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Lantz Brings Home Another Gold



Rebecca Lantz recently won the gold for baton at the 2015 NBTA World Championships in Lignano, Sbiadorro, Italy. Rebecca competed against 26 competitors from around the world in the five-day competition that was held from April 1 - 5, 2015.

Rebecca has won a total of five gold medals in the sport of baton twirling and also holds the title of

2014 Miss Majorette of America.

Rebecca is a senior at Temescal Canyon High School and the feature twirler for the Temescal Canyon Regiment Marching Band. She has been the feature twirler for the Lake Elsinore School District for seven years and performed in community parades, field shows, and band reviews.

This will be Rebecca's last year twirling for LEUSD. While she has already been accepted to five colleges, she continues baton twirling auditions with additional colleges that she is considering for her major in Environmental Studies.

Rebecca has been twirling for 14 years and hopes to teach baton twirling in the future. Rebecca is coached by Debbie Salem and Rachelle Fawcett from Riverside, CA.

Professional Horseman of the Year Award



FAQHA Professional Horseman Gary Roberts of Murrieta, California, received the 2014 Don Burt Professional's Choice Professional Horseman of the Year Award from the American Quarter Horse Association. The award was presented to Roberts on March 8 at the 2015 AQHA Convention in Fort Worth.

Roberts is known for his unparalleled work ethic, honesty, integrity and the

quality of training. He takes the stewardship of the animals in his care seriously and provides excellent and compassionate care for them.

Roberts donates his time to judge local 4-H and open shows and makes himself available whenever needed to assist both youth and professionals. He has given countless hours to the Pacific Coast Quarter Horse Association and local open associations. As an AQHA judge, Roberts has served on the PCQHA board of directors and was instrumental in developing joint National Reining Horse Association and AQHA-approved events in California.

The Don Burt Professional's Choice Professional Horseman of the Year award, named after horseman and AQHA Past President Don Burt, is one of the most prestigious awards given to AQHA's Professional Horsemen. This award, voted on by peers, is recognition of the impact the individual has made on the industry.

Photo courtesy of The American Quarter Horse Journal

Careers United - Memoriam

Raul Rodriguez, float designer and friend of many years to Wildomar resident Stephanie Prescott, passed in March, but as Stephanie said, "He will be remembered and honored in history forever".

Stephanie Prescott, coordinating producer and writer of the live annual NBC Universal "Tournament of Roses Parade", pictured with Raul Rodriguez and his equally famous pet macaw, met years ago in Thailand during the "Miss Universe

Pageant". Stephanie's dual career as a minister brought them close in connection with Raul's spiritual quest to see, discover, savor and celebrate the world's diverse cultures - including unique art forms.

Rodriguez designed more than 500 winning floats for the Rose Parade over the years. His artistic works spanned a wide variety of venues including Hilton Hotels, Kodak, Avon, Red Cross and the U.S. Postal Service to name a few.



Temecula Valley Garden Club Flower Show & Plant Sale: May 9

Come, enjoy hundreds of spectacular exhibits in horticulture and floral design at the 29th TVGC Flower Show and Plant Sale, "Joy of our Gardens." The show will be held at the Community Recreation Center, 30875 Rancho Vista Road, Temecula on Saturday, May 9 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Admission is free.

Shop the plant sale, enjoy free refreshments and consult with Master Gardeners for answers to your gardening questions. Public entries in the show are encouraged. For more information visit temeculavalleygardenclub.com or call Debra Jones at 909-241-6802.

Arts Council Menifee "Spring Fling"
Art Gallery Reception & Open House

Saturday, May 3 • 1:00-3:00 pm
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Many of the Council's artists will offer their work for purchase.
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"Organizaton of the Month"

Chick-fil-A named the Temecula Valley Elks as the "Organization of the Month" for April and provided a dinner for the members in appreciation of their work in the community. Chick-Fil-A honors an organization or business each month for their contributions to the community.

The Temecula Valley Elks have helped Chick-Fil-A for the past several years when Chick-fil-A holds their annual Military Appreciation Day in May. The Temecula Valley Elks has contributed to the community with their Americanism Contests; Drug Awareness Essay and

Poster Contests; Veterans Program; Hoop Shoot Competition; Appreciation of Law Enforcement and Fire Fighters; Scholarships for High School Seniors; Middle School Students of the Year and their Flag Day Ceremony.

The Elks support these programs with their annual Charity Golf Tournament and Annual Charity Gala. The Elks help their community by recognizing and rewarding others. Elks Care...Elks Share.

Pictured: Nora Barker, Marketing Director for Chick-fil-A and Exalted Ruler/President of Lodge #2801.



Community Voice

Do Latino Dems In the Legislature Only Represent Criminal Ethics??

A flock of new bills being proposed and promoted by impatient Democrat assemblymembers and Senators in our capitol favor illegals living here. The new Republican Congress is moving too slowly to satisfy the growing influx of unfortunate, but hard-working "refugees" who usually have limited skills and education that America should provide. Presuming the local districts represented by these rascals are heavily in violation of state and federal law by Chinese, Mexican, or other pitiful nationals, we must conclude the lawmakers are determined to punish and plunder the legitimate constituents of diverse neighborhoods throughout California. Apparently, the lawful, responsible, contributing citizens or registered talented aliens in our midst vote in smaller numbers than do the illegals with fraudulent identities harvested by thriving counterfeiters in urban areas.

The excuses made by these apologists for invaders' rights are ruefully similar to those circulating among all Democrats who profess solidarity with the working class. They cultivate new voters that depend on largesse from government and who deny employment opportunity and tax savings to working middle- and lower-

income legal residents. Even the aliens already living here suffer as newcomers arrive in droves to steal those basic menial jobs held by previous arrivals. Further, the assault on our sovereignty has in past and continues to punish native entrants to industry, particularly hard on youths entering commerce and black or Asian minorities who already speak the prevailing language of business.

To reward lawbreakers with citizen benefits such as medical and welfare services is patently un-American and counterproductive. It creates an incentive for multitudes from abroad to access and corrupt this remarkable culture of welcome and opportunity that is undeniable and unacceptable. Every citizen and registered alien in our state must reject and discourage the several special interest legislative measures that reward bad behavior in border crossing, and deny citizens' rights to aliens, however needy or pathetic their native land makes them.

All those who are deprived of opportunity should honorably demand satisfaction from the leaders in their homeland, not mine!

Ken Woytek, Menifee

The Leading Edge of Breast Cancer

Michelle's Place, a breast cancer resource center, is thrilled to host a FREE educational seminar on Thursday, May 21 at 6:30pm. Dr. Amy Bremner will provide you with comprehensive information on breast cancer news including:

- Updates in surgical techniques
- Adjuvant therapies in breast cancer
- Utility of genomic profiling
- Vaccinations for breast cancer
- Benign breast disease

Michelle's Place is located at 27645 Jefferson Ave. #117, Temecula, CA 92590. RSVP, judee@michellesplace.org or call 951-699-5455.

Speaker:

Dr. Amy Bremner specializes in oncoplastic breast surgery techniques at Breastlink in Temecula and uses a multidisciplinary approach to the treatment of breast cancer. She is very passionate about attaining excellent cosmetic results.

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Curtains is a musical based on a book by Rupert Holmes. Lyrics by Fred Ebb and music by John Kander.

Synopsis: Tragedy strikes for a small group of off Broadway actors as their leading lady takes her final bow on opening night. As the group of thespians mourn their deceased cast mate and attempt to fill her role; theatre loving detective Frank Cioffi has taken up the responsibility to find the murderer, and find a way to save the show.

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Water Districts - Another Government Failure

For nearly a year I have been reporting on the inequity in water district pricing in southwest Riverside County. For copies of the 8 prior articles please contact The Bugle.

In a mixed economy such as ours (also known as socialism), government entities, such as water districts with elected representatives, are supposed to provide "essential" goods and services equitably priced to everyone while private enterprise provides whatever they choose to produce in their quest for profit. Water is essential for life and therefore water delivery is an essential service that was identified as one that should be government run, without profit. Over the last 60 years, the State of California has approved Water District formation to replace private enterprise for the delivery of water. There are currently 430 Water Districts in California. Today, these government entities are responsible for supplying over 90% of the water in this state. However, rather than behaving as responsible elected officials, these entities are behaving more like a board of directors of for-profit corporations. What do they do with the profit?

The following data was taken from the June 2014 financial reports for the Water Districts that service Southwest Riverside County.

- EMWD reported over \$392 million in interest bearing investments.
- EVMWD reported over \$226 million in interest bearing investments.
- RCWD reported over \$282 million in interest bearing investments. Recently they purchased investment property that was in bankruptcy around Vail Lake.
- WMWD reported over \$100 million in interest bearing investments.

Combined, the 4 Water Districts that service Southwest Riverside County have over \$1 billion in interest bearing investments. How is this helping increase the supply of water? How many desalination plants do we have? Because Proposition 1 recently passed, we'll have even more empty reservoirs to fill. When is the real problem, SUPPLY, going to be addressed?

In short, the Temecula Valley and maybe all of California is not receiving many of the benefits that a socialized water system should provide. It has become another taxing agency resembling for-profit organizations.

What has our State done so far?

1. Proposition 1, supported by both parties gave the State \$7.5 billion for new reservoirs. The existing reservoirs require at least 3 years of above average rainfall before they will reach pre-drought levels. Proposition 1 does nothing to help unless nature cooperates.
2. The State Water Resources Board and the California Public Utilities Commission have no jurisdiction over the Water Districts, only private water companies. As a result there is:
 - a) No centralized planning for the creation of desalination plants?
 - b) No centralized planning for the creation of sewage plants which create recycled water?
 - c) No centralized planning with the Federal Government.
 - d) No centralized planning to offer long-term contracts to farmers, golf courses, etc. that would financially entice private enterprise to convert to recycled water? I've even heard of a case where recycled water was dumped in the ocean.
 - e) No State-wide standards on pricing or accounting standards. Not only are rates inequitable, but large users of water are given lower pricing than those who conserve. This is accomplished with fixed

fees unrelated to water usage, including service charges, sewer charges and property taxes. The tiered pricing structure fails miserably in an attempt to penalize water wasters. Those who conserve water subsidize those who waste water. In a previous article I stated an example where one who used 70 units of water paid an effective rate of \$4/unit and a widow using 4 units of water paid over \$25/unit. How does this help the conservation effort? A much simpler approach would be to eliminate fixed charges and charge everyone the same rate. Take a look at your electricity and gas bills, both have only a minimal basic charge with all other charges based on usage.

3. In the last week it was reported that a beach had to be closed because of sewage water being dumped in the ocean. Why are we not reclaiming this water?

4. Storm drains in many parts of the State still drain to the ocean. Why are we not reclaiming this water?

5. With a lower than normal snow pack, the state is now mandating a 25% reduction in water usage. That's great for the wasters of water who could easily reduce their usage by 25% but most of us already conserve and cannot reduce usage another 25%. Since agriculture consumes 80% of the water and they are exempt, this 25% is actually only a 5% reduction in the overall usage of water in California, hardly a long term fix to conservation.

6. Water District creation was originally intended to give local control and efficient distribution of water. With 4 water districts servicing the 250,000 residents of the Temecula Valley, the size efficiency benefits do not exist. The Dept of Water and Power in Los Angeles services millions of customers. Instead we have turf wars and duplication of services.

a) As an example, we have two sewage plants, each managed by different water districts. The sewer lines in the Temecula Valley are serviced and maintained separately by the 4 water districts. One larger plant could easily service the entire Valley and the sewer lines could be serviced by one group.

b) Another example is WMWD. This district services only 3,000 water customers in our valley. How can this be efficient?

7. This is not the first drought that we have had in California, just the longest. What preparations has MWD made in the past for this possibility?

What has our Federal Government done so far?

During the Great Depression, the Federal Government created the TVA and the Hoover Dam. These projects have paid dividends for over 70 years now.

Below are some ideas I have read about that our government should be working on:

1. Pipe water from strategic locations along the Mississippi and its tributaries. The pumps would be under local control, turned on whenever the local residents deemed that the rivers were rising too fast. Sand bagging and disaster funds to these areas would be significantly reduced.

2. Pipe water from Oregon.

3. Should the Keystone Pipeline be approved, a water line could be paralleled giving us almost unlimited water from Canada. Private enterprise might even pay for some or all of this just to get Washington's approval.

4. All 3 of these projects could be designed to generate hydro electric power along the way. This is one of the cheapest and environmentally friendly ways of generating electricity.

Douglas VanderHeide,
Murrieta

Just A Minute



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Remembering My Mother

I gave my mother a spoonful of raspberry Jello. She swallowed it and then quietly stopped breathing, at age fifty-eight. Her youthful hands were woven together on top of the white coverlet.

I thought about lifting the coverlet to see her feet. I never saw my mother bare foot or in flat shoes or slippers. She always wore high heels, white in summer, black in winter. She washed our clothes wearing heels, she washed our windows wearing heels.

I paused and again thought about pulling the coverlet back to see her feet but decided against it. It was July, the shoes would be there, and they would be white.

Moms, It's Time to Power Up



Yolanda Villafana

Recently, my daughter was bullied at school. Some comments crossed the line and the Momma Bear in me reared up. Thankfully, I convinced her to go through the proper channels to deal with it. Her biggest fear was loss of friendships. My biggest fear was that I would hurt someone. So that night, after doing everything humanly possible, it was time for Mom to power up – Holy Spirit Power!

That evening, I laid hands on my daughter and prayed in the authority given to me as a Believer in Jesus Christ. If you have a child who has dealt with peer issues, you feel my pain. Every day it seems like we are sending them into battle. The enemy is attacking from all sides. And though at times I feel helpless, I have to remember that I am not sending her into battle alone. As much as I love her, God loves her more. As much as I want the best for her, God's plans for her are greater. As much as I want to protect her, I can't be with her at all times. However, God is and this is His promise: [DAUGHTER] You realize, don't you that you are the temple of God, and God himself is present in you? No one will get by with vandalizing God's temple, you can be sure of that. God's

temple is sacred—and you, remember, are the temple. 1 Corinthians 3:16-17

My job, as mom, is to remind her who she is. That morning, as I was preparing to send her to school, this "Declaration of Identity" poured out of my heart:

Daughter, this is who you are in Christ – A royal princess – daughter of The King. A co-heir with Jesus. A work of art. God calls you His masterpiece. He created you in His Image. Beautiful, pure, loving, and full of joy. You are the apple of His eye. He knows every thought that goes through your head. He has a plan for your future greater than your wildest dreams. He has an army of angels at your disposal. Call on them for help. The Holy Spirit dwells in you. There is no enemy that is greater than God. He will never leave you. He walks with you. You are His beloved. You are His delight. He is God Almighty, and He is always on your side.

Moms remember who you are in Jesus. This "Declaration of Identity" is for you too. Claim the authority given to you as a Believer in Jesus Christ and ask for the one thing that will save the day: HOLY SPIRIT POWER! The battle for our children's hearts, minds, and souls is raging but we are not giving up our children without a fight. So this Mother's Day, it's time to power up!

<http://reborn2write.blogspot.com/>

Meet Local Author Maria Pease

The Friends of the Murrieta Library welcomes freelance writer, Maria Pease, as their guest speaker on Tuesday, May 19 at 10:00 am in the library Community Room. This creative speaker and author of *Malicious Intent* and *Malicious Secrets*, the Temecula Valley based Sam Parker Mystery Series, is known for her humor, accessibility and down to earth style. As she unravels the mystery of her client's sudden disappearance, she notes, "I promise that you will recognize so many of the places that Sam goes. C'mon, you'll have the time of your life!"

The idea for the Sam Parker Mystery series came from late-night writing sessions with Ms. Pease's son, Steven, when he was 10 years old.

The 49-year-old author is also a freelance copywriter and has been a substitute teacher at Paloma Elementary School for 13 years.

Although Ms. Pease will not be bringing books for purchase to this event, she will be available to sign your pre-purchased books after the meeting.

The Friends invite you to come and meet this dynamic local author, visit with new friends and neighbors, and enjoy the lovely refreshments provided. The public and guests are invited.

The Murrieta Library is located at 8 Town Square, on Adams between Juniper and Kalmia. For further information, please call Rita Natri 698-8640 or visit www.murrietalibraryfriends.org

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Adventure Seeking Photographer - Wes Warwick

Wes Warwick is always up for a challenge. As an experienced mountaineer, he has scaled the Alps and the Himalayas and backpacked deep into the canyons at Cedar Mesa, Utah. He's been chasing Native American rock art and ruins for the past seven years.

"We've been all over the place - to hundreds, if not thousands, of ruins," said Warwick, 79.

His Sun City home, which he remodeled to his own specifications, has walls filled with stunning photographs he has taken as he traveled extensively to take on nature's peaks and valleys.

"I remember where every one was taken," he said. "The pictures are something I can take home with me."

Warwick's talent with a camera led to his recognition as Arts Council Menifee Artist of the Month for April. His first public photographic exhibit was "Rhythm of the Land," a one-man show at the Sun City Library a few years ago. He is a member of the library's photography club and joined Arts Council Menifee about two years ago.

"I take every one of these photos for myself and if someone else enjoys them, okay," Warwick said. "I have a good

composition eye. When taking pictures, I visualize how it will be printed - how I want it to look."

Photography has always played a role in Warwick's life. He was born in Knoxville, Tennessee but moved to sunny Southern California at age five. The only times he has lived elsewhere were when he served in the U.S. Army for two years and six years he spent in Colorado for business.

"Since I was raised on an orange grove three miles from Anaheim, I was always wandering the landscape," Warwick recalled. "I enjoyed the solitude, freedom and the opportunity to be self-reliant. I'm still practicing it today."

Last year, when Menifee's new Boys & Girls Club was preparing for its grand opening, Warwick signed up to volunteer. At the Clubhouse, Warwick was working in the recreation room and noticed the blank walls could use some dressing up. He asked Bill Zimmerman, the Club's volunteer coordinator at the time, if he could donate 10 large framed photographic pieces to decorate the room. Zimmerman gave the thumbs up, and soon the walls were adorned with natural images that Warwick captured through his lens.

"Wes's photography is an inspiration to our youth at the club," said John Whann, Executive Director of Boys & Girls Club of Menifee Valley. "It can

encourage them to explore remote places and seek outdoor adventure."

Some of Warwick's photos take advantage of unusual scenes found in landscapes, while others show the breadth and depth of what he experiences.

"I try to put people in (the photos) because it's what I like to take, maybe just to give it a scale. It gives impact to me," he said. "I don't take typical pictures of typical spots."

Nature reserves its most visually rewarding scenery for the adventurous outdoor enthusiast. Warwick has discovered this, and has developed a passion for finding those remote natural wonders, and sharing them through his photography.

He climbed Mt. Everest in 2012, just one of the many summits he has mastered. "It was really fun - we had great guides," Warwick said. Next on his to-do list is a trip to Patagonia at the southern section of the Andes Mountains shared by Argentina and Chile.

Another creative outlet for Warwick is playing drums - which he has been doing for nearly 70 years. He was in marching band during high school and college and was a company drummer while in the Army. He taught himself how to play the conga drums, Harry Belafonte style. He currently plays in a band - keeping rhythm in his life.

For more information, please visit www.artscouncilmenifee.org



Science Lecture Series: UC Riverside Extension Center
 Conference Rooms D&E, 1200 University Ave., Riverside, 92507
 All lectures are free and open to the public (no charge for parking).
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Book Review by Esther Tyrrell



This May marks the 100th anniversary of the sinking of the British ocean liner RMS Lusitania that was sunk by a German U-boat during World War I. Erik Larson gives us a vivid account of the tragedy in *Dead Wake: The Last Crossing of the Lusitania* (Crown Books and Random House Audio).

The magnificent ocean liner left New York for Liverpool with almost 2000 crew members and passengers. At the helm of the "floating village in steel" was the very capable Captain William Turner. The massive ship was exceptionally fast and equipped with enormous turbines. Hundreds of men were employed to stoke nearly 200 huge furnaces with one thousand tons of coal every day.

It was also one of the most luxurious vessels of the time - equal in elegance to its sister ship, the Mauritania. Passengers included many families and, on this voyage, a particularly large number of children and infants.

At the time, three European countries were at war - Germany, France and England. Winston Churchill was anxious to include the United States but President Woodrow Wilson was determined that our country remain neutral.

The book focuses on the ship's crossing because its route included the dangerous waters that were being tracked by German submarines. Although officials of Cunard (the ship's parent company) assured everyone that the journey was safe, the German embassy tried to dissuade travelers from booking passage on the ship by taking out advertisements in major U.S. newspapers. But some people believed that it would be safer to cross the potentially deadly waters of the Atlantic on a larger, faster ship and they ignored the warnings. Other ships were attacked as the ocean liner made its way to England but nervous passengers were told they would have a naval escort as they got closer to Liverpool.

Meanwhile, it was being stalked by U-boat 20, headed by Captain Walther Schwieger.

On May 7 both vessels were off the coast of Ireland when the German captain gave the order to fire one torpedo which resulted in two deadly explosions aboard the ocean liner. There was widespread panic among crew and passengers, as parents and children tried to find each other, especially after the lights went out.

As the ship went down, it tilted in such a way that the lifeboats could not be lowered and deployed. Passengers, therefore, did not survive when they either jumped into the useless lifeboats or fell directly into the frigid water. The Lusitania went down in only 18 minutes and over 1,000 people perished.

Britain used the sinking of the luxury liner as propaganda to influence America against Germany and the United States declared war two years later.

A fascinating account of a dreadful event.

A favorite Biblical story is updated by master storyteller Danielle Steel in *Prodigal Son* (Delacorte Press and Brilliance Audio).

Fraternal twins Peter and Michael

McDowell, disliked each other all of their lives because they were so different in many ways. Michael was the "good" twin - thoughtful, compassionate, polite - and a good student. Peter was the opposite and was always compared unfavorably to his brother by his family.

Michael went to medical school and eventually became the respected and popular hometown doctor with a wife and two sons.

Peter proved to be a financial whiz for a prominent Wall Street firm. He and his family enjoyed a lavish lifestyle until the stock market crash ended his career. With no job or income, his wife left him and, destitute, he returned to live in a modest cottage in his hometown.

Like the Prodigal Son, he tried to mend family relationships, especially with his brother. But his friendship with Bill, his brother's son, becomes the catalyst for strange happenings that are difficult to decipher. Soon, a shocking secret is revealed that brings havoc and misfortune to not only his family but also to the town's residents.

Taut and dramatic.

Robert Vera has written an exceptional book called *A Warrior's Faith: Navy SEAL Ryan Job, a Life-Changing Firefight, and the Belief That Transformed His Life* (Thomas Nelson Publishers and Brilliance Audio).

It is the biography of Ryan "Biggles" Job, a decorated Navy SEAL, who encountered and overcame tremendous tragedy and suffering on the battlefield and off. He was a good friend of *American Sniper's* Chris Kyle.

The author, his good friend and workout buddy, chronicles his youth, life in the military, training to be a Navy SEAL, and his close relationship with other SEALs.

His military career ended on August 2, 2006 in the Iraqi city of Ramadi, where he had been deployed. He was stationed on a rooftop alongside Chris Kyle when a sniper's bullet hit his machine gun, struck him in the face, and blinded him. He was 25 years old.

This incident was detailed in both the book and film "American Sniper." Kyle visited Ryan in the hospital where he was responding well, improving every day. While in the hospital in 2009, the medical staff accidentally administered an overdose of pain medication to Ryan. According to the author, they didn't monitor him properly afterward either and he died as a result. He was only 28 years old; his wife was three months pregnant.

The author writes about Ryan's struggles to overcome his blindness and other challenges as well as the lessons he learned from them. His goal was "to be the best blind guy there ever was" and he did his best to achieve it. He got married, earned a college degree, went on hunting trips and climbed Mt. Rainier. He also worked on behalf of other veterans.

Ryan's story can encourage readers who may be facing situations that may seem insurmountable.

Inspiring account of a courageous military hero.

Business Degree Information Sessions

The program allows students to earn an associate's degree from MSJC in two years and a bachelor's degree in Business Administration from CSUSM in another two years. The program starts in fall 2015 and will be held at the Temecula Higher Education Center (THE Center).

Info Sessions:
Tuesday, May 12 at 12:30 pm
Menifee Valley Campus - Room 927
28237 La Piedra Rd. in Menifee

Wednesday, May 20 at 4:30 pm and 6 pm
THE Center - Room 225
3200 Business Park Drive in Temecula.

Abby Reinke Elementary brings home GOLD

For the third year in a row, a team of students from Abby Reinke Elementary School in Temecula has won first place at the *Odyssey of the Mind* California State Championship. The "Silent Movie" team competed against 27 other teams in their problem and age division from across the state and finished with the highest overall score. The top two winning teams from each division and problem will now go on to compete at the World Finals event at Michigan State University.

In Michigan, over 800 teams from around the world will compete in the 36th *Odyssey of the Mind* World Finals. The competition emphasizes creativity and teamwork and has grown into the largest international creative problem-solving competition worldwide. Millions of kids have been working hard all year perfecting their solutions and competing within their regions and states and only a few will advance to World Finals — these teams represent the best of the best creative minds.

Odyssey of the Mind is an internationally recognized program for elementary through college age students. The program teaches students to learn problem solving skills in a trial and error process emphasizing creativity, imagination and "thinking outside the box." This extra-curricular program also focuses on teamwork and identifying and addressing challenges as they arise — skills that students will use throughout their lives.

The "Silent Movie" team was tasked to create and present a performance depicting a Director character that produces a silent movie featuring a humorous villain character and creatively display subtitles to convey its story to the audience and judges. They also perform an original musical score played on a team-created

instrument. Within the constraints of an 8-minute original skit, all written, choreographed, and performed solely by the students and only the students, this team delivered a social message in support of Autism Awareness: "People with Autism think differently, but different isn't bad, it's just different. And these differences make the world a better place."

The winning team is comprised of seven students: 4 fifth graders and 3 fourth graders. Remarkably, this is the first time that these students have worked together on a competitive *Odyssey* team. In February, the team finished in 1st place at the Coastal Regional Tournament in Oceanside, advancing to the State Championship at the University of California Riverside. Last year, the "Not-So-Haunted House" *Odyssey* team from Abby Reinke, comprised of six different students, also won 1st place at the State Championship and traveled on to World Finals.

Abby Reinke Elementary is currently the only school within the Temecula Valley School District offering the volunteer-run *Odyssey of the Mind* program. With school budgets continuing to be tight, the "Silent Movie" team will be fundraising and seeking sponsorships to raise the roughly \$20,000 required to transport the team, coaches, and their props to the *Odyssey of the Mind's* 36th World Finals. The event will take place from May 20-24th at Michigan State University. The student team, along with their three coaches, are thrilled with their recent success, and look forward to representing their school, the city of Temecula, and the state of California. Abby Reinke Elementary is located at 43799 Sunny Meadows Drive, Temecula. For more info visit the PTA website arespta.com



Channing to be honored on May 16

VNA California will honor Theatrical Icon and Legend, Carol Channing for her generous philanthropic efforts at their upcoming Gala, "One Enchanted Evening" on Saturday, May 16 from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m in the Sago Palm Ballroom at The Saguaro Hotel in Palm Springs. Proceeds from this event will assist in funding VNA charity care and community outreach programs. Included will be an on-site Silent and Live Auction, Award Presentation, Cocktail Reception, Plated Sit-Down Dinner, Live Entertainment provided by Peggy March ("I Will Follow Him") and Drew Tablak. Special Guests scheduled to attend include - Johnny Cannizzaro ("Jersey Boys"), Carolyn Hennessy ("True Blood"), Kristanna Loken ("Terminator 3") and Omar Sharif, Jr. ("The Secret Scripture") with more to follow.

Miss Channing's talents span a wide



variety of genres. She holds a Tony Award® for her legendary portrayal of Dolly Levi in Jerry Herman's *Hello, Dolly!*. During her first film role in *The First Traveling Saleslady*, she gave newcomer, Clint Eastwood, his first on screen kiss. She has recorded ten gold albums as well as twenty children's albums of classic stories including *Winnie The Pooh* and *Madeline*.. and more.

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Wednesday, May 13 • Networking & Lunch Meeting - 11:30am

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Thursday, May 28 • Networking & Lunch Meeting - Noon

Location: RJ's Sizzling Steer, 41401 Kalmia St., Murrieta

Meeting Fee: Members \$10, Guests \$15 (Cash or check payable to Robbie Motter)
Meal may be ordered and paid for by the individual directly to the restaurant.

RSVP: Robbie Motter, Global Coordinator and Director:
951-255-9200 rmotter@aol.com

Club/Org Events

Mental Health Forum—NAMI-Temecula Valley meets on the third Wed. of the month, 6 – 8:15 p.m. at Assistance League, 28720 Via Montezuma in Temecula. Free. May 20 topic: Suicide Prevention. Speaker Jennifer Weniger, Ph.D., from Loma Linda University Behavioral Med. Center. More info: www.namitv.org or **672-2089**

SW Riverside County Marine Corps League Detachment 1057 meets on the last Saturday of each month at 9am at Grand Isles, 24405 Village Walk Place in Murrieta. More info: www.mcl1057.org or call **951-775-1191**.

Quilts of Valor Foundation - Meets at the Assistance League in Temecula. All fabric is provided. Finished quilts are donated to Veterans. Bring your sewing machine, pins, scissors, rulers. Learn to make quilt blocks. Call Norma for meeting dates **(951) 698-8791**

Temecula Valley Garden Club - Second Tuesdays at 8:30 a.m.- Community Recreation Center, 30875 Rancho Vista Rd. May 12 program "Water Conservation in Your Garden" by Pam Pavela with WMWD. Visitors are always welcome. **951-677-6390**

Assistance League of Temecula Valley meetings on the 1st Tuesday of every month; 9:30 a.m. social; 10:00 a.m. meeting. 28720 Via Montezuma, Temecula. Visitors welcome. **951-694-8018**

American Association of University Women Temecula Branch, Annual Membership Drive. Join and enjoy participation in an organization that promotes equity, personal and professional growth, and friendships. For info email Kathy: kat74@verizon.net

Senior Golden Years of Temecula Valley - 2nd and 4th Wed. at 12:45 pm with Bingo after meeting (\$1 per card). Monies taken in are given as prizes-free refreshments. Mary Phillips Senior Center, 41845 Sixth St., in Temecula. Call about our trips. **951-694-6464**

Murrieta Garden Club - 2nd Tuesdays at 9:30 a.m. On April 14 we choose a nominating committee for 2015/2016 Officers. Please join us for an informative and fun meeting at the Murrieta Community Center (41816 Juniper Street). Info: **951-677-7310**

Wildomar Senior Citizens Assoc. - First Tuesdays - 11:30 a.m. in the clubhouse (21601 Canyon Drive). Potluck and informational meeting. Call Grace for more info at **951 245 5370**

Temecula Valley Elks #2801 meet on the first, third, and fourth Tuesday of each month at the Lodge located at 28061 Diaz Road in Temecula. For info call **951-695-7470**

Lake Elsinore/Wildomar Elks #2591 meet on the first four Tuesdays of each month at 7:30 p.m. at the lodge located at 33700 Mission Trail, Wildomar. For info call (951) **674-6804**.

Woodcarvers Of Temecula Valley—Meet every Friday noon to 3:00, at Mary Phillips Senior Center, 41845 Sixth St., in Old Town Temecula, 951-694-6464. Members to help you learn. Beginners to experienced welcome.

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