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Before and after of a parcel recently Public Nuisance Abated.

From the Desk of Chuck Washington: **Community Cleanup = Neighborhood Pride**

This Saturday, September 16, I, my staff, The Riverside County Department of Waste Resources, Code Enforcement and the Sheriff's Department, with community volunteers will conduct a Community Cleanup in Valle Vista/East Hemet.

We have conducted several of these initiatives to spruce up neighborhoods and bring pride back to the members of the neighborhood. Clean neighborhoods set a standard for the community that emanates a sense of well-being, and commitment to maintain a level of quality lifestyle in the community.

While a clean up team can give the facelift, maintaining that standard is up to the individual residents and landowners. Recently County of Riverside Code Enforcement abated a mobile home in the community of Green Acres. The parcel was in total disarray without hope of the responsible party bringing the property into compliance. Neighbors had reported transient and drug activity at the site. After a 90-day order to abate had expired the parcel abatement was awarded through a competitive bid process and 6.64 tons of rubbish and materials were removed from the property.

By taking initiative, neighbors improved their surroundings, and quality of living. Did you know that bulky items, like old chairs, can be picked up by your waste management company with just a phone call? You can contact Waste Management call 800-423-9986 or sign up online at [BULKYWM](#). For CR&R call (951) 943-1991.



Veterans Events:

A Night for Veterans Charity Benefit: Friday, September 22, 6 p.m. to 9 p.m., Canyon Crest Country Club. [Info & Tickets](#)

Financial Coaching: America's Job Center of California -San Bernardino/ Riverside County has partnered with the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau to provide free financial coaching services to veterans. Valencia Brown, AFC @ Contracted Financial Coach Contractor, Armed Forces Services Corporation, Magellan Federal, (909) 948-6623, vbrown@afsc.com

H&R Scholarships for Military Spouses & Wounded Warriors: Learn to prepare taxes. Call 951-300-9600, use coupon code 22160 when you enroll.

Veteran Resources:

[Veterans Employment Opportunities](#)

[Veterans Supplemental Support Network](#)

[Temecula Valley VFW, 28075 Diaz Rd., Temecula, CA](#)

Phone: (951) 676-1541



Links to your Community and Events

[Hemet/San Jacinto Valley Chamber of Commerce, 951-658-3211](#)

[Murrieta Chamber of Commerce, 951-677-7916](#)

[Temecula Valley Chamber of Commerce, 951-676-5090](#)

[Anza Valley Municipal Advisory Council \(AVMAC\).](#)

[Meets every 2nd Wednesday, Anza Community Hall](#)

[City of Hemet, 951-765-2300](#)

[City of Murrieta, 951-304-2489](#)

[City of Temecula, 951-694-6444](#)

[Idyllwild Community Center Org](#)



Gallery of Heroes

The Salvation Army's Veterans Easy Access Program (VEAP) Gallery of Heroes at the 8th Annual Veterans Expo on April 7, 2018.

They are asking for active duty, veterans, and families of our national heroes, to submit digital photos by email of your family member or yourself, in military uniform to be included in the gallery. Photos will be featured in a display by the Veteran's Program in partnership with Coachella Valley Forest Lawn Memorial Parks and Mortuaries. The event is held in Indio.

Submit photos, with name and rank, branch of service, names of unit, conflicts and noteworthy accomplishments to okmsrsyoung@gmail.com by March 15, 2018.

Military Appreciation Day to benefit



Temecula VFW

Mercedes-Benz Temecula is holding a Military Appreciation Day on Saturday, Oct., 14, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. The event is open to the public and includes a silent auction, kids activities and lunch.

Proceeds will benefit VFW Post 4089.



Riverside County Fair & National Date Festival Offer Music Scholarship Competition

Young musicians are encouraged to compete for the Magic Carpet Music Scholarship Competition where participants can win scholarship money towards college.

The Riverside County Fair & National Date Festival's Magic Carpet Scholarship Fund and its "Magic Carpet Awards" is an FFA/4-H program and was designed to help students who plan to go to postsecondary education, and who satisfy other criteria developed by Scholarship America and the Magic Carpet Scholarship Fund.

There are three (3) categories for competition: Vocal, Instrumental and Composition. The Magic Carpet Music Scholarship Competition is open to qualified young individuals who are residents or students of Riverside County and are citizens of the United States. Candidates must be at least 17 years of age by November 19, 2017. Candidate shall not be a previous Magic Carpet Music Scholarship awardee. Minimum Unweighted Cumulative GPA 2.0 (official grades must be submitted Wednesday, October 18, 2017 at 4 p.m.).

Applications are due on October 18, with competition Sunday, November 19th, 2017 at 1:30 p.m.

Download the application [here](#).

The "Magic Carpet Awards" was established over twenty years ago and has been awarded to hundreds of deserving young people throughout the years. Over \$25,000 has been awarded through these efforts.



Citizens' Academy Gives an Inside Look at the Criminal Justice System

Get the inside look at the function of the district Attorney's Office in Riverside County. Participants will receive a comprehensive tutorial regarding the judicial process with seminars led by Riverside's top prosecutors, investigators, police and other public safety officials.

The Citizens' Academy is held on Thursdays, 6 to 9 p.m. January 25 through March 29.

Applications are due by October 30, 2017.

For more information contact Amy McKenzie, DA Information Specialist at ajmckenzie@rivcoda.org.



Meet with admission advisors and learn about college life at the 2017 College Fair, Saturday, Sept. 23 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Over 200 colleges, universities and technical programs will be present. Stanford, USC, UCLA, Princeton, Ohio State, California Institute of Arts and Technology, Devry Institute, California State Polytechnic University Pomona, Notre Dame, UCR, Laguna College of Art & Design, University of Hawaii, University of Kansas, are just a few examples. Other entities include US Army, United States Naval Academy, United States Air Force Academy, and the United States Coast Guard Academy.

The program is provided by the City of Temecula and open to all students.



6 Evidence Based Activities to Well-Being & Healthy Aging

These specific six activities are listed in a report from the Harvard Medical Center published in 2010 entitled "Simple Changes, Big Rewards, A practical easy guide for healthy, happy living."

1 Smile at the first 10 people of the day! Smiling is contagious. When we smile, it makes us happy! The facial expression elicits the feeling of happiness. Frowns bring feelings of distress. And, you make others happy!

2 Give Thanks! Gratitude is strongly associated with great happiness. The report suggests that every day you should stop and think of three things for which you are thankful. This exercise helps you focus on positive things.

3 Seek Out Happy People! Birds of a feather do flock together. People surrounded by many happy people are more likely to become happy in the future. Happy people appear also to attract new clusters of happiness.

4 VOLUNTEER! The more people volunteer the happier they are according to the study. Allan Luks wrote in "The Healing Power of Doing Good," that regular helpers are 10 times more likely to be in good health than people who don't volunteer. Also, volunteering reduces the body's stress and releases endorphins, the brain's natural pain killers.

5 Identify Your STRENGTHS and USE THEM. We are all good at something. How do you know your strengths? Figure out what comes easy to you and what people complement the most about you. Cooking, baking, writing, problem-solving, gardening? Make a list and USE IT... Why not Volunteer using it? Commit to using your strengths in a new way every day and see what happens You find you are doing what you love.

6 Find the Flow - and go with it. When you become so immersed in what you are doing that all background chatter and distractions fall away, you go with the flow and lose time. This is not "zoning out" but honing into something that takes skill and makes you happy. You'll find you push the boundaries and grow.



San Jacinto Avenue

Re-construction and revitalization of San Jacinto Avenue from 7th Street to Midway started on September 1. The project completion is projected by the end of the year. The project consists of tearing up, regrinding and replacing the degraded San Jacinto Avenue and rebuilding all four lanes of the 1.1 mile street segment.

It was funded by the City of San Jacinto, Measure "A", and a federal grant. The \$512,400 project is another boon for the City's economic development outreach and attraction, as well as a beacon for developers.

For more information and to get started connecting with updates from City Hall, text GOSANJACINTO to 22828.

Highway 79 South/Temecula Parkway Interchange

Much needed expansion of the 15 Freeway off ramps at Temecula Parkway continues.

Completion and opening of the new southbound on ramp is scheduled for completion January 2018, and the new northbound ramps in February, 2018. The entire construction is projected for completion by December 2018 with the final phase, and opening of the southbound off ramp completion in the fall. For more information on the project and closures during the construction see <https://1579south.info/>

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Take the Survey

Cancer services, treatment options and related resources are being assessed in Southwest Riverside County in relationship to demand. Excellent cancer care in Southwest Riverside County is readily available; however, sometimes patients travel outside the region seeking specialized care or treatment options, such as certain clinical studies, that may not be offered locally. To better understand the state of cancer care in the region, the Task Force is conducting two surveys:

A survey designed for cancer patients, survivors, and/or their caregivers:<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SW-Riv-Cancer-Community>

A survey designed for healthcare professionals such as physicians, nurses, lab techs, etc.:
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SW-Riv-Cancer-Provider>



Kin Care Celebration

The California Family Life Center Kin Care will have hold the 6th annual Our Family, Our Future Celebration Sat., Oct., 6 p.m., at the Ramona Bowl.

The celebration is an evening of food, musical entertainment and a silent auction. All proceeds go to benefit our Kin Care program to support our caregivers and children.

Kin Care provides services that strengthen the family experience for children who are no longer with their natural parents. Relatives known and loved by children are the first and best choice for their ongoing care.

For information and tickets visit KINCARE.



*Please Join
Chuck Washington
Riverside County Supervisor Third District
and his staff
for the
Opening of the New
Hemet
Valle Vista Office
Monday, October 23, 2017
4 p.m. to 6 p.m.*

*The new office is located at
43950 Acacia Avenue
Hemet, CA 92544
Refreshments will be served.*

Around the Thriving Third

THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS
HEMET CALIFORNIA STAKE
PRESENTS

Family Values AWARDS

Sunday September 10, 2017
7:00 pm
425 N. Kirby in Hemet

The Family Values Awards honors those that have made an outstanding contribution to the community and have exhibited leadership in strengthening the family through dedicated commitment to positive family values.

• Refreshments to follow awards •



Around the Thriving Third: (L-R - clockwise) Supervisor Washington was honored with the Family Values Award by The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, Oak Hills Academy ribbon cutting in Temecula, Home Buffet Grand Opening in Hemet, A Night Under the Stars at the Western Science Center, City of Temecula 9/11 Remembrance.