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HUSD Named Exemplary District

BY SHAWN CARROLL

The exciting news earlier this month was that Finley Elementary School had been selected as a California Distinguished School.

Now even more good news has come our way from Sacramento.

The Holtville Unified School District has been tapped as a California Exemplary District Award winner.

Assistant Superintendent John Paul Wells gave the school board the good news at Monday's regular monthly meeting.

"You have to have a school that is a Distinguished School to be eligible," he told trustees.

Only about five percent of the schools in the state are awarded the title of Distinguished School, putting Finley and now the HUSD in good company.

The program recognizes schools and districts that excel in a number of areas, including performance and progress on the state indicators as specified on the California School Dashboard.

Holtville Middle School won state honors through a similar program in effect last year, the California Gold Ribbon Schools Program.

In other action, the school board approved an agreement with the Imperial County Office of Education to provide spam and virus filtering services for all of

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Teacher Lands Holtville High Class Free Computers

BY ALFREDO GUZMAN

A Holtville High School class recently received \$4000 worth of free computer equipment thanks to an enterprising teacher who creatively sought out a donor.

Nicholas Moreno used the March 27 #BestSchoolDay event to attract the attention of Donors Choose, a non-profit that organizes fundraisers for classroom projects and materials for public schools.

The blockchain digital payment service company, Ripple, donated \$29 million dollars to Donors Choose. Ripple's donation funded every live Donors Choose project that was active during the #BestSchoolDay event. Moreno's project was one of those projects funded, resulting in more than \$4000 in Samsung tablets delivered to his class recently.

In an interview, Moreno discussed how the effort got started.

How did you learn about Donors Choose?

"I learned about Donors Choose when I was working in Palo Verde High School. One of my colleagues in the English department tried

it and he got some laptops the first time. At that moment, I did not believe the fact that people were going to give me materials for free."

Have you gotten a Donors Choose projects funded before?

"In March of 2017 my first project was funded by an anonymous donor and the help of family and friends. The reason that I applied was to motivate my students to use technology in the classroom. Students bring phones to school and they can use them during class to research, but when they have to work on writing projects it is easier if they have a laptop. I decided to apply for 11 Chromebooks. I was fortunate to bring joy to my class, as well as another tool for education."

How do you plan to use the additional technology?

"One morning one of my students asked me about the Chromebooks that I have in my classroom and I told them the story behind how we got them. They were all excited and they could not believe that there are donors around our country that are eager to help our

students. They told me it would be nice to have tablets in our classroom as well. We use apps for studying, (kahoot and quizziz). I am planning that my students will use those tablets to create videos so they can practice their language as well as research without using their cell phones. My AP (advanced placement) Spanish class will benefit from using the tablets by downloading apps so they can practice for their AP Test."

Would you recommend other teachers use Donors Choose to supplement their class materials?

"I highly recommend all teachers use Donors Choose. There are people willing to work with us (teachers and students) and we need to take advantage of this helpful resource. I will be thinking what I need for next year and set another project. Our students deserve the best tools in their educational journey."

Anything else you would like to add?

"It is a pleasure observing our students' faces when they see there are people donating material to a small school like ours."

County Board Acts On Orchard Road Complaint

BY WILLIAM ROLLER

The Imperial County Board of Supervisors on April 17 unanimously voted to establish an ad hoc committee to discuss traffic problems on Orchard Road south of Holtville and road funding issues.

The move came after Mary Helen Dollente, a Holtville-area retiree, informed the board of constant commercial big-rig truck traffic she and 26 home owners must endure all along Orchard. Dollente explained it is a safety issue since trucks sometimes park there and obstruct

views endangering school children crossing at a three-way stop.

"The trucks carry hazardous materials--petroleum or propane and our houses are always shaking, it's ruining the structural integrity of our homes," said Dollente. "Those vehicles are too heavy for Orchard Road."

She added trucks use Orchard as a shortcut to Highway 111 when destined for Los Angeles from Highway 7 that connects to the bustling Calexico East Port of Entry south of Holtville that is the area's sole border crossing for commercial vehicles.

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MARY HELEN DOLLENTE addresses the Imperial County Board of Supervisors on Tuesday about the issue of heavy truck traffic on Orchard Road. PHOTO BY WILLIAM ROLLER

Golf Ball Drop, Tournament Set For Sat.

BY SHAWN CARROLL

The Halos and Tiaras Foundation will be holding its biggest event of the year Saturday morning, and its biggest annual fundraiser as well.

But the excitement and fun surrounding the annual Golf Tournament and Golf Balls From Heaven ball drop will be tempered by the recent death of Robin Iten, the founder of the nonprofit organization.

She came up with the idea of a foundation as a way of helping children afflicted with cancer and their families after her granddaughter was diagnosed with the disease a few years ago. Deciding that other families surely needed help as well, Robin started the ball rolling with an organization that regularly helps dozens of families throughout the Imperial Valley with transportation, lodging, medical and other expenses as they deal with cancer, with some funding designated for research

The golf tournament gets underway at the Imperial Palms Resort at Barbara Worth at 8 a.m., with registration starting an hour earlier at 7 a.m. Each of the teams will be made up of

four players, and anyone interested should be able to join in the fun if they get there at the start of registration.

The entry fee is \$100 per player, with all funds going to help a great cause.

Players will be treated to breakfast and lunch, and may

win some nice prizes.

The ball drop is expected to take place at approximately 2 p.m. A helicopter hovering over one of the holes on the course will drop 300 numbered, gold-painted golf balls. All of the numbers have been sold to supporters willing to put up \$100

each, with the opportunity to win \$10,000 if their ball lands in the hole or is the closest to it.

All of the balls were spoken for by the first week of April this year, and anyone wanting to get in on the drop is encouraged to buy one early next year.

First Swap Meet A Success



THE HOLTVILLE CHAMBER of Commerce hosted its first Community Swap Meet last Saturday morning and drew a large number of residents and local clubs to sell, as well as a lot of customers for those booths. The event was set up with the intention of making it easier to shop in one place for all those weekend bargain hunters.

HOLTVILLE Sports!



Spring 2018

THURSDAY, APRIL 19

- Track & Field @ Central 4 p.m. (Away)
- Swimming @ Calipatria/Palo Verde 3:15 p.m. (Away)

FRIDAY, APRIL 20

- Baseball vs. Central 4/7 p.m. (Home)
- Softball vs. Southwest 3:30 p.m. (Home)

MONDAY, APRIL 23

- Boys Tennis vs. Brawley 3:30 p.m. (Home)

TUESDAY, APRIL 24

- Boys/Girls Swimming @ Brawley/Calipatria 3:15 p.m. (Away)
- Baseball @ Calipatria 4/7 p.m. (Away)
- Softball @ Imperial 4/6:30 p.m. (Away)
- Boys Golf @ Palo Verde 2 p.m. (Away)

THURSDAY, APRIL 26

- Boys/Girls Swimming @ Imperial 3:30 p.m. (Away)
- Boys Golf @ IVL Finals 2 p.m. (Home)

HHS Tennis Team Small In Numbers, Big In Heart



THE BOYS TENNIS TEAM at Holtville High School doesn't have enough players to field a full team this year, but the individuals put everything into each of their matches. Monday the Vikings hosted Southwest but weren't able to put any wins on the board against the Eagles.




Holtville Derby Days

April 21, 2018
6:00pm

The Swiss Club
1585 E. Worthington Road, Holtville
\$20 per person ***Please bring cash to participate in the races!

6-7pm cocktail hour
7pm races start
Come in your Derby attire and be eligible to win a prize!



All proceeds benefit Boys & Girls Club Holtville Site

Derby Days Raising Funds For Boys And Girls Club

"Place Your Bets." "And they're off!"

Those are some of the things attendees at this Saturday's Derby Days at the Imperial Valley Swiss Club will be hearing throughout the evening.

The horse races are in their third year, and are a big fundraiser for the local Boys and Girls Club.

Anyone driving by the Swiss Club lately might wonder why there is no horse track anywhere to be seen. That's because the races are all on video, with colorful commentary to accompany each race.

Attendees will be able to bid on each horse before every race, and to bet on any of the names that catch their fancy. Organizers had this in mind when they named the four-legged competitors, coming up with a wide range of monikers to appeal to just about everyone.

The Boys and Girls Club of Imperial Valley expanded with a Holtville location a few years ago, and the Derby Days have proven to be a big help in keeping the program going.

Attendees are encouraged to wear their finest derby attire, with prizes being awarded to

the contest winners.

The evening kicks off at 6 p.m. with cocktail hour, followed by the start of racing at 7 p.m. The racing, bidding and betting formats may seem confusing for anyone who hasn't been before, but the master of ceremonies always does a good job of explaining and simplifying everything.

Admission is \$20 per person, with tickets available at the door. Extra money will be needed to bid on horses and place bets.

A variety of great prizes have been donated by sponsors of the event.

Calendar

Halos & Tiaras Golf Tournament & Golf Ball Drop
Saturday, April 21, 2018 - 8 am
\$100 per player
Barbara Worth Resort - Holtville

Boys And Girls Club Derby Days
Saturday, April 21, 2018 at 6:00 pm
Swiss Club, 1585 Worthington Rd, Holtville
All proceeds benefit the Boys & Girls Club Holtville site

Cornerstone Community Church Tr-Tip Dinner
Saturday, April 21, 2018 - 3 to 6 pm
Sixth and Fern, Holtville

Finley Open House & Hamburger Dinner
Thursday, April 26, 2018 - 4 to 6 p.m.

Farmers Market & Street Fair
Thursday, April 26, 2018 - 5:30 - 8:30 p.m.
Holt Park - Holtville

Carrot Festival Golf Tournament

Friday, April 27, 2018 - 8:30 am
\$100 per player at Barbara Worth Resort

Bingo Bingo Bingo!

Join us at The American Legion and Auxiliary Bradley Keffer Post 138 in Holtville, Corner of 6th and Cedar Ave. Thursday, April 26th, May 10th & 24th, June 7th & 21st. Doors open at 5:00 p.m. Bingo begins at 6:00 p.m. Public is welcome. Please support our Veterans and Active Duty Service Members, they support you!

Holtville Ag Boosters Trap Shoot
May 5, 2018 - 9 am to 2 pm at Birger Ranches

Woman's Club of Holtville
Next meeting will be held on May 8th

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Woman's Club of Holtville Community Birthdays

- APRIL 19: Kaity Marrassa Maston, Kelley Cradic-Kilgore, Delainey Michaud, Ronald Byram.
- APRIL 20: Joshua Garcia, Bryson Anthony Hoff, Lorene Byram.
- APRIL 21: Evan Bradshaw, Travis Gallaher, Teddy Alex Vogel, Gerald Gettle†
- APRIL 22: Robert Lane, Michelle Fast, Thomas A. Hunt†, Neal Schaffner, Jessica Marie Farias.
- APRIL 23: Audrey Turner, Darlye Brown, Cole Contreras, Collin DuPre.
- APRIL 24: Katrina Rose Bornt, Lee Farris†, Jeffrey Jessee.

Anniversaries

- APRIL 19: Mr. & Mrs. James Anderholt, Mr. & Ms. Brian Van Bebber, Mr. & Mrs. Joe Patzloff.
- APRIL 20: Mr. & Mrs. Mike Pesqueira
- APRIL 21: Mr. & Mrs. Bryan Denton
- APRIL 22: Mr. & Mrs. Cliff Smith
- APRIL 23: Mr. & Mrs. Jim Kenny

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Basketball Team Ends Season With Awards Ceremony



THE VARSITY BASKETBALL TEAM held its end of season awards ceremony last Sunday evening. The team recognized its five graduating seniors (above), while Coach Murray Anderson congratulates Jasmine Ponce on being selected Player of the Year.



Softball Team Falls To Bulldogs On Tuesday



EMILY ZARATE (above) fires one across the plate in Tuesday night's varsity softball game with Calexico. Lexis Smith (below) prepares to take a swing against the Bulldog pitcher.



CAP Council Dedicates Early Childhood Development Center

BY WILLIAM ROLLER

The Child Abuse Prevention Council on April 11 held a ribbon-cutting for a new and larger facility its officials said will improve the organization's ability aid parents.

The so-called "Peggy's Place," at 561 Main St. in El Centro is named for the late CAP co-founder Margaret "Peggy" Calvin. It will help the council teach parenting skills, including the importance of bonding with a child, setting behavioral limits, being consistent, and preventing child abuse.

The opening is the fruit of a long effort to get a new service location, noted CAP Executive Director Yvette Garcia.

"Our motto is, 'It's not easy being a parent, yet you are not alone,'" Garcia said of the agency. "Our greatest enemy is fear. However, our greatest asset is compassion. We want to make the world a better place than we found it. We needed this expanded floor space to promote bonding between kids and parents and their peers."

Peggy's Place offers monthly screenings for children ages one month to pre-school to ensure they are reaching their developmental milestones, noted Jackie Ponce Barra, an early interventionist. A "Parent Café" is held on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9-11 a.m. in a relaxed atmosphere to interact with other parents and their children.

There also are Parent and Child Together (PACT) classes with

infant, toddlers and pre-school ages, and general parenting classes.

The goal is preparing children to enter kindergarten with fewer delays, remarked Ponce Barra. Delays may result from slow development of verbal or motor skills, or personal/socializing delays.

"We help identify specific delays and alert parents of where attention is needed," she said. "We'll then offer referrals to appropriate agencies, such as Imperial County SELPA (Special Education Local Plan Area), (county) Behavioral Health or San Diego Regional Center. We want to stimulate children's developmental milestones."

Peggy Calvin is survived by her husband, physician Travis Calvin, who reminded guests at

the ribbon cutting the CAP Council was launched by Peggy and teacher Sue Talley in the 1979-80 academic year. Its mission was to care for abused children.

Calvin recalled the first office was above a pharmacy at Fifth and Main streets in El Centro and invited parents and children experiencing stress to attend classes on how to be a parent. Calvin offered his encouragement.

"The greatest pleasure for Peggy was to educate parents how to treat children properly," said Calvin. "There was considerable child abuse going on then. But the government was wary of getting involved because they didn't want any law suits. That's why Peggy became involved. She was just fantastic."



YVETTE GARCIA, EXECUTIVE director of CAP Council at the inaugural of Peggy's Place in El Centro, April 11. PHOTO BY WILLIAM ROLLER

Medication Supervision May Prevent Serious Injury



A free service to help make use of medications safer is now available to seniors in Imperial County, officials announced.

The Area Agency on Aging through the Imperial County Public Health Department initiated the HomeMeds Medication Management program on April 10. The service is free to county residents 60 and older.

The HomeMeds service may

be accessed by calling 1-800-510-2020. A county health staff member will follow up with a home visit and prepare a list of all medications an individual uses. The list will be reviewed by a pharmacist. Should any potential problems be uncovered the pharmacist will work with the patient to make certain he or she is taking only medications that are appropriate.

Rosie Blankenship, AAA administrator, explained in an email the importance of recognizing potential problems that could result from using two or more medications simultaneously.

"It is important to be aware that more use of medications and normal body changes caused by aging can increase the chances of unwanted, or even harmful, drug interactions," she said. "While med-

ications are important to control many illnesses, they can have serious side effects."

About 100,000 older adults are admitted to emergency rooms each year because of medication-related incidents, including falls, dizziness, heart problems or confusion. The HomeMeds program aims to review all medications a person uses, including both prescription and over-the-counter drugs.

The service will be helpful for anyone who fills prescriptions at a number of pharmacies, had a recent hospital visit, or takes blood thinners or diabetes medication.

"A lot of seniors get medication in the U.S. and Mexico," said Gil Rebollar an AAA staff member. "Our big thing is to prevent falls or dizziness."

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the district's emails.

The district will also be recognizing local educators through Day of the Teacher, which is officially May 9 but will be celebrated locally on May 8 with an ice cream

Board.....from page one

District 3 Supervisor Mike Kelley noted the Board should be proactive and let state Assembly Member Eduardo Garcia and state Senator Ben Hueso know the county is not getting its fair share of federal road repair funds. He proposed forming an ad hoc committee to

social, hosted by the school board.

Classified School Employees Week will be May 21 through 25 and will include a breakfast that week.

The district will be getting

address legislators and the California Department of Transportation about road issues and to discuss the Orchard Road matter.

The entire board agreed, 5-0, to support forming the ad hoc committee.

a new lawn mower through a program with the Imperial County Air Pollution Control District.

A 2017 John Deere Model Z997 will replace a 1990 mower currently being used to mow grass at local schools. The \$17,700 grant, requested last October, calls for the scrapping of the old mower. Lawn equipment is seen as a big contributor to air pollution in the state.

Replacing old mowers with new ones that have more advanced emission controls is expected to help reduce smog

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Driving on Wood Planks

Race Led To First Road Across Dunes

BY TED SHIGEMATSU

In the early 1900s, as more settlers arrived in Imperial Valley to build homes and to farm, roads had to be built to bring in supplies and ship products eastward, to Yuma and beyond. A major obstacle for building a road from the Valley to Yuma was posed by the shifting of sand dunes that extended more than 40 miles along the eastern edge of the Imperial Valley agricultural area. Blowing sand forced travelers

structuring a road across the dunes. San Diego leaders also hoped that a plank road would facilitate travel to the Panama California Exposition which was going to open in San Diego in 1915.

Thanks to Ed Fletcher, thirteen thousand planks were sent to Holtville from San Diego, and in early 1915 the planks began to be laid. The 6.5 mile road across the dunes consisted of two parallel plank tracks joined to wooden cross pieces laid underneath. The road was completed in April of 1915. Two months later the



THE OLD PLANK ROAD was the only way to get from San Diego and the Imperial Valley to Yuma 100 years ago.

and goods bound for Yuma to go north to Brawley, then east through Mammoth Wash and south to Yuma. It was a detour that added fifty miles and two days of travel to the journey. This posed a difficulty not just to Valley residents and transportation East to West, but also to San Diego civic leaders, who wanted their city, and not Los Angeles, to be the connecting hub between the West and the East Coast.

In 1912, Edwin Boyd, the Holtville county supervisor from 1911 to 1914, raised \$3,000 to assist with the proposed construction of a plank road across the dunes. Different routes were suggested by different Imperial Valley towns.

In the early 1900s, a popular Southern California event was the annual Los Angeles-Phoenix road race. San Diegans wanted their city to be the starting point of the race. San Diego businessman Ed Fletcher challenged the city of Los Angeles to see which city's drivers would get to Phoenix first. Ed Fletcher won the race. He proved that it was possible to drive through the sand dunes. When Fletcher heard of Boyd's plan to build a plank road, with the backing of local newspapers, he raised funds for con-

California State Highway Commission assumed responsibility for it.

Shifting and blowing sand often covered stretches of the road, however, and maintenance crews with scrapers led by mules struggled to keep it passable. The constant scraping took a heavy toll on the planks, and driving on narrow strips of wood over miles of sand was hard on passengers and tires.

In 1919 the road was rebuilt with prefabricated eight foot wide wooden sections with double width turnouts every 1000 feet. This new plank road served until 1926, when an asphalt road replaced the old wooden one. Later, this was replaced by U.S. Route 80, and then by Interstate 8.

Today, driving comfortably over a four lane freeway, it's hard to imagine the hardships that the sand imposed for so many years. As one drives through the area and looks at the sand dunes along the freeway, one should appreciate the courage, perseverance and hard work of so many people determined to overcome many obstacles when Interstate 8 was just a narrow wooden road snaking through the sand.

Freedom Academy Students Show Off Science Projects



Parents Had As Much Fun As Kids

HOLTVILLE'S FREEDOM ACADEMY of Imperial Valley held its annual Science Showcase on Tuesday evening. Students at the local alternative school of choice had the opportunity to explain their science projects to and some of the experiments they have been working on to their parents. Parents of the fifth graders, along with some sixth and seventh graders, were invited to join in some of the hands-on STEM projects that were set up for the event. These included the famous egg drop and building a boat out of tin foil to see how many pennies it would support.



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POLICE BRIEFS

City of Holtville

Compiled and Edited by Shawn Carroll



SUNDAY, APRIL 8

POSSIBLE STROKE: At 2:09 a.m. medical aid was requested for someone on Holt Avenue who was thought to be having a stroke. The man was taken to the emergency room by ambulance.

BROKEN WINDOW: At 4:04 p.m. a caller reported that a woman had thrown a rock at his car, breaking a window. A deputy took a report on the incident and the sheriff's office was going to attempt to locate the woman, who was believed to be in El Centro.

CALIFORNIA STOP?: At 8:04 p.m. a motorist was pulled over at Eighth and Holt and given a warning about making complete stops at stop signs.

EGGED: At 8:23 p.m. a caller reported that someone had thrown an egg at her vehicle. She was able to wash it off quickly so it didn't appear any permanent damage was done to the paint. She had no idea who threw the egg but was asked to notify sheriffs if she finds out.

MONDAY, APRIL 9

BUSY NEIGHBORHOOD: At 1:06 a.m. a Maple Avenue resident requested extra patrols of the neighborhood because of a lot of activity in the area.

FOUR-LEGGED PROWLER: At 1:36 a.m. a Spanish Trails resident reported seeing someone behind his home. Deputies responded and found a large dog digging through the trash.

NO SIGNS OF STOPPING ANY TIME SOON: At 6:45 a.m. an employee at a farming company reported the theft of two batteries from a tractor parked in a field south of town.

A deputy took a report on the theft, which was thought to have occurred sometime in the last 27 hours. The batteries were valued at \$250 each.

BAD DOG: At 7:33 p.m. a caller in the 900 block of Beale Avenue reported a dog acting aggressively and trying to bite children in the neighborhood. A deputy searched for the dog but was unable to locate it. None of the kids were actually bitten.

TUESDAY, APRIL 10

IN THE DITCH: At 4:01 a.m. a female caller reported seeing a dark-colored Jeep in the canal at Holt and Kamm Roads. Firefighters and paramedics responded and found the driver of the vehicle complaining of knee pain. He was taken to the emergency room by ambulance.

VEHICLE BURGLARY: At 9:01 a.m. deputies were requested on Zenos Road, where a resident had discovered that his truck had been broken into either over the weekend or the previous night. A report was taken.

LOST DRIVER: At 9:08 p.m. a deputy stopped to check on a vehicle on Orchard Road north of the interstate. The motorist was lost and needed directions.

BETTER LATE THAN NEVER: At 11:09 a.m. a deputy reported coming upon a tow truck picking up a vehicle and found out that it was a repossession in progress. A few minutes later, an employee of the repo company called dispatchers to let them know it was taking place. The owner was reportedly aware of the situation.

TRAILER TAKEN: At 4:17 p.m. a utility trailer was discovered to have been stolen from outside a home on Wooldridge Avenue. The trail-

er was described as a black 2007 Parker and was valued at approximately \$900. A report was taken.

SHADY CHARACTER: At 6:46 p.m. an Elm Avenue resident advised dispatchers that a neighbor had seen someone looking into their windows the evening before. The male subject was said to be riding a burgundy colored bicycle and was looking over fences as well. The caller and the neighbor were asked to report any signs of anything suspicious.

LIGHTS OUT: At 8:30 p.m. a deputy reported making a traffic stop on Anderholt Road southwest of town. The driver was cited for a lighting violation.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 11

DOMESTIC DISPUTE: At 1:32 a.m. an East Fifth Street resident called 911 because her husband was reportedly being aggressive towards her. Deputies talked with the couple and arrested the husband on charges of battery committed against a spouse and taken to county jail.

BAD PARKING JOB: At 8:28 a.m. a deputy reported issuing a parking ticket to the driver of an 18-wheeler parked illegally at Sixth and Pine.

FOUND IT: At 11:32 a.m. a man went into the local sheriff's substation and said that he had found a lawn mower that had been stolen from him in El Centro. The mower was in the truck of a Holtville resident that had been arrested on suspicion of stealing the trailer the mower had been on. He was asked to bring any documentation he had proving the mower was his for deputies.

STOLEN PUMP: At 1:30 p.m. a water pump was reported to have been stolen on Hunt Road south of town. A deputy

took a report.

STOLEN FIREARMS: At 4:58 p.m. a female caller requested a deputy take a report on three guns that had been stolen from her father's house on Maple Avenue. A report was filed and the case was being investigated.

THURSDAY, APRIL 12

NOT REALLY AN EMERGENCY: At 5:18 p.m. a series of 911 hang-up calls were received from the Orchard View Apartments on East Fifth Street. Deputies checked the apartment and walked through the complex but no one was home and there were no signs of any problems.

LICENSE AND INSURANCE PLEASE, UH OH: At 10:58 p.m. a deputy reported pulling over a vehicle at Seventh and Towland. The driver was cited for not having a valid license or proof of insurance.

OOPS!: At 11:32 p.m. a deputy advised dispatchers that he had come upon a

parked car at Eighth and Maple with an open door. The owner was notified and said he must have left it open. There were no signs of a break-in or anything missing.

FRIDAY, APRIL 13

PALLETS STOLEN: At 6:49 a.m. the theft of approximately 150 wood pallets was reported to have occurred from a field southwest of town. A report was taken on the theft, which was said to have taken place sometime during the night.

POSSIBLE OVERDOSE: At 10:54 a.m. medical aid was requested at the middle school, where an 11-year-old student was believed to have taken an overdose of an unspecified medication. Firefighters and paramedics responded and the girl was taken to the emergency room, where county mental health workers were going to meet with her.

CITIZEN ASSIST: At 2:23 p.m. a deputy reported stopping to help the driver of a disabled vehicle west of town.



SERGEANT MANUEL DE LEON (right) was recently promoted to the rank of lieutenant at the Imperial County Sheriff's Office. De Leon previously served as acting police chief for the City of Holtville. Deputy Sheriff Rene McNish (left) was promoted to the rank of sheriff's sergeant. County Sheriff Ray Loera is in the center. Photo courtesy of ICSO

Border Patrol News

Border Patrol Agents Save Drowning Man

Border Patrol agents assigned to the El Centro Sector rescued a man drowning in the All-American canal last Friday evening.

The incident occurred Friday, April 13, at approximately midnight. A Border Patrol agent assigned to an area two miles west of downtown Calexico, heard an individual yelling for help and quickly responded.

Moments later, the Border Patrol agent observed an individual struggling to stay above water while shouting for assistance. Another agent also responded to the area to assist the drowning man.

One of the agents then

retrieved a rescue device and threw it in the direction of the man in distress. The man was able to grab hold of the device and was consequently pulled out of the canal by both agents.

There were no injuries sustained and the individual declined medical attention.

"The U.S. Border Patrol is composed of dedicated men and women who everyday make the commitment to safeguard our nation's borders and save the lives of those in need," said El Centro Sector Chief Gloria I. Chavez.

The man was transported to the El Centro Station for further processing.

Woman Arrested With 23 Pounds Of Meth

El Centro Sector Border Patrol agents arrested a woman suspected of smuggling drugs inside a vehicle's wheel well last Friday afternoon.

The incident occurred on April 13, shortly after 1 p.m., when a blue Ford Mustang approached the primary inspection area of the Highway 86 Checkpoint.

At primary inspection, a Border Patrol canine detection team alerted to the vehicle passenger side wheel well. An agent referred the driver to secondary for further immigration inspection.

After a thorough search of the vehicle, agents discovered 22 wrapped bundles hidden in a false compartment inside the vehicle's wheel well.

The packages were tested and proved positive for the

characteristics of methamphetamine.

The total weight of the methamphetamine was 23.3 pounds with an estimated value of \$76,890.

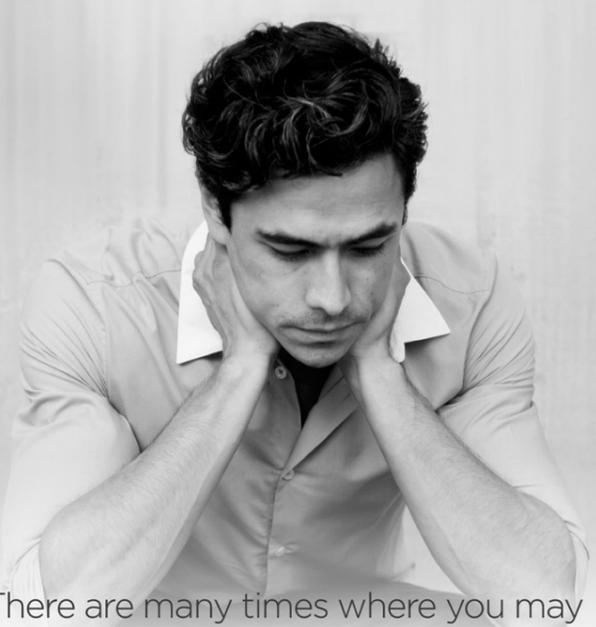
The woman, later identified as a United States Citizen, was transported to the station for further processing.

"Through vigilance and hard work, the United States Border Patrol will continue to keep dangerous drugs out of our communities," said El Centro Sector Chief Gloria I. Chavez.

The subject, vehicle, and narcotics were turned over to the Drug Enforcement Administration for further investigation.

In fiscal year 2018, El Centro Sector has seized more than 507.21 pounds of methamphetamine.

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Eating DISORDERS

Do you or does someone you know have an eating disorder?

The National Eating Disorders Association describes eating disorders as “manipulating our bodies through extreme weight loss measures,” whether through strictly limiting food, bingeing and purging, or over-exercising. These disorders go well beyond a desire to lose pounds gained over the holidays, and for many young people can turn into a fight for their lives.

Eating disorders can weaken bones, create problems with the esophagus, permanently damage teeth, and cause intestinal disorders and heart disease.

“It’s a slow process of dying, if not from the eating disorder, then complications from it,” said Maricruz Bermudez, Mental Health Counselor II with the Youth And Young Adult program at Imperial County Behavioral Health Services. Eating disorders are real illnesses that are treatable. While men also suffer from eating disorders, they are more common in females, Bermudez said.

Anorexia nervosa and bulimia nervosa and their variants all are serious conditions that, if left untreated, can be deadly. Often they

are accompanied by depression, anxiety and substance abuse.

“Every case is different,” said Bermudez, whose department helps youths with eating disorders, and works with their families. “Perfectionism is a factor, that and high expectations from others.”

Clients are referred to Behavioral Health Services in various ways. It may a parent who reaches out for help for a child, but referrals also come from other family members, physicians and schools. Occasionally a person seeks help for him or herself.

As part of treatment, “We do cognitive restructuring, where we challenge maladapted thinking patterns, resulting in healthier, more balanced thoughts. We address self-esteem, help them through emotional chaos,” she said.

The end game is to help clients connect the dots on how healthy eating can help them accomplish goals, Bermudez said. “Do they want to go to college? Are they too tired? Food will help them accomplish their goal,” she said.

The department also works with families, helping them to identify red flags and provide a support system.

“Sometimes the family enables the client, but

we try to educate them that these are serious disorders,” she said.

Anorexia Nervosa

Many people with the disorder have a distorted self-image, seeing themselves as fat, no matter how thin they become. They become obsessed with their weight and severely limit portions of food, types of foods they will eat, and sometimes over-exercise to work off calories what little they do eat.

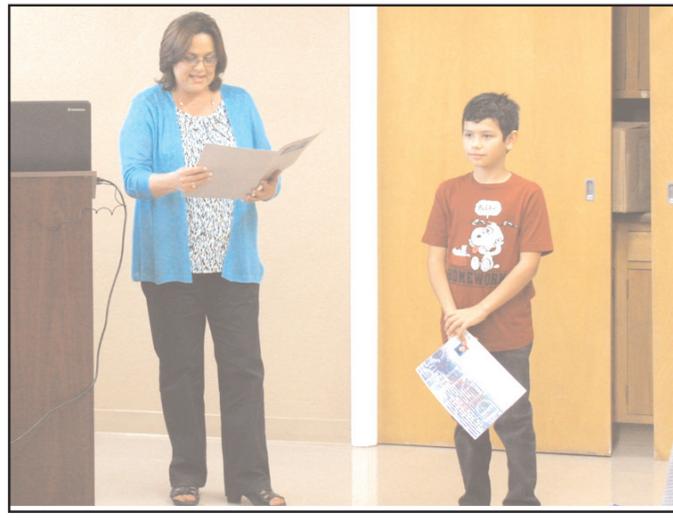
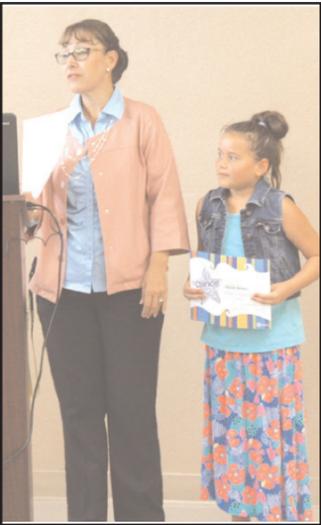
- In a presentation on World Mental Health Day in October, Bermudez described the following warning signs:

- ▶ Excessive weight loss
- ▶ Rigorous exercise regimens
- ▶ Isolating from family and friends
- ▶ Frequent comments of being overweight or fat
- ▶ Strong need for control or for perfectionism
- ▶ May wear numerous layers of clothing to avoid others noticing weight loss
- ▶ Denial of being hungry
- ▶ Preoccupation with weight, food, calories, fat grams, and dieting
- ▶ May spend time cooking with others without actually eating

Holtville Students Recognized For Courage

Many Different Ways Of Showing It

STUDENTS FROM each of the schools in the Holtville Unified School District were recognized at Monday night's school board meeting. The theme for this month's awards was Courage, and each of the administrators and teachers making the presentations explained what it was that each student had done to display courage. This ranged from standing up to bullies for other students all the way to being brave enough to break out of their shell or comfort zone to become the excellent students their teachers knew they could be.



- ▶ Food rituals such as excessive chewing or eating only certain foods
 - ▶ Eating very little or going to extreme lengths to avoid eating, to the point of starvation
- The physical signs include dry skin, brittle nails, thinning hair/hair loss, dizziness, muscle weakness, always feeling cold, sleep problems, concentration difficulties, and dental problems. Along with a dramatic shift in weight and distorted self-image, anorexia can result in depression, high levels of anxiety, obsessive compulsive symptoms, and damaging thinking patterns.

Bulimia Nervosa

People with this disorder, on the other hand, are more likely to be of normal weight or overweight. Warning signs include:

- ▶ Large amounts of food disappearing in short periods of time
- ▶ Fear of eating in public
- ▶ Skipping meals or taking small amounts of food during regular meal times
- ▶ Going to the bathroom immediately following food intake
- ▶ Excessive amounts of water intake or of non-calorie beverages
- ▶ Finding packages of laxatives and diuretics
- ▶ Frequent dieting
- ▶ Mood swings-Rigid or excessive exercise regimen
- ▶ May have a vomiting smell
- ▶ Wearing baggy clothing to hide body
- ▶ Calluses on hands/knuckles from self-induced vomiting
- ▶ Extreme concern over body and weight

- ▶ Purging after binge eating
- Physical signs include thinning hair, wounds not healing, dental problems, fluctuations in weight, concentration difficulties, sleep problems, dizziness, and fainting.

In addition to heart disease and tooth decay, health risks include loss of potassium/sodium, low body temperature, chronic irregular bowel movements/constipation, peptic ulcers, osteoporosis, and low blood pressure.

John Grass, Deputy Director of Youth and Young Adult Services states that "symptoms of an eating disorder

should not be ignored. These symptoms left untreated can have a serious impact on a person's physical and mental health. It is important that teens and parents are informed and know what to look for if concerns arise. These symptoms can also be discussed with your family doctor who can help with the assessment and treatment of the physical impact of an eating disorder. I encourage you to simply start with an assessment where you can be provided information and treatment if needed. We don't want you to suffer needlessly if treatment can bring healthy recovery. Give us a call."



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The Business Buzz

County nudges closer to taking over Niland district, vote looms

BY WILLIAM ROLLER AND GARY REDFERN

Imperial County on April 17 moved a step closer to assuming control of the insolvent Niland Sanitary District, but its fate rests with district property owners who face a crucial decision.

The county Board of Supervisors voted 5-0 to hold a public hearing on the matter after watching a presentation by county Public Works Director John Gay. It is the latest in a series of steps required for the county to take over operation of the district, Gay explained in a previous interview.

The vote sets the stage for the start of a 45-day period in which district property owners will vote on a proposed rate increase. County officials have said raising rates is the only way the county can afford to take over the district and have indicated it likely will not do so without the increase.

Current rates do not cover the cost of operations or compliance with health standards.

In public meetings and interviews some Niland residents have voiced strong opposition to a rate hike, even after being told without them the sewer district could close and force health officials to evict town residents.

Property owners will be mailed a notice on the vote. Under the procedure, property owners must submit a "no" vote to the county in writing, Gay said in the interview. Those who do not respond will be considered "yes" votes. Owners get one vote for each sewer connection on their properties.

Gay said in the previous interview he expects the vote notices to be sent in late April or early May. The votes will be tallied at the public hearing at the end of the 45-day voting period, Gay added.

If more than half the votes are in opposition the board cannot adopt the proposed rates and must respond by either keeping rates the same or repeating the

entire process, Gay explained to the board.

"We need to move forward with rate increases but first implement Prop. 218 (mandate to get voter approval)," Gay told the board. "They're currently paying only half of what they should."

Proposition 218 is the state law on which the voting procedure is based.

Two previous efforts to raise rates failed. One proposal was approved by property owners only to be voted down 3-2 by the district board. Voters rejected the second proposal.

The current recommendation is to raise the monthly rate from \$37.74 to \$62.76 and keep it there for five years, Gay stated to the board. It was based on a study by the Rural Community Assistance Corporation that conducts safe drinking water workshops under the auspices of the California State Water Resources Control Board.

"Our projections are a positive cash flow after five years," Gay told the board.

Niland Sanitary has a long record of noncompliance with the state Regional Water Quality Control Board. Most violations are owing to treatment not meeting permit requirements for e-coli (bacteria), copper and thallium, Gay told the board.

Since the district lacked the ability to correct violations and arrange its finances in order (substantial pending loans and violation fines), the Imperial Local Agency Formation Commission that oversees such special districts under state law voted in August 2017 to dissolve the district once a successor agency was created, Gay told the board. Under the current proposal that successor agency would be Imperial County with the new district being named the Niland County Sanitation District.

The district owns and operates about six miles of gravity-flow sewer collection pipelines, 97 manholes, one lift station and a wastewater treatment plant. The system serves a population of 1,344.

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Relay for Life Aims to Kick Cancer to Dustbin of History

BY WILLIAM ROLLER

Residents from across the Imperial Valley flocked to Imperial Valley College's outdoor track to inspire cancer patients with hope on April 14 for the local 18th Relay for Life: Give Cancer the Boot.

In 2017 Valley residents raised \$45,000 for cancer research and this year 30 teams of volunteers expect to raise \$50,000, noted Linda Shaner, local Fund-the-Cure leader. She explained Relay was started by Gordon Klatt who circled a track for 83 miles at the University of Puget Sound in Tacoma in 1985 and raised \$27,000 from donors.

Relay is the signature fundraiser for the American Cancer Society and spawned 5,200 events across the U.S. Since its debut raised nearly \$5 billion.

The first lap around the track on Saturday was dedicated to cancer survivors and care givers. Five honorees joining them included Rick Wolery, Sandra Espinoza, Martha Otero, Maria De Lourdes Moreno and Ivanna Vallejo.

At 9 p.m. Saturday the Relay had luminaria (lighted paper lanterns) placed on the track donated for those lost to cancer and patients still battling the disease.

There were 100 survivors signed up

for the ceremony.

"I hope the day will come when we don't need these events," said Shaner. "But until that day comes, I'll be here, a voice fighting cancer."

In remission for 21 years, Wolery was a member of the El Toro Export team with 80 members and one of the biggest supporters of Relay. Wolery and his family have spent numerous years cooking food for a number of organizations at the event.

"This is a way of staying positive. It offers a tremendous deal of moral support," said Wolery. "It brings out doctors and families, but we all carry a baton for the Relay."

Volunteering for three years for Relay was Martha Otero, a 12-year cancer survivor. Otero is a community champion for all the time and energy she has dedicated to promoting and assisting with the Relay.

"I especially like the testimonials of the survivors and what they've gone through," said Otero. "People realize we are fighting cancer and meeting our goal."

Vallejo was recognized as a caregiver. She was nominated by Imperial Valley College classmate Aaliyah Romero, who was also a team captain for the IVC One Team. Romero said she nominated Vallejo because despite a busy schedule at college

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51st Congressional Seat Candidates

Among the candidates who have filed for the 51st District congressional seat now held by Democratic Rep. Juan Vargas are two Republicans with strong ties to Calexico, Louis A. Fuentes and John R. Renison Jr. They are profiled in today's edition.

Also challenging Vargas, who is seeking reelection, are Juan M. Hidalgo Jr., Juan Carlos Mercado and Kevin Mitchell. They, along with Vargas, will be featured in a can-

didate article in an upcoming edition.

The 51st District includes all of Imperial County and part of San Diego County. The primary is June 5. Under California election law, the top two primary finishers, regardless of party affiliation, will square off in the Nov. 6 general election.

PROFILES BY MARIO CONDE

Louis A. Fuentes

Former Calexico Mayor Running for 51st Congressional Seat

Emphasizing his economic development and public service experience, former Calexico mayor and county supervisor Louis A. Fuentes announced his candidacy as a Republican for the 51st Congressional District.

Fuentes had a meteoric rise in local politics during the mid-2000s as he was elected in 2006 to the Calexico City Council and then appointed by then-Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger to the Imperial County Board of Supervisors District 1 in 2009 to fill the position left vacant by Victor Carrillo when he was hired as Calexico city manager. He served as chairman of the county board in 2010.

Fuentes is the president of Air Conditioning Guys, Inc., an international air conditioning company and director of marketing for B Air Ductless Mini Splits. He was elected to the board of directors of the Air Conditioning Contractors of America. Fuentes was the first president and chief executive officer of the Imperial Valley Economic Development Corporation.

Fuentes was born and raised in the Imperial Valley and said he always believed it is the obligation of citizens to contribute to making the area in which you live a better place.

"I want to fight for the residents of the 51st District at the national level to make that a reality. I believe strongly that our younger generation demands more from Washington and I can help be that change. I will not fail them," Fuentes said.

His platform to support the Imperial Valley and improve the quality of life focuses on bettering the relationship with federal agencies that regulate and have jurisdiction over the air basin that includes the district. Fuentes said the federal Environmental Protection Agency can, through its legal authority, withhold federal funding to counties in the 51st District if air quality is not complaint.

"Our reality is much more complicated than just checking off a series of boxes or meeting certain numerical thresholds," Fuentes said and added the district has an international border affecting the communities economically, socially and culturally. In the case of the Imperial Valley, it affects the health of children and the elderly, he said.

Fuentes said job growth and reinforcing existing employment is important. He explained transportation dollars must be secured and enhanced as incentives to areas that are affected heavily by high rates of unemployment. Also, renewable energy credits and investment stimulus packages would greatly benefit investment in the area.

In regard to the New River, Fuentes said it is a moral obligation to use every means available to the congressional position to help solve the issues the river has created for generations of residents of the district. Fuentes said he knows firsthand as an air conditioning contractor what the proximity to the New River does to the metal of the AC units. Fuentes said copper corrodes faster than in many parts of the country.

"Imagine what that does to children's developing organs and to the people living next to it. People in that area have unquestionably higher rates of illness; there must be a correlation. We must do something," Fuentes said.

When it comes to the Salton Sea and the possibility of the pumping in water from the Sea of Cortez to clean it up, Fuentes said all options must be looked at if they make sense and can be funded. Fuentes added the cross-border flow of water is obviously a federal issue, so seeking the position in Congress would allow the opportunity to be at the forefront of those discussions and develop the most viable options for the residents.

On the issue of the current North American Free Trade Agreement negotiations with Canada and Mexico, Fuentes said he believes the job opportunities expected from NAFTA in the Imperial Valley never really happened as they did in the San Diego region of the district. The trade pact, first created in 1994, is being renegotiated at the request of President Donald Trump.

Fuentes added the Otay Mesa border crossing area in San Diego County saw an increase in economic activity with a growing transportation corridor due to its port of entry, but that area has its challenges.

Fuentes said he believes in free trade and the economic forces of the U.S. economy.

"It's about how we capture those opportunities created by either NAFTA or any other version that may come out of negotiations, and create job opportunities, educational skill sets and a workforce ready to meet the needs of the businesses that arise (and) we have to be ready for in District 51," he said.

Concerning the controversial Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program, Fuentes said the country needs immigration reform. Fuentes said the halfway approach is not working and is just dividing the country.

DACA was initiated by then-President Barack Obama to allow certain young immigrants brought to the country illegally to remain under certain conditions. Trump's effort to end the program has been delayed by court challenges. Congress has not taken legislative action on it.

"If there is a system that was put in place and people stepped up to follow rules, we need to make sure we fix any loopholes or problems with this once and for all," he said.

If elected, Fuentes said he will fight for issues that affect the communities so children are safe in schools and education is affordable to anyone who wants it.

"I offer a new way of approaching things in Washington. Those that know me and have shown their support in years past will tell you that because many of the people I know, love and have grown up with live in this community, I will give my 100 percent fighting to improve our way of life here," he said.

John Renison Jr.

John Renison Jr. Seeks Congressional Seat

John R. Renison Jr. considers himself a binational, bilingual person with a unique border perspective that, if he is elected, will be helpful for the residents of the 51st Congressional District.

With roots in Calexico and more recently living in the San Diego area as a businessman, Renison said he brings to his campaign a business-focused platform relying on the importance of binational collaboration and commerce to make the region economically stronger.

Renison is the son of Imperial County District 1 Supervisor John Renison.

Renison said his business background working on both sides of the border and being fluent in Spanish sets him apart from other candidates. It allows him to understand the business and political sectors in Mexico, he added.

The district covers the California/Mexico border where the main issues are the North American Free Trade Agreement, border security, job creation and bilateral agreements with Mexico, he noted.

Renison grew up in the Imperial Valley, graduated from high school in Calexico in 1995 and currently lives in San Diego with his family. He is the chief executive officer of a customs brokerage firm servicing Fortune 500 companies, the founder of the firm, Tech Start Up, and previous owner of the San Diego Surf, a minor league basketball team. Renison also serves as program director for the Binational Exchange, a San Diego/Imperial County drug-demand reduction program.

Renison believes the Imperial Valley should be the home to strategic suppliers for Mexico's industrial industry and attract a cluster of international suppliers of raw materials and machinery parts for U.S. manufacturers based in Mexicali.

"As your next congressman, I plan to aggressively liaison with vendors on behalf of the Valley to attract new companies that are suppliers of the international trade industry. We have the potential to offer tax breaks and incentives to those who wish to establish themselves in our region and therefore become a job-creating machine," Renison said.

Asked about his position on NAFTA negotiations, Renison said it is important for the border region and should be kept. NAFTA is being renegotiated at the request of President Donald Trump, a Republican, who has questioned its value to the U.S.

Renison criticized Vargas as a one-issue candidate who only focuses on immigration. He said the border deserves attention in all major areas, mainly economic development and the negotiation of the trade agreement.

"We should keep NAFTA because those are a lot of jobs that are created along the U.S.-Mexico border, but it's been unfair for many years. We need to elect someone that understands how to do business in Mexico and knows how politics works there," Renison said.

The highly polluted New River in Calexico has been a problem for decades and there is finally a memorandum of understanding signed between Calexico, the Imperial Irrigation District, and Imperial County to work towards a solution. Renison said he will craft legislation to support state and local initiatives to put an end to bilateral environmental issues.

Concerning another major environmental problem, the Salton Sea, there has been talk about bringing in sea water from the Sea of Cortez to counter evaporation and dilute pollutants. Renison said he would support the idea.

In regard to the controversial Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program, Renison said he supports immigration reform and DACA recipients should be allowed to stay.

DACA was initiated by then-President Barack Obama to allow certain young immigrants brought to the country illegally to remain under certain conditions. Trump's effort to end the program has been delayed by court challenges. Congress has not taken legislative action on it.

Renison said Trump wishes to help the 1.8 million so-called "Dreamers" covered under DACA and alleged it is Democrats who stand in the way of such legislation.

"I think it is because it is election time and they don't want the president to have that accomplishment under his presidency. They want the credit for it so unfortunately these Dreamers are being neglected and sued in this power struggle," Renison said.

Summing up his qualifications for a seat in Congress, Renison concluded, "I was raised in the Imperial Valley and have my corporate office in Calexico that deals with NAFTA. Calexico has been abandoned by our current congressman and has to be placed on the map once again. We have great potential and need to send someone to Congress who understands the border region."

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she still finds time to care for her mother, a two-year cancer survivor. Romero hopes other students follow Vallejo's proven leadership.

"The main thing, if you're undecided what to do with your future, volunteering for Relay can open your mind to what can be done," said Romero. "You might even find your passion."

Prevailing over two diagnoses of cancer, first thyroid cancer and then

melanoma, was Dan Standiford, a 30-year employee with the Imperial County Public Works Department, a rodeo lasso competitor and a 1982 graduate of Holtville High School. Standiford remarked cancer gives a patient a chance to change their life.

"Cancer is not a death sentence-- it's a life sentence," he said "There's no reason to give up. I know people who fought it and survived."

PUBLIC NOTICE

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

FILE NO.: 18-279

The following persons are conducting business as:

Imperial Do It Center

415 W. Main Street

Brawley, CA 92227

Full Name of Registrants:

Imperial Hardware Co.

355 W. Olive Ave.

El Centro, CA 92243

This business conducted by: A Corporation

Registrant commenced to transact business

under the Fictitious Business Name(s) listed

above on: June 1, 1990.

I, Declare that all of the information in this statement is true and correct.

Signature: Michael J. Keareny, Secretary

The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this State or a Fictitious Business Name in Violation of the Rights of another under Federal, State or Common Law.

Filed with the Imperial County Clerk-Recorder on: April 13, 2018.

NOTICE: This statement expires on: April 12, 2023. A new statement must be filed prior to the expiration date.

Chuck Storey/County Clerk-Recorder

Victoria Camarillo, Deputy

Legal 5931

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PUBLIC NOTICE

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

FILE NO.: 18-278

The following persons are conducting business as:

Imperial Stores

355 W. Olive Ave.

El Centro, CA 92243

Full Name of Registrants:

Imperial Hardware Co.

355 W. Olive Ave.

El Centro, CA 92243

This business conducted by: A Corporation

Registrant commenced to transact business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) listed above on: June 1, 1990.

I, Declare that all of the information in this statement is true and correct.

Signature: Michael J. Keareny, Secretary

The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this State or a Fictitious Business Name in Violation of the Rights

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Victoria Camarillo, Deputy

Legal 5929

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PUBLIC NOTICE

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

FILE NO.: 18-281

The following persons are conducting business as:

Imperial Do It Center

1041 N. Imperial Ave.

El Centro, CA 92243

Full Name of Registrants:

Imperial Hardware Co.

355 W. Olive Ave.

El Centro, CA 92243

This business conducted by: A Corporation

Registrant commenced to transact business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) listed above on: June 1, 1990.

and correct.

Signature: Michael J. Keareny, Secretary

The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this State or a Fictitious Business Name in Violation of the Rights

of another under Federal, State or Common Law.

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Victoria Camarillo, Deputy

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PUBLIC NOTICE

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

FILE NO.: 18-279

The following persons are conducting business as:

Imperial Do It Center

415 W. Main Street

Brawley, CA 92227

Full Name of Registrants:

Imperial Hardware Co.

355 W. Olive Ave.

El Centro, CA 92243

This business conducted by: A Corporation

Registrant commenced to transact business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) listed above on: June 1, 1990.

I, Declare that all of the information in this statement is true and correct.

Signature: Michael J. Keareny, Secretary

The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this State or a Fictitious Business Name in Violation of the Rights

of another under Federal, State or Common Law.

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Victoria Camarillo, Deputy

Legal 5930

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PUBLIC NOTICE

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

FILE NO.: 18-280

The following persons are conducting business as:

Imperial Do It Center

123 E. 5th Street

Holtville, CA 92250

Full Name of Registrants:

Imperial Hardware Co.

355 W. Olive Ave.

El Centro, CA 92243

This business conducted by: A Corporation

Registrant commenced to transact business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) listed above on: June 1, 1990.

I, Declare that all of the information in this statement is true and correct.

Signature: Michael J. Keareny, Secretary

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
FILE NO.: 18-248
 The following persons are conducting business as:
 Legnos Co.
 835 Manzanita Drive
 El Centro, CA 92243
 County of Imperial
 Full Name of Registrants:
 Sergio Ricardo Parra
 835 Manzanita Drive
 El Centro, CA 92243
 Ana Bertha Parra
 835 Manzanita Drive
 El Centro, CA 92243
 This business conducted by: A General Partnership
 Registrant commenced to transact business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) listed above on: August 27, 2012.
 I, Declare that all of the information in this statement is true and correct.
 Signature:
 The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this State or a Fictitious Business Name in Violation of the Rights of another under Federal, State or Common Law.
 Filed with the Imperial County Clerk-Recorder on: April 2, 2018.
 NOTICE: This statement expires on: April 1, 2023. A new statement must be filed prior to the expiration date.
 Chuck Storey/County Clerk-Recorder
 Victoria Camarillo, Deputy
 Legal 5920
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PUBLIC NOTICE

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
FILE NO.: 18-210
 The following persons are conducting business as:
 El Centro Body Shop & Detail
 240 S 3rd St.
 El Centro, CA 92243
 County of Imperial
 Full Name of Registrant:
 Higinio Garcia Salazar
 1531 Ross Ave. Apt. B 109
 El Centro, CA 92243
 Benigno Jeova Lopez Valle
 1008 N 49 Ave.
 Los Angeles, CA 90042
 This business conducted by: A General Partnership
 Registrant commenced to transact business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) listed above on: March 21, 2018.
 I, Declare that all of the information in this statement is true and correct.
 Signature: Higinio Garcia Salazar
 The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this State or a Fictitious Business Name in Violation of the Rights of another under Federal, State or Common Law.
 Filed with the Imperial County Clerk-Recorder on: March 21, 2018.
 NOTICE: This statement expires on: March 20, 2023. A new statement must be filed prior to the expiration date.
 Chuck Storey/County Clerk-Recorder
 Victoria Camarillo, Deputy
 Legal 5907
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PUBLIC NOTICE

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
FILE NO.: 18-230
 The following persons are conducting business as:
 Valiant LLC
 540 Broadway
 El Centro, CA 92243
 County of Imperial
 Full Name of Registrants:
 David E. Hansen
 1603 N. 12th St.
 El Centro, CA 92243
 Francisco de Jesus Quintero Gamboa
 350 West E. St. Apt. 121
 Brawley CA 92227
 This business conducted by: A Limited Liability Partnership
 Registrant commenced to transact business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) listed above on: January 28.
 I, David E. Hansen Declare that all of the information in this statement is true and correct.
 Signature: David E. Hansen, Co Partner
 The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this State or a Fictitious Business Name in Violation of the Rights of another under Federal, State or Common Law.
 Filed with the Imperial County Clerk-Recorder on: March 26, 2018.
 NOTICE: This statement expires on: March 25, 2023. A new statement must be filed prior to the expiration date.
 Chuck Storey/County Clerk-Recorder
 Joanna L. Lerno, Deputy
 Legal 5910
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PUBLIC NOTICE

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
FILE NO.: 18-216
 The following persons are conducting business as:
 Letty Baker & Associates Inc.
 1615 W. Main St. Suite "A"
 El Centro, CA 92243
 County of Imperial
 Full Name of Registrant:
 Letty Baker & Associates Inc.
 1615 W. Main St. Suite "A"
 El Centro, CA 92243
 This business conducted by: A Corporation
 Registrant has not yet commenced to transact business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) listed above.
 I, Leticia Baker Declare that all of the information in this statement is true and correct.
 Signature: Leticia Baker, President
 The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this State or a Fictitious Business Name in Violation of the Rights of another under Federal, State or Common Law.
 Filed with the Imperial County Clerk-Recorder on: March 22, 2018.
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**County of Imperial
 Department of Public Works
 Request for Proposals for
 Design Engineering Services for Re-Configuration of the
 Intersection of State Route 86 (SR-86) at Heber Road in Imperial County
 Federal Aid No. HSIPLN 5958(107)
 County Project No. 6288**

The County of Imperial Department of Public Works is requesting responses from qualified consulting firms to provide design services for the subject Federally Funded Projects.

The Request for Proposal is available for review and download at the County of Imperial Department of Public Works Web site at <http://www.co.imperial.ca.us/PublicWork/> under the section titled "Projects Out to Bid".

Qualified entities along with Disadvantaged Business Enterprise entities are invited to submit written responses for consideration in accordance with this Request. These services will be conducted under a contract with the County of Imperial. All proposals should be submitted before the due date of 4:00 p. m. May 17, 2018 to:

**John A. Gay, P. E.
 Director of Public Works
 c/o Naomi Robles, Administrative Analyst II
 County of Imperial
 155 South 11th Street
 El Centro, CA 92243**

For additional information regarding this Notice please contact Naomi Robles, Administrative Analyst II of the County of Imperial Department of Public Works at (442) 265-1818.

Legal 8759

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Public Notice

**Imperial County Department of Public Works Request for Proposal (RFP)
 Quality Control and Quality Assurance Testing Services
 for Dogwood Road Improvements**

**Federal Aid No. RSTP-5958(101)
 County Project No. 6203
 Re-Release**

The County of Imperial Department of Public Works is requesting responses from qualified consulting firms to provide services for the subject Federally Funded Projects.

The Request for Proposal is available for review and download at the County of Imperial Department of Public Works Web site at <http://www.co.imperial.ca.us/publicwork/index.asp> under the section titled "Projects Out to Bid".

Qualified entities along with Disadvantaged Business Enterprise entities are invited to submit written responses for consideration in accordance with this Request. These services will be conducted under a contract with the County of Imperial. All proposals should be submitted before the due date of 4:00 p. m. May 10, 2018 to:

**John A. Gay, P. E.
 Director of Public Works
 c/o Jose Castaneda, Administrative Analyst II
 County of Imperial
 155 South 11th Street
 El Centro, CA 92243**

For additional information regarding this Notice please contact Jose Castaneda, Administrative Analyst II of the County of Imperial Department of Public Works at (442) 265-1818.

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