared to list any conflicts you have with the rehearsal schedule. Currently casting for the roles of:

SARAH BROWN (Soprano, 20 - 30) A proud, hardworking but naive "mission doll."

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NATHAN DETROIT (Baritone, comic role) A not-so-smart but lovable gambler, engaged to Adelaide for 14 years.

MISS ADELAIDE (Alto/Mezzo, 35 - 45, comic, dance) A performer at the Hot Box club who has a permanent cold from being engaged to Nathan for 14 years.

NICELY-NICELY JOHNSON (Tenor, comic) A bumbling gambler who spends a lot of time eating.

ARVIDE ABERNATHY (Baritone) Sarah's grandfather and guardian.

BENNY SOUTHSTREET (Baritone, comic) A goofy gambler.

RUSTY CHARLIE (Baritone) A gambler.

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Performance Riverside welcomes individuals of any age, race, color, national origin, religion, disability or sexual orientation at all of its auditions. Performances are at the Landis Performing Arts Center on the Riverside City College Campus.


For more information, call the audition hotline at (951) 222-8485, or visit www.performanceriverside.org.

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incredible organization," he said. "It's quickly blossoming."

Mejia said they are looking to expand the orchestra even further, and in particular are searching for more string players. They are also planning on expanding the scope of the program by offering musical instruction for children under the direction of Artistic Director Walt Straiton. This program will feature a middle school and an elementary school band. Mejia said that project might get off the ground within the next year.

The April 4 concert takes place at Northpoint Church, 988 West Ontario St. in Corona. General admission is \$15.

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Husband and wife team fill lead 'Ramona' roles

Artistic Director Dennis Anderson chose Cesaria Hernandez to play Ramona and cast her husband Duane Minard in the role of Alessandro. This is Hernandez's fourth appearance as Ramona, while Minard will be playing Alessandro for the first time after serving as understudy and stunt double for 10 years.

Hernandez and Minard, who have nine children and who live in Hemet, have had long associations with the Ramona Bowl Amphitheatre. Hernandez has also performed in numerous other productions at the Amphitheatre, including the Shakespeare Festival.

"I'm absolutely ecstatic," said Anderson, who is entering his 15th year as the director of

the historic play. "You got two, when I say tried and true veterans; you've got folks that make this year absolutely special for me."

With Yurok and Paiute heritage, Minard's casting continues the recent tradition of casting Native American men in the role of Alessandro. The role had previously been played by Vince Whipple, who held it for 10 seasons.

"This is long overdue for Duane to play Alessandro," Anderson said.

Minard said he was looking forward to the opportunity to play opposite his wife.

"Well I think for me personally it's fun to work again with Cesaria in a

role I enjoy," Minard said. "I've prepared for a long time. It's wonderful. I can't think of any other word to describe it."

Minard said he's looking forward to bringing his own interpretation to the role of Alessandro.


It's only the second time in the play's 86-year history that a married couple has been cast in the roles of Ramona and Alessandro. Legendary actor Victor Jory, who appeared in "Gone With the Wind," and his wife Jean Inness played the role in the 1930s and 1940s. Jory was also a director of the play.

While Whipple played Alessandro, Minard served as a stunt double who threw himself off the side of a hill in the climatic scene of the drama.

Minard has also played the role of Ysidro, a Native American who has lost his land to the play's villain, Jim Farrar.

Hernandez joins an elite group of women to play the role of Ramona at least four times. The group includes Monica Reichl, Dorothy Bailey Vosburg and Inness. Hernandez made it clear that for Ramona to succeed in 2009 that the community and local businesses would have to support the historic play.

The 86th season of Ramona begins with the annual performance for fourth graders on Friday, April 17 and is followed by opening day on April 18.

Ramona has been staged in the San Jacinto Valley since 1923. It is based on the Helen Hunt Jackson novel "Ramona," which depicts the struggles of Native Americans during the transition from Mexican rule to American during the 1850s. The novel was a huge hit and helped romanticize Southern California in the late 19th Century. 

Murder most foul at 'The Hollow'

Spending a weekend at a lavish English country estate sounds like bliss, but in the hands of the world's most popular mystery writer, such bliss can turn dangerous and deadly. To see whodunit join the captivated audiences at Riverside Community Players when they enjoy **Agatha Christie's *The Hollow***, playing March 27 through April 12.

Agatha Christie's play, based on her 1946 novel, takes place one weekend at The Hollow, the home of Sir Henry and Lucy Angkatell when an unhappy game of romantic follow-the-leader explodes into murder. At the center of the trouble is one of the Angkatell's guests, Dr. Cristow, whose mistress Henrietta, ex-mistress Veronica, and wife Gerda are also at The Hollow. One of the ladies unwisely states that if she cannot have him, no one shall. Within five minutes, Cristow is dead. Nearly everyone has a motive and most had the opportunity. So, whodunit?


At the production's helm is Rory Dyer, long-time RCP member and winner of the coveted Chester Hess Memorial Award. In theatrical circles, Ms. Dyer is known for her inspired and meticulous costuming as well as her acting prowess. She earned a Scotty Award for costuming *The Teahouse of the August Moon* while giving an award-winning

performance as Miss Higa Jiga in the same production. After a long hiatus from directing, she returned to direct last season's highly-successful version of *The Emperor's New Clothes* and last month she delighted audiences with RCP's production of *The Sword in the Stone*.

Since choosing the right actors is often considered to be half of the director's job, Ms. Dyer looked all over the Inland Empire for her cast. Happily, she pulled together some accomplished thespians, many of whom have appeared on the RCP stage before with great success. Leading the cast of passionate villains and victims are award-winning actors and actresses Kevin and Susan Bray, Ann DeWolfe and Jennifer Li Gutierrez Greene. Mr. Bray earned an Inland Theatre League (ITL) Award for his surprising turn as the psychotically-enamored Waldo in RCP's murder mystery *Laura*, while his real-life wife won an ITL Award for her charming performance in RCP's *The Last Night of Ballyhoo*. Mrs. DeWolfe won an ITL Award for her portrayal of Ida in *The Cemetery Club* and a Best Supporting Actress Scotty Award for her performance as the stuffy, wealthy matron in *Murder on the Nile*. Ms. Gutierrez Greene, who very recently appeared as Conchita in RCP's steamy production of *Anna in the Tropics*, earned an ITL

Award for her part in the dark comedy *Smell of the Kill*.

With a stellar cast and director, along with a multi-award-winning technical director, Larry Bates, added into the mix, it's no mystery that RCP's production of *The Hollow* will prove to be an enjoyable evening or afternoon of live theatre. With just under 200 seats in Riverside Community Players' theatre-in-the-round, every patron will feel like a part of the action as they try to look for clues right along with the detectives.

Agatha Christie's *The Hollow* plays from March 27 through April 12. For ticket reservations and information, call the Riverside Community Players' box office at (951) 686-4030. The box office will be open Monday-Saturday 6pm-8pm and Sunday 12pm-2pm starting March 23 and continuing throughout the run of the show. Tickets are \$15. There will be no late seating, and no children under 5 years of age will be admitted. The Riverside Community Playhouse is located at 4026 14th Street in Riverside, between Magnolia and Brockton. On the day of the show, the hour prior to curtain time is reserved for business pertaining to that performance only. Visit the RCP website at www.riversidecommunityplayers.com. 

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the Old Town Temecula Community Theater. The concert will feature Lynch, Silverado, and Bluegrass Etc. \$10 per person. Scheduled workshops are 12 noon to 3pm in the Mercantile for mandolin, fiddle, guitar and banjo both Saturday and Sunday. The workshops are free. Public parking is free. For more information call (951) 693-3952 or visit www.temeculacalifornia.com

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Classics at the Merc, Sundays, 3pm. Adults \$10, students \$5.

Magnificent Masterpieces: Inland Valley Symphony, March 1 at 2pm. Tickets: \$35 Adults, \$25 Seniors/Students/ Military, \$10 Children 12 and under.

Willy Wonka Jr.: Temecula Performing Arts Company, Fridays March 6 and 13 at 7pm, Saturdays March 7 and 14 at 2pm and 7pm, Sundays March 8 and 15 at 2pm. Tickets: \$15 Adults, \$12 Seniors/Students, \$10 Children under 12.

The Blasters: Temecula Presents, Friday, March 20 at 8pm. Tickets: \$20. One of the most credible and recognizable bands in Americana music.

A Showtune Spectacular: OnStage Musicals, Cabaret Orchestra with Kim Huber and Roger Befeler. Sunday, March 29 at 2pm. Tickets: \$20.

California Chamber Wind Ensemble - All Beethoven: April 4, 7pm. Tickets: regular \$30, senior \$25, students over 12 \$12.50, children 12 and under \$2.50.

PERFORMANCE RIVERSIDE

Landis Performing Arts Center, Riverside Community College, 4800 Magnolia Center, Riverside. (951) 222-8100 or performanceriverside.org.

Sensational Showtunes: Up Close and Personal: Opening March 27. See article on page 15.

Guys and Dolls audition: See article on page 19.

RAMONA BOWL

27400 Ramona Bowl Rd., Hemet. (800) 645-4465. www.ramonabowl.com.

Ramona: America's longest running outdoor drama, now in its 86th year. Runs April 18-19, 25-26, May 2. See article on page 20.

RIVERSIDE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

RCC Jazz Ensemble: March 23, 7pm. General \$8, student and seniors \$6. Held at the RCC Digital Library, 4800 Magnolia Ave., Riverside.

RIVERSIDE COMMUNITY PLAYERS

4026 14th St., Riverside. (951) 686-4030, riversidecommunityplayers.com.

Agatha Christie's The Hollow: March 27 - April 12, \$15. An unhappy game of romantic follow-the-leader explodes into murder. See article on page 20.

RIVERSIDE YOUTH THEATRE

At the Wallace Theatre, 8432 Magnolia Ave. in Riverside. (951) 756-4240.

SAN BERNARDINO SYMPHONY

California Theatre of the Performing Arts, 562 W. Fourth St., San Bernardino. (909) 381-5388.

The Bold and the Beautiful: March 21, 8pm. Features Stravinsky's "Mass" with the Cal State San Bernardino Concert Choir; Sibelius' triumphal Symphony No. 3 in C Major, op.52 and Brahms' passionate Piano Concerto No. 1 in d minor, op.15 with renowned pianist Norman Krieger.

STEELWORKERS' AUDITORIUM

In the Lewis Library and Technology Center, located at 8437 Sierra Avenue, in Fontana, (909) 428-8816.

St. Patrick's Day cultural celebration: In Fontana, March 27, 5 pm, complete with bagpipe performances, costumes, and jigs.

Dr. Seuss tribute: March 28, 2 pm, Diane Matson, a well known Dr. Seuss Storyteller, will offer a fitting tribute to Dr. Seuss during his Birthday month.

STURGES CENTER FOR ARTS

The Sturges Center for Arts is located in San Bernardino at 780 N. E St. (909) 384-7100.

www.sturgescenter.org.

Rusty Evans, ring of fire tribute to Johnny Cash, March 7, 7pm. Order tickets by Feb. 1 and receive \$2.50 off per ticket. Tickets: \$10, \$15, \$20, \$25. Tickets go on sale Jan. 12.

TIBBIE'S CENTER STAGE

8463 Sierra Ave., Fontana. (909) 429-7469. centerstagefontana.com. 

INLAND IDOL 2009

So, you wanna be famous?

Have you ever watched American Idol on TV and thought, "My kid can do that!" If so, then now's your chance to prove it. Inland Idol is a solo vocal competition for Southern California youth ages 7 to 18, complete with celebrity judges and great prizes.

Mark L. Walberg, host of Fox Television's "The Moment of Truth" and PBS's "Antique Road Show" and Kye Brackett, Emmy Award-winning choreographer for Barry Manilow's "Music and Passion" have signed on as celebrity judges for the Inland Idol

2009 final concert event. Patty Cabrera, a Grammy-nominated and Dove Award-winning recording artist and owner of Patrona Productions in Riverside, will round out the celebrity judging panel.

Patrona Productions will also supply a prize package for the three winners which will include: vocal coaching, professional photo session and a 2-song, professionally-produced CD featuring one original song created especially for the young artists.


David Sidoni, best known for roles in TV shows such as "Roundhouse," "Mad Libs" and Disney's "Newsies," will host.

Qualifying auditions are being held at:

- The Promenade Shops at Dos Lagos in Corona - March 7th
- The Promenade in Temecula - March 14th
- The Shoppes at Chino Hills - March 28th

The Semi-finals will take place May 2 in Corona at the Historic Civic Center Theater, with the final concert event on May 31 at The La Mirada Performing Arts Center.

The finals will also feature performances by all three Inland Idol 2008 winners, Selena Brills, Landon Longard and Emily Yates, and other guest artists.

Contestants must register online at www.InlandIdol.com. There is a \$35 registration and processing fee per contestant. 



Mark L. Walberg, host of Fox Television's "The Moment of Truth" and PBS's "Antique Road Show," serves as one of the celebrity judges for Inland Idol.

Oak Tree Village offers mountain charms

You don't have to go far to get away from it all. Nestled in the charming Oak Glen mountain town is a "village" full of family-friendly fun that makes for a great day out.

Oak Tree Village is a 14 acre park in Oak Glen apple country, where it is gorgeous year round. At an elevation of 4,800 feet they get snow in the winter for great sled runs. In the fall all of the fall colors that you don't see in

town come out. In spring it's the beautiful apple blooms and in summer it makes for a welcome retreat from the heat.

Oak Tree Village features a

Panning for gold is one of the many activities available at Oak Tree Village.



wide range of family activities, including an Animal Park, nature trail, petting zoo, museum, stuff a bear, train rides, pony rides, jumpers, fishing, and real stream panning for gold.

Enjoy live music at Apple Annie's every weekend and during Apple Season they host live music in the park as well. Shops and artisans operate booths with the unique gifts.

Every weekend at 2pm on Main Street the Village hosts a Western Gun Show at no charge to guests.

Apple Annie's Restaurant and Bakery, home of the famous 5lb Mile High Apple Pie, serves home made country meals for breakfast, lunch and dinner. You will be served by western servers who carry holsters and have a great time with the guests.

Oak Tree Village is even available for customized birthday parties, where they bring one or more animals or reptiles to your party. They also cater events, Girl Scout and Boy Scout events, wedding accommodations, church events, educational school tours, sen-

ior tours and more.

Visit Oak Tree Village online at www.oaktreevillageonline.com or call (909) 797-7008 for listings of events and more information. 

March Events for Oak Tree Village & Apple Annie's

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Enjoy a hearty Irish meal for breakfast and lunch at Apple Annie's Restaurant and Bakery.

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FREE Admission to Animal Park for kids 12 and under



PLANES OF FAME AIR MUSEUM

Strategic Air Command

Planes of Fame Air Museum looks at the earliest days of nuclear deterrence.



Seminar April 4 at 10am

Weather permitting, a flight demonstration will follow of the Planes of Fame Lockheed P-38J Lightning Fighter Plane

Planes of Fame Air Museum is open to the public every day, except Christmas and Thanksgiving, from 9 am until 5 pm.

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Wally Parks Museum offers automotive scholarships

The Wally Parks NHRA Motorsports Museum announced the official launch of the **Wally Parks Memorial Education Fund** for students seeking careers in the automotive industry.

The grant, which comes at a time of drastic increases in college tuition, is geared toward high-school and college-level students who are either actively pursuing a career as an automotive technician or as an automotive industry professional. Need-based grants are awarded, in the amount of \$1,000 to \$5,000, to deserving students who demonstrate both significant motivation and aptitude for a career in motorsports or an automotive-related field.

Criteria and application information for this scholarship are available on the Wally Parks NHRA Motorsports Museum website at museum.nhra.com/education.asp.

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Set an outing for 'Boomers!'

Boomers!, in Upland (909) 946-9555

Boomers in Upland is a well known destination for kids' parties, but is also a great place to host group and adult events, parties and functions.

Boomers! helps to make every birthday special. With golf, go-karts, games and more, everyone is bound to have a blast at your next birthday celebration. Parties at Boomers are hassle-free, since all the set-up and service is included. Starting as low as \$11.99, Boomers can customize your child's birthday experience with package options and create a celebration that will be remembered for a lifetime.

Boomers! is also a perfect place for a company picnic, church outing or school trip. Let them take care of the food and the fun. Whatever the event, their group packages include fun for everyone. Groups as small as 10 qualify for group rates.

Call Group Sales to book your Birthday or Group Event, at (909) 946-9555 ext 10.

ALPINE SLIDE AT MAGIC MOUNTAIN

The Alpine Slide lets riders experience Olympic-like action as they negotiate sleds along a quarter-mile track with banked turns and long straightaways. The Alpine Slide at Magic Mountain is located on the boulevard in Big Bear Lake, 1/4 mile west of the Village shopping area, home to 60 specialty stores. 800 Wild Rose Lane. Call (909) 866-4626. See article on page 4.

ASTRONOMY VILLAGE

The Village is located at 2001 Observatory Way, off Hwy. 18, West of Rim of the World High School in Lake Arrowhead. See article on page 25.

BOOMERS

In Upland. Miniature Golf Courses, Go Karts, Bumper Boats, Rock Wall, Ferris Wheel, Spinning Tubs, Airplane Ride, Tiny Tot Cars, Two Arcades, Snack Bar & Cafe. 1500 W. Seventh, Upland. Call (909) 946-9555. See article on this page.

CASTLE PARK

Rides, games and miniatures golf. 3500 Polk Ave., Riverside. (951) 785-3000.

DISCOVERY SCIENCE CENTER

2500 N. Main St., Santa Ana. Open 10am to 5pm daily. Off 5 freeway, exit Main St. (714) 542-CUBE. www.discoverycube.org.

Bubblefest XIII: April 4-19, featuring international bubble artist Fan Yang. See article on page 25.

FAMILY FUN DAY

Free family event in downtown Riverside, at the museums and library, with hands-on activities. Held on the first Sunday of each month. Admission is free. Event runs from 1pm to 4pm.

FIESTA VILLAGE

Two miniature golf courses, race cars, the largest batting cage facility in Southern California, amusement rides, Lazer Odyssey, arcade and waterpark. 1405 E. Washington St., Colton, (909) 824-1111. www.FiestaVillage.com.

JURUPA MOUNTAINS CULTURAL CENTER

7621 Granite Hill Dr., in Riverside. (951) 685-5818.

LEWIS FAMILY PLAYHOUSE

12505 Cultural Center Dr., Rancho Cucamonga. Tickets available at lewisfamilyplayhouse.com, (909) 477-2752 or (877) 858-8422.

Mufaro's Beautiful Daughters:

March 12, 7pm, presented by Dallas Children's Theatre. When a great African king desires a wife, only the most worthy and beautiful maidens in the land are invited to meet him. For ages 8+. General \$13.50, seniors \$11.50, youth \$9.50.

Aesop's Fables: March 18, 10am. Aesop's fables brought to life with costumes, wacky wit and audience participation. For ages 2+. Tickets: \$9.50.

The Jungle Book: State Street Ballet presents a colorful new production of the classic Rudyard Kipling tale. March 21, 2pm and 7pm. General \$20, senior \$18, youth \$16.50.

THE LIVING DESERT

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

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. June-Aug., daily 10am-5pm. www.BigBearZoo.com. (909) 878-4200.

ORANGE EMPIRE RAILWAY MUSEUM

See more than 200 rail vehicles from streetcars to modern diesel-electric locomotives. Museum open 9 a.m. to 5pm daily, 2201 S. A St., Perris; train and trolley rides, weekends and holidays, 11 a.m. to 5pm; all-day train and trolley pass \$12, children 5-11 \$8. (951) 943-3020. www.oerm.org.

For more fun events, see the What To Do section on page 28.

Bubblefest XIII

Featuring International Bubble Artist, Fan Yang!

April 4 thru April 19

Sponsored by Yellow Book

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Orange County BubbleFest offers family fun for Spring Break

Fan Yang makes only West Coast appearance at Taco Bell Discovery Science Center April 4-19

BubbleFest, the Orange County Bubble Extravaganza, returns to Taco Bell Discovery Science Center April 4-19. The ultimate Spring Break family event, BubbleFest offers a look into the beautiful, delicate world of bubbles like never before.

Leading the excitement is Fan Yang's Mega Bubble Show featuring 16-time Guinness Book World Record Holder and Bubble Scientist, Fan Yang. Yang travels the world with his Mega Bubble Show, and Taco Bell Discovery Science Center is his only West Coast engagement this year.

World-renowned for his unique and stunning artistry, Yang performs four bubble shows daily at BubbleFest, featuring a bubble carousel, bubbles within bubbles, smoking bubbles, spinning bubbles, bouncing bubbles and bubbles in all shapes and sizes. For the third year in a row, Yang will be featured outdoors in a tent, accommodating a larger audience.




The Taco Bell Discovery Science Center hosts the bubble extravaganza, BubbleFest.

Included with general admission are the Bubble Learning Stations and the Center's more than 100 permanent hands-on exhibits. At Bubble Learning Stations, bubble-blowers can explore the secrets and science behind making the biggest and best bubbles. Visitors will conduct experiments to determine how to make the biggest bubble, how to have their bubbles last the longest and how to touch the inside of a bubble.

Also offered during BubbleFest is a unique experience, "Me in a Bubble," where guests can

have their photo taken inside a giant soap bubble as proof it can be done. (Additional fee required.)

The Science Center's most popular annual event, BubbleFest is designed to help visitors appreciate and understand the scientific principles and mathematics of bubbles, and to let them explore the world of bubbles in a fun, hands-on environment.

Tickets for the Mega Bubble Show are on sale now. For more information, call (714) 542-CUBE or visit online at www.discoverycube.org. 



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A visit to the far side

The Moon is the brightest, most apparent object in the night sky. The optical illusion of “the man in the moon” lends a lifelike quality to something that, in reality, appears to be biologically and geologically lifeless. The Moon’s familiar “face” has been an endless source of inspiration for poets, and scientists, alike. But what about the far side...the one we can’t see from Earth?

Since ancient times, mankind speculated about the nature and appearance of the far side of the Moon. Because gravitational forces cause the Moon to rotate on its axis at nearly the same speed as it orbits the Earth, the same side is always facing us. It was not until 1959 that the Soviet Union successfully captured photographic images of the far side with their Luna 3 spacecraft. These images revealed major differences in surface features of the crust between the near and far sides. The near side has “mare,” enormous plains covered with lava flows. In contrast, the far side is heavily pock-marked with impact craters with no mare or signs of volcanic activity.

Scientists theorize that the Moon was formed as the result of a collision between a planet-sized object and Earth during the early formation of our solar system. The Earth was still molten at this time. As the two bodies cooled, Earth’s gravity distorted the Moon’s crust, causing it to be thicker on the far side and thinner on the near side. The thinner crust allowed for molten material in the Moon’s mantle to rise through the surface and flood enormous impact craters. On the other side, the cooling crust was thick enough to inhibit volcanic activity.

Throughout time, the far side of the Moon was referred to as the “dark side.” In the literal sense, people assumed that the Sun only lighted one side.

In the figurative sense, no one knew anything about the far side and were, therefore, “in the dark” or ignorant about it. Of course, the “dark side” reference has been eliminated through time with the evolution of scientific discovery. Nevertheless, poets and writers may not be as willing to let go of such a dramatic expression.




Photo courtesy of NASA.

The far side of the moon.

SkyQuest

Attend a SkyQuest Public Program at Astronomy Village in Lake Arrowhead in March and learn more about the Moon and our place in space. Topics include “Astronomy ABC’s,” Saturday, March 14 and “Meteorites: Alien Rocks from Space,” Saturday, March 28. Programs are from 7-9pm, and include an entertaining and informative slide/lecture, question and answer period, laser tour of the night sky, and a trip to the Robert Brownlee Observatory, weather permitting.

For more information and reservations, call (909) 336-1699. Visit the web site at www.mountain-skies.org. The MSAS Astronomy Village is located just off State Hwy 18, east of the Blue Jay turnoff, next to Rim High. Turn in at the yellow overhead light and follow the signs. 

OAK TREE VILLAGE IN OAK GLEN

MARCH EVENTS

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You can also visit us on our website at:
Oaktreevillageonline.com

Tuesday March 17th: Happy Saint Paddy's Day!!!

Enjoy a hearty Irish meal for breakfast and lunch at Apple Annie's Restaurant and Bakery!!! Open Mon - Fri 9am - 7pm,

Saturday 8am - 8pm and Sunday 8am - 7pm. Please call (909)797-7371 for more information.

Saturday March 21st: FREE Admission to Animal Park

For kids 12 and under!!! Come enjoy the beauty Spring brings while feeding the animals at the petting zoo. We have many animals to enjoy including our new baby Llama and Zazie, our new Zebra!!! Duck ponds, fishing ponds, and a nature trail. Park hours are 10am - 5pm.

New Family members: Zazie, a Grants Zebra, Miss Roo a 4 year old Wallaby (she has a 6 month old Joey in her pouch) and Cricket who is a one year Wallaby.



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Get up close to the Strategic Air Command

Planes of Fame Air Museum at the Chino Airport will highlight the history of the Strategic Air Command during its monthly Living History Flying Event on Saturday, April 4. The event will begin at 10am with a seminar on the United States Air Force Strategic Air Command and conclude with a flight demonstration featuring the museum's Lockheed P-38J Lightning fighter plane.

When the United States Air Force was reorganized as an independent branch of the U.S. Armed Forces on September 18, 1947, the Strategic Air Command (SAC) became one of the best known components of that service. With the threat of nuclear deterrence being the primary tactic intended to avert world destruction, SAC controlled two-thirds of America's so-called "nuclear triad." That triad consisted of Air Force strategic bombers and intercontinental ballistic missiles along with U.S. Navy submarine-launched ballistic missiles.

Although the prospects of nuclear conflagration were horrendous, the tactic did work, and nuclear war was averted for decades. While the Air Force still maintains a number of strategic bombers and ballistic missiles, the end of the Cold War was followed by a reorganization of the Air Force command structure in 1992 and the end of the Strategic Air Command.

Now in its 52nd year of operation, Planes of Fame was the first permanent air museum in the American West and a pioneer in the concept of restoring historic display aircraft to flying condition. An independent, non-profit institution dedicated to the preservation of aviation history and its artifacts, the museum supports its operations with admission fees, donations, facilities rentals and proceeds from the use of its aircraft in various productions.


Planes of Fame also has a special membership program available to the public, with one of the advantages of membership being the opportunity to experience orientation flights in genuine warbirds. At each monthly Living History Flying Event, members in attendance can have their names entered



Planes of Fame Air Museum will feature the Lockheed P-38J Lightning during its Living History Flying Event at the Chino Airport on Saturday, April 4.

into a drawing for a free warbird orientation flight.

Planes of Fame is open to the public every day, except Christmas and Thanksgiving, from 9am until 5pm. General admission is \$11, youth 5-11 are admitted for \$4, and admission is free for accompanied children under five.

For more information about Planes of Fame Air Museum and its program of events, call (909) 597-3722 or visit the museum's website at www.planesoffame.org. 

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FAIRS, FESTIVALS, EVENTS

CANYON CREST TOWNE CENTRE

Shop, dine, relax and enjoy at the Towne Centre, located at 5225 Canyon Crest Dr. in Riverside. (951) 686-1222. www.cctownecentre.com. See article on page 12.

Car Shows: Held the 2nd Sunday of the month, 2-5pm, weather permitting. March 8, live music with 5th Dementia. April 12, the Easter Bunny makes an appearance.

St. Patrick's Day: March 17. Wear your green and receive special discounts at participating merchants. Look for green balloons!

Annual Spring Event: April 11, 11am-2pm. Easter Egg Scramble (hunt) for children 18 months to age 10. The Scramble will be by age groups. Eggs will be filled with candy,

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toys and surprises. Egg Hunt begins promptly at 11am! Don't forget your Easter baskets! Scavenger Hunt in the Center for kids 11-13! Plus free crafts, photos, entertainment, the Easter Bunny and more!

8TH ANNUAL CÉSAR E. CHÁVEZ 5K RUN/WALK

Saturday, April 4, at UC Riverside, 7:30am - 11:00am. 5k Run/Walk Start Time 8:30am. Event will include vendors, educational/information booths, and music. For More Information contact Chicano Student Programs at (951) 827-3821, or go online to www.CesarChavez5k.com.

FARMER'S MARKET

Every Saturday from 8am to 1pm in Riverside. Located on Main Street between 5th and 6th Streets, it provides a unique opportunity to shop for fresh fruits, vegetables, flowers, aged Gouda cheeses by Winchester Cheese Co. and fresh baked breads.

FONTANA CRUISE NIGHTS

Every first Friday of the month, 5-9pm, cruise night with live entertainment, face painting, food and more. At the Art Depot, 16822 Spring St., in Fontana. To reserve a booth or register a vehicle, call (909) 428-8360. www.fontana.org.

KILLARNEY'S IRISH PUB & GRILL

Live music, happy hour, late night menu, catering available, traditional Irish fayre, American dishes. 32475 Hwy. 79 S., Temecula, (951) 302-8338, and in Riverside at the Riverside Plaza, (951) 682-2933. www.killarneys.com.

St. Patrick's Day celebrations: See article on page 8.

LAKE ARROWHEAD VILLAGE

The Village features more than 50 stores, restaurants and attractions. For more information, call (909) 337-2533, or go online to lakearrowheadvillage.com.

LAKE PERRIS SPORTS PAVILION

Satellite wagering from the Lake Perris Fairgrounds. 18700 Lake Perris Dr. (951) 679-7223. www.socalfair.com.

MOUNTAIN VIEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL 2ND ANNUAL CAR SHOW, CRAFT AND VENDOR FAIR

Sunday, April 19, 10am-3pm, 2825 Walnut St., Ontario. For more information, or to become a vendor, call (909) 947-3516.

NHRA TWILIGHT CRUISE

April 1 at the Pomona Fairplex, 4pm-8pm. Rods from 1970 and earlier, customs, classics and muscle cars. Admission is free.

NOS SPORTS CENTER

Satellite horserace wagering, Thursday through Monday. Doors open at 10:15am. Free parking. 930 S. Arrowhead Ave., Gate 10, San Bernardino. (909) 885-7223.

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ORANGE SHOW SPEEDWAY

Live stock car racing Saturdays, 6:30pm. Tickets: Adults \$10, kids \$2. Parking \$4. National Orange Show, San Bernardino. nosevents.com/speedway, (909) 888-6788 x438.

RG CANNING SWAP MEET

7am - 3pm weekly. www.rgcshows.com. (909) 889-9300. National Orange Show, San Bernardino, Carnival lot 1 Gate 7. Free admission.

RIVERSIDE PLAZA

For more information call (951) 683-1066 x.113 or go online to www.shopriversideplaza.com. The Riverside Plaza is located in Riverside off of Central Ave. The schedule of monthly entertainment is subject to change, call to confirm.

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"What To Do" Section

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SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY FAIR

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FITNESS AND HEALTH



KIDS FITNESS CHALLENGE

5k run/walk at the Auto Club Speedway, March 21. See article on page 5.

MARCELLINI'S MARTIAL ARTS ACADEMY

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March events: See article on page 26.

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Swap Meet: March 7, gated event.

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Seminar: March 7 event on submarine launched aircraft of WWII.

Seminar: April 4. See article on page 27.

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