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INSIDE: GEARING UP FOR WATER WARS • FREE AT LAST • Waterworld - Sespe Summertime

What is Casitas Water Co. doing with the purchase of the water company? What I saw July 27 was powerful to see.... Ace-high townfolk were turned away outside the meetin' at the other (Casitas) "Good guys water company" (well not good for some Farmers). A meeting or presentation had a full house and standing room in the full Sun outside Casitas must use a different Fire Department than the People in O.JAI. We were told that the meeting was TOO FULL and we would have a Special Meeting sometime later After a bunch of **Old Timers** dragged ourselves out o' there....I saw people that I hadn't seen in years, maybe a few decades even....then to cancel the meeting? All the while the GSW

- Dick Lynch Ripoff Outfit sat on their Keester.... waitin, for an opportunity to shoot off their mouths afterwards and influence the Casitas bosses with their double-talk and legalese. Even had some fancy **GSW** lawyer on hand....wonder how much Gold was fetched to get this slickster to ride out to the country, by hook

or crook, to Ojai? In Ojai, even with the Fire department present, the house is packed way over the posted limit for the room, well at least Casitas follows the rules somewhat.

What was special, was the LEGAL COUNCIL for the Casitas district, he SPOKE TO or was that at the AUDI-**ENCE** !!!! And told us to behave and not BASH the Golden Water Hold-Us-Hostage Company (GSW).

This caused several cowpokes and cowgirls to throw in the towel, skedaddle, keep their by the leaky bucket water company (GSW) mouth's shut at PUBLIC speakin' up time. I thought the job of moderatin' belonged to an accountable-to-the-townsfolk President of the Board, or Chairman of the Board, especially with election time coming. Is that LEGAL for a NON-ELECTED NONboard member to **ADMONISH** and ride herd on the Crowd???

> To bully the **Taxpayers** and Ratepayers? Yes? No? Never saw a member of the bar do

> > Raggedy Edge Continued Page 4...

Golden State: Caught With their Hand in the Cookie lar

by Joel Anderson olden State Water Co. (GSWC) confessed to knowingly gouging Ojai Rate-payers in a June 29 Settlement by the State Division of Water and Audits (DWA). The state agency regulates the privately held water company and perhaps the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) oversight. The settlement

cannot be appealed. The **DWA** found that GSWC senior management knew about violations in their own competitive bidding process which resulted in higher than normal bid costs which were then passed downstream to the ratepayers. Most significantly, the commission found that for years GSWC to

GSWC knowingly based additional Rate Increase requests on rates **GSWC** knew were inflated. The **Commission** found this resulted in rate payers being gouged in Ojai and elsewhere in the millions of dollars The cover-up was not disclosed until a "senior officer", a whistleblower from within GSWC management who was not identified, came forward to the Commission with the damaging information.

The initial **DWA** settlement determined, ..GSWC's inclusion of the \$23.7 mil**lion** in the calculation of rates has exposed GSWC's customers to unjust and unreasonable charges and up to \$31 million of past ratepayer harm," the settlement also noted significantly that, "...within 30 days after **Commission Approval of Settlement**,

GSWC will file a Tier 1 Advice Letter to nitiate customer refunds of previously colected revenues...." The **Settlement Terms**

also note that **Ojai's** portion of the refund amounts to "\$1,243,818," over \$1.2 Million, and will be

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doled out through amortized surcredits appearing on rate payors pearing on ratepayers monthly bills over time. In addition to the money

taken by GSWC, they are fined \$1 Million, paid to the State General Fund. GSWC will also have to the State General Pay DW4. which will go back to 1994. GSWC must also recompense the rate payers for the fees paid for their own internal audits and also for costs associated with their cover up of their overcharging practices. The

> that GSWC had gouged customers statewide to the tune of potentially \$31 Million, but reached

DWA Commission found

only requiring \$9.5 Million (approximately 30%) to the victimized ratepayers

THE GOLDEN STATE

The ruling does

Golden State Water (GSWC), which faces the very real possibility of losing its **Ojai** Water Franchise, thanks to the non-profit com. OjaiFLOW seeks GSWC removal. On July 13, a water main broke (see pho tos, Page 4). The VIEW contacted GSWC

GSW Busted Continued, Page 4...

"Men and fish are alike. They both get into trouble when they open their mouths" - Author Unknown

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR editor@ojaiandventuraview.com

FARCE: An Exercise in Futility **HELP of Ojai Board Meeting**

Trudy

Sarzotti

(for which

Ojai's Sar-

zotti Park

is named)

most town-

folk who

surprised

- there had

been influ-

by Joel Anderson hen HELP of Ojai executive **director Terri Wolfe** ordered that the Oiai Valley News (OVN) not publish (see last issue of the Oiai and Ventura VIEW, #37) a Letter from community stalwart



Executive Director Terri lfe does not take kindly to HELP's senior volunteer criticizing her policies, but she turns the other cheek and ints out how much she has done for seniors

ence peddling business as usual in certain "media" circles for years. The fact that the letter was critical of Wolfe's gruff management style was also not that surprising, given the rampant rumors over the last several

What was also not surprising was how **HELP Board** Presi-Tucker

Zen of Suppression - Board president Tucker Adams cracks the whip, suggesting scolded and supwhat is appropriate and what is innappropriate for public citizens to say at the public board meeting dozen

senior **HELP Volunteers** who showed up at the July 18 board meeting to "speak" up during the "public comment" period. After all Mayor Carol Smith had chiseled activist **Dennis Learv** in a similar manner to "keep on subject" etc. Tucker also tried to push the discussion off to less public

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venues, small meetings, or simply phone director Wolfe with complaints, like that would be effective. Who's non-profit is this anyway? Didn't Volunteers originally found HELP of Ojai??? Who did The Volunteers think they were, questioning such god given authority?

It wasn't even that surprising that board member Alan Rains said very little but did exhibit his heard about dashing salesman smile for all to see.

as usual for



Rains cracks that Oiai almost famous salesman smile at the meeting, but was there come business any resolution to the local, national

and international organizations, ruled by a small elite, to publicly state that they are going to "Get to the bottom of things," Solve the Economic spiral," "Institute Democratic Rule" while in fact none of that even comes close to occurring. Ojai may be closer to sliding into the dumpster of non-democratic rule than many realize

What actually do these Board of Directors, government officials, movers and shakers get done? Pretty much they do a lot of talking at the people and get a lot of nothing done – accountability is lost.

the HELP of Ojai Board

Meeting, don't bother listening to this writer, Go To www.OjaiandVentura-VIEW.com/HELPofOjai and read the entire transcript to the 1 hour ten minute July 18 HELP Board Meeting. – Joel Anderson, ed.

"The harder the conflict, the more glorious the triumph."

- Thomas Paine, Founding Father It's Fun to Be Important But Important to Be Fun

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OUR **REVOLUTIONARIES** WRITE

by Judy the Hun **EPAL**: A stupid American created an international incident here. There is a **BIG** MAN who used to be

the minister of finance. He's building a new hotel by cheating his workers. His workers have not been paid for 6 months. Last night I waited with them for 5 hours and he was again a *no show* with their money....I stayed and everyone else finally left.

Today I did a little sightseeing, go one heck of a sunburn and came back to find the same crowd of workers waiting. I told them they needed to confront the man and demand their money but, they we're too scared.

So when the boss appeared I followed him and said. "You know you need to be a tough boss but you also need to be a fair boss" and then really getting brave I said to this 'monster of a man," "I thought the Lama family, (people who run the little store nearby who charge me 40 rupees for a pak of tissues that every other store charges 10 rupees) were the biggest cheaters in Kathmandu but I see now... you are!" He said, 'Who do you think you are?' I said, "I am only a woman but, I have never cheated anyone.'

He stood within two inches of my body and called me many filthy names, "You f'in bitch? f'in a--hole....get out of my country I own Nepal!" Then he SPIT IN MY FACE? I raised my left hand and pointed at his face and said don't do that again and he spit and hit my hand quite hard as he plowed into me with his body.

The only person around was a 5year-old who spoke little english. I told him to have his dad call the police, and I ran to my guest house to have the manager call as well. Meanwhile, the man and his business associate/girl-

friend ran away.
My friend, **Meena** arrived on the scene and before I knew it the army, police, the tourist police arrived, newspapers, television, etc. I spent an hour with the news media. As we speak, satellite crews from around the world are trying to find enough electricity to broadcast tomorrow morning when the police arrest this a--hole. His name is **Dalai Lama**, but the press renamed him Dog Lama.

The Lama store got mad at me because I refused to shop there. I used to

HELP of Ojai Constructive Criticism MEETING Mon. Aug. 8, 1:30pm At Little House Once A Month Meeting to Lodge Complaints More info. Jeanie 646-0072

- Judy the Hun HELP of Ojai 2009 Tax Returns List it as a 501(c) 3 Non-profit. The Returns list "15. Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits" as "\$751,778" The Return was signed by Executive Director Terri Wolfe on 2/4/11. The CPA Firm/Preparer's signature is Listed as Soares, Sandall, Bernachi & Petrovich, LLP, Oxnard. According to the Return Wolfe earns a \$68,750 Salary. SOURCE: Guidestar

sit and drink tea and play a dice game with

the locals and kids but, Mr. Lama said

I couldn't sit there anymore so I moved

over to the **Peepal Tree** and drank my tea

and played the dice game...This was how I

learned the plight of these workers as they

sat there, drank tea, smoked cigarettes and

sometimes when the boss wasn't around.

I'm not ready for prime time but

dammit these people have hauled 2 tons

of sand and gravel up 7 flights of stairs

in wicker baskets attached by cloths to

their heads. They work harder than any

American I know and, if they get paid,

the people I don't deny it and I knew

it's about \$20 a month. I did try to incite

when I confronted him he would explode

but, spit in my face? I know I shouldn't

care about how he treats his employees,

I shouldn't get involved but how could I

not? They are humans with red blood like

mine they have hopes and dreams like all

of us. Isn't that the thread that binds us to-

gether as residents on this earth? **HE'S A**

BUDDHIST FOR GOODNESS SAKES

aren't they supposed to be benign, gentle,

Dalai Lama arrived one day and

informed me this tree was a temple and I

was disrespecting his culture that he was

going to call the police and have me de-

ported. This was my first encounter with the **BIG MAN**. I dared him to call the

police and pointed out that he may own

the hotel but, he doesn't own the tree. In

a rage he told me I needed to shop at the

Lama store and I simply said, "I don't do

The **Peepal Tree** is a very sacred tree.

Buddha found enlightenment under it...

Hindus say Shiva was born under it and

that **Krishna** died under it. I never pass

this tree without reaching out and touch-

are so many stories I could tell you like

the human trafficking that goes on in this

region. Eight women died last month in

the gulf states as domestics/sex slaves.

Nobody cares they are women. I was at

customs trying to claim a computer cord

Customs are quite corrupt. They seized and then demanded 13,000 rupees tax on

Cardboard boxes of dead swollen bodies

and used cell phone my daughter sent.

were moved by fork lift to the waiting

over the amount of tax to be paid. The

smell, the corruption are all endemic to

this part of the world. After two bribes

and a 5,000 rupee tax, my property was

handed over. I walked past the corpse

cartons clenching my stomach and noted

a **Dubai** return address....this was those

area while the grieving families haggled

Joel, I'm fighting for my f'in life. There

business with cheaters.

ing it with tika.

electronics.

eight women

snoozed there

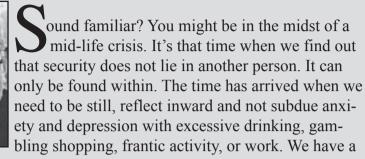
giving, souls

When All Else Fails

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"Don't Tell Me Who I am... Let me guess!" The Middle Years (Part I)

"I Have No Energy For The Daily Grind"



choice – we can either cling to old illusions and deny reality or we can look inward and try to begin to understand the meaning of our lives. It's not just action and doing anymore. It's the meaning behind the doing that's important. Mid-life crisis occurs in many people, not only artists and creative ones, even though people who have pushed their creative outlets aside seem to get hit especially hard.

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The mid-life passage is an initiation ritual. The great work of **Jan** and Murray Stein, Jungian analysts out of Chicago, gives us three steps of initiation; 1) Separation, 2) Liminality, and 3) Integration. 1) Separation: Mid-life is a crisis in identity when we need to separate from certain personas or social masks which we primarily form during adolescence and young adulthood. These identities were greatly influences by our willingness to agree with others as to who we are and what we're like – or by being excessively the opposite (i.e. the "rebel", "outsider", "loner", etc). Often personas try to create a favorable impression (i.e. the "nice guy", "dutiful daughter", "supermom") or we get locked into 24 hours a day roles and unconsciously hide behind being a "doctor", "cop", "career woman", etc).

When these identities slowly begin to dissolve we are left wondering who we are and what we're like. Signals at the onset of the "separation" are boredom, disillusionment, loss of interest in career, spouse, family, friends and a sense of loss, emptiness and feelings of defeat. Night time dream themes include destruction of old buildings, heading into unfamiliar territory, or more dramatically, the loss of a parent, a child or someone close to us who had had great influence on our personas. It is very disorienting as the self is separating from former identifications. In therapy it's important to hold and tolerate the anxiety and tension so the patient can withstand the gap between the old identity and the new one not yet known. A premature solution would be to help the patient restore the old persona, which would reduce anxiety, but would also deprive him or her of the opportunity for a soulful transformation to inner wisdom. Next time Liminality and Integration.

Love to Mother Meera. One for all and all for one.

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Citizens were turned away from the

ing turnout against GSWC, which

exceeding fire canacity ratings. It

remains unclear when, if and where

the meeting may be resheduled. Stay

Casitas meeting due to an overwhelm

something like that - bulldoze the public. Not even suffering through 35 year\$ of MONTE did that happen, though he could

never poop or get off the pot! I'm pretty sure there is something pretty wrong with what's happening at Casitas. I haven't heard a peep, nor a holler. Those

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guys and the Lady, I thought once were BOLD as Brass. They once took on the GOVERN-MENT and WON, they **FOUGHT** for the rights of the water users in their district not to give away water and send it down the drain for free. NOW they are Peepless - except for talk of a party and the correction of some obscure date on

some obscure report..

informed, www.OjaiFLOW.com Wonder what the NOT so Glistening Golden anymore water hold-up company has to bully CASITAS and make it behave so timidly and NOT-BE-SO-BOLD? Should the FLOW people go elsewhere? Maybe it's time to get a barn fire started under the Ojai Council and have them cancel the franchise agreement with **GSW** because of the bogus construction bidding practices that makes the *Tarnished* and Blighted Water Company (GSW) want to pay \$12 MILLION in fines and over-

charges to avoid jig-is-up litigation? Why Oh why did they give the water away in 67 from Ojai Mutual Water, who held the rights at that time? They get nothing really 1 percent so with this last rate increase that costs Oiai residents nearly \$7 million, the city gets just \$60,000 Yes compared to the \$6,800,000

proposed water rate cost

that little \$60,000 is really small. Can you believe how cheaply the **City of Oiai** Sold us out for?

Mayor Carol Smith said Ojai has people paying more for their water bill than their

The City has already brought a Heap of trouble onto Ojai's citizens, time to bring this *dead horse* to a screeching Halt! We already know she can't see. For every Million Rate Increase Golden State Ripoff (GSW) plunders, the city gets \$10,000, Now who's **Helping to Hold up the Stage**? Please take the water back and we will pay you the \$60,000 and still keep about a \$1,000 in our pockets, each home, each year. Please, we will pay you....and be

What could possibly be worse is **LOCAI** and that should be a good buy? **CODES** and Historic Condemnation policies. Reminds me of the days when the guys (and gals) in the black hats would come round to take a hardworking ranchers spread with no legal precedent,

excepting their own greed for land and to justify their own saddle spot. The City is ying to hogtie Ojai's residents and goose 'em. I would rather pay the Golden stickup artists DOUBLE than have these New City Slicker

High Price, Jacked-up restrictions go into place. This will empty

the City of renters and stop all building and permits. **FEE**: Cost a few thousand silver dollars just to find out if my ole' clapboard beater has any Historic value, before I hammer a nail in the outhouse. Well the way its going it won't have any value soon enough

Restrictions... the City recording a NON-**CONFORMING** title on YOUR home.

every plant turning brown and the Sewer district enforcing hookup fees of 16K, double that of recent vears looks like Oak View and Meiners Oaks are lookin' better and hetter

But maybe not, with the city casting a POX across the city, the values of homes will surly drop like a rock Looks like it may be time to burn down the ole homestead and head

outa town

lawyers, etc. hung back at the Casitas

leasantries with Casitas General

meeting to attempt to exchange

Manager Steve Wickstrum.

Or maybe I guess I will look for someone with an Illegal, did I say *Illegal* conversion? I meant to say a Non-permitted second residence, that has a vacancy and is a pre-1964 semi-historic home that isn't falling down like the ones on Bald and Fox streets. One that's had extensive remodeling so it will cost Tens of Thousands of dollars in city permit fees to reconvert it for the "I want to save the Historic buildings at someone else's expense group". If a home has to be preserved for its historical significance, why does **The City** have to link huge **CLARK FEES** to the project? A home that has lots of Grass and lots of

water sucking trees and plants and is about to have a NON-CONFORMING title recorded against it with some City liens

Is the City just trying to confiscate the property to turn it over to **Monte's Cabrillo Development** or one of the other non-profit,

huge salaries for the directors, low cost builder rip-off outfits. Looks like a lot of cowfolk are gonna have to lite up the ole homestead after all.. Look at Cabrillo, they pay in GOLD... about a dozen people with them chiseling over \$100,000 per year each, health and pension!! Why work for the City of Bell (or Ventura...) when you can get paid that kind of money here?

One thing is the same, no matter how often we change people, we follow the same path. Why are we still pushin'

Jere Kersnar's old agenda of confusion.... I mean I know Ojai still may have a Mammoth supply o' hangin' trees (at least on the

FIRED City Manager

Rock Fest Promoter Ardas Khalsa speaks his peace.

outskirts of town) but... the night

sky people don't live in town, don't pay town taxes, and don't Vote here! Rob's already established a record of stalling, incomplete staff

reports at every meeting and not showing up with staff reports and doing the same ole, "We have to bring it back next meeting" which is always long forgotten and

Rob Clark ponders

his Ojai future.

Rock Fest Lawyer Cathy Elliot, Chief Dunn, and Ardas Khalsa **NEVER** brought back at the next have a fundamentally friendly campfire. Then First Amendment discussion Rob Drops the after the chief threatened to arrest Khalsa. ROCK PEO-PLE??? when

the **Libbey** is vacant and the city strongbox is near empty??? A Mammoth blunder by Rob Clark? How about the TEN PER-**CENT UNEMPLOYED?** I bet if they had a chance to get a 6 figure salary and benefit package they wouldn't give incomplete staff reports and drop Rocks. What makes every city manager, finance minister, or parks director in **Ojai** feel they can go into some town sidewinders diamond-bullhead and get ideas, then operate independent of the **ELECTED City Council?**

Lets change more than a few of them out and see if we can't get a little more efficient with my TAX MONEY. Why don't we stop doing what we always been doing and

find a way to get something done that fixes the streets. Man, my ole' truck is creakin' every time I

drive on into

town for provi-

sions, even the

State Overlay

(past Villanova

road headed into

We sure aren't

getting what we

paid for and the

Council sits and

sits in disbelief

Ventura) is rip-

ping up.



Susie Mears, finance director, promises more reports by the next council meeting.

at having to have an ordinance that restricts an outside Orange rack at WEST RIDGE MARKET or vending machine ordinance that bans a pure water machine at the QUICK STOP.

A ban on Water in summertime, when it's not falling free from the sky???

We have rules for displaying Oranges outside? What about us clean livin' countryfolk who have little stands outside our gate in front of the house? Are we gonna have to get permits to sell Oranges? If we have

that kind of money to spend on staff time we have gone **NUTS**. Just **NUTS**. Seems like local govt, is just having too much fun tinkering with Red Tape Job Creation for themselves.... Spending hundreds

> of thousands of sparse dollars to have a planning department and with nothing better to do than make Orange Rack Rules is flush PAST NUTS! Since the chief likes to attempt risky rock concert promoter arrests at city council for the justified bugging out of their First Amendment eyes, maybe he could just go ahead and pick up those in our planning dept. for promiscuous display of contrived ordinances. Or at least it seems we need to seriously think about Setting up a Get-Out-Of-Town-By-Sunset

order to our City Planner Katrina Rice Schmidt. How can we let them spend time and money on Orange racks???

I am so glad I stopped watern' my Oranges.... I thought the water was going to do me in. It's gonna be the PERMIT for the Orange Racks that's the Fly in the Soup. Please remove the lavabout planning staff and outside consultants and outsource the whole thing, we could easily save the whole kit and caboodle - a QUARTER OF A MILLION and get the same nothing done.

- Dick Lynch

by Jefferson Pinto

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magine this. You are on a long family road trip. The kids in the back seat have been whining for the last 350 miles. The newest round breaks out. "He touched me!" "She touched me first!" "Shut up!" "You shut up. "Give me back my sunglasses." "Fine, then give me back my phone." As the parent, trying to keep a two ton vehicle between the lines at 70 miles an hour, you've reached your limit and you lose t. I DON'T CARE WHOSE PHONE OR SUNGLASSES IT IS STOP TOUCHING EACH OTHER AND SHUT UP!! It's really difficult to administer parental justice and dispense a life lesson on conflict resolution under these circumstances.

Our national leaders recently put on quite a show, not unlike the kids in the back seat of the car. As the heavy weight National Budget Bout went a full twelve rounds President Obama and Speaker **Boehner** look a lot like **Apollo Ĉreed** and Rocky Balboa at the end of the first **Rocky** movie, as evidenced by 80 percent of Americans who expressed dissatisfaction with our national government.

Here's the real politics game. Get **Americans** so emotionally exhausted until they say, "FINE, just stop arguing."

Ventura Code

Enforcement:

Councilmember

Preferential

Treatment?

Harris to Neal Andrews

To: nealandrews@att.net [Ventura Coun-

You were correct in saying that if we

don't name names, then there is no ac-

countability. I have done that now, with

my article in the Ventura County Star,

and risk more retaliation attempts from

Mr. Stuffler. Who, now, is going to hold

[Ventura Councilmember] Ms. Weir and

Mr. Stuffler accountable and will there be

It appears, from the attached email, that

both Mr. Stuffler and Ms. Weir were

aware in March of 2007 that her second

unit was indeed illegal. The code enforce-

ment inspector, in the email dated **March**

7/30 LETTER: Camille

From: harris.cam@gmail.com

cilmember]

Dear Neal,

consequences?

6, 2007, advised

her to contact

Building and

Safety about

the process for

converting her

Subject: Conflict of Interest issue

Date: July 30, 2011 9:29:32 PM PDT

At that point in time, we just gave our French origin that means unreleaders Carte Blanche (a phrase of discretion).

Economy and Term Limits: Are We There Yet?

I've seen this movie before and didn't like how it ended the last 5 times I saw it. The U.S. has seen more 'pieces' of major tax and spending legislation in the past 20 years and the latest round of haggling is certainly more

Here is a short list: • The Tax Equity and Fiscal Responsi-

bility Act of 1982 • Deficit Reduction Act of 2005 • The Omnibus Budget Reconciliation

Act of 1993 • The Gramm-Rudman-Hollings Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985

Sure, every new piece of legislation looks like a fix ... that is until it gets undone *before* the "teeth" have a chance to sink into our economic flesh. The great thing about the "I'll gladly pay you Tuesday for a Hamburger today" theory is the leaders who ate the hamburger will be out of office before Tuesday arrives. This begs the question: if prior legislation didn't work, what makes the leaders think

dwelling unit to a legal 2nd unit. If the evidence continues to bear this out, then a crime may have been committed.

Upon being informed that Ms. Weir's unit was illegal by his inspector, no action was taken by Mr. Stuffler. Ms. Weir received a permit for a vacation rental, named "The Sleepv Cat Inn" for her own financial gain. Worse, people who needed their granny flats for sheltering their own family members, were cited during this time and had to gut their kitchens and bathrooms. In the case of Louis Campos irreparable harm to his health occurred from the stress he endured and continues to endure. As recently as July 20th, Mr. **Stuffler** told him he had to remove 22 inches from the granny flat where he had safely resided for 30 years. Where is the equitable treatment guaranteed us under the 14th amendment?

On February 28th, it was Christy Weir who made the

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and speech with

Joyce McWilliams

Vocalist and actress

motion for Vocal Development Learn to sing! the 2011 2nd unit amnesty ordinance and gave specific direction to Andrew Stuffler on

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

the most recent legislation will remain intact, if it too will be undone when the American people aren't watching? It's starting to look like it's the legislators that are defective not necessarily the legislation itself.

This drama is a replay of King Solomon trying to decide the rightful mother of the child. He proposed the easy solution by splitting the baby in two and giving each mother their half. In the recent drama, the President and the Speaker of the House played the two mothers. The U.S. Citizens are the baby, and King Solomon was played by our mainstream media. I hope you enjoyed the show.

Jefferson's Prediction: After the 2012 election, but before the 2016 election, the recently passed legislation will be significantly diluted and neither our deficit nor the national debt will be significantly reduced. What's needed is leadership that has the consistency, continuity, and accountability to work the problem, not placate the people during the crisis at

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how to draft it, with both of them knowing she had a conflict of interest. The fact that there is almost complete discretion given to **Andrew Stuffler**, in the 2nd unit legalization ordinance passed July 25th, to deny an applicant, keep the fees and subject the hapless applicant to the stigma of criminal penalties and up to a year in jail, did not appear to concern Ms. Weir. Was she confident that she would not have to be subjected to any of these draconian requirements as a "Friend of Andrew" since she had already experienced his preferential treatment?

The disparity in treatment is shocking and lends credence to Ventura's reputation as an arrogant "old boy's" machine where people are not treated equally and hypocrisv is the order of the day.

Who will hold Mr. Stuffler and Ms. Weir accountable and what consequences WEIR Continued, Page 7...

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Golden State Confession

CSW Confession, From Pg 2...

to inquire as to how many gallons of water were lost, however as of Press Time **GSWC** has not returned our call. Said, Ryan Blatz, a local attorney who

also is a member of **QiaiFLOW** "What's nice is that OjaiFLOW feels it has been vindicated.... as we have stated from Day One, Golden State is an unethical corporation and they will do anything including break the law to charge us the highest rates possible....it's kind of a 'See this IS Going On' moment. The million dollar fine is a very good sign that they were doing something wrong - that's a lot of money." — Joel Anderson

Hey Houston....We've Had a Problem...

uly 13, Chaos was J again bestowed upon Ojai in the form of a water leak, courtesy of Ojai's Water Purveyor, Golden State

Still unclear was how much valuable as-gold water resource actually flowed wastefully to the sea... the event turned the Bryant St/Oiai Avenue area into a *Water*world oasis, giving Ojai police something to do as they scrambled to make sense of it all. Utility companies convulsed to secure their particular quadrant, and at least one minor traffic accident occurred because of the confusion of the the liquid anarchy.

One property owner even considered trapping the water for a summer pond that

would ₩ make parks director Dale Sumersille proud (swimming for kids in the hot summer days and beer and fishin'in the evenings for grampa)..

– Joel Ánderson

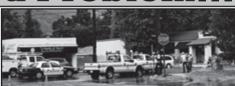


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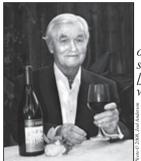












f I had but two loaves of bread. I would sell one and buy flowers], for they vould feed my soul, so wrote the **Prophet Mu**nammad (*570*-*632*). Fourteen hundred vears

later the American poet Dorothy Parker, concurred writing, They that have roses never need bread, I agree.

How many readers have splurged on an irresistible bouquet of flowers when we really should have saved our money? From medieval textures to Islamic manuscripts from Japanese prints to impressionist paintings, from sermons and sonnets, from nonsense haiku, arts and letters have all been inspired by flowers. So dear readers let your gardens bloom and pause to smell the roses.

Honeybees are the most important laborers in the garden; they are responsible for pollinating most plants and for producing beeswax and honey. Many people think we are the honeybees favored prey, very wrong. Since the process of stinging a human is literally suicide to the bee, they only sting as a last resort.

Did you know fossilized blossoms discovered in Oregon and Colorado last month may have been identified as between 40 million and possibly 70 million years old?

Ojai is truly a unique place, the rumor is you can tell a secret to a friend in the morning and by the evening all **Oiai** will know I don't know how true this is I do know you can pick up a wealth of information on politics, business, health, local gossip etc. by overhearing loud conversations of people on cell phones. Best listening places; standing in line at the post office, veterinarians clinics, doctors and dentists waiting rooms, Buddy Wilds hair salon, coffee shops, restaurants and my favorite place, Plaza Pantry Tea Shop. When people tell me I heard it at Plaza Pantry, I

Word of the month: Asphodel considered one of the most beautiful in the English language. You are never too old.... Charles Futrell, age 90 of Florida, became the oldest man to complete a sanctioned triathlon when he swam 440 yards, biked 10 miles and ran 3 miles in two hours and 18 minutes

Looking for work? Farmers in Georgia are looking for 12,000 workers to harvest crops this summer. They claim they can't find help because of a new state law cracking down on illegal immigrants. The state's unemployment rate is 10 percent but few, if any, residents of Georgia are applying for jobs picking crops.

Times are tough for the average U.S. worker but not for "**The CEO**" Median pay for large U.S. corporate CEOs rose 28 percent in **2010** to the median salary of \$9 million, including \$2.4 million in bonuses. Pay increases for the average worker was just 2 percent. **CEOs** at 299 **U.S.** companies earned a combined total of \$3.5 billion in 2010, a 24 percent increase from 2009 the amount that would support 102,325 workers earning a median wage.

The average cost of healthcare for an **American** family of four, insured through an employer, is now \$19,400, up 7.4% since last year

In 2010 U.S. corporate earnings in-

creased more than they had since 1988.

Married ladies need not diet anymore. a University of Tennessee at Knoxville (UT) team of researchers found that it's not critical for a wife to be thin she just needs to be thinner than her mate. So ladies feed your husband more food.

Australian police caught a one legged burglar by following a trail of one legged footprints through the mud. David Phillips was tracked after robbing a series of homes. A police spokesman said, "It wasn't a difficult crime to solve as the hurglar left a one legged trail in the mud."

A new study shows that the best way to start the day is with a traditional German breakfast of ham and cheese. This is bad news for eggs, toast and cereals. The study also shows eating cold potatoes could boost the immune system, reduce bowel cancer and provide relief for sufferers. The findings found a German breakfast of ham and cheese will improve the memory, encourage a high work rate and increased attention span.

In 1930 the average **American** woman owned eight outfit's. Today, thanks to mass production and lower prices on garments made overseas in low-wage nations, the average woman buys more than 62 pieces of new clothing every year.

The Roman writer **Petronius** said. *Wine* 's life and I completely agree In Ecclesiasticus/Sirach (200-175 BC) it was written. What is life then to a man who is without wine? For it was made to make men glad.

The glass of wine is one of life's greatest pleasures. Now that summer is here it's a perfect time to enjoy a bottle of bubbly sparkling wine. It's not just to celebrate New Year's Eve, but also for a pleasant summer drink, try NV Domain Ste. Michelle Brut, Columbia Valley, Washington, \$15. The tiny bubbles in this rich sparkler hold enlivened golden apple aromas and flavors. NV Lamberti Rose, Vino Spumanti, Veneto, Italy, \$14. This big powerful Italian wine offers floral aromas and flavors of tart cherries and minerals. NV Pol Roger Brut Réserve Champagne, France, \$47. This is a dry crisp ight hubbly which releases aromas of Croissants and flavors of lemon meringue The price is all right, so go out and buy a bottle of bubbly for tonight. Time for a glass of wine.

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

FOOD SIMPLE

by Mary-Jo Murphy he new USDA Food Platter features four sections which represent how our meals should be configured: half is filled with fruits and vegetables; another section features grains and the rest protein with a portion for dairy. The federal government has spent decades trying to represent a healthful diet in simple graphic form. In **1992** we had the first pyramid, followed in 2005 by another. This is their latest offering.

Their goal, to create something less complicated.



immediately came under criticism. A blogger wrote, "Federal money was spent on this? 'Aside from

resistance to the simplicity, the next avoiding-the-facts gimmick will likely be to negotiate the size of the platter. I have images of all kinds of bizarre, new tableware that

will change the scale of things and satisfy our need to super size What next - The USDA Supersized Food Platter?

A client with newly diagnosed Type 2 Diabetes wanted to know how many tortillas he could eat. I explained in rudimentary **Spanish** the carbohydrate content in one six-inch tortilla. Before I could finish, his face lit up. He indicated to me with a hand gesture that he understood. His hand showed me a six-inch vertical stack of tortillas. He could do that. No problem.

People are going to hear wnat they want to hear. Anyone looking at the guidelines knows what is at the essence: more fruits and vegetables, whole grains, moderate protein, a bit of cheese, milk or yogurt. A truly simple concept! That's why it took so long for the government to come up with it. So where is the chocolate course? Where's the 20-ounce sugary soda? Do potato chips fit in with the fruits and vegetables? Recently, The New England Journal of

Medicine published a Harvard study that correlated potato consumption to weight gain. (I didn't see a lot of overweight people in Ireland, and they offer potatoes with every *meal.*) Consider this: the potato contains Vitamin C, Potassium, B6, Thiamin, Riboflavin, Folate, Niacin, Magnesium, Phosphorus, Iron, Zinc and fiber equivalent to that of whole grain breads and cereals. The carbohydrate content of a medium potato is similar to two slices of bread. The potato offers protection against colon cancer, improves glucose tolerance and insulin sensitivity, lowers plasma cholesterol and triglyceride concentrations, increases satiety, and possibly even reduces fat storage. So what are these people at **Harvard** warning us against? You know. Close your eyes and think potatoes. Do you see them boiled. mashed with low fat milk, baked or roasted? Or do you see French fries and chins?

Marion Nestle New York University (NYU) professor of nutrition and public health, expressed surprise that potato products were linked with more weight gain than desserts. She suggests that people who eat potato chips and fries also tend to eat too much in general.

The new Dietary Guidelines "policy document" has listed the top Calorie Sources in **U.S.** diets: desserts, breads, chicken fingers (?), soda & sports drinks, pizza and alcohol. Potato chips are #11 and fries are #17. Guilt by association?

Another guilty group is carbohydrates. The obesity epidemic is often blamed on them. So is oatmeal the same as soda? Chickpeas the same as doughnuts? Brown rice the same as Froot Loops? Is froot the same as fruit? How did we lose our common sense about what goes on our plate? Maybe, because we've been eating out of bags.

Fourty years ago, meals were homecooked and included vegetables. Portions were reasonable. Fast food was rare, as was snacking. Now we eat 31 percent more calories, including 56 percent more fats and 14 percent more sugars and sweeteners. The average American eats 15 more pounds of sugar a year than in 1970.

I never know who has heard what I say. But recently, I was showing my ID card at one of the major food warehouses. The employee looked familiar, not from shopping, but because her husband, now deceased, had been one of my patients. But I had to check her nametag to be sure it was the same woman; she was so much thinner. When I complimented her, she proudly quantified the change. "Thirty pounds. My husband didn't listen, but I did."

"What did you do?" I asked.

"No one was bringing home my husband's favorites junk foods. I started cooking and eating at home. I gave up soda. Just water,'

№ July 2011 • Issue 38 she said.

Someone walked by us with a cart loaded with chocolate bars. beer and vitamins "That simple?" I said. "That simple," she repeated. More info, www.foodpolitics.com www.choosemyplate.gov www.letsmove.gov

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ACLU Challenges **Debtors' Prisons** Across Michigan

PRESS RELEASE - Aug 4, 2011

Jailing People Because They Are Too Poor to Pay Legal Fees Is Unconstitutional DETROIT - The American Civil Liberties Union and the ACLU of Michigan said today that they are challenging "pay or stay" sentences imposed on five persons across the state who were illegally iailed for being too poor to pay court fines. In each instance, the judge failed to hold a hearing that would prove the individual was too poor to pay, or give the defendant the option of a payment plan or community service.

"Long thought to be a relic of the 19th century, debtors' prisons are still alive and well in Michigan," said Kary Moss, the ACLU of Michigan's executive director. "Jailing our clients because they are poor is not only unconstitutional, it's unconscionable and a shameful waste of resources. Our justice system should be a place where freedom has no price and equality prevails regardless of a defendant's economic status."

Today's announcement is the result of a nearly two-year investigation into modernday debtors' prisons in Michigan. Over the last two weeks, ACLU attorneys witnessed district and circuit court judges dole out "pay or stay" sentences in seven counties - Wayne, Oakland, Macomb, Montcalm, Muskegon, Kent and Ionia. The ACLU's clients represent dozens of poor defendants who are being jailed at increasingly alarming rates for failing to pay legal debts they cannot afford

The U.S. and Michigan constitutions forbid debtors' prisons and the jailing of individuals who cannot pay court fines and fees because they are poor.

"In the face of mounting budget deficits, states are aggressively targeting poor people. and minorities often bear the burden," said Elora Mukherjee, staff attorney with the ACLU's Racial Justice Program. "These modern-day debtors' prisons impose devastating human costs, waste taxpayer money and create a twotiered justice system.'

The ACLU is challenging the sentences of five individuals who were jailed for being too poor to pay fines, fees and costs related to criminal offenses. Although each defendant is willing to pay fees over time on a payment plan or perform community service, the judges never gave this option. As of today, two individuals have been released as a result of the ACLU's intervention.

 Kyle Dewitt 19 was sentenced to three days in iail by Judge Raymond Voet of the 64A District Court in Ionia because he is unemployed and unable to pay \$215 in fees related to a ticket for catching a fish out of season. After ACLU intervention. Dewitt was released from Ionia County Jail on Wednesday pending a trial

• Kristen Preston, 19, was sentenced to 30 days in jail by Judge Voet because she could not afford to pay a \$125 alcohol assessment fee stemming from a minor in possession (MIP) charge. On Wednesday, Preston was released after ACLU intervention. She awaits sentencing for the MIP charge. To Read the Full Release Go To www.OjaiandVenturaVIEW.com

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of their, if not illegal, certainly unethical behavior will occur? What is the process for a disciplinary action? In the interest of equitable treatment, I would hope that those people who were forced to shutter their granny flats during the time that Ms. Weir was given preferential treatment and allowed to keep hers, that these citizens will be able to put their own kitchens back in and receive legalization.

Discretionary powers with inadequate appeal that does not lead to our elected officials, invites abuse, and this is just one glaring and shocking example of that

As a respected representative who safeguards the integrity of our processes, I appreciate your attention and guidance on this unfortunate situation Respectfully, Camille Harris

(805) 901-8188, www.camilleharris.com "The way to escape from a problem is to solve it.

Ventura Code **Enforcement: Letter to Council Members** "Avoid Amnesty"

7/30 LETTER: Camille **Harris to Neal Andrews**

From: harris.cam@gmail.com Subject: City of Ventura case number

Date: August 1, 2011 4:55:01 PM PDT To: JIM.MONAHAN@ATT.NET. bfulton@ci.ventura.ca.us. bbrennan@ ci.ventura.ca.us. cmorehouse@ci.ventura. ca.us. christy@christyweir.com. iMonahan@ci.ventura.ca.us. mtracv@ci.ventura. ca.us. NAndrews@ci.ventura.ca.us. nealandrews@att.net

Dear Elected Representatives of the Citizens of Ventura,

I simply requested a list of what life safety issues would be cited so citizens have full disclosure. There is no list, and one is not currently planned.

It is inconceivable that citizens would allow code enforcement onto their properties when there is no list of what life safety violations for which they can be cited especially with the threat of criminal prosecution for noncompliance. The non-answer from Mr. Stuffler essentially says the citations will be **DISCRETIONARY**.

Since there is no "arm's length" board to which a citizen can appeal a discretionary decision by Mr. Stuffler, I would advise citizens to avoid the so-called 2nd unit amnesty program.

A number of the members of the Construction Appeals Board and the Planning Commission have further business with Building and Safety and Code Enforcement, so they are clearly not "Arm's Length?

It is puzzling that an affordable housing program would be designed for failure when the need is so great for affordable housing. What does the city have to gain by gutting granny flats, forcing people into desperation sales and increasing homelessness? The City's current lack of **Due Process** begs for a **Housing Appeals Board** where citizens can lodge a grievance or a case for financial hardship. OPEN BORDERS

Noone Was Ever Born Who Agreed To Be A Slave

I am in hopes this ordinance can be amended to provide our citizens **Due Process** when you return from your summer breaks in **September**, if legal action against the ordinance has not taken place by then. Respectfully, Camille Harris (805) 901-8188, www.camilleharris.com

Ventura Businesswomen Carla Bonney Tosses Hat in The Ring



by Richard Senate he sun came out of the coastal fog at Ventura City Hall steps. The crowd gath-

businesswomen and tea party leader, Carla **Bonney** took to the podium to announce she will stand for

the vacant seat on Ventura's City Council

ered this July 28 as local

The talk was short and it addressed the concerns of many that the city government isn't business friendly She said Ventura's new nickname is. "Ventura by the fees." and this needed to be changed. She promised a return o old values and a

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Lee Measures, **City Council-**

men Jim Monahan and Neil Andrews. She pointed out in her speech that **Ventura** is a special place and that in recent years the *city* government had lost its way. She ended her remarks asking the old question once posed by Ronald Reagan decades ago: "Are you better off now than you were four years She said that if elected she would do all she could to bring in jobs to the community even if she had to look to other cities for a template and even if she had to look to such successful states as Texas. She announced she is running for office and called for the support of all **Venturans** in her quest for a place on the city council.

Richard Senate, hainthunter@aol.com

Why Ventura is The Broke Capitol of the World?

Who's Money is It Anyway?

The City of Ventura **LOST** \$10 Million Dollars over 2 years ago (well before the recent economic crash), through their ambitious high-risk investment plan; having placed precious taxpayer dollars with **Bear Stearns** (BS) private assets, which went belly up in the JP Morgan fiasco. This reduced **Ventura's get-rich**quick-scheme to pie-in-the-sky. Most cities invest their cash assets in highly safe Treasury instruments and other government-backed securities.

VIEW DETAILED FINANCIAL ANALYSIS Go To: www.ojaiandventuraview.com/ OVVtaArt/TheRoseVol.1Issue1WebStea katGraphics.pdf

New Ghost Haunts Zander Building in **Downtown Ventura**



by Richard Senate

's a long narrow hallway of shops called the **Žander** Building. Some say it has a special supernatural feeling linked to

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the spot. Some call it the **Zander Zone**. For decades it was rumored haunted by a gray suited man, wearing wire rimmed

glasses. They call him "Henry" and his story, more legend than fact, is that he is none other than Mr. Zander himself who took his

own life in the rear of the structure after losing his fortune in the stock market crash of 1929. He is seen walking the hall and visiting the shops from time to time. The Attic Closet Shop keeper told of things going missing in her store from time to time. The supernatural events are blamed on the prankster ghost.

The shops, arranged along the long hallway, are now haunted by a new ghost. It is the phantom of a little girl who seems to like the rear shops, where she is seen playing from time to time. The **Tarot Shop** seems to be the favorite place with many sightings of her listed in the last few weeks.

Recently a ghost hunting group checked the place out and confirmed odd readings and strange feelings. A psychic in the group felt that the little girl lingered there because it was one of the few places she felt happy in her short and tragic life. The little girl is joined by the mysterious man in gray, haunting this **Ventura** landmark.

Go there and see if you feel the icy presence of this new ghost. Keep a vigil for any movement out of the corner of your eve or any sounds that seem out of place like the giggle of a little girl.

- Richard Senate, hainthunter@aol.com

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Event Calendar

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· Aug. 9th 7:30pm The Beach Boys Aug. 10th 7:30pm REO SpeedWagon · Aug. 11th 7:30pm Lifehouse with special quest Toy

· Aug. 12th 7:30pm Trace Adkin · Aug. 13-14/2pm & 7:00pm · Aug. 6th/Sat - Historical Walking Tours of

Ojai, 10:30pm, aturdays, 10:30 a.m. One hour foot tour of downtown historical landmarks and cultural attractions. Departs from the Oiai Valley Museum at 130 West Ojai Avenue. Walk-ins are welcome. For reservations or to schedule group tours during the week, please call (805) 640-1390, Ojai Valley Museum 130 W. Ojai Avenue Ojai, CA 93023, (805) 640-1390

· Aug. 7th/Sun - The Barber of Seville, The Granada, Santa Barbara, 2:30pm, Information, Call 899-2222 Aug. 8th/Mon - High NOON, **HELP Oiai Get Right, Pre Strategy** Meeting at the Ojai Villas Clubhouse. Information. Call Jeanie

Barrett at 646-0072 · Aug. 8th/Mon - 5-6:30pm, His-Meeting/Ojai, Location: Ojai City

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Oak View Board of Directors

Treetings Members & Friends of the Oak View Civic Council!

A new OVCC year began on July 1st with a newly elected Board of Directors. listed below. A very successful Annual Awards Dinner & Honorary Mayor fundraising event was held on Sat., July 16th, with details about each award & recipient in the press release attached.

Elected/installed Board of Directors serving July 1, 2011-June 30, 2012 President John Herndon 1st Vice President Elizabeth Tousignant 2nd Vice President Elba Sanchez **Secretary Lynn Smith Treasurer Sharon Cromartie** Member at Large Karen Lagos Member at Large Cindy Dale Parliamentarian Dusty Fernandez Honorary Mayor Larry Romero

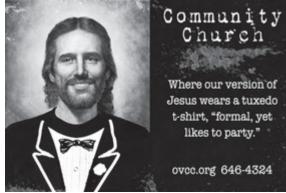
Please join the new Board of Directors at the 1ST COMMUNITY MEETING of the new year: Sept. 7th, 6pm Oak View Community Center 18 Valley Road

For more Council information explore: www.oakviewca.org

Since 1957, the Oak View Civic Council has acted as a non-profit coordinating group with a primary focus on youth-oriented community events & activities and taken an active part in the civic, cultural, educational, social welfare, and philanthropic advancement of the community.



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Press Release **Arts Grant** Deadline **Approaching**

City of Oiai Art Grant **Applications Available**

Applications are now available and being accepted for the 2012 City of Ojai Art Grant Program. The program funds non-profit organizations and individual artists whose primary purpose is to produce or present arts and cultural programs held primarily within the City and which benefit City residents Past recipients have included the Ojai Festivals, Ojai Community Chorus, Ojai Shakespeare Festival and the *Qiai Band* A dollar-for-dollar match is required for the amount of funding requested. Grants are made for one year, and eligible applicants must begin and end their program/project between January 1 and December 31, 2012. Funds of \$7,000 were approved by the Ojai City Council for the 2012 Art Grant Program.

An optional workshop for applicants on how to fill out the grant application is scheduled for Thurs, Aug. 18 from 6:30 to 7:30pm in the City Council Chambers at Ojai City Hall, located at 401 S. Ventura Street. Applicants must RSVP for the workshop to Steve McClary, Assistant to the City Manager, at mcclary@ci.ojai. ca.us or 646-5581 x101 on or before Tues, Aug. 16. For further information on the Arts Grant Program, please contact Mr. McClary.

Applications are available on the City of Ojai website at www.ci.ojai.ca.us or can be picked up at Ojai City Hall. All completed applications must be received by **5pm** on **Mon**, **Sept. 12, 2011**. Postmarks will not be accepted

Meiners Oaks Solstice: MOBBA Says Thank You

Did you get a chance to drop by the Meiners Oaks Solstice Festival Sun, June **26th**? I hope you did, because it was so much fun! There was great live music, dancing, art and crafts, children's activities, food and celebration to welcome the arrival of SUMMER!

The Meiners Oaks Business and Artists Association (MOBAA) and The Solstice Festival Committee, would like to thank the many people and organizations that contributed to the production and suc-

cess of our community event.

SPONSORS AND SUPPORTERS: Healthy Lifestyle's Marketing, Nutiva, Rotary Club of Ojai, Meiners Oaks ACE Hardware, Wells Fargo Bank, Kevita, Genesis Group, Cardinali Brothers Music, MacGregor Acupuncture Clinic, Papa Lennon's, Summer's Dawn Massage, Ojai Pool Store, Team Chris and Gillian ReMax, Graphics by Evan Austin, The Farmer and The Cook, The Ojai Mardi Gras Wake Up! Krewe, Euterpe Farms, Whorf Entertainment, California Solar Electric, Kit Willis, Bob Kemper, Don Lalos, Ventura Hay, Greg's Rents, Jeff Lennon, K'hilat Jewish Community of The Oaks, Ortiz Nursery, Barbara Kennedy and The Oak View Park and Resource Center, The Ojai and Ventura View and The Ojai Valley News. **PERFORMERS**: Julie Tumamait, Lanny Kaufer, Aaron Embry, Fish Fry, Noble

atures, Ted Lennon and The Time Bandits, The Ojai Mardi Gras Band, The Divine Crime, Sliding Glass Doors and MSU Band, Ojai Youth Talent Show featuring: Jesse Lucas, Jamey Geston, Anna Kasper, Sophia Montano and Brooke Weston, Smitty West and Julija Zonic, Toni Janotta and Tom Collins, Cindy Kalmenson and Lucky Ducks, National Cat, Kristina Knapic, Kimberly Roemisch and

RAFFLE DONATIONS: David Whipple ewelry, Casitas Mud, Foxy Lady, Bliss Frozen Yogurt, Cardinali Brothers Music. Don Lalos, Kathleen MacGregor Acupunture, B-Fabulous Hair Salon, Oiai Pool Store, Healthly Lifestyles Marketing, Ojai Healing Movement, Fred Evans, REMax Gold Coast Realtors, Ortiz Nursery and Papa Lennon's WORKERS AND VOLUNTEERS:

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SOLSTICE FESTIVAL COMMITTEE: Summer McComas, Kasev Lennon, Patricia Cardinali, John Obraza, Kathleen MacGregor, Chris Bentz, Gillian Bartley, Olivia Chase, Bill Whorf, Margo Haas, Jeri Becker, Brian Pavelco.

We have a few event T-shirts left. They are only \$10 and you can pick one up at the Ojai Pool Store at 510 W. El Roblar Dr. All proceeds from t-shirt and raffle ticket sales go to our "Welcome to Meiners Oaks" sign fund.

If you have suggestions, ideas or would like to participate next year, please contact us: www.meinersoaks.org

(805) 323-OAKS info@meinersoaks.org On behalf of The Meiners Oaks Business and Artists Association, (MOBAA), would like to especially thank the friends family and neighbors who turned out to enjoy the day together. Let's do it again! Patricia Cardinali President, MOBAA

Heroin Use On The Rise In the Ojai Valley

Heroin use, both synthetic and in its pure form is on the rise among the very youngest of teens in the Ojai Valley. It's not uncommon to hear about (or see) heroin drug use in Ojai's arcade area, as well as heightened use in Oak View and Meiners Oaks.

According the National In-



stitue on Drug Abuse, "Heroin abuse is associated with serious health conditions, including fatal overdose, spontaneous abortion, and-particularly in users who inject the drug-infectious diseases, including HIV/AIDS and hepatitis. Chronic users may develop collapsed veins, infection of the heart ining and valves, abscesses, and liver or kidney disease. Pulmonary complications, including various types of pneumonia, may result from the poor health of the abuser as well as from heroin's depressing effects on respiration. In addition to the effects of the drug itself, street heroin often contains toxic contaminants or additives that can clog blood vessels leading to the lungs, liver, kidneys, or brain, causing permanent damage to vital

organs. "Chronic use of heroin leads to physical dependence, a state in which the body has adapted to the presence of the drug. If a dependent user reduces or stops use of the drug abruptly, he or she may experience severe symptoms of withdrawal. These symptoms which can begin as early as a few hours after the last drug administration—can include restlessness. muscle and bone pain, insomnia, diarrhea and vomiting, cold flashes with goose bumps ("cold turkey"), and kicking movements ("kicking the habit"). Users also experience severe craving for the drug during withdrawal, which can precipitate continued abuse and/or relapse. Major withdrawal symptoms peak between 48 and 72 hours after the last dose of the drug and typically subside after about 1 week. Some individuals, however, may show persistent withdrawal symptoms for months. Although heroin withdrawal is considered less dangerous than alcohol or barbiturate withdrawal, sudden withdrawal by heavily dependent users who are in poor health is occasionally fatal. In addition, heroin craving can persist years after drug cessation, particularly upon exposure to triggers such as stress, or people, places, and things associated with drug use.

"Heroin abuse during pregnancy, cogether with related factors like poor nutrition and inadequate prenatal care, has been associated with adverse consequences includ-

ing low birthweight, an important risk factor for later developmental delay. If the mother is regularly abusing the drug, the infant may be born physically dependent on heroin and could suffer from serious medical complications requir ing hospitalization. MORE INFO, http://www.nida.

nih.gov/infofacts/heroin.html - Editor

Event Calendar

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· Aug. 9th/Tues - 7am, Early Bird Flea Market, Location: Earl Warren Showground, Free Admission and Parking, info 258-1765

· Aug. 8th/Mon · 1:30pm, HELP of Ojai, VOICE Your Complaints to Donna and Terri Wolfe, Little House is the Meeting Location, Informa tion, Call Jeanie Barrett at 646-0072

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•thru - Sept. 18th MUSEUM PLUNGES INTO BEACH CULTURE AND ART, Ventura Recurring weekly 11am to 5pm MUSEUM OF VENTURA

· Aug. 11/Thurs, Early Bird Flea Market, Location: Earl Warren Showground, Free Admission and Parking, info 258-1765

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· Aug. 13th/Sun · Academy Festival Orches tra with Leonard Slatkin, Conductor, The Granada, Santa Barbara, Spm, Information, Call 899-2222

· Aug. 16/Tues. Early Bird Flea Market. Location: Earl Warren Showground, Free Admission and Parking, info 258-1765

· Aug. 17/Wed, Morgan Medallion Classic, Location: Earl Warren Showground, Free Admission and Parking, info 258-1765

· Aug. 17th/Tues · 7:30pm, Ojai Planning Comn Meeting, Location: Ojai City Ha · Aug.20th-21st VENTURA FOLK FESTIVAL "BOUND OF GLORY", Recurring daily/MIS

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Michele's Interior Motives

– Michele Hunter nis month I visited two exclusive shops in Oiai. where I was born and raised. My first stop

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was at **DOWN** HOME FUR-NISHINGS, located in the his-

toric **Ojai Arcade**. This shop is **AMAZ**-**ING!** filled with incredible pieces from all over the world. Anne is the designer and buyer for her store, traveling to **Bali** twice a year to bring back unique

she had either created from her own designs or discovered during her travels for all of us to

One particular piece that caught my eye when entering

Painting by Yuhanto - Bali 47"H x 35W" - \$1,200, REG \$2,500

the store is a 60" x 73" painting titled Cats Cradle and Lanterns by artist CHENG YUN. Beautifully depicted in oil, a re-representation of the original painting stops you to consider the life of the beautiful **Chinese** girl who happens to be **Cheng Yun**, as a girl. **DOWN HOME FURNISHINGS** specializes in personalizing your space, giving it a unique look and energy you have alwavs wanted

During my visit, Anne hooked me up

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with a few pieces...needing a home, to sell at an incredible discount; An Angelic YULIANTA

Bali. Shades of tranguil blues and vibrant oranges enhance this one of a kind art piece. Normally \$2,500, **Anne** is letting the piece go for \$1,200. Another piece, also from **Bali** is a handcarved reclaimed

wood hutch. With Hand carved Cabinet two inside shelves made from re-claimed perfect for a hall- wood - Bali, 50"H way or bathroom. x 22.5"W x 17.5"D \$500, REG \$700 Originally \$850,

now \$500. These are the get them before they are gone collectable pieces

I also had a chance to visit **PLUSH** SURROUNDINGS on Montgomery St. Gloria from PLUSH SUR-**RÖUNDINGS**, a talented seamstress recently

joined retail partnership with **Helen** of VE-**RANDAH** Helen's exclusive designs. ethnic

Club Chair made with Badécor and nana Fiber - Indonesia Gloria's 34Hx41Wx34D, \$500, REG \$690 (cushion included) upholstery

furnishings and art have created an interesting shop indeed! Add Plush's own clothing collection to complete this shops authentic style and atmosphere.



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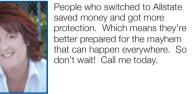


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by Ron Rowe

hen you look at cows, do you see a According to recent research, cows are very intelligent and love intellectual challenges. They learn from observing each other's successes and failures. They take turns in calf sittings while others in the herd graze.

They also mourn for their dead companions, they like to be touched and form strong bonds, not only with each other, but also with humans and other animal species. Cows comfort the old and ailing by curling up against them at night and many reciprocate human affection with generous cow **Prof. Donald** Broom of bridge young calves obtained

food by learning to unlatch

a gate, proving once again, cows are intelligent beings and worthy of a little respect. Seven medical schools in the U.S. and Canada still persist in using live animals for ining, despite several places which now have "Medical **Center Surgery Simulation Centers**" like the one at the University of Missisippi (Ole *Miss.*), which provides humane non-animal training methods to conduct any necessary research. In March alone over 30 pigs were used for experimentar (Dr. Frankenstein's lab?) and

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dogs, but the true number is believed to be much racket from cars and planes. In May, New York City Mayor Michael higher as many owners don't register their dogs. Bloomberg signed a bill the first companion The new **Austrian** law states owners of dogs animal legislation passed in over a decade. It leaving poop in the wrong place will have to pay the cost of the **DNA** analysis, which is \$290. ncreases the city's annual dog licensing fee from

nutrition to the usual fare of lettuce

fighting pet overpopulation through spay/neuter

being bitten by stray dogs. Despite this problem.

most *Muscovites* don't want the authorities to

kill the stray dogs. So now the government is

planning on rounding up thousands of the strays

anyway and relocating them to another region.

dered into his owners backyard. The frightened

hunting season hunt- and carrots."

as many as 134 million animals. Bow hunting

is one off the cruelest forms of hunting because

arrows wound more animals than they kill. For

every animal dragged from the woods by a bow

suffer and die miserably.....most hunters do the

killing of animals on public lands supported by

taxpayers money. The U.S. Humane Society

estimates that up to 7 million dogs end up in

shelters each year, half may find new homes,

A new book titled, *Adoptable Dogs* by **John Ross** and **Barbara McKinney** gives good

advice on how to give an adopted dog a good

home. The City Council in Vienna, Austria

wants to register all dogs **DNA** so that poop

left on sidewalks can be tested and the owner

fined. The city is home to over 50,000 registered

others don't and are then unceremoniously

hunter at least one wounded animal is left to

Hopefully they will find a home.

bear climbed a tree

and jumped into a

During a single

ers and trappers kill

then ran.

Moscow has a dog problem. Over 25,000 people seek medical treatment annually after

\$11.50 to \$34; the money raised will go towards Tufts University (Mass.) has released a new study showing over 50 percent of cats show signs of depression and boredom due to constant napping, the soft easy life can be sheer boredom for cats. Animal trainer Nicholas Dortmund suggests the following; provide climbing towers, scratching poles, toys, feathers, laser mice and other programs. Videos are available at

A new book is on the market, **Dogs That** Know When Their Owners Are Coming Home, In Washington state a tiny 8 pound toy poodle by Rupert Sheldrake..... Have any readers read confronted a 200 pound black bear that had wan-

A **Boston** man divorced his wife after 20 years "...her rabbit was a peace loving ani-

neighbor's yard and mal who preferred a diet of the illegal sisted that her Great Dane sleep n the bed with n. Problem

was they both snored very loudly. The husband learned to sleep with his legs curled up so that the dog wouldn't be disturbed. The final straw was the wife allowing the dog to chew on pigs ears, cows hooves and bones in bed.

A reader asks how can I make my dog drop the ball that he has retrieved for *me*? Simple, bounce another ball in front of him, it works every time. Did you know city birds, like their human counterparts, talk louder and faster than their country cousins. They also hit higher notes, which scientists claim is important if you want to be heard over the low frequency

Did you know a hare can run up to 45 miles per hour, while a rabbit can only run 35 miles an hour. Didn't the hare lose a race to the tortoise?

A New Jersey woman was brought to court for feeding her pet rabbit a steady diet of marijuana leaves. She told the judge her rabbit was a peace loving animal who preferred a diet of the illegal nutrition to the usual fare of lettuce and carrots. Time for a walk with Dudley. Peace to all living beings on earth.

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





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Precious Dawgs

risk because of their owners neglectful behavior. While having lunch outside a local establishment, I saw an adorable small dog tied by the leash to a pillar outside on the wark-way near lunch tables, shopping inside the store. A toddler sweetly approached the dog to pet it. But when the

child came up to give a pet, the dog lunged aggressively and the child narrowly missed being bitten in the face. The owner returned to the scene and proclaimed the toddler was at fault!!!! The toddler was at face

level with the small dog and could have been seriously injured, maimed or

Within a few minutes of this incident

several feet away two very sweet larger dogs were tied out by their leashes to another pillar adjacent to the street parking area. The owner was inside the store. The dogs were blocking foot traffic and one of the dogs decided to get out of the way of foot traffic by lying down right next to the curb in the street. He was sleeping peacefully in an empty

Event Calendar

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Foodshare & Harmony Project. · Aug. 20th/Sat - David Spade with Spec. Guest Jon Lovitz, The Granada, Santa Barbara, 8pm, Information, Call 899-2222 · Aug. 20th Sat. HUENEME BEACH FESTI-

VAL Port Hueneme - with entertainment by The Skinny Little Twits at 11am, Bella Donna at 1:30pm and Captain Cardiac and the Coronaries at 4pm Hueneme Beach Park. For more info call (805) 986-6590

· Aug. 23/Tues, Early Bird Flea Market, Location: Earl Warren Showground, Free Admission and Parking, info 258-1765

· Aug. 26th/Fri · DMS Feat. George Duke, Marcus Miller & David Sanborn, The Granada, Santa Barbara, Spm, Information Call 899-2222

· August 27, 2011 3:00pm-8:00pm Ojai AN OLD FASHIONED COUNTRY FAIR. A fun old fashion carnival for the whole family presented by Ojai United Methodist Church and Noah's Ark Preschool. There will be a silent auction featuring many vintage and collectable items. Food, games and music provided. Entry is FREE and tickets for the games are a normal fee. 120 Church Street. Across the street from Nordhoff High

· Aug. 27/Sat · Ojai 3rd AN-NUAL MENTOR MADNESS POKER RUN CAR & MOTOR CYCLE SHOW/Soule Park ~

Ojai, 7am to 6pm - In memory of Wayne Ortman & Sonia Miller, Benefiting a Future Boy's & Girl's Club in Meiners Oaks, Live Music by Studebaker feat. Pat Buley. Action Down Milton Kelly & Still Above Ground, with DJ Daniel Ash, Hollywood Stuntman Monte Perlin & his Globe-O-Cross (men

parking space between two cars. Just then another car approached and began parking was in town a few days ago and saw some precious dogs put at risk because of their court

just missed being run over by the SU Luckily we saw what was about to happen and screamed at the driv to stop. The dog just missed being run over. It was hard happen and screamed at the driver to stop. The dog just missed being run over. It was hard for the driver to see the dog lying between the two cars Ever!, The Granada, Santa Barbara, Two

Shows: 4 and 7pm. Information Call 899-2222

• Sept. 18th/Sat/Sun - Horse Show at Soule

Park Arena. Ojai/Presented by www.GoldCoast-

mission Meeting, Location: Ojai City Hall

• Sept. 21th/Wed • 7:30pm, Ojai Planning

· Sept. 24th/Fri · 24th Annual Bowlful of

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Wheels that were to be rolled

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I was sitting in a condition dog in a "down stay" beside me.

Someone approached with a large dog. They allowed their dog to run up to my dog and put his face over my dog. I asked him to keep his dog a few feet away from my dog. He claimed his dog was friendly. But, how do I know his dog is friendly? Suppose my dog is not? His dog was very large and one bite could have killed my tiny dog. As I left the area, I passed a man eating his lunch and he said that big dog passed by him and almost grabbed the sandwich from his hand...and the owner didn't do a thing to stop the dog. Some dog owners are oblivious to their responsibilities.

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in black 3), more... Registration: Bike & Car Show, 7:30am \$20 per entry, Poker Run 8am-8:30am, \$25 per entry (includes BBQ lunch), \$4 park entry, More info, Contact: Dusty @ 649-1466 or Cindy @ 640-0995, Soule Park: 1301 Soule Park Road, Ojai/Poker Run, 7am-6pm, Awards @ 3pm. · Aug. 28th/Sun · Ventura THE HALF MARA-THON OF THE HARBORS AND HARBORS 5K. The flat and fast half-marathon course begins at Ventura Harbor Village and winds through

the Mandalay and Hollywood Beach neighborhoods in Oxnard, along Channel Islands Harbor finishing back near the state line. The Harbors 5K is a sightseers tour of the Ventura Harbor area with the Harbor docks with sight every step along the way. Race states at 7am For more info. and to register go to www.competegreen.

com/?p=215 · Sept. 1st/Thurs - 7 to 8pm, Parks and Rec-City Hall

· Sept. 7th/Wed · 7:30pm, Ojai Planning Commission Meeting, Location: Ojai City Hall · Sept. 12th/Mon · 5pm, Historic Preservation ion Meeting, Location: Ojai City Hall

· Sept. 13th/Tues · 7:30pm, Ojai City Council Meeting, Location: Ojai City Hall • Sept. 17th & 18th/Sat/Sun • Oiai Pirate

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member of the Reserve Royal Shakespeare Company and he has acted on London and New York stages. At 7pm, there will be live entertainment by various talented musicians and dancing.

The artist has put together a new series of bold, vibrant paintings featuring the interplay of monochrome colors and form Pieces from previous series will be on display and available in his studio, WAV suite 104, which will also be open on the Saturday evening of the reception. There will be small, original, framed pieces available, as well as larger works.

More info. Geoff Pocock at (504) 400-0709; geoff.pocock@yahoo.com



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Big Brother Ernie Joseph drummer Steve Dunwoodie,

by Joel Anderson rummer Steve Dunwoodie (aka "Stevie D" - Jonathan Goodlife/Grateful Dead) was an incredibly talented musician who

performed with Big Brother Ernie Joseph on the Southeast Tour Ernie Joseph explains,

"Before we were the **Brian** Faith Band, we toured almost constantly for five years on the road. On the **South**east Tour, we were very fortunate to have drummer **Steve Dunwoodie** with us on the roster. He was just an extraordinary talent that deserves a ton of credit for our success as a concert act

He had an overwhelming drive. He was a real "power rock" drummer on the level of a **John Bonham**. In fact, he knew every lick on **Zepps LPs**.

The band first met Steve when his band, Jonathan Goodlife, did a show with them at North Shore, Lake Tahoe. Said Ernie, "His powerful drum licks would start from a low dynamic and build to a more compelling intensity, just faster and faster, more upheat and even more dynamic. ham ham ham He had the crowd right with him – riveted..... That's how he worked the show, how he played to the audience....charismatically, like he played right for the people, the crowd.

Dunwoodie's power tom fills, combination of tom fills and snare fills were impeccably infectious. They would build up faster and faster until it was so intense, then another would start.... in with another low dynamic. Said Ernie, "You could hardly see the sticks at speed he took them on a journey from lick to lick He was like a cage fighter that can go the full round and just won't let up. You'll never knock him out. He was that

"We kept in contact with Steve for months after that first show at Tahoe. Just before the Southeast Tour, our original drummer opted out of the band to get married. I gave Steve a call after our manager Bill Holmes had already lined-up some tour dates. At first Steve turned me down. He said he had just been performing with the Grateful Dead (Fillmore West, Winterland, Golden Gate Park, a few places...) and his band was doing well. A couple weeks went by, and I was ready to cancel the tour when I got a totally unexpected call from Steve asking if the tour offer was still open. I remember the feeling I had. I was just so incredibly relieved and happy when I realized that I had a band again

Dunwoodie joined the Big Brother

Ernie Joseph band for the Southeast Tour. Ernie played guitar along with nis brother Cory, and Brian Faith, who played bass. Steve was like a super-star team player, really a dynamic drummer and outstanding showman. His playing and endless energy really pumped-up the whole band to do better beyond their capabilities.

Said Ernie, "Steve would take-off on our original up-tempo song, called ESP, mial Park, Nashville, Tenn. WMAK
Concert, Ernie Joseph and drumwith a 20 minute drum solo mer Steve Dunwoodie

where he would play his drum solo with sticks, then play with his hands. Then Steve would engage the crowd leaving his drumset, still playing with his sticks. Then he would tap on the mic stand working his way up to his cheeks where he would tap on his cheeks with his hands, changing the tone of his rhythm. He would eventually be "singing rhythm parts with his mouth and cheeks...Then connecting with his audience, he

would get the entire crowd chanting with him repeatedly shouting with his anti-war chant -- 'Peace now! Peace now!'

"After building the crowd up to a near riot and frenzy. Steve would take the show even a step further. After getting the crowd going with the thunderous, spiritual really, chanting, he would get behind the drum set again, this time finishing his drum solo literally

playing with his sticks on fire, having dipped them in kerosene! "And incredibly, he would always energize and move a crowd at every performance. Steve did

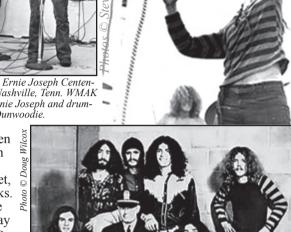
his magic consistently night-after-night, without fail... Even with the toughest audiences, he would work his magic, and make it happen just putting us 'over the top'. Like a heavyweight football player, we would hand the ball off to Steve at the end of our set, and he would 'take it to the house".... he would take it all the way to score big time." said Ernie

Steve Dunwoodie ('Stevie D') was truly a talented dynamic drummer. But he was much more. He also was an exciting team player with a contagious non-stop positive energy, drive, and determination The **Big Brother Ernie Joseph** band all did their part, but Steve's energy took the



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(back row) Jerry Joseph (percussion), Cory Orosco (keyboards), Ernie Joseph (lead guitar), Steve Dunwoodie (drums), (front row) Sambo Robison (bass), One of Nashville, This photo was Tennessee's Finest, Brian Faith (bass/sax). This photo was taken during a photosession backstage before the show at the Nashville Municipal Auditorium (NMA). (Bruce Springsteen

band to another level. He really made them a complete 'concert act', and the crowds loved it!

<u>Upcoming BFB Projects</u>: Look for Johnny Podz' produced YouTube Videos featuring originals, Havin' Fun, In the Groove & I'm in Love". Also watch for upcoming shows with Ernie Joseph and Renaissance Rose, Brian Wise & ICUs Jimmy LeRoy. Coming soon, feature length BFB Documentary with Lillimar Productions.

and Steel Mill were playing as "the opener" while these pictures were being taken

- Joel Anderson

Brian Faith Band Gigs

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6/16/11: Questions Raised About Consumer Czar Elizabeth Warren's Congressional Testimony

udicial Watch, the public interest group that investigates and prosecutes government corruption, announced today that it has uncovered documents indicating the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB) headed by settlement underway with the nation's largest mortgage lenders related to alleged improper foreclosure procedures. The documents,

obtained in response to open records requests with **CFPB** and the offices of attorneys general from all 50 states, seem to contradict Warren's statements before Congress suggesting her office responded to requests for advice, but did not seek to push its views. Judicial Watch initiated its investigation into the controversies surrounding Ms. Warren and the **CFPB** on Mar. 22, 2011.

Documents obtained by **Judicial Watch** from several states suggest her agency's participation was far more intense and aggressive. The documents also indicate that Warren's office insisted on keeping its contact with the state attorneys general secret.

More info. www.JudicialWatch.org



INTERVIEW Mario Calire ~ Ozomatli

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by Joel Anderson

think it's better to be about something than not be...." said Mario Calire, drummer for politically conscious Ozomatli, after a recent Open Borders, Thousand Oaks show. Mario is the *newcomer*. having *only* been with the band since **2003**. The band, originally out of L.A. and now touring the world, has been committed to social justice in a general sense since they started which is a big part of what they're

"Now we've become known for that," said Mario, and the music? "We always have a good time whether it's a small venue or a big venue.... the great thing about the band is they always give it their all no matter where we're playing and that's kind of what the band's about, which has a lot to do with their longevity.

Ozomatli is all about the rhythm, obviously, and a lot of the guys who play more than one instrument.... said Mario "There are a lot of different combinations we can make... really cool. There's absolutely no shame in anybody in the band who, them-

selves, really lets loose and dances.... Ozo sort of allows everybody in the crowd to get to that place too, where they're just..... they let their inhibitions go a little bit, dance and have fun and... in a way that a lot of people just don't....you just don't do that in your everyday life.

Event Sponsor Larry Janns, youthfully eccentric, is also more importantly a progressive generous soul who really understand that **Ozomatli** is a bad ass band. **Open Borders** (*originally a* 40,000 sq. foot Borders Bookstore) has one more show, Aug. 6



featuring a hot young psychedelic band, backed by a light show created by innovator Janss The original vision of **Open Borders?** To temporarily bring together socially conscious visual arts; painting, multimedia, sculpture, photography, etc. with socially conscious music, all under one roof. After the Aug. 6 show, the facil-

ity reverts back to commercial use. Proceeds from summer long events benefit non-profits such as Cause (www.coastalalliance. com), which seeks to build grassroots power to realize social,

economic and environmental justice for the people of the California Central Coast region.

Ozomatli was a natural choice. Said Calire, "We're doing things in different communities, in different countries to either help bring awareness or help raise money The causes are wide

and varied.... I think people recognize that we're a group that cares about people and will do what we can to help out when we can." Mario's dad, Jimmy Calire (America, The Ravens, etc) has also done some recording with "Ozo".... said Mario, "The question is can I keep up with my dad! That's the question, as busy as I am I think my dad might be busier and anybody who lives in Ojai already knows that. He's everywhere and I'm really proud of him how he's really integrated into the

Although Ozomatli doesn't get to play locally in Ventura County very often do to their steady international tour schedule, look for them here Friday, Oct. 21 at the Nor. Cal inspired Harmony Festival, Seaside Park. - Joel Anderson

VIEW——PAGE 15 Zoila: Chris Riley - On **Opening for Ozomatli**

by Joel Anderson



bass) with the band, **Zoila** who opened for **Ozomatli** at Open Borders Aug. 30. "Ozomatli.... I grew up on them in LA listening.... and they're

like worldwide now and they're just super pro and we're sooooo excited Zoila consists of Chris, Phil Hernandez (vocals, keyboards percussion, rhythm guitar), Jer-

naine Jackson (lead guitar), Noah **Thomas** (trumpet, melodica, conch shell), Michael Shuman (drums, percussion). Chris and Phil started playing together in their fist year at LA City College. Later they picked up Jermaine and

Noah in Ventura, and then the drummer, Michael Shu-

When Zoila gets together for shows and rehearsals it's family. Said Chris, "I love rockin' out, it's just another state of mind....and we're just really blessed to get together and hash out our stuff.... it's all original stuff....Not only do we sound good, we look good too.....ha...Phil's Photos © 2011, Joel Anderson a big guy so he's kinda high profile, a 6'6" lookin' rasta

guy so.... he's a good ront man you know? He's got a good deep voice. The band has a good non-verbal comnunication, constantly ookin' at each other, livvve in practice.... for me the guys put a lot of pressure on the the bass, they're always trying to

push me and I'm kind of the time keeper so..

"Lead singer, Phil also jumps on percussion here and here.....a lot of originals too..... My guitar player.... he's really been rocking..... my trumpet player.....he plays with the high pitch, the "effect" and he plays this trumpet through a wahhh pedal and also the harmonica and the conch shell, so he has like three, four different sounds. he's really the creative guy, we call him "The Doctor." Also....I just found out a couple weeks ago, the trumpet blaver? He's also an archaeologist....!!!

Check out Zoila on Facebook, Also coming up at the Avocado Festival in Carpinteria and the Salsa Festival in - Joel Anderson

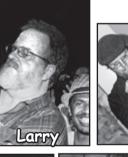
















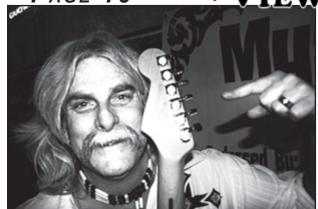












Garry Boyer and his Fender Blue Moto in April.

Golden China: Mystery Band Guitarist Allegedly Assaulted

by Joel Anderson

n June 24 hired Musician Garry Boyer, while performing at the Golden China restaurant in Ventura was allegedly assaulted by a bouncer, David Davis, according to a Ventura Police Incident Report. Boyer is lead guitarist in The Mystery Band, based in Ventura. According to the supplemental report (taken by Officer Garrett), Boyer said he was playing a solo and had stood up on a railing at the front of the stage which is approximately one foot high, made of wood, and approximately 5 to 6 inches wide. The report goes on to state that Boyer said he had stepped on the railing playing his solo and somebody suddenly pushed him on both knees causing him to fall backwards. The report stated that Boyer said he did not see who pushed him because he had his eyes closed, as he was musically emoting his solo. The report goes on to say that as Boyer fell back he said he opened his eves to see Golden China Bouncer. David Davis standing in front of him. According to Bover, he broke his ankle in the fall. The report also states that Boyer said he had been on the rail 2 or 3 times throughout the night and had never been told he could not be on the rail, or to get down

Officer Kerr also took an "Incident Report" first interviewing the bouncer, Davis. Officer Kerr stated in the report that he spoke to several witnesses, however only two more were included in his report; Golden China Owner, Kuo Chen, and patron of the establishment, Andres Gonzalez. According to Kerr's report Davis said he "attempted to get Boyer's attention and was instructing him to get down from the Railing." The report goes on to state that "Davis stated that he was yelling to be heard above the guitar playing and was gesturing with his hands pointing down to the stage indicating that Boyer should get down off the railing. Davis stated that Boyer looked directly at him. That they had made eye contact and that it was clear that Boyer knew what his intentions were. However Davis stated that Boyer ignored Davis and as a result, Davis pushed Boyer so that he would step down off the railing and back onto the stage," the report stated

Interestingly the report goes on to state, "However Davis stated that he admittedly pushed Boyer a little harder than what was really necessary and Boyer fell back onto the stage tripping over equipment and possibly injuring his ankle." According to Kerr's report, Golden China Owner Chen said "he tries to make it very clear to any acts that are hired to perform that it is unsafe to stand up, sit upon or rest equipment on the railing...." Officer Kerr also states in his report that he spoke to a patron, Andres Gonzalez, who said he saw Bouncer Davis attempt to get Boyer's attention, did not get a response, then watched the bouncer push Boyer off the railing. According to the report, "Although it was clear to Gonzalez that the guitar player was not following the instructions of the security guard, he felt that the actions by the security guard were slightly inappropriate and that the situation could have been handled a little bit more professionally.

According to Boyer, approximately 13 evewitnesses were not interviewed by the Ventura Police Department and he said his attorney is planning on filing a com-

Boyer also said his Fender Blue Moto guitar, Made for Export, was smashed. According to a repair estimate provided by Boyer, Tim Gibson Guitarsmith, Camarillo. estimated the damage to the instrument at \$990 in repairs. A Fender "Certificate of Authenticity", also pro

vided by Boyer, shows the guitar to be a "2003 FSR LTD Clear Blue Moto. Serial #MZ2079629 0001 OFF.

Boyer said the electric guitar is a "One of a kind" instrument, which had a \$5,000 to \$10,000 value before the July 25 incident - Inel Anderson

Bouncing Do's and Don'ts

According to http://www.ehow.com/list 6299856 laws-being-bouncer.html

Use of Force: Bouncers and other security officers are often confronted with drunk, aggressive and even violent people and situations. Though their job is to maintain security and safety, they cannot act in a way contrary to the law. Because they are not agents of the state, bouncers can only use force when either they are threatened (acting in selfefense) or when they make a citizen's arrest. Generally, a itizen's arrest can only be done if the bouncer witnesses crime or arrests the person for a felony, but can use only ecessary force to do so. If the bouncer is threatened or attacked, he can use force in self-defense. These rights arise from the rights all citizens have and apply to all people, not just bouncers or security guards. (See, for example, California Penal Code § 837.)



The Reverb Slide

– by Joel Anderson egendary Apple Recording Artist Jackie Lomax left for his native **Liverpool** last week, where he'll be playing gigs and, including a week in the studio recording, be there for six weeks. Last year **Jackie's** LP, *Is This What You Want*, was re-released on AppleRecords.com and is also available as a CD at Salzers (as well as his hometown, Liverpool) Jackie will be recording a new album with his band, The Undertakers. Said Jackie, "My bandmate Brian, says make sure you've got two songs. I've got 8, instant, written out ready to do and it just depends on how you bring it all together. You know? It could happen. It could not happen. We'll see what we can do." Lomax will also be doing a series of R&B and even some Jazz gigs there. Last thing I hear, "I'm leaving in the morning, Roger's gonna take me..... I'll gonna show you my face in the rear view mirror..... oh like 'hey handsome... hey, hey. Jackie's originals were also included in Apples' Best of Apple EP, also featuring George Harrison, Paul McCartney, Billy Preston, Mary Hopkin, Badfinger, James Taylor, The Iveys, Doris Troy, and many

Recently at The HUB, Christopher Hawley Rollers rocked the house and are planning a Hub Redux (check the schedule) or two coming up... The Buddhahead Groove Faktory provided some isoteric slow-me-down, speed-me-up riffs, also don't forget 29 Mules (out of Moorpark), Warning (Black Sabbath Tribute Band) which will put all you overly technical guitar players to shame, and you know who you are.... and a fully booked Summer into Fall schedule in full swing

others.

Over at **The Wrec Room**, Jayden is offering some especially tasty specials on his new lunch and dinner menu to go along with the game. Recently caught some cool Spanish guitar in a Meditteranean style... Insiiiide.... Looking Out with Phil Taylor (*Taylor Tribe Music*) and Sunny Erickson, JT and Mimi sitting in. Be sure to check out Mimi, Kendrix, DJ Synergy, Jeff Uzzel, and all the rest of the soundsmiths - Joel Anderson

Geico Slammed for Improper Billing

Starting next month, GEICO will begin implementing a 10.7%overall rate decrease for its California auto insurance policyholders. GEICO originally asked the California Department of Insurance (CDI) for a 4% increase to its automobile insurance rates, but the nonprofit Consumer Watchdog challenged the hike. In California, auto insurance rates are subject to Proposition 103, which prohibits insurers from charging excessive rates and allows citizens to challenge excessive rates. After a review by the CDI and Consumer Watchdog, GEICO agreed to lower rates instead. During the rate review, Consumer Watchdog determined that GEICO was improperly estimating its future claims and seeking waivers of the rules for calculating its rates without meeting the requirements for obtaining such waivers. Source/More info. www.ConsumerWatchdog.org



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PRESS RELEASE OJAI CLAS-SIC ROCK & REGGAE FESTIVAL - 3-Day Music Festival Features Top-Named Tribute Acts/Aug. 12, 13 & 14

OJAI, CA - OJAI CLASSIC ROCK & REGGAE FESTI-VAL (www.OjaiRockFest.com), a 3-Day music festi-val rolls into the brand new Libbey Bowl in Downtown Ojai on Friday Aug. 12, Saturday Aug. 13, and Sunday Aug. 14, 2011. With over 25 hours of live music, this family friendly event will feature the very best in Rock nd Reggae, original songwriters, and top-namea

and Reggae, original songwriters, and top-named tribute acts.

• ONE OF THE MANY expected highlights of this incredible weekend of fun will be the debut of FORTUNATE SONS, a group made up of the sons of classic rock stars Leon Russell (Teddy Jack), Rodger Hodgson (Andrew) and Bob Siebenberg (Jesse) of Supertramp and John McEuen (Jonathan) of the Nitty Gritty Dirt Band. Also featured in the line-up are nationally known tribute acts including - Led Zeppelin by LED ZEPAGAIN; Neil Young by The Neil Deal; The Who by The Who Show; Rolling Stones by Hollywood Stones; Grateful Dead by Skull and Roses; Jerry Garcia Band by The Maykers; Cream by Yesterday's Child; Lynyrd Skynyrd by One More From The Road; Foreigner by Double Vision; The Beatles by Sgt. Pepper; and AC/DC by Bonfire.

• FRIDAY NIGHT puts the REGGAE in the Ojai

eigner by Double Vision; The Beatles by Sgt. Pepper; and AC/DC by Bonfire.

• FRIDAY NIGHT puts the REGGAE in the Ojai Classic Rock and Reggae Festival with a line-up of some of California's great Reggae groups. Scheduled for Friday August 12 is RISING SON, BETTER CHEMISTRY, and MEET ME AT THE PUB

• ATTENDEES will enjoy music in the park throughout the weekend during set breaks by Rachel Sedacca, Shaky Feelin', Bob Ballard, Deja Blu, Boogie Stew, Full Circle, Crinoline, Three-Legged Dawg, and Soulfiyah.

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p.m.
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•16/Sept - Fri., The HUB/Ojai... 272-8344, Zachary James and the All Seeing Eyes - Good old rock 'n' roll music that combines infectious backs & system harmonies with the coulful system. hooks & sweet harmonies with the soulful-swaq ger of the 'Stones. Their raucous Richards-esque riffs, set to T-Rex's clog-stomp, inject early 70's glam a-la Faces with a dose of paint-it-black magic as captivating as Alice Cooper's face paint Come jump, sway, and sing under the spell of a Hoodoo moon. www.myspace.com/zachary-

•17/Sept - Sat., Beach House Taco/Ventura Pier, Ventura, 5-8pm... The Brian Faith Band, Band info: 964-3035, www.YouTube/user/brian-

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•22/Sept-Wed.,The Creeks **8pm...** ICU's Jimmy LeRoy, Ernie Joseph, Brian Wise & Jenny Zimmer, Band info: 964-3035 •23/Sept - Fri., BlackBeards, Ventura, 610pm... ICU's Jimmy LeRoy, Ernie Joseph, Brian
Wise & Jenny Zimmer, Band info: 964-3035 •24/Sept - Sat., Montalvo Square, Ventura (Across from Trader Joe's), 6-8pm... The Brian Faith Band, Band info: 964-3035, www.

YouTube/user/brianfaithbandsongs
•29/Sept -Wed., Hollywood Bowl, L.A., Ravi
Shankar: 90th Birthday Celebration w/Anoushka
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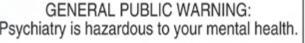
Those figures present a grim and shocking enario-more patients dead than Americans killed in battle in the two Gulf Wars, the Vietnam War, World Wars I & II, the Civil War, the Revolutionary War, and all wars in

This is the outrageous outcome of an abusive and deadly mental health care system.

The Citizens Commission on Human Rights (CCHR) is an international voice for the people abused within the mental health system. If you, a loved one or friend has been forced into a psychiatric facility, to undergo "community mental health treatment," committed involuntarily or harmed by psychiatric treatment, contact CCHR.

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Contact: Citizens Commission on Human Rights International www.cchrventura.org • P.O. box 449, Camarillo, CA 93011 805-371-1576



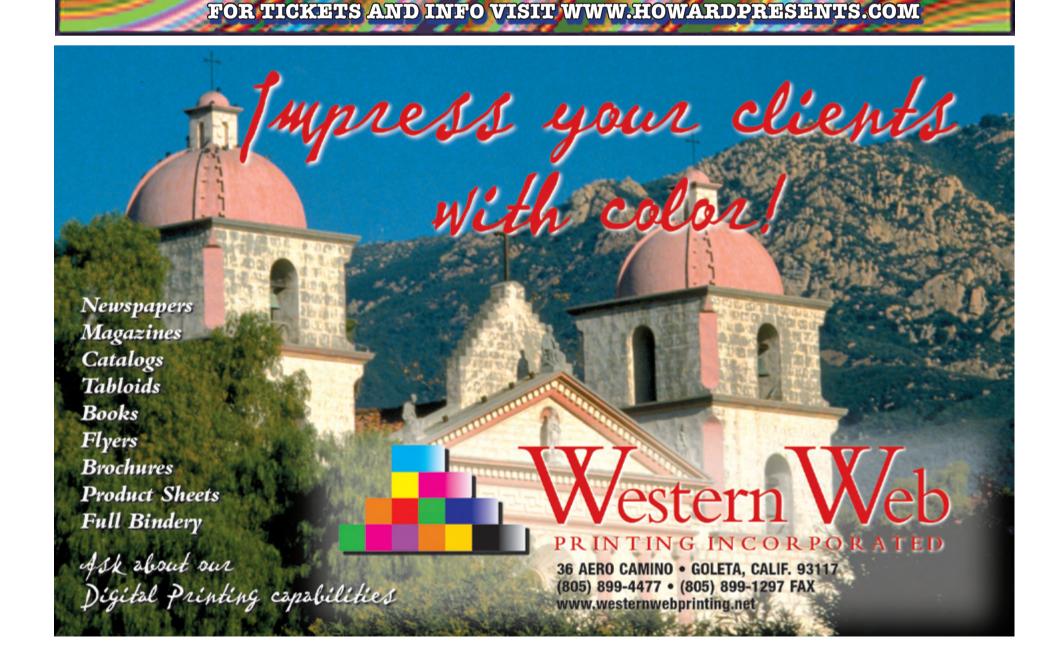
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Saturday, August 27th, 2011

7:00 am - 6:00 pm Soule County Park, Ojai Awards @ 3:00 pm

In memory of Wayne Ortman & Sonia Miller

Benefiting a Future Boy's & Girl's Club in Meiners Oaks

Live Music By: Raffles & 50/50 Bad Wolf BBO

Studebaker The Hut Vendors Action Down Beer & Wine Garden Milton Kelly & DJ Daniel Ash Horseshoes Still Above Ground

Hollywood Stuntman Monte Perlin & his Globe-O-Cross (men in black 3)

Registration: Bike & Car Show 7:30 am \$20 per entry Poker Run 8:00 am- 9:30 am \$25 per entry (includes BBQ lunch) More Info Contact: Dusty @ 649-1466 or Cindy @ 640-0995 \$4 park entry





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