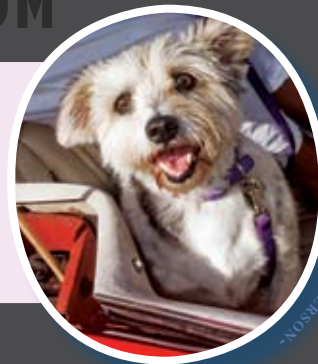




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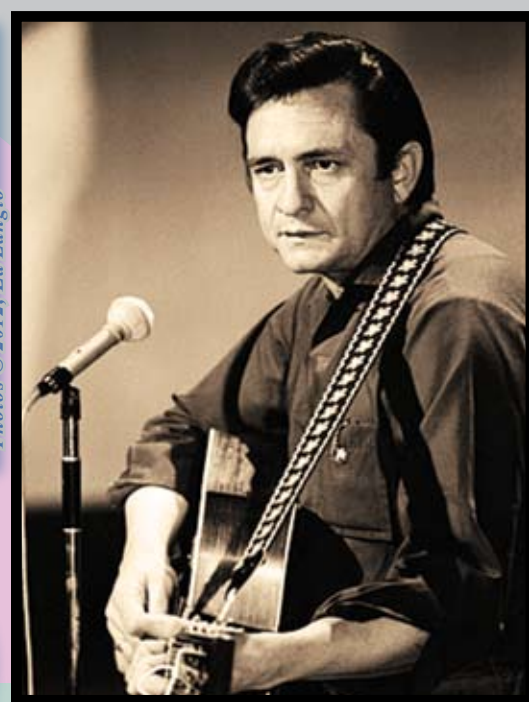


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Brian Faith Band - Hitting The Oregon Trail

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Hello, I'm **JOHNNY CASH**
the philosopher-prince
of American country music
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Yes, we all know that Johnny Cash was the Ojai Valley's most storied and famous, some say infamous, resident. His house still stands on a hillside in Casitas Springs. Was the **Man in Black** only famous for "flipping the bird," at a concert at San Quentin Prison, singing "*Cocaine Blues*," using the off color phrase "son of a bitch" on the Top 40 hit tune, "*A boy named Sue*," using drugs and alcohol; being the ultimate rebel. Or is there more to Johnny Cash?

The dark part of Johnny that a lot of people try to emphasize lasted a short time in a long career that spanned six decades. In 1968, he married **June Carter** and cleaned up his addictions. Even while using, he never tried to glorify the use of drugs.

Although he is primarily remembered as a country music icon, his songs and sound spanned many other genres, includ-

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TROWBRIDGE GALLERY - OJAI
OJAI'S FABULOUS GARDEN SPOTS

Artist
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Ojai City Council Raggedy Edge

W ow, election day showed that, if we take away the ability of Politicians to protect themselves in safe voting districts, we CAN get some change.

The Ojai "Elitists" have migrated to the Historical Society - a small group of people, some we have known for years.

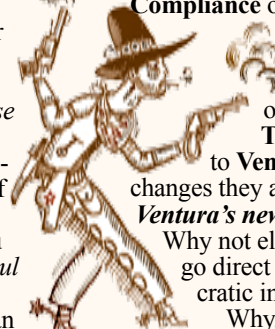
you will have to go back and permit and remedy that alteration to today's standard. Impossible? No? Can't happen? No, it can when THEY have an unlimited amount of RED TAPE to tie you up in Knots for years and have the city do what they have always wanted to do - put a notice of NON-Compliance on your home to FORCE

you to spend tons to keep an economy-stalled Building Department opened and over employed. THEY should be outsourced to Ventura County, after all, the changes they are making are to conform to Ventura's new-big-city usery standards.

Why not eliminate the Middle man and go direct to the source of the bureaucratic infestation?

Why, in the middle of a historic DEPRESSION, is the City of Ojai acting in the most irresponsible way possible? Do we really need this new Non-Compliance Title Recording policy, tantamount to extor-

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Air National Guard Band of the West Coast at Libbey Bowl Tues. July 3

The Air National Guard Band of the West Coast (Concert / Marching Band) from Moffett Federal Airfield, CA has performed throughout the United States and Europe since its inception in 1948.



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music, from "ruffles and flourishes" to patriotic, Broadway, and classical favorites.

TSgt Darren Kruse, Operations NCO and Tour Manager 129th Rescue Wing, California Air National Guard Moffett Federal Air Field www.BandofTheWestcoast.ang.af.mil

STEALING Chapparral High? CITY STAFF CONTROLLED

EMAIL: Subject: Nomination for Chapparral High School to be Declared an Ojai Historical Landmark From: editor@ojaiand-venturaview.com Date: June 7, 2012 1:16:00 PM PDT To: clapp@ci.ojai.ca.us Thurs. May 7, 2012 Ojai Mayor Betsy Clapp, Good afternoon Mayor Clapp,



structure (and people) itself.

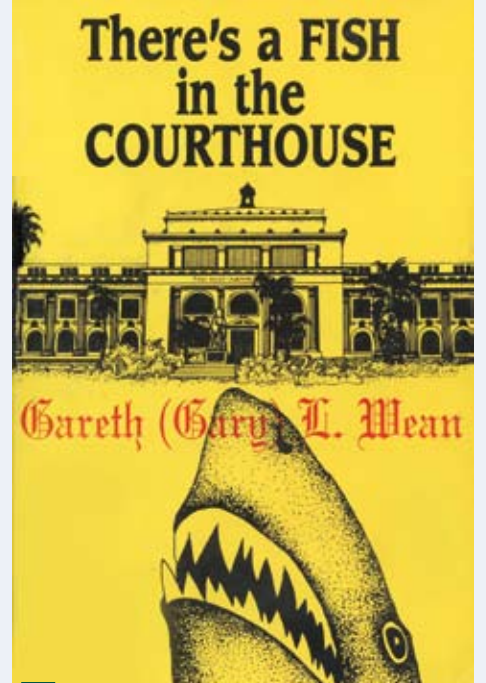
The now authentic Spanish Colonial Revival architecture is highly characteristic of Ojai's formation and, in fact, significantly that of the California "Rancho" era.

A truly significant I suggest great pains be taken to do paint analysis (woodwork, stucco, metal-work, etc.) to ascertain archaeologically

the makeup of the original paint, with the hope that one day (finances permitting) the building can be returned to it's glory and thus provide Ojai with yet another jewel of which to be proud. The school bell, now out on the grass area

is truly a gem worthy of note, as is the "community" auditorium. I expect there are also many hidden treasures there awaiting correct discovery. Those worthy in charge of Ojai's history, the Ojai Museum would be the logical resource. Time marches on and so it is not too late to

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EDITOR'S NOTE: The following excerpt from the book, A Fish in the Courthouse, originally published in 1987 and authored by Gareth (Gary) L. Wean is here reprinted by The Ojai and Ventura VIEW.

PART I FORWARD: At first what only appeared to be a plot by a veiled group of local politicians and financiers to defraud the people was about to be exposed. Their indictment through a secret investigation by the Ventura County Grand Jury was imminent.

Then treachery, betrayal by a member of the Grand Jury brought swift orders from the corrupt presiding judge of the Superior Court to kill the investigation.

But, the judge's evil command to subvert the due process of law triggered a succession of murderous, treasonous events: a trail that led to the highest offices in the land....

PROLOGUE: This book was first printed and sold in 1987. The actual writing of it commenced nearly twenty years before that.

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With Liberty and Economic Justice for Some

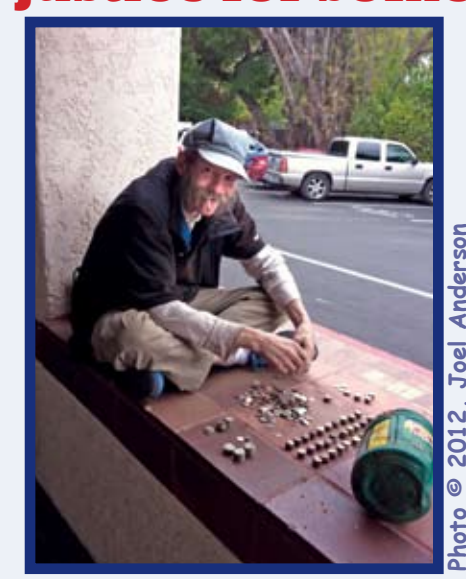


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Ojai's Chris Nolan - Home \$ Less by Jefferson Pinto

The state California Film Commission (CFC) held a lottery and, on June 1st, awarded \$100 million in tax rebates (cuts) to 27 film projects to be conducted in our Golden State. Apparently California isn't unique. At least 40 other states have some sort of incentives for movie makers to spend money filming in their jurisdictions.

The rationale for the rebate policy is to keep film projects in our state, thus "stimulating the state's economy." Supporters of the CFC believe that every \$1 spent on movie making results in maybe another \$5 being spent? That is a bad justification based on an even worse analysis. A 2010 report issued by the Center on Budget and Policy Priorities (www.cbpp.org) likened the economic benefits of the film industry incentives to a "Hollywood Fantasy" whereby the spending would have occurred anyway and best jobs don't go to residents.

Economic science does have a measurement for how many times the same dollar is "spent". This measurement is called velocity and only applies at the national level. The basis of velocity requires a full measurement of the dollar in circulation, which can only be

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With Liberty and Economic Justice for Some Continued...

done nationally in whole, not estimated state by state. Citizens would be better served if the film industry left fantasy writing to the real economists.

Advocates for film-industry-specific tax breaks cite declining theatre attendance and low DVD sales as the excuse for their lower profits. The problem is that the "Big Easy" film-industry-specific incentive system has been in effect long before the Great Recession rained down its wrath on sunny Southern California. If that's the best "story" Hollywood's overgrowth of mediocre formula writers could come up with, it's not surprising that theater and DVD sales are down. In recent years, of the top 500 grossing films, the lowest grossing film took in over \$100,000,000 (That's one hundred million dollars!). So which story are we to believe? Profits are down, or we grossed 25 million dollars from just one film last weekend?

The Big Picture If California's tax structure and regulatory environment drives business out of the state, then maybe it's time to address the core issue instead of giving a FREE "movie pass" to select mega-industries. To quote the CFC website (www.film.ca.gov), "California has a network of over 60 Regional Film Offices across the state to provide localized support, detailed location information and facilitate the permit process." Here's a revelation: If the government recognizes the need to help an industry navigate the permit process, this is a symptom of a much more pervasive problem. Quite simply, the arduous process needs to be less costly, simpler, or eliminated altogether.

The City of Ojai has a web page dedicated to assisting the film industry too. (http://www.venturacountyfilm.com/ojai.htm). This sort of begs the question: What worthy businesses, who have left our city, state or country, don't have an industry-specific government subsidized sponsor? In a troublesome way, this then begs yet another question: Why businesses are not investing in California?

Go ask well-known Ojai/Channel Island Harbor Restaurateur Gus Garcia, of Sea Fresh. He set forth a wise plan to renovate their business, but it was stalled for years thanks to slow moving city council members and staff, several who are now finally dispatched. Sea Fresh was slapped by the city with a requirement to install "Art," (costing \$10,000 of their construction budget). The city requires projects over \$300,000 to dedicate 2 to 3% of the budget to mandatory art.

Art is cool, but mandatory as a condition to construct? Required for some, but not others? Who decides which "Art" is acceptable? Certainly not a cross-section of local artists working in unison with the business - forbid that. In Ojai (and elsewhere) there is the Arts Commission, largely a group of hand-picked power people, many who do not live in the city limits. They have their own ideas of "art". They manipulate their prey (Ojai) like a black widow ruling her spider web. There is a question for the city building department. Summary: Having laws, yet arbitrarily granting exceptions, is the same thing as creating an arbitrary law. For that matter, it is not having a "law of the land," but rather, a "rule of the day" or "rule for the chosen few" allowing a few ambitious but unselected bureaucrats to act capriciously, and not as public servants. Sadly, most have little humility. That being the case, it seems fitting to change the last line of our Pledge of Allegiance to, "...with liberty and economic justice for some."

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Reflections of Courage



Davy Crockett's Speech to Flaca - "There's Right and There's Wrong. You Got to Do One Or the Other"

SPECIAL EDITOR'S NOTE: Few dispute the nature of the extensive Damage done to the Native American Population by false and disrespectful depictions in Hollywood movies, from the early days of silent Western Stars Tom Mix, William S. Hart, etc. through the glory years of John Wayne Westerns throughout his lifetime.

It is our intention, however here to celebrate the incomparable acting quality of John Wayne. The following Quotation by Mr. Wayne (Davy Crockett) in "The Alamo". If in the course of your journey, you find yourself lacking courage and strength, The VIEW highly suggests going to YouTube and googling "Best John Wayne Quote - ever!" to hear it in his own words and superb delivery. Thanks John, You are not forgotten.

- Editor, Ojai and Ventura VIEW

Davy Crockett (John Wayne) spoke to Flaca (Linda Cristal), after she asked what was going to happen between them:

"I'm gonna tell you something, Flaca, and I want you to listen tight. May sound like I'm talkin' about me. But I'm not, I'm talkin' about you. As a matter of fact, I'm talkin' about all people everywhere. When I come down here to Texas, I was lookin' for somethin'. I didn't know what. Seems like you added up my life and I spent it all either stompin' other men or, in some cases, gettin' stomped. Had me some money and had me some medals. But none of it seemed a lifetime worth of the pain of the mother that bore me. It was like I was empty."

Well, I'm not empty anymore. That's what's important, to feel useful in this old world, to hit a lick against what's wrong or to say a word for what's right even though you get walloped for sayin' that word. Now I may sound like a Bible beater yellin' up a revival at a river crossing camp meeting, but that don't change the truth none. There's right and there's wrong. You got to do one or the other. You do the one and you're livin'. You do the other and you may be walkin' around, but you're dead as a beaver hat." - John Wayne (as Davy Crockett in United Artists' The Alamo, 1960)

- Editor, Ojai and Ventura VIEW

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR editor@ojaiandventuraview.com

“Don’t Tell Me Who I am... Let me guess !” Men With a Mother Complex

Check This Out! (What Happens in Psychotherapy --Part Three)



There are quite a few men who never grow up and get stuck in adolescence. In research I did many moons ago, I found these 'eternal adolescents' usually had fathers who were either partially or totally absent. Others had fathers who were weak or passive, which left the upbringing totally to the mothers. Over the years I've worked with many single mothers and I believe many of them to be the true heroes in our society - their sacrifice and dedication is unfathomable.

In this article, however, I want to explore mother-son relationships, where the mother has been wounded herself. There are some mothers who eroticized the relationship. Son becomes consort, confidant, or "lover". This relationship between mother and her 'little man' results in sexual energy being catheted very early in life and this is constantly reinforced. A high sex drive, with a need for immediate gratification, compulsive masturbation, Don Juanism and hyper-sexuality can often be traced to the mother -son relationship.

In addition, being the recipient of this kind of attention by the mother-goddess tremendously inflates the son. He is convinced that he is 'extraordinarily special', which leads to all the complications and sufferings later in life that neurotic vanity and grandiosity bring. Inflation and grandiosity never come without the opposite pole, namely deflation and depression. Since the sexuality is never consummated and since mother does have a relationship with father, brother or another man, the son is left feeling abandoned and betrayed. He constantly alternates between victory and defeat. Delusions of superiority are followed by feelings of inferiority. He is left with a dilemma - he desperately needs a woman, as his self-esteem is dependent on her adoration, yet no woman can be trusted.

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There are some other mothers who spoil their sons and who can't separate between "I love you" and "I want you to love me" or "I love you" and "I want the satisfaction you can bring me". What she doesn't know is there is a concealed egotism behind her 'altruism'. (Harding) Her own inability to say no to him is her own inability to say no to herself. She denies seeing her own selfishness and softness. As society sees this attitude of indulgence as a virtue, it is hard to see its true character. Mother appears admirable, sacrificing her own comforts for his. It is only later, when the son's total lack of self-discipline, his inability to live responsibly, that the true nature of his upbringing is revealed. The son, who cannot resist this psychological seduction, is robbed of his individuality as a man.

There are still other mothers who are too domineering and don't allow their sons enough space to explore and develop a sense of independence. They interfere incessantly and control their behavior. They overprotect him from real or imagined dangers where it would be better to let him test his capabilities and face life's challenges. Through this attitude, a mother enhances her son's fear of women and saps his masculine confidence. To adapt, he takes on a false mask, which is moderated in response to the demands of mother and doesn't meet the needs of his inner life. Whereas spoiling mothers devour their sons whole, the domineering mothers are often more selective, they go for the will or the genitals. In both cases, the son's dependent and masculine identity is injured, leaving him weak and dependent on others to provide for him. Behind this dependence lies a smoldering rage, which is usually directed against the self (i.e. depression and anxiety) and other people in a passive-aggressive way.

The treatment I'm familiar with for men with the above mentioned mother complex is soul-centered psychotherapy. This inner work helps men become conscious not only of their neurotic relationship to their mother, but also and most importantly on how they make inappropriate demands and project neurotic expectations on their wives. Unconscious men either idealize or demonize women. If the man with a mother complex idealizes his woman, she feels suffocated and realizes he is not in an intimate relationship with her true self at all - it's not personal. If he unfairly devalues and demonizes his wife, she will leave him (unless she is neurotic herself). Most men with unconscious mother complexes do both - they initially worship and later on demonize their women.

Love to Mother Meera. One for all and all for one. PETER RUDOLF MILHADO, PH.D. Lic #MFT14142 (805) 640-1810 39 Years Experience drpetermilhado@gmail.com • (805) 640-1810 Blog: www.DrPeterMilhado.com Specialties: Psychotherapists and Artists

OJAI CITY COUNCIL RAGGEDY EDGE

Continued From Page 2... tion, included in a NEW Building Code which is above and beyond State law? Here are a few tax generators that these government brown shirts and Red Tape worms are pushing for; a new Landscape Ordinance, a new Light or Dark Sky Ordinance. Do you know why it has taken 6 years? Because it is impossible, overbearing, poorly written and was intended only to be punitive for the authors to settle some "SCORES" with others who rattle their cage. Not something we need.

This City should stop taking outside laws proposed by non-Tax-paying non-residents "POSERS," we can't afford it. We charge OUTRAGEOUS staff time rates to get a Permit. So let's start charging outsiders who seek for Force the residents to Change... Charge them for Staff Time, instead of the Ojai Taxpayer paying their bill. LET THEM PAY FOR IT. It is interesting that those who seek changes will not be forced by the same laws. That's equality is NOT equal.

The Historic Survey, handling the leftover Housing Element, and now we want to - even I can't put it into words... the city wants to Dick Tate which dog breeds would be Castrated at the shelter. Next will they pass an ordinance designating which citizens will be Castrated???

Is The City making progress for the citizens? Or is this just an excuse by The City to employ a bunch of people who give us an Illusion that we are moving in a better direction, when it comes to City government. Can't be the same scheming prior Mayor that said the Realtors are Felons and TAX evaders, like Al Capone. Are these the best leaders we really have to offer? Are these the best informed electorate and public??

If you think so, think about this - we need a Strong Town-Strong Mayor! We spend, with retirement Legacy payout costs, Health Pensions and on and on, about \$800,000 every 4 years. I can think of a few people who could use this money. Why not simply pay a voter-accountable MAYOR? Pay them the \$800,000 for 4 years, no more musical "I wanna be Mayor this time" or "It's my turn in the sandbox." We deserve better.

When was the last time we were without elitist power stakeholders running this town who

actually lived in this Town. They are fast to promote Tax Tax Tax Fees because they are not paying Lighting assessment fees, high water bills, unusual and obscure permit fees and other jury-rigged expenses, nuanced to this town. Never! Who doesn't live here? City Manager, City Attorney, Public Works and Community Development (Building DEPARTMENT) and our Recreation DEPARTMENT. Even our Commissions have non-residents stepping in, making decisions that will not affect them. They will not have to pay the added taxes they impose on us, nor follow all the added Rules and Regulations. They pass the rules and DRIVE HOME where they are not effective by their decisions. Yes, Ojai is right in Vogue, with its own outsourcing nightmare. We should have a new town spiel There is only one Ojai - The small town with the out-of-town government minders.

This town is being run by out-of-towners along with the "This is how we did it for the newly arrived." bunch. If I wanted the Independent and Sovereign Soviet Republic of Santa Monica I would move there. We need a Paid, Elected, 4-year Term Mayor. For \$800,000, at City TAXPAYER expense. Every 4 years we can hire one and that would require they be a RESIDENT, that is a novel solution!

Yes, we need a Mayor who would be a cut above the ship of fools we have had in the recent past - ship of fools and 3 ring circus/dog and pony show!

Qualified potential Mayors? We have a current Council Member, a Candidate from the Chamber, a Planning Commissioner as well as one from the Board of Realtors. All have shown great leadership and volunteer qualities and all could serve a 4 year term. Each could steer the ship of Ojai back on course to great things. They are all secure enough to be able to serve without being hurt financially and doing a disappearing act.

I would rather that all the City employees work for an elected Mayor than a Hired City manager. We have had too many in the past few years, Belnap, Singer, Baker, Kersnar, Baker and Clark all in less than 15 years. Each of them act independently because there are too many city council cooks in the kitchen to keep them doing the people's business.

We have had and have now, some very decent people running the City.

Fish in the Courthouse

Continued from page 2 The author was honorably discharged as a Gunners Mate 2/c at the U.S. Naval Base, San Pedro, California on December 7, 1945, four years after Pearl Harbor, December 7, 1941.

The story begins at this time, 1946, and relates events (not quite all of them) that occurred up to 1987 the time of printing and sale of the book. In the fall of 1987 the author and a man he had just become acquainted with, Michael A. Thomas, traveled to Washington, D.C. There in the nation's capital, amid the sancti-

we hand delivered to each of the one hundred U.S. Senators a copy of this book along with a 'Petition' from the people asking them to investigate judicial corruption involved murder of citizens and theft of their real estate and personal property, denial of due process of law and destruction of the American judicial system as set forth in the Constitution and Bill of Rights.

DEDICATED TO Evil men and braska, before their total destruction

This case, Number 88-0-346 was read by District Court Judge Beam, 8th Circuit, Omaha, Nebraska, before it was filed. This was witnessed by Chief Court Clerk Lyle E. Strom, Michael A. Thomas and others, Judge Beam proclaimed the lawsuit to be an excellent case and gave verbal orders to the U.S. Clerk to file it.

The case scheduled for trial in June 1990 had proceeded for nearly two years and was going very well, in fact too well to suit the defendants - a million dollars was secretly sent from lawyers in Oxnard, California to influential lawyers in Omaha and reached the hands of Magistrate Richard G. Kopf who had done most of the sabotage to the case. Shortly afterward Judge William G. Cambridge dismissed the case.

Then my appeal was dismissed by none other than Judge Beam who in the meantime had been promoted to the 8th Circuit Court of Appeals. No valid reason could be found to dismiss the case so Judge Beam simply called it scandalous. This was in the face of the fact that Judge Beam had declared the case to be excellent and should be brought to trial. It was also after the million dollars had been split.

Dana Jackson got a surprise on her 100th birthday. She got married to 87-year-old Bill Stauss a fellow resident at the Rosewood Healthcare Center in Bowling Green, Kansas, it's never too late for love. A heartbroken Milwaukee man, Jordan Cardella, 20, persuaded a friend to shoot him in the hopes that his ex-girlfriend would take him back. He was shot in the arm by his friend Michael Wezyk, age 24. Prosecutor Christopher Rawsthorne said, "It's the most phenomenally stupid case I have ever seen."

Christopher was sentenced to two years probation, Jordan is still in the hospital and, No, his ex-girlfriend did not go to visit him. A Mexican man, Jose Maldonada, age 22, claims to have captured a real fairy. He claims he was picking guavas when he saw what he thought was a firefly, an inch long, red and yellow humanized creature. He hasn't explained how it died. Hundreds of local peasants lined up to pay and see the preserved fairy in a glass bottle. Skeptics claim it looks like a plastic toy.

Having trouble reading the complicated tax sheets? During the last few years there have been 4,428 changes to the federal tax code, or more than one per day. As a result of the codes and growing complexity,

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Wine And Roses

by Ron Rowe The sixth month of the year, In the month called June, When the weather's too hot to be borne, The master doth say As he goes on his way, "Tomorrow my sheep shall be shorn." so wrote Irish writer W.G. Wills.

Here in Ojai, readers write about the ban on plastic bags and the smart meters. Two e-mails ask, will we be able to use old plastic bags in the market after the ban goes into effect? What about the plastic bags used in the market for fruit and veggies? Will they be banned? I truly don't know, we will have to wait for July 1 and see what Police Action occurs.

Are the smart meters safe to use? The jury is still out. I have cut back drastically on my water usage, my latest bimonthly bill from Golden State Water just arrived... it lists "service charge" for 57 days, \$85 and 4 cents..... anyone know what a service charge is??

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Weston County, Florida has outlawed dance halls, nightclubs, skating rinks and massage parlors, even though it has none. Mayor Eric Hersh said, "It's better to be safe than sorry, that's why we adopted a preemptive ban."

In Lawrence County, South Carolina, Republican candidates must sign a pledge that they did not or will not have sex before marriage, that they are not gay, will not watch pornography. The pledge has been approved unanimously by the G.O.P. executive committee. It also contains 25 other moral requirements that Chairman Bobby Smith says are essential to protect the parties reputation.

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Americans spent a total of \$7.64 billion hours in 2011, negotiating tax related paperwork. This is more than twice the working time of all the elementary school teachers in the United States.

The Humble Chocolate Digestive Biscuit has been crowned as Britain's best dunking biscuit, beating out favorites such as Rich Tea and Hob Nob's. If you would like to try a Chocolate Digestive Biscuit, they are on sale at the Plaza Pantry Tea Shop in Ojai.

Also, in England, Scotland Yard's latest theory is that Jack the Ripper was a woman seeking revenge on her husband's mistresses.

Shaving may soon be a thing of the past. A new gel will keep men stubble free, the average man spends 14,000 of his life shaving. The gel is made from cidofivor, an antiviral medicine. The University of Pennsylvania (UPenn) is testing the final product.

Scientists now claim chocolate can protect your heart and your brain. After tests involving 100,000 people, they discovered that those who reported eating the most chocolate, weather in candy bars or milkshakes, were 37% less likely to develop cardiovascular diseases and 29% less likely to have a stroke than those who ate the least chocolate. Study author, Oscar Franco said the pleasure of eating chocolate could also reduce stress.

A Harvard University study found that drinking coffee wards off depression; the more you sip the better it works. Women who regularly drink four or more cups a day are 20% less likely to be depressed than those who drank one cup on less. Study author, Aberto Ascherio says, coffee also protects mental health over the long term.

With the hot weather arriving, it's time to think of summer wines. Try a bottle, 2010 Ponzi Vineyards Pinot Gris, at \$15, this is from one of Oregon's most respected wineries. It combines fresh nectarine and white peach flavors with a zesty acidity. Looking for something different? 2010 Elk Cove Vineyards Pinot Blanc, \$19. This wine is juicy and full-bodied. 2008 Argyle Brut, sparkling wine, \$27. This citrusy Brut is aged for three years to boost its richness and depth.

Time to be away and contemplate life over a glass of wine.

Peace to all living being on earth. Your comments are welcome Ron Rowe, rhjrowe@aol.com

The Writer's Curse

by Richard Senate The publishing of my 21st book, The Dixie Plot gave me pause to reflect on the process of doing a book. Sometimes I find writing a sort of curse, or mental illness, a compulsion to say the least. I began writing when I was in the seventh grade - short science fiction stories and I even had one printed in my elementary school "newspaper". Conejo School's "Oaks Whispers." Maybe that was what got me started. In the eighth grade I wrote my first novel: A sword and sorcery book I called The Swords of Mars. It was all hand written on cheap paper and dreadful. My love scenes were the worst ever put on paper and I still have that manuscript. Whenever I feel full of myself I re-read it. I continued to write but few ever read the stories piled up in a trunk in my closet. That book and all that follows have never been published and never shall. Still, once in a while, I would turn a phrase or make a description that would prove inspiring - almost by accident. It wasn't until I began to write a column for the

defunct Harbor News of Ventura, that I started to work on my features, re-write them, make them better. When that small paper folded, I was asked by the managing editor of the then local Ventura County and Coast Reporter to write a column. Many liked the pieces and urged me to put them into a book. My first was self published and titled The Ghosts of Ventura County. This little book came into the hands of a reporter at the LA Times who did a story on my ghost hunting. From that story I did radio and TV spots and briefly tasted the heady drink of fame - it didn't last long. I followed that with Psychic Mysteries of Ventura County (This proved a disappointment in sales). Both text were used in my first big book Ghosts of the Haunted Coast (Pathfinder Publishing), sold well. I am told the book is still in print and has gone through five reprints. Next I did a little book with a small publishing house (literally in a fellows garage) called Haunted Ventura that did well, then The Haunted Southland, and finally, The Ghost Stalker's Guide to Haunted California, many problems from artists drama to cover. It didn't sell well and is now long out of print and valuable. I did a biography of

ONE MORE FOR THE ROAD?

by Mary-Jo Murphy

Early drunk drivers jumped on horses, camels or elephants. Attila the Hun, who died in A.D. 445 of an alcohol overdose, was usually pictured on his horse, likely riding inebriated. The reason for the excesses wasn't because a new pick-up bar had appeared on the other side of town. Beer and wine were the only beverages that didn't cause death and disease. Slaves built the Great Pyramid at Giza while consuming gallons of beer. Imagine these guys dodging intoxicated charioteers, as they staggered home from work. Later, not-so-sober horse-drawn carriage drivers took to the roads. When the bicycle was invented in the 1800s, more than a few imbibers undoubtedly fell off. But the distinction of being the first to be arrested for a DWI goes to George Smith, a Londoner, who ran his cab into a building. In the United States, drivers swerved and crashed without regulation until 1917 when states began issuing licenses. Then, the debate over a driver's personal responsibility quickly became a confusing mix of laws, individual freedom and public safety. Barron H. Lerner in his 2011 book, One For The Road, Drunk Driving Since 1900, explores our attitudes.

Attitudes and practices were revisited on January 17, 2012 on NPR. Dr. Robert Brewer of the CDC's Alcohol Program reported that The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention found that binge drinking, usually associated with young people, is now an issue among adults as well, specifically those over 65. Brewer reported that 1 in 6 adults binge one or more times a month. The researchers defined bingeing as four or more drinks for a woman and five or more for a man within a 2-3 hour period. The researchers were surprised to find that among the subjects, the actual amount consumed was well above that - 8 or more drinks. Not once a month, but once a week!

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mystery writer, Erle Stanley Gardner titled: Erle Stanley Gardner's Ventura: the Birthplace of Perry Mason, taking close to two years to pen and research. I did get to meet Gardner's daughter and interview her.

Discovering his formula for writing a murder mystery, I wrote one with Erle himself as the hero, set in Ventura, circa 1927. It was called The Case of the Well-Turned Ankle. I used my historical knowledge of the town and era and included Ventura's Chinatown, the courthouse and speakeasies. I tried to get it published but it was never accepted. I wrote two of a planned trilogy for DelSol Publications: Ghosts of Ventura, the Ghosts of Ojai, but the 3rd book was never seen in print - The Ghosts of Oxnard. They did The Ghosts of Hollywood and the Ghosts of the California Missions. (Now reprinted by Shoreline Press, Santa Barbara). I also did for Del Sol, a history book: Historic Adobes of Ventura County - also a slow seller. I did several psychic mysteries books, the first called the Psychic Search: The Lizzie Borden Mystery. Penned with my wife Debbie. We did other books; one on The Psychic Search for the Truth about Jack London's Death, never printed. I did a limited self publication for a book on The Psychic Search for the Ghost of

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CHAPARRAL - City Staff Changing The Law to Benefit School Administration and "UN" Historic Commission Intent on Selling Historic School Property to Pad Admin Salaries Is City Staff Following the Kersnar 'We Do What 'They' Want' Example?

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begin the process of recording the stories of Ojai's citizens who have either attended the school in the past or acted on its behalf in some capacity.

Mayor Clapp, Please forward this Nomination to the **Ojai Historical Society** so that this process may begin. Please send me back a confirmation that has been done. Thank you, and I appreciate your time.

Sincerely, **Joel A. Anderson**
Joel Anderson, editor Ojai and Ventura VIEW
editor@ojaiandventuraview.com

CITY STAFF err-RESPONSE

From: mullane@ci.ojai.ca.us
Subject: RE: Nomination for Chaparral High School to be Declared an Ojai

Historical Landmark
Date: June 18, 2012 2:14:18 PM PDT
To: editor@ojaiandventuraview.com
Cc: clapp@ci.ojai.ca.us, clark@ci.ojai.ca.us

Joel,
Thank you for your email. I was forwarded the email and can provide the following guidance.

The authority to designate a property or structure as a **City landmark** is the **City Council's**. As a first step, an **Historic Landmark Designation** application needs to be filed with the **Community Development Department**. City staff will review the application materials for completeness, and then will forward the request to the **City's Historic Preservation Commission** for a recommendation to the **City Council**.

The City's practice has been to ensure that the owner of the property is in support of the application. Have you discussed your

thoughts on the historic merits of the property with a representative of the owner: the **Ojai Unified School District**? If District staff or Board is supportive, they could file the application as owner. Alternatively, you may file the application as an interested third party; however, the support of the District will likely be important to the **Historic Preservation Commission**.

I will also inform the **Historic Preservation Commission** of your support for designating this property a City landmark, as you request in your email, but again, the City would need an application filed prior to bringing a request for nomination to the Commission.

If you have any questions about the application process, either **Shari Herbruck**, our **Planning and Building Technician**, or I would be happy to assist you. Thank you,

Rob Mullane, AICP
Community Development Director

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EDITOR'S NOTE: STAFF IS WRONG

EDITOR'S NOTE: Wrong: The Ojai Unified School District (OUSD) Does not own Chaparral High School. The Taxpayer does because we paid for it with our Taxes. If in fact the **Historic Commission** and **The City** would seek permission from OUSD to turn it into a Landmark, the majority of the Residents already agree it's our oldest building and a historic building already in Ojai. Why is the **City and Historic Commission** forcing hundreds of individual homeowners to become landmarks and have oversight when they've ignored **Chaparral School**? How can they have it both ways?
- Joel Anderson, editor

L.A. - Unions 40th Convention AFSCME - AFL-CIO

Runs Sun., June 17 to Fri., June 22, 2012

by R.W. Anderson
As the founder of the **United Staff Union (USU - www.UnitedStaffUnion.net, previously American Independent Staff Union)** attended the first day, **Sun. June 17**, of the **40th Convention of AFSCME, AFL-CIO**, which is the largest union of public employees in the U.S.

The purpose of this convention is to elect new officers and conduct the direction that the Union will take over



Los Angeles Convention Center

It's rather ironic that the state in which AFSCME was organized, **Wisconsin**, the **Republican Governor of Wisconsin** has implemented a change in the law taking away collective bargaining rights from public employee unions. Pick up next month's **July Ojai and Ventura VIEW** for a recap of this year's Convention.

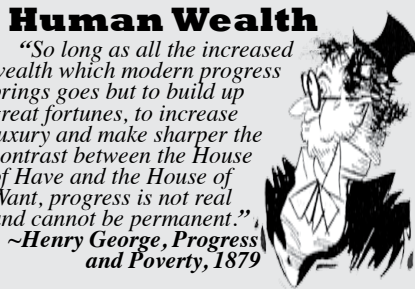
- Roland W. Anderson
More Info. www.AFSCME.org



the next two years. While there Sunday, I received greetings from a number of the guests, delegates and officers of AFSCME. There are about 5,000 people attending the convention and I was reassured by many that the battle is not over in **Wisconsin**. The recall of the **Wisconsin Governor** failed because of, among other things, great influence from out of the state money and contributions like from the **Koch brothers**.

Incidentally, AFSCME was founded in **Wisconsin** and the first president was **Arnold Zander**, who was succeeded by **Jerry Wurf**, who in turn was succeeded by current President **Gerald W. McEntee**. I also participated in the bus tour to the **UCLA Labor Center in Los Angeles** and after that participated in informational picketing of some of the car washes that are in the process of being organized.

Overall, it was a very enjoyable day for me. The convention continues through Friday of this week and is open to guests from the public.



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Fish in the Courthouse

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Supervisor and the author had filed a multi-million dollar default judgement against her.

Present **California Governor Pete Wilson** was a **U.S. Senator** in 1987 and was a major conspirator involved in the **Senators** cover-up. **Wilson** had filed an involved **Motion for Extension of Time to Respond to the Complaint**, and **Federal Judge Harry Pregerson** was filing frantic **Motions to Dismiss** along with **William P. Clark**, the former **National Security Director** and **Secretary of the Interior**.

One hundred and One (*see below*) **United States Senators** in office in 1987 were handed a copy of the authors book, **'There is a Fish in the Courthouse'** and a **'Petition and desperate Plea'** from the people to protect them, their health, safety and welfare from a murderous gang of thugs who had usurped the judicial system and were murdering the citizens and stealing their property.

The **Senators** named on this list were deeply involved in the cover-up of heinous crimes and felonious abuse of their office.

Almost all of these traitorous persons are still in office as senators, some have become governors, ambassadors and others hold powerful political positions.

The loyal citizens of **America** and its citizens done by these thieving traitors is exposed in every chapter. The horrific, dreadful results of the **Senators** cowardly, treasonous cover-up since 1987 shocks not only **America** but the entire world. A synopsis of revelations follows at the end of the book.

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Bingaman, Jeff (N. Mex)
Bond, Christopher (Mo)
Boschwitz, Rudy (Minn)
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Breaux, John B. (La)
Bumpers, Dale (Ark)
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Cranston, Alan (CA)
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D'Concini, Dennis (Ariz)
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Daschle, Thomas (S. Dak)
Dixon, Alan J. (Ill)

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Dole, Robert (Kan)
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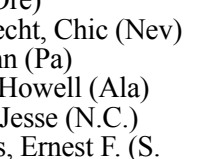
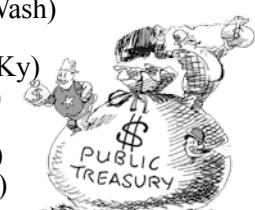
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Helms, Jesse (N.C.)
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Inouye, Dan (Hawaii)
Johnston, Bennett J. (La)
Karnes, David K. (Neb)
Kassebaum, Nancy Landon (Kan)
Kasten Jr., Robert W. (Wisc)
Kennedy, Edward (Mass)
Kerry, John F. (Mass)

Lautenberg, Frank (N.J.)
Leahy, Patrick J. (Ver)
Levin, Carl (Mich)
Luger, Richard G. (Ind)
Matsunaga, Spark (Hawaii)
McCain, John S. (Ariz)
McConnell, Mitch (Kty)
McClure, James H. (Ida)
Melcher, John (Mont)
Metzenbaum, Howard (Ohio)
Mikulski, Barbara (Md)
Mitchell, George J. (Md)
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Mukowski, Frank R. (Alaska)
Nickles, Don (Okla)
Nunn, Sam (Ga)
Packwood, Bob (Or)
Pell, Claiborne (R.I.)
Pressler, Larry (S.Dak)
Proxmire, William (Wisc)
Pryor, David (Ark)
Quale, Dan (Ind)
Reid, Harry (Nev)
Riegle, Donald W. (Mich)
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Roth, William (Del)
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Simon, Paul (Ill)
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"Art is the lie that enables us to realize the truth."
- Pablo Picasso

Mark McGuire of the 173rd Airborne Brigade - A Memorial

Brother in Christ, Comrade in Arms
May 5, 1950-April 17, 2012



Lt. Edward McIntyre, Mark's Officer/Platoon Leader, presents Memorial Flag to Mark's son, Dave McGuire.

– Dave Pressey
Mark McGuire enjoyed all the typical boyhood experiences including John Wayne movies where the good guy always wins and the viewers were protected from the real sufferings and horrors of war.

Mark enlisted in the **U.S. Army** becoming a paratrooper. He entered real war in **South Vietnam** as a radioman in the **173th Airborne Brigade**. Combat against the **3rd NVA Army** was grim and ugly. Suffering and terror could only end with death, wounds, or rotation.

His perceptions of war vanished as an elusive dream in that gruesome struggle. The radioman assignment always drew enemy fire. If communications were destroyed, all artillery and air support ceased. Resupply of food, ammo, evacuation of dead and wounded became impossible. As hot landing zones, fire fights, and ambushes punctuated the platoon's missions, innocent civilians were wasted along with enemy combatants.

- No one is exempt from the carnage of war; yet, Mark saved many lives and received many medals for heroism and wounds. Combat soldiers suffer a strange sense of

guilt despite their courage and faithfulness in duty. It is guilt of those who survive while others died. Mark came home a changed man. Few people understood the change.

But Mark had pride in the **173rd Airborne Infantry Brigade** despite his inner pain of soul. He respected the enemy soldiers. He had compassion for all, for Mark could never reconcile war with his basic humanity. Mark remains in the hearts of his comrades and is honored as the **last Ojai Valley casualty of the war in Vietnam**.

– Lt. Dave Pressey
Chaplain, Rt. Rev., VFW Post 11461, Ojai



Rendering the final salute to Mark McGuire.



This was the recent Memorial Service for Mark McGuire at Soule Park. Pictures are of the survivors of Mark's Infantry Platoon from Vietnam. It was led by his platoon leader from Massachusetts and his platoon sergeant from Hawaii. These survivors came from all over the USA to honor Mark who was a highly decorated hero with the Bronze Star, Purple Hearts, and numerous other medals. Mark was never able to reconcile his basic humanity with the inhumanity of war.

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- Mon, June 25 - 6pm
- **Ojai City Council Meeting**
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- **Ojai School Board (OUSD)**
- Tues, June 26 - 5:30pm
- **Casitas Water Board Meeting**
- Wed, June 27 - 3pm
- **Ojai Parks & Rec. Comm.**
- Thurs, July 5 - 7pm
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- **Ojai City Council Meeting**
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Johnny Rivers: Raising Money for Kids and Teachers



Johnny Rivers, Owen Waters.



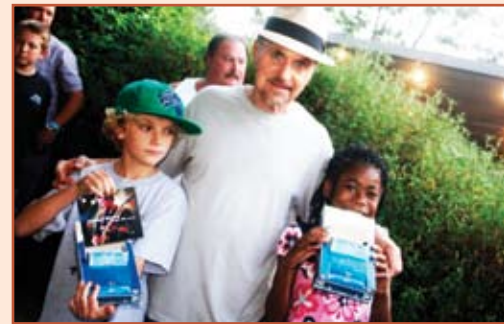
Johnny Rivers, Upper Ojai



Michael Rivers (Johnny's eldest son) Ojai resident and Summit Dad on drums with Johnny Rivers.



From Left: Cole Parnell, (Graphic Designer with Cowan Communication Arts, Santa Barbara who donated design services for event poster and print ads), Kimberly Rivers, Summit School PTO President and Summit Music Fest. event coordinator, Andy Webb who provides cool guitar riffs with Santa Barbara band Claude Hopper.



Johnny posing with two Summit Students and new Johnny Rivers fans, Caleb Royle and Karys Everett.



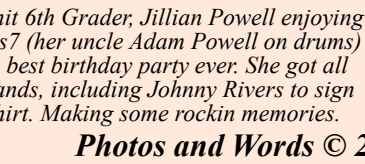
Local potter Scot Olsen volunteered at the festival to provide a chance for kids to try the potters wheel.



Summit 6th Grader, Jillian Powell enjoying 8stops7 (her uncle Adam Powell on drums) at the best birthday party ever. She got all the bands, including Johnny Rivers to sign her shirt. Making some rockin memories.



Upper Ojai residents/Summit PTO Mom & Dad, and Summit Music Fest. food vendor liaisons, Sherry & Tim Koester.



Rounding out the festival, Claude Hopper from Santa Barbara. On lead guitar and vocals, David Cowan, and in his second gig of the night Michael Rivers on drums.



Ojai's Perry Clan



Summit Mom, Mrs. Rhonda Fugata.

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Casitas Final Decision Discussed

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FOCUS NEXT ISSUE THE VIEW

With little school funding actually trickling down to the kids and teachers (beyond admin), **The Summit School** took things into their own hands hosting **Legendary Musician Johnny Rivers**, for a country concert/festival, Sat. June 2 just off Sulphur Mountain Road. Johnny did not hold back, "People have got to take care of the schools - we can't depend on the Federal Government.... I gotta tell it like it is." Rivers

played many of his extensive list of originals, and others, of course Secret Agent Man, Summer Rain, The Poor Side of Town, The Seventh Son, The American Dream, many more. Rivers took special note in seeing that the sound was correct to his many signature hits ~ and the crowd was not disappointed!!!

The Lions Club provided refreshments and Actor/Musician Mickey Jones contributed to the fundraising efforts, joining in to help raffle a multi-signed guitar. Support the Kids, Teachers, Yeah! – Joel Anderson



Norm Sancho on bass.



Brandi and Danny attending.



Mickey Jones, (Johnny Rivers drummer on Secret Agent Map LP). Also Bob Dylan's drummer, April 1966, Australian-European Tour.



Mr. Owen Waters (Paul Simon/Graceland, etc.), vocals with Johnny Rivers.



8stops7, from left: Rodney Amieva on guitar, Adam Powell on drums, Evan Sula-Goff lead vocals, Alex Viveros on bass.

Art in the Park ~ Ojai ~ May 26

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Artist Jeff Sojka and Family; wife Kate and daughter Natalie at Trowbridge Gallery



Trowbridge Gallery Owner, Danna Tartaglia, Artist Jeff Sojka, and Don and Sheila Cluff - Owners of The Oaks of Ojai gather at Jeff's May 26 opening.



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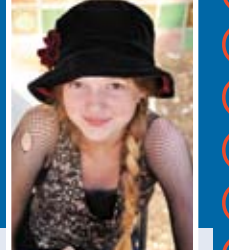
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by Donnell Scotland

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We invite you to 'sample our wares,' and 'to wear our samples!'

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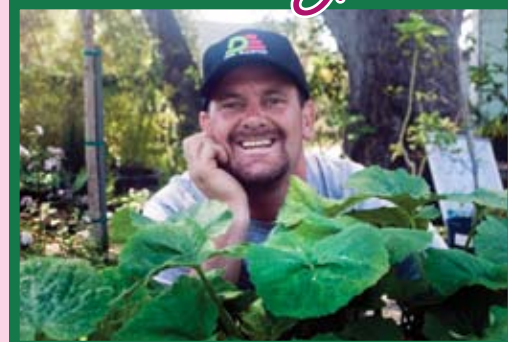
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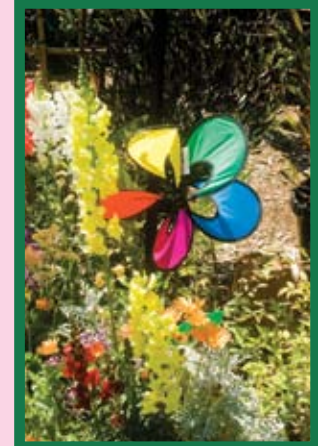
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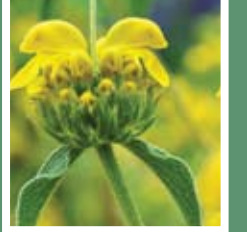
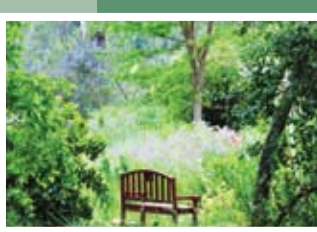


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THE LEASHES END



Ron and his companion, Dudley.

by Ron Rowe
A super pet adoption program was recently held in L.A., the biggest ever held in the U.S. and hosted by Best Friends Animal Society.

Thousands of animal rescue groups and over 1,500 dogs, cats, and rabbits were there. By the end of the day, over 500 homeless pets found good homes and 130 dogs and cats from L.A. County shelters found a home.

Best friends is a super rescue society and deserves a big Thank You. If you would like to know more about them visit www.BestFriends.org or 818-377-9778.

To the readers who want to help zoo elephants, contact www.SaveTheZooElephants.com. It's about time the zoo industry acknowledges the harm they do to elephants, let them be free.

A recent study showed Denver to be the healthiest city in canine health, legislation and services, with over 64 accredited veterinarians, more than any other city. It also has excellent air and water qualities and has one of the lowest flea population of any city in the U.S.

A Reader Writes
She has just adopted a dog from a shelter and its name is Stinky. She would like to change the name. Will it affect the dog? I agree, Stinky is a sad name for a dog. I think changing the dog's name signifies a new life. Your dog needs to connect his new name with good things, food, treats, walks, car rides etc. Say

his name whenever he is relaxed while doing something he enjoys, when he sits for his meal, when you brush him or when you are watching TV together. It really doesn't take long to transfer his new name.

Britain's oldest living cat is 31. She has been honored with the animal health award. Her name is Fluff and she is still active and healthy. In cat Terms, her Life span is 118-years old.

Did you know a hare can run up to 45 mph while a rabbit can only do 30 mph. Didn't the hare lose a race to a tortoise?

Spring is here and with so many young birds being mutilated and killed by cats, please, if you live with a cat keep it indoors or place a bell on his collar. The young birds are so helpless, especially if they fall out of a tree nest. Cats give no mercy to these helpless babies.

A New York paper claims that over 250 million birds and small animals in England have been slaughtered by cats in America. The Audubon Society estimates cats kill over 1 billion birds and small animals. It does appear the cat is an international problem, even well fed cats are predators waiting to kill and mutilate for the sheer joy of killing. Research shows humans and cats are the only animals on earth that torture for pleasure.

All other animals kill only for food. In America, the Humane Society estimates over 72 million cats have been abandoned and are roaming free.

A report from Giron, Colombia claims a cow has been put in jail for causing an accident. The cow was in the middle-of-the-road when it was hit by a motorcyclist. Police say the cow was a danger and arrested her for causing an accident and bodily harm.

A police spokesman said, "If it was a human that caused an accident they would be put in jail so why not the cow?"

Did you know pigs are very intelligent? They like to eat slowly and savor their food. They don't

sweat. They bathe in water or mud to keep cool when they are not confined in filthy animal farms. Pigs are fastidiously clean, keeping separate eating, sleeping and toilet areas. Studies show pigs are smarter than the average three-year-old human child.

Time to be away.... the sun has set. Emily Dickinson wrote the following words, "If I can stop one heart from breaking, I shall not live in vain. If I can ease one life the aching or cool one pain, Or help one fainting robin Unto his nest again, I shall not live in vain. Peace to all living beings on earth. Your comments are welcome Ron Rowe, rhjrowe@aol.com

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ONE MORE FOR THE ROAD?

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not necessarily the ones who downed the most martinis in a single episode. And when researchers looked at income, they found the prevalence of binge drinking is elevated in people with higher household incomes and educational levels, but the amount consumed per binge is higher among those with lower household incomes.

Why people drink to excess is a complicated mix of cultural influences, advertising, genetics and the initially pleasant euphoria of our favorite, legal mind-alterer. Why we drink and drive is more complicated. Getting back to professor Linker.

People no longer argue that one can be margarita-impaired and capable of maneuvering a one-ton vehicle. Hopping on a well-trained horse is not the only alternative. When Frank Sinatra recorded his One More For The Road duet with Kenny G, old blue eyes felt okay drowning his sorrows, because Mr. G had perhaps agreed to be the Designated Driver. The National Directory of Designated Driver Services offers an interesting option for those who want to get home safely, but also need their

car the next morning - a scooter! The service shows up at the party, takes the keys, puts the scooter in the trunk of the inebriated person's car, drives her home, takes the scooter out and returns to the call center for another run. In the morning, the party-er wakes up sober and alive with her car is in the driveway. The scooter pickup doesn't exist in California, but other services are available - several in this area. http://www.weredriving.com Check out the options, and be safe.

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BFBand: The Long Hot Summer



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Peabody's Montecito: Cory Orosco, Ernie Joseph, Brian Faith

by Joel Anderson

Talking with members of the **Brian Faith Band** after their recent performance at Peabody's in Santa Barbara, band members had a chance to reflect on some memorable summer nights on the road. "It's always great to be able to share our music. Playing during the summer reminds me of some of our early experiences on the road", explains guitarist/lead singer **Ernie Joseph**.

"I remember being 21-years-old and doing a show in Astoria, Oregon. I remember it so well... Actually we got there early in the day and were exhausted from the non-stop touring schedule. It was *'The Northwest Tour'*, explains Ernie. "We actually have a rare photo of me resting backstage before the show at the **National Guard Armory in Astoria**. If you look closely, in that photo, you will also see **Brian (Faith)** as he is lying face down, sharing the moving blanket that we normally used to cover our **Hammond B-3** organ. It wasn't luxury, but when you're that tired, believe me, it feels like 'cloud nine'."



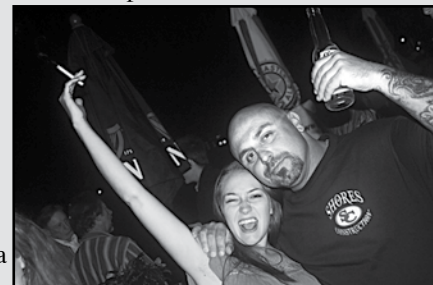
Ernie Joseph, Northwest Tour (Rare Photo) Astoria Armory - Astoria, Oregon



The Lookout: Hollywood Beach ~ Brian Rocks the Drums!

near authentic digital Hammond organ sounds built into the more portable light-weight compact plastic keyboards without

having to lug around the real thing. Again, if you look closely in the background of the photo, you will see the Leslie speaker, and he knew every club in the **Pacific Northwest**, and then some. I remember driving the van one night that we used with the **Hammond B-3** to get that authentic sound. It did sound great, but, if we had a choice, we would have all much preferred carrying around the smaller keyboards that we use today. We didn't have a choice back then. One plus with the bigger size Hammond organ, is that we used the closed top as a bed while traveling on the road, in our van. Yeah, it wasn't luxury, but it helped through those long nights on



The Lookout: Hollywood Beach Rocks!

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night. It was a good turn out, with good energy all through the night. And at the end, I actually remember being outside packing the equipment into the van and walking around just before leaving the big white building that was the **Astoria Armory**. It was a warm peaceful summer night. It seemed so quiet in contrast to the excitement of the show. I remember that strange feeling of not going home, but just driving away into the darkness. Keyboardist Cory Orosco adds, "Yes, those were the days we carried around a real **Hammond B-3** organ. Now, you can get those



Peabody's Montecito: Cory, Ernie Joseph, Brian Faith and Bartender Shane

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the road, traveling to the next show." **Brian Faith** reflects, "In those days, the highway was home... We just kept driving through the night to our next destination on the map. We called it, *'The Oregon Trail'*.

We did all those towns: **Seaside, Corvallis, Portland, across the Columbia River into Washington, Vancouver B.C.**, back down to **Portland**, then across the state to **Boise State College**... It was non-stop touring. **Pat Manson** was the promoter who did the booking. He was once the tour manager for **Paul Revere & the Raiders**,



Peabody's Montecito: Reacting from BFB original, "Good Times"

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finished playing and we're just driving to the next show". Then the cop said, "OK, everybody out of the van!" At that moment I turned around to the guys in the van, and so did the cop. He looked inside, thru the driver-side window at all the guys passed-out sleeping; some with their mouths open, some snoring loudly... After a few seconds of silence, he said, "Never mind, you can go". It's a moment in time that I'll never forget. I thought it was funny. The guys never woke-up. They just kept dreaming, and I continued driving into the night".

Ernie continues, "I can remember the constant driving; but I also remember how excited I was before, and even more so, after a show. **The Evergreen Ballroom in Olympia, Washington** was one of the most exciting shows that I remember, with so much energy from the stage and audience. And **Seattle** - as I mentioned in our recent documentary film, *'the highs overshadowing the lows by a zillion miles'*. I just remember the band really sounding tight and dynamic. And the people were great. I remember the crowds responding with so much intensity and excitement. I remember

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Peabody's Montecito: Brian playing the original BFB tune 'Good Times'



The Lookout: Hollywood Beach/Karen on the floor singing BFB original 'Good Times'

Northwest Tour. We really practiced as much as we could that summer on all those original songs that eventually became the *'Big Brother Ernie Joseph'* album *'Confusion'*. Later, we were ready for another tour as we went off on the road again with **Greg Munford** who sang the lead on the **Strawberry Alarm Clock** hit, *'In-cense & Peppermints'*. That



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Peabody's Montecito: Ernie Makin' it look easy photos © 2012, Joel Anderson

next tour was lined-up by our manager **Bill Holmes**. It was to be called *'The Southeast Tour'*. That



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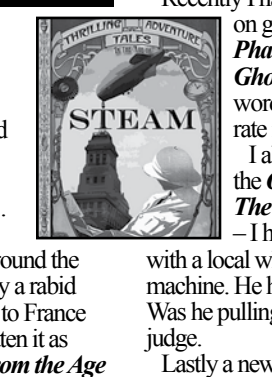


Peabody's Montecito: Big Brother Ern and Bev smile for the camera.

how happy we were to be out there making it happen. After the **Northwest Tour**, we came home to write more original tunes and record. We really worked hard on our music. It was those 15 hour a day rehearsals. I remember it being during a *long hot summer* with no air conditioning. But we came up with more of a driving blues-rock live sound. It was songs like *'E.S.P.'*, *'Heavy Load'*, *'L.L.A.'*, and *'Heart Full Of Rain'*. We had so much momentum and positive reinforcement from the

The Writer's Curse

Continued from page 5... **James Dean**. Less than 100 were printed and they sold out. I have done several fiction works in the last few years in a style called **Steam Punk** (science fiction like Jules Verne). One of my best, *The Flight of the Hercules*, set in 1895. This book is on **Lulu.com**. A group plans to sale a balloon around the world. Our hero's fiance is bitten by a rabid dog - steals the balloon to take her to France for the only known cure. I had written it as short stories, *Tales of Adventure from the Age*



of Steam. Recently I have published my text book on ghost hunting I have titled: *Phantomology: the Art of Ghost Hunting*. I coined the word **Phantomology** to separate it from **Parapsychology**. I also did my investigation of the *Oak View Time Traveler*, *The Mullet Man Chronicles* - I had a number of interviews with a local who claimed to have a time machine. He had visited the past and the future. Was he pulling my leg? I let the reader be the judge. Lastly a new book that was a mixture of



The Lookout: Hollywood Beach, Karen and Brian gettin' down with BFB original 'I'm in Love'

more and more meaningful and intense. Sharing with long-time friends and family is just awesome; you never get that on the road... It really is something special."

— **Joel Anderson**
SRS News: Brian Faith Band's Karen Perry will be recording *'Freaky Madonna'*, finishing the final



Peabody's Montecito: "Hello" from Joe, Linda, Tommy & Yolanda

touches, vocals and a mix down on *'In the Groove'* & hopefully *'Hollywood Cast Party'* at SRS Studios. These tracks will be the finals for a follow-up CD entitled, *'Best of the Brian Faith Band.'* Also, singer songwriters **Ed Langlo, Jimmy Haggerty & Jewel's co-writer Denny Auberg** (who wrote the blockbuster surf film *Big Wednesday*) will be in the studio working on upcoming recording and live projects. **ICU's Jimmy LeRoy** will be in there too backing them up, and working on his new song, *'You Get What You Give.'*

In the near future, **Ojai's jamm'n' James Antunez** will be working on a new project also... **BFB** was pleased with the great reception @ the **Riverside Film Festival** for **John and Grace Ferry's** film on the band, *'Makin It.'* It hit the Big Screen on April 27th! Part of the Film featured **Santa Barbara's Brownies Market**, noted in the story above. Watch new **BFB YouTube Videos**, produced by **Johnny Podz**, *'Popcorn Double Feature'*, *'I Never Knew You'*, *'I Can't Help Being Yours'*, all originals. Stay tuned to **THE VIEW**, and Check page 18, **VIEW Music Listings** for the latest gigs.

— **Joel Anderson**
Romance and Steam Punk - set in the **Civil War. The Dixie Plot**. Its also about balloons, with a plot to assassinate **Lincoln** before the election of 1864. Some friends who read it liked it, and some have hated the book! Its 70,000 plus words set in **Richmond, Virginia**. Should I leave novel writing to other

hands - and return to the supernatural? Or should I write another? Books always take longer to write than you estimate but it is curse and compulsion that causes people to spend hour after hour churning out a story, developing characters. Sometimes the characters seem to take command of the stories themselves. I keep saying the last book was it! Never again will I waste my time and energy on a project that sees so few monetary rewards, but, then, I will get an idea for a story, a character, an outline and I will set upon another three year adventure, bringing this new book to life.

— **Richard Senate, hainthunter@aol.com**



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From the Mailbag...

Attack the messenger, not the message. "Joel you sound like an idiot. I see you some crazy Church person. Your a moron with a agenda." - Robert Wright
Excellent pun. "My View from here sucks. Wont read the article when printed. know some 3rd graders that could take his place" - Danielle Love
"Your mag. its bad!!!!" - Diane Kruse, Ojai
Maybe that's your life. "People get in scuffles all the time. That's life" - Evan Spellman
"I like The VIEW" - Sheldon Brown Ventura, unsuccessful contractor
Sounds like you wish the press to be partial to your view. "Joel Anderson I don't know you or read your free press however in journalism you are supposed to be impartial and from your tone, You are invested emotionally. Maybe your boss will get these posts and realize what a petty writer you are." - Rosie Kasamis
"The View is funky" - Charlene Hartenstein Ojai office manager
I recommend reading Cash's autobiography to get the real story--don't depend on sensationalized movies and cartoon stereotypes. "@Joel Anderson... and maybe you SHOULD check out the other sides of what the 50's and his sun record days that we all know we're about ;-)seriously, get it together you bigot. Why do you care what went down, and what makes you think anyone else would care? I udnerstand reporters are looking for stories, but seriously, don't you have more important/significant things to do with your career? nobody here needs you to educate them on the life of Johnny Cash. This is amusing but I'm done. make yourself look like a moron, you go right ahead." - Rachel Sanz
Sorry to hear that. "I'm a promoter in Ventura and fuck up all the time!!!" - Nicholas Martinez
"Send it to my office." - Elton Gallegly U.S. Congressman
Congratulations on winning the pin up girl contest. Cover Up? Hahahah that is such BS... ventura drama, MOVE ON already. - Jenn Carafelli

"The VIEW is pivotal." - Sheila Cluff, Owner The Oaks of Ojai
I'm glad the Voice is useful for you. THIS GUY IS AN IDIOT -THE ONLY TIME I SEE THE VOICE IS WHEN i need some paper to start a bbq. SILENCE IS GOLDEN - Albert Munoz
Ok, not to worry--I would never think of you as a therapist. "I do however see you dwelling on the perversion of women. Is that your focus. The ladies, focus Mr Anderson you should let it go don't think of me as a therapist but as a marker." - Rosie Kasamis
"Hope you have a successful year in business!" - Regards, Jamie Rodgers, Meiners Oaks Disengenuous Ojai operator
Share with me your reading list. "Thanks you Joel Anderson for your stupidity I am an avid reader of anything but I will never read your paper ever ever again if the voice is reading this fire his lame stupid a'st" - Kristi Piantino Hebert
"You are not beholden to the establishment!" - Camille Harris Ventura, activist
Yes, Ann--the truth is elusive. Lucky to be living in a country with freedom of the press. Get over yourself Joel Anderson and your "search" for the truth...move on!" - Ann Marie McCarthy
Thanks for the compliment--I like to dig deep for the truth. "@ Joel Anderson get a life!? Typical reporter with nothing to report throws down the pen and picks up a shovel and starts digging in the dirt." - Spivey Spi
Tracy, It's "Yellow." "it's yellow journalism..." - Tracy Wingo
Phil, do you read anything anyone writes? "This Joel Anderson, sounds like an A-hole and I wouldnt waste a second of time reading anything that he ever writes! F- him and the paper he writes for." - Phil Mechanick
re The VIEW www.YouTube/OVVTAVIEW channel... "This is priceless. The sound effects are hysterical. This will go viral... I am sending it on. Thanks, great work" - Camille Harris Ventura, activist
Yes Don, capitalism is a bitch. "all journalists' want is to sell papers no morality at all! period! joel is a slut for people of no mentality!" - Don Andre

Who Was Johnny CASH?

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ing rockabilly and Rock n' Roll — especially early in his career — as well as blues, folk and gospel led to Cash being inducted in the Country, Rock n' Roll, and Gospel Halls of Fame. He helped many young artists get their careers of the ground such as Bob Dylan, Kris Kristofferson, Linda Ronstadt, James Taylor, and Neil Young. Bob Dylan credits Johnny as one of his biggest influences. Johnny and June's hit of Dylan's "It Ain't Me Babe" helped give Bob a whole new popular audience. Kris Kristofferson was a helicopter pilot in Vietnam. When he got out

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CASH

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of the Army, he headed to Nashville to try to make it as a song writer. Nobody wanted to hear his music. He got a job at Columbia Records, Nashville, known as "the house that Cash built" as a janitor. He was told to stay away from "the Franchise". Johnny Cash. Kris decided to rent a helicopter and landed on Cash's front lawn. Cash decided to take a listen and recorded Kristofferson's tune. "Sunday Morning Coming Down," a huge hit. Later on, Chris and Johnny toured together in "Highwaymen."
Much of Cash's music, especially that of his later career, echoed themes of sorrow, moral tribulation and redemption. Late in his career, Cash covered songs by several rock artists, most notably "Hurt" by "Nine Inch Nails" - the resulting video was voted video of the year on MTV as well as Country Music TV-CMT--and is seen as Cash's epitaph.
Cash, a troubled but devout Christian, has been characterized as a "lens through which to view American contradictions and challenges." A Biblical Scholar, he penned a Christian novel titled Man in White, and he made a spoken recording of the entire New Testament. Even so, Cash declared that he was "the biggest sinner of them all", and viewed himself overall as a complicated and contradictory man. Accordingly, Cash has been deemed "the philosopher-prince of American country music".
His album, Bitter Tears, highlighted the plight of the Native Americans. The tune, Ira Hayes, about the tragic Pima Indian Marine who helped raise the flag over Iwo Jima in World War II, went to number three on the Billboard County Charts in 1964.
Cash felt great compassion for prisoners. He began performing concerts at various prisons starting in the late 1950s. His first ever prison concert was held on January 1, 1958 at San Quentin State Prison. He had already performed over one hundred prison concerts before his highly successful "Live at Folsom Prison" album debut in 1968, and "Live at San Quentin" in 1969.
Cash was very loyal to his friends. He kept the same band throughout his career. When his good friend, Carl Perkins, fell on hard times, Cash gave him a job playing guitar in his band.
So as you may see my friends, Cash was a more complex figure than that portrayed in popular culture. - Joel Anderson

EDITOR'S NOTE: My recent comments regarding the Ventura Cash Fest has created a firestorm of controversy with attempts to smear, defame, and limit my freedom of

"We Believe [City of Ventura] code enforcement is on the right track..." - VCReporter Management, Editorial, April 30, 2009

speech. Johnny Cash was a great patriot and supported America's sacred Bill of Rights. At a concert he once stated that he supported a person's First Amendment rights to burn the American Flag, however, he also supported the Second Amendment right to bear arms and shoot anyone burning the American Flag! I support the Cash Fest's right to present the Johnny Cash in any manner they choose. However, I reserve my right to comment on the presentation. Cash did not support the way Native Americans were portrayed in some Western movies as one dimensional blood thirsty savages but he did not attempt to stop their filming or distribution. He decided to educate and write songs that portrayed them in a more nuanced manner. This writer is attempting to do the same thing with The Man in Black. All I am saying is that there is more to Johnny Cash's legacy than the way he is being portrayed; babes, boobs, bikes, booze, fast cars, tattoos, drugs, and "flipping the bird" as was overwhelmingly portrayed at the recent Cash fest. I advise my readers to check out his autobiography to get "the rest of the story." - Joel Anderson

VIEW MUSIC LISTINGS LIVE WIRES & HOT TIPS

- 29/June - Fri., Blackbeards/1591 Spinnaker Dr #115, Ventura... 650-7773, Brian Faith Band, 7-11pm
•30/June - Sat., Montalvo Square Concert/1746 S. Victoria Ave./Ventura, 6pm... The Mighty Cash Cats
•30/June - Thurs., Chumash Casino/Santa Ynez.... 800/248-6274, Boogie Knights & the Spazmatics, 9pm
•30/June - Sat., Santa Barbara Bowl... 962-7411, Ben Harper, Fitz & the Tantrums, 6:30pm
•3/July - Tues., Santa Barbara Bowl... 962-7411, The Dukes of September Rhythm Revue: Donald Fagen, Michael McDonald, Boz Scaggs, 7pm
•4/July - Wed., Nordhoff Stadium Fireworks/Ojai... Action Down
•6/July - Fri., The Keynote/10245 Telephone Rd, Ventura, 647-9390... Action Down
•7/July - Sat., Lab Brewing Co./30105 Agoura Rd./Agoura, Ca, 9pm... The Mighty Cash Cats
•8/July - Sun., OC Market Place, Costa Mesa... Aquarius, 12-3pm
•12/July - Thurs., Chumash Casino/Santa Ynez.... 800/248-6274, Happy Together, 8pm
•21/July - Sat., Santa Barbara Bowl... 962-7411, An Evening w/Yanni Under the Stars, 7pm
•27/July - Fri., Blackbeards/1591 Spinnaker Dr #115, Ventura... 650-7773, Brian Faith Band
•28/July - Sat., Island Packers "Johnny Cash Cruise"/1691 Spinnaker Dr./Ventura, Ca,... The Mighty Cash Cats
•3/Aug - Fri., O'Leary's Side Bar/6555 Telephone Rd # 7, Ventura... 644-4619, Action Down
•4/Aug - Sat., Sutter Creek Theater, 44 Main Street/Sutter Creek, Ca.... The Mighty Cash Cats
•5/Aug - Sun., Sonoma County Fair/Sonoma

County Fairgrounds/Santa Rosa, Ca.... The Mighty Cash Cats
•7/Aug - Tues., Santa Barbara Bowl... 962-7411, Norah Jones, 7pm
•17/Aug - Fri., Santa Barbara Bowl... 962-7411, Colbie Caillat and Gavin Degraw - Summer Co-Headlining Tour with sp. guest, 6:30pm
•17/Aug - Fri., Ojai Valley Inn/Ojai, Ca.... The Mighty Cash Cats
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•26/Aug - Sun., Santa Barbara Bowl... 962-7411, Diana Krall, 7pm
•28/Aug - Fri., Santa Barbara Bowl... 962-7411, Crosby, Stills & Nash, 7pm
•1/Sept - Sat., Montalvo Square Concert/1746 S. Victoria Ave./Ventura, 6pm-8pm... Brian Faith Band
•22/Sept - Sat., Island Packers "Johnny Cash Cruise"/1691 Spinnaker Dr./Ventura, Ca,... The Mighty Cash Cats
•7/Oct - Sun., Santa Barbara Bowl... 962-7411, Furthur, feat. Phil Lesh & Bob Weir, 6pm

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According to the Ventura County Grand Jury's investigation, the City of Ventura has abused its power in order to generate revenue, the rights of the citizens have been abused, and we lack management at City Hall. We are grateful to the code victims who stepped forward to testify, we are grateful to our free press who shed light on the City's abuse of its citizens, and especially grateful to the Grand Jury who thoroughly investigated the City's actions and policies. Read the report (noted below): the facts and findings start on Page 3.

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EDITOR NOTE: It's a shame that when citizens filed a similar complaint against the City of Ojai's Code Enforcement with the Grand Jury, the Grand Jury chose to say that it was not criminal in Nature and Dismissed the Complaint. The problem persists. The City does not respond to people requesting copies of their Code "Violations" and does not provide copies of Phantom citizen complaints (which appear fabricated/contrived), which is a clear violation of the 6th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, Right to Face Your Accuser. To tell a citizen Govt. will fine you \$1,000 a day until said violation is mitigated, but not tell you the details of the mitigation is Criminal in nature. To protect the Code Enforcement Officer from allegations that the officer is misusing his position, the City should change the process to require that all complaints must be in writing and signed by the complaining party. It is the Editor's belief that these complaints cannot be produced. - Joel Anderson, editor

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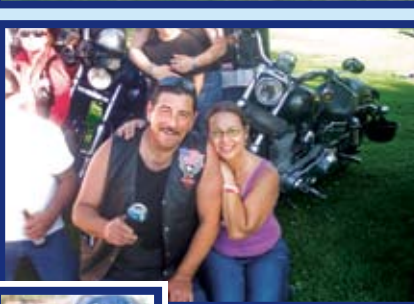
April 21, 2012

A tight group of close friends and family gathered April 21 to tip their hats to the memories of Sonia Miller and Wayne Ortman who tragically passed on one year ago. (April 17, 2011).

As was befitting, the many good times and kindnesses both Wayne and Sonia left behind, the group gathered at Soule Park, Ojai, to demonstrate their faith and commitment.

Sonia and Wayne live on in the hearts they touched - they will not be forgotten. - Joel Anderson

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BIKER'S PRAYER

MAY THE SUN RISE IN FRONT OF ME THE RAIN FALL BEHIND ME AND THE WIND FOLLOW ME. MAY THE ANGELS GUARD MY TRAVELS FOR THEY KNOW WHAT IS AHEAD OF ME. KEEP ME SAFE THROUGH THE ROLLING HILLS AND SWIRLING TURNS. LET THE EAGLE GUIDE ME TO THE MOUNTAIN TOPS. LET THE MOON'S LIGHT GUIDE ME THROUGH THE NIGHT. LORD, THANK YOU FOR LETTING ME BE A BIKER.

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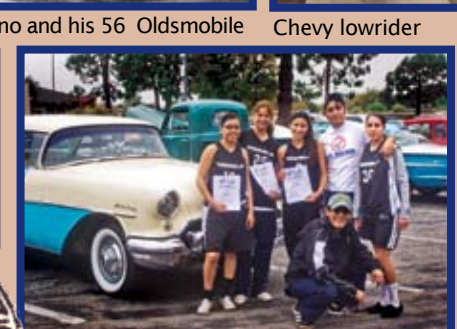
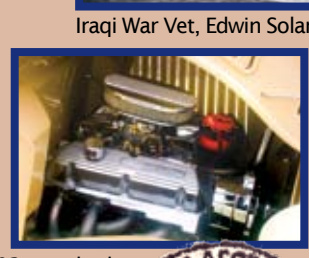
A cherry 5 window at Cody's in Goleta



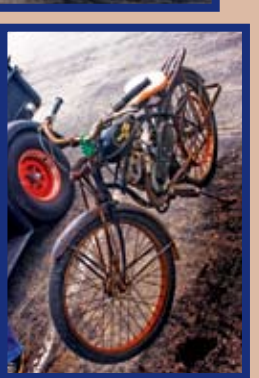
Iraqi War Vet, Edwin Solano and his 56 Oldsmobile Chevy lowrider



John Shane and his creme 36 Ford/302 punched to 306 AOD, V-8 mod/Edelbrock, 340hp.



Edwin's '56 (L-R) Valeria Arroyo, Nathalia Martinez, Amber Ray, Windy Guzman and Brian Faith Band's Ernie Orosco.



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Roots of Drag Racing

Organized Drag Racing started out across the U.S. in Goleta at what was then an abandoned WWII marine base and later became the Santa Barbara Airport, next door to where the VIEW is printed.

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Photo Courtesy, Lee Hammock, circa 47



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