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Royce Williams next to one of the types of plane he flew during his encounter with seven Russian MiGs in 1952. The four planes he shot down are noted on the side of the plane. Photo courtesy of South Dakota Public Broadcasting

Local veteran could get Congressional Medal of Honor

By DAVID ROSS

Royce Williams, a Navy flyer, survived probably the longest dogfight in military history on November 18, 1952, 35 minutes, and defeated seven MiG 15 fighters over Korea. Williams could get the Congressional Medal of Honor that he never received because the battle itself was classified for decades. Amazingly, although his Navy Grumman F9F-5 Panther jet was as riddled with holes as a spaghetti strainer from hundreds of bullets, he himself was able to land uninjured on his aircraft carrier, the USS Oriskany.

Williams is a longtime resident of Hidden Meadows. Today he is 97.

Royce's congressman, Darrell Issa, along with San Diego's congressional delegation, successfully pressed for Royce to be recognized for his amazing battle. On July 14 the amendment on behalf of Royce Williams to be recognized with the Congressional Medal of Honor was overwhelmingly approved by the House and added to the upcoming National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA). However, it requires action from both houses of Congress.

The newspaper spoke with Congressman Issa on Monday, August 1 and he said the amendment is now with the U.S. Senate, which Issa has been lobbying. "I can't guarantee what may happen in the Senate, but I can't imagine why it wouldn't be approved," said Issa, who called Royce: "A true Top Gun. If he gets awarded the medal, I hope that Tom Cruise shows up for the ceremony."

Issa noted that one reason why it became feasible to give Royce the medal was that the true circumstances of the battle were confirmed when Soviet archives were opened at the end of the Cold War. Including the number of Soviet-era MiGs that were shot down over the Sea of Japan, what was even more amazing, said Issa, was that at the time Williams was flying a plane that wasn't considered one of the top-

of-the-line fighters of the Navy. And yet he was able to shoot down possibly four fighters. Which would have put him in the lofty realm of a fighter ace from one engagement.

The battle is considered the longest dogfight in aviation history. The next longest is five minutes.

In his speech on the floor of the House of Representatives, Issa declared, "On that unforgettable day in 1952, Capt. Williams alone faced seven Soviet MiG-15s – impossible odds by any conventional measure. Royce shot down four. He also survived a 37-millimeter round to his fuselage, where six inches to the right or left would have meant certain death. Despite the immense damage to his jet, he made a near-perfect landing on the deck of his aircraft carrier. This was an act of indomitable courage and the demonstration of the highest skill under incalculable duress."

At the time Williams was ordered to keep his mouth shut about the battle in order not to raise the level of tensions between the U.S. and the Soviet Union. It was only after the end of the Cold War that the entire story was confirmed.

Williams's Navy career began in 1943 during World War II. During his 37-year naval career he flew many types of aircraft. During the engagement of November 18, 1952, Royce and three other F9F Panthers were launched from the deck of the Oriskany to intercept seven MiG fighters flying from Vladivostok, Russia.

One of the three U.S. fighters developed fuel pump troubles and had to return. Williams shot down the first MiG and then his accompanying carrier plane had to peel off and return home. During the remaining minutes Williams shot down three more MiGs.

The Soviet Union was not an official combatant in the Korean War, and so the very fact that shots were fired between the aircraft needed to be kept under wraps. Something Williams willingly did until the battle was declassified.

An amazing number of high ranking U.S. veterans have lined up to fight for Williams's medal. Maybe their efforts will soon be rewarded.



Deer Springs Fire Protection District board members and firefighters. (left to right) Battalion/District Chief David Morrison; Board member James Gordon; Assemblywoman Marie Waldron; Engineer Chris Capossere; Engineer Jason Farnsworth; Firefighter Robert Price; Captain Anthony Waters; Board President Brett Sealey; Firefighter Daniel Nunez; Board Member Jean Slaughter; Firefighter Jaime Ortega; Firefighter Ricky Garcia; Board Member Mark Jackson; Captain Chris Matthews (behind Mr. Jackson) and Deputy Chief Tyrell Davis.

Waldron announces \$8 million in funding for the Deer Springs Fire Protection District

Last month Assemblymember Marie Waldron (R-Valley Center) announced that she has secured \$8 million in state funding for the Deer Springs Fire Protection District.

The funds will be used to build a new permanent facility near the intersection of Deer Springs Rd. and the I-15 freeway. "The funding will help sustain the Deer Springs Fire Department as a crucial regional asset in San Diego County, with new facilities for training firefighters and improving emergency response along the I-15 corridor," said Waldron.

"I've been working for years to improve safety and wildfire resilience in the rural areas of San Diego County. I am happy that my efforts to secure these funds were successful and that the Deer Springs Fire Protection District will be able to protect cities and rural communities throughout the county for decades to come," added Waldron.

Assemblymember Marie Waldron, R-Valley Center, represents the 75th Assembly District in the California Legislature, which includes much of rural San Diego County.



World's Cutest Parade

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AUGUST HIDDEN MEADOWS EVENTS

College Scholarship Awards Dinner
Tuesday, August 16th – 6 pm
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San Diego Gas & Electric is sponsoring four of the 4th annual Wildfire Safety Fairs, including one August 13 at Bates Nut Farm from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The wildfire season is rapidly approaching. Historically, Valley Center's worst conflagrations have happened in October but no month can be ruled out as a time when a wildfire can begin. The Wildfire Safety Fair in-person event is designed to help you keep you and your loved ones safe. You will get information about stocking an emergency kit, developing an emergency plan, designing or modifying the space around your home to resident wildfire and more.

Valley Center Fire Marshal Jim Davidson highly

recommends the Wildfire Safety Fairs. He told *The Roadrunner*: "SDG&E Wildfire Safety Fairs promote awareness in the community and give the community members critical information on the tools and resources that they can use in the event of a Public Safety Power Shutoff, or a wildfire event. We (your fire district) fully support SDG&E's efforts to bring this important information to the members of the community. Anything that helps our community to be more prepared, and potentially gives people the information or tools that could save a life is very welcome!"

You'll get information about:

- Customer Assistance Programs

- Emergency Management
- Generator Safety and available programs
- Defensible Space

Admission is free and includes:

- Live presentations from CalFire, meteorology, FireSafe Council of SD County and a live demo of SDG&E's Arcs & Sparks
- Displays, information, live music, kids activities and more displays, backpacks filled with preparedness items, fun games and more

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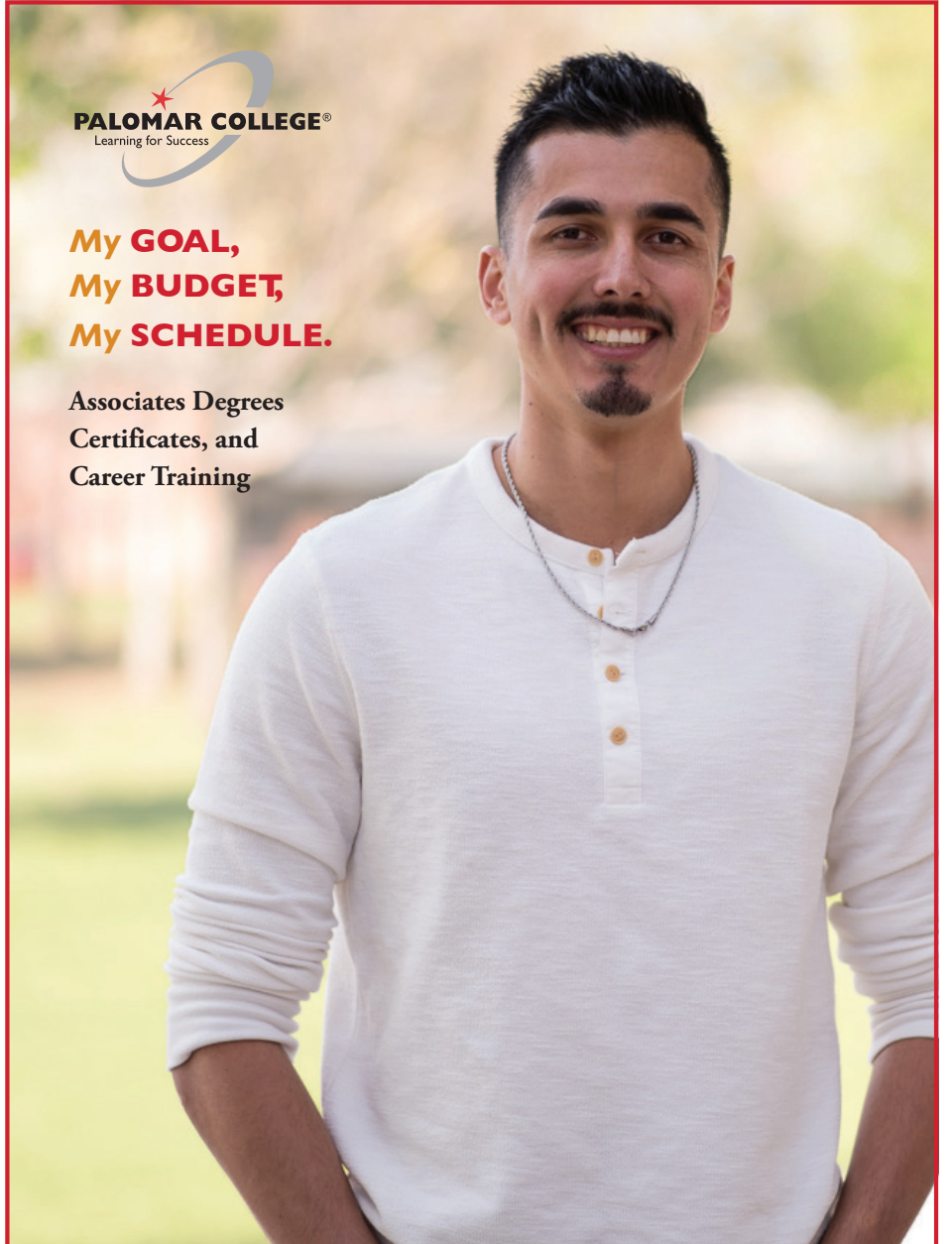


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Celebrate the end of summer at VC Country Fest Sept. 3

By DAVID ROSS

The public is invited to a family-friendly event to celebrate the end of summer: the 2nd annual VC Country Fest, sponsored by the Valley Center Business Association. The theme of the Labor Day Weekend event is “So long, sweet summer” and it will be held September 3, 1-5 p.m. at Bates Nut Farm.

Entry is free and there is no charge to park during this event at Bates.

“You’ve waited all summer for this,” said the co-chairmen for the event, Krista Hubbard and Diane Arnold, who sat down at *The Hidden Meadows News* office to talk about all that’s in store at the “fest.” The purpose, they said, “is to get everybody in the community to have fun. We are inviting service groups, first responders and sports clubs like Little League and Soccer.”

Mrs. Arnold added, “It’s family friendly and the whole community is invited. We want to see kids and parents.” The idea is very much to provide an atmosphere like Christmas in the Valley but instead in the fall. “We’re cel-

ebrating the end of summer and the fact that everybody’s starting to get back together.”

There will be vendor booths by VCBA partners. Mrs. Hubbard told *The Hidden Meadows News*, “We’re asking our partners and others to participate by providing a game or craft for the community. They can have their banner up and promote themselves but it’s not so much marketing as a service to the community.”

VCBA can help their partners with games if they don’t have them but they have to provide their own prizes for the kids.

Some of the activities include a cakewalk, pony walk, pie eating contest, and face painting by Miss Valley Center pageant girls. There will also be a photo booth run by David Zumaya of My San Diego North County. Other contests will include cornhole, a hula hoop contest and bubble gum blowing contest.

Although entry to the event itself is free, and the games are free, there will be a cost for some of the activities. There will also be door prizes.

If you’re hungry—and who isn’t on a fall afternoon?—there will be at least four food trucks with a variety of cuisines, such as pizza, American, Mexican and desserts. There will also be a Tap Truck serving beer and wine.

Music will be provided by a DJ.

If you are interested in being a vendor contact Krista Hubbard at 760-975-7085 or email info@myVCBA.com.

The Hidden Meadows Community Sponsor Group

The Hidden Meadows Community Sponsor Group has established a Subcommittee to look into the Status of the Cannabis Regulations of San Diego County. The purpose is to determine where the process is, and if and how the Sponsor Group can provide input to the decision makers, and what that input should be. The Subcommittee has 3 members, but there is room for 2 more participants. Participants must be nominated and voted upon by the Sponsor Group.

Interested parties may contact Jim Chagala at 760-751-2691.

Super Crossword FILM SPLICING

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|--|--|--|----------------------------|--|-------------------------------|
| ACROSS | 53 D-Day city in France | 84 See 85-Across | 130 Norma — (film heroine) | 39 NFL's Cowboys, on scoreboards | 80 Highest degree |
| 1 Earth Day's month | 55 Takes too much, briefly | 85 With 84-Across, diver's gas cylinder | 131 Pea piercers | 44 Speak grandly | 81 Fed. stipend program |
| 6 Maned antelope | 58 Pie-mode link | 88 "But — I know?" | DOWN | 1 Word form for "height" | 86 Alliance |
| 9 Large gulf | 60 1979 comedy-drama; 1982 musical | 93 21st Greek letter | 1 Word form for "height" | 45 Fjord city | 87 River of Bern |
| 14 Tons | 63 2007 comedy-drama; 1946 spy thriller | 94 1980 spoof comedy; 1976 satirical drama | 2 Haiku, e.g. | 46 Loris' cousin | 89 "Horton Hears —!" |
| 19 Excludes | 69 Many rented homes: Abbr. | 96 "Waterloo" quartet | 3 Deep red wine | 47 Meadows | 90 City native |
| 21 Dribble | 70 Zenith | 99 Chop cut | 4 Serpent tail? | 48 Prince Valiant's son | 91 Not moist |
| 22 Sign off on | 71 Make — of (jot down) | 102 Gold, in León | 5 USMC rank | 50 — bit (soon) | 92 Signs off on |
| 23 1940 thriller drama; 1942 romantic drama | 72 "This guy walks into — ..." | 103 Major rtes. | 6 Having a bit of a beard | 53 Italian island | 93 Stove item |
| 25 Four-stringer | 73 Irene of "Fame" fame | 104 1931 horror; 2010 sci-fi thriller | 7 13th Greek letters | 54 Affix | 94 Kitchen pest |
| 26 Hop — thumb | 74 Bone, to Fido | 111 Get spoiled | 8 Hagen with three Tonys | 55 — year (annually) | 95 Zero relaxation |
| 27 Horse morsel | 75 "—" in an analogy | 112 Cookie with creme | 9 Old politico | 56 Yankee Joe, informally | 96 Over again |
| 28 Enjoy dinner | 76 Braggarts' displays | 113 La.-to-Mich. dir. | 10 Spoiled kids | 57 Ensure | 97 Mustang |
| 29 Really digging | 77 2005 historical drama; 2002 musical | 114 Vast stretch | 11 O'er there | 59 Spanish region | 98 — down the hatches |
| 31 Homer, e.g. | 79 2000 neo-noir thriller; 1982 comedy-drama | 115 — -pitch | 12 Gregarious | 61 Cole — (shoe brand) | 100 Like a small garage |
| 32 1982 horror; 1939 western | 82 Certain sow | 118 Break in, e.g. | 13 Argots | 62 Antidrug cop | 101 Tristan's lady |
| 38 One with adoring fans | 83 Poetic "prior to" | 120 1963 historical drama; 1950 period drama | 14 Chaos | 63 Actress Pressly | 105 Split country |
| 40 Moray, e.g. | 84 Poetic "prior to" | 125 Locale | 15 Biblical priest | 64 Indy great Al | 106 — Gay (WWII B-29) |
| 41 Filmom's Mrs. Victor Laszlo | 85 Aired again | 126 "Skyfall" singer | 16 Luau hellos | 65 Phrase of denial | 107 Way to sign a contract |
| 42 Expend | 86 Aired again | 127 Alaskan port | 17 NYPD part | 66 Siouan tribe | 108 Tchr.'s gp. |
| 43 1996 neo-noir crime drama; 1990 crime drama | 87 Aired again | 128 Civic's make | 18 Mown strips | 67 Former Apple laptop | 109 Reggae artist Peter |
| 49 Titled man | 88 Aired again | 129 Aired again | 20 Ella's singing | 68 Brewery kiln | 110 — water (up the creek) |
| 51 Wedding day destinations | 89 Aired again | | 24 Cell insect | 73 Prepare for playing, as a tape | 116 Theater box |
| 52 Fiendish look | 90 Aired again | | 30 China buys | 74 With 119-Down, position Mike Ditka played | 117 Single bills |
| | 91 Aired again | | 33 Gymnast Korbut | 76 Online store | 119 See 74-Down |
| | 92 Aired again | | 34 Bout arbiters | 77 Tiny: Prefix | 121 Musket tip? |
| | 93 Aired again | | 35 Valley | 78 Gordie of hockey | 122 Black goo |
| | 94 Aired again | | 36 "— a pity ..." | | 123 Biochem strand |
| | 95 Aired again | | 37 Your and my | | 124 "Either you do it — will" |
| | 96 Aired again | | 38 "— tree falls ..." | | |

2022 Hidden Meadows Community Foundation Scholarship Winners

Announcing our 2022 Hidden Meadows Community Foundation Scholarship Winners! Each awardee has completed their education with a minimum of a 3.50 GPA, has received a letter of recommendation from one of their educators, has submitted an essay describing their academic aspirations and intentions to continue their education, and is a resident of Hidden Meadows. Please join us at the Meadows Restaurant and Tavern (Golf Club) on Tuesday, August 16th, at 6pm, as we host the recipients for dinner and present their certificates and checks.

Ryker Lazlo
Attending La Sierra College
Major: Undecided

Lauren Jackola
Attending Loyola Marymount
Major: not listed

Lillian Broschart
Attending University of California Santa Cruz
Major: Political Science

Madison Williams
Attending: University California Davis
Major: Wildlife, Fish, and Conservation Biology

Hannah Lappe
Attending California State University San Marcos
Major: Nursing

Kinsey Kellerman
Attending: San Diego State University
Major: Organizational Psychology

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BOOK REVIEW - By Lynn Clark

“Sunlit Weapon” - by Jacqueline Winspear - fiction

Winspear is a prolific writer of 17 novels, “Sunlit Weapon” being the 17th, featuring a woman named Maisie Dobbs. Maisie is a psychologist and an investigator. If you do get started on this series, I recommend you begin with the first book in the series, although each book can stand alone. The stories span Maisie’s life during World War I and II and the main setting is England.

This novel highlights the women of the ATA, the Air Transport Auxiliary, a group of female service pilots that would ferry airplanes across Great Britain. A similar organization was started in the US with the support of Eleanor Roosevelt: the WASP’s.

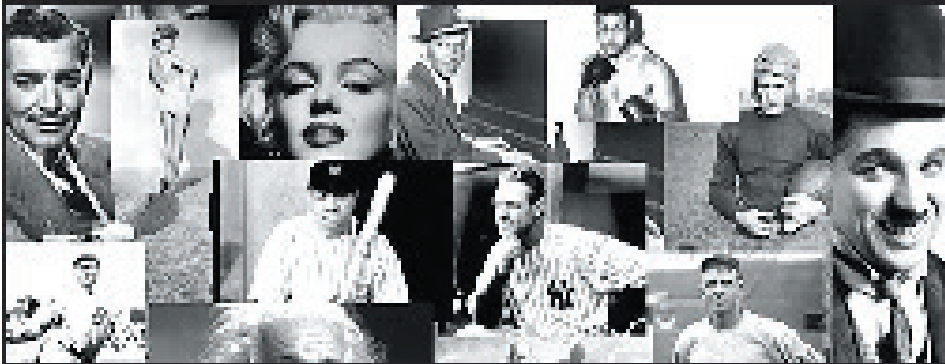
In this book Maisie is hired by a young pilot named Jo who believes she was shot at while flying her plane low over a farming area in rural England. Once she lands the plane she goes back to the area and finds a bound and gagged black soldier in an old barn. She rescues him, and finds out he is being sought by the Americans for questioning in regards to a missing white soldier. At the time the US military was segregated so the soldier was going to be shipped back to the U.S. for processing.

She seeks Maisie’s help because she believes that someone is endangering the lives of the pilots, and she feels this soldier can help find out the truth. The soldier ends up being one small piece in a very large puzzle that includes a pending visit by Eleanor Roosevelt and a possible assassination attempt. Maisie works to put together the pieces that save the lives of several people.

I have read the books in this series for many years and I always found them interesting. Maisie’s life, from living on an estate as the daughter of a servant to starting her own investigation service, is rich with detail about the times and how she lived her life.

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Welcome Studio Beauté!

By Szilvia Costanzo

The business service offerings in our Hidden Meadows community continue to grow and expand as we welcome Studio Beauté, a full-service skincare, waxing, massage and lash studio owned and operated by European-born Esthetician, Szilvia Costanzo, who is “ecstatic to become an integral part of the services available to this beautiful community!”

“It is my hope and dream to be able to offer a respite and sanctuary of self-care to the community by way of my tranquil studio”, which is located at 10324 Meadow Glen Way East, Escondido, CA 92026 on the upper level, above HomeSmart Realty, in the office building adjacent to The Market at Hidden Meadows and Sideyard.

Having immigrated from Hungary, Szilvia is naturally inspired by European techniques, and earned her Esthetician license in 2007 as a way to build a career in the United States. She has honed her waxing and skincare skills working as an Esthetician for 15 years, and also has experience as a makeup and brow artist for Chanel, Shiseido, Omorovicza, and Borghese at Neiman

Marcus, Bloomingdales, Nordstrom and Macy’s.

Holding a Bachelor’s Degree in Business, and having an entrepreneurial spirit, it would only be a matter of time before she would open her own skincare studio, where she specializes in a “natural look achieved with a focus on restoring and bringing out the health of the skin” of her clients.

When I discovered the beautiful community of Hidden Meadows while visiting my dear friends, and saw that there was a need for the convenience of my services here, it felt like the timing was right and everything aligned perfectly”, says Szilvia of opening her studio. In addition to the services offered at Studio Beauté, she will also offer a skincare line based in REDOX technology.

For appointments and inquiries about services offered, please reach out to Szilvia of Studio Beauté at 858-405-8150. Szilvia is so thankful to be welcomed so warmly into the community, and looks forward to “bringing out the inner beauty of and providing an opportunity for relaxation to the residents of Hidden Meadows!”

HIDDEN MEADOWS EVENTS:

Fall 2022

OCTOBER
 Seller’s Faire
 Sunday, October 23rd

SPOOKY Trunk or Treat
 Saturday, October 22nd

NOVEMBER
 Seller’s Faire
 Sunday, November 6th

GOBBLE GOBBLE: Turkey Trot!
 Thursday, November 24th
 For information: contact Linda at
 Linda_j_collins@sbcglobal.net

DECEMBER
 Toys for Tots
 Saturday, December 3rd

Seller’s Faire
 Sunday, December 4th

Watch for details on these upcoming events and new events being planned:
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2022 Fire Safe Council Outstanding Leadership Award: Steve Kerrin



Steve Kerrin

By Dianne Luebke

Steve Kerrin received the 2022 Outstanding Leadership Award at the San Diego County Fire Safe Council 15th Annual Volunteer Awards ceremony on June 10, 2022.

Steve Kerrin has been integral to the success of the Deer Springs Fire Safe Council since its inception in 2004. Holding several key positions including Vice President, and since 2018 President, he has worked countless hours cultivating collaborative and business relationships with CAL Fire, Deer Springs Fire Protection District, San Diego Regional Fire Foundation and other San Diego Fire Safe Councils. His passion for progress resulted in substantial financial and manpower support for our communities.

His dedication to Fire Safety is unsurpassed. He works tirelessly to get the word out about Fire Safety by personally writing monthly Newsletters, submit-

ting articles to local newspapers, posting on social media, connecting with residents at monthly Sellers Fairs, reaching out to new residents with tailored Fire Safety packages and organizing multiple educational seminars annually. Steve is the Program Manager for all Fire Safe Council projects which requires managing contractors and volunteers, tracking expenses, submitting detailed grant applications and progress reports while also maintaining chipping equipment year round.

Steve's leadership style is straight forward, positive and compassionate. Through personal example, he motivates others to serve and never fails to honor their work. Steve takes his role as Fire Safe Council President seriously and continuously strives to improve what can be done to increase resident awareness and safety. Congratulations to Steve for this well deserved award!

Hola! Guess what time it is... It's TACO TUESDAY TIME at the TAVERN!

By Michelle Zipse & EV Trivoli / Residents

Here's the latest from Aaron Madariaga, Manager / Owner at The Meadows Restaurant & Tavern. Taco Tuesdays! No need to go far when The Tavern is right in our own backyards.

He's got a new cooking crew and they're offering up their Abuelitas' home cooked recipes. That's right... grandma's recipes are being handed down and offered up to the residents of Hidden Meadows. Recently some of us senoras and señoritas were invited to a preview tasting of the Taco Tuesday menu, and everything was delicioso!



Tried and True Tacos with Carne Asada? Check. Carnitas? Si. There are also Tostadas – with a twist. Aaron's crew's using bread instead of tortillas in this dish. And here's something else unique: Mexican Fries. Crispy French Fries smothered with Carnitas, Queso, Guacamole and Sour cream. Everything was yummy.

Tuesday nights just got a lot tastier.

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4th of July in Hidden Meadows: World's Cutest Parade

By Tom Fragala / Resident

Imagine an adorably tiny parade of cute kids, pets, adults, and small vehicles decked out in patriotic gear.

If you were there like us, you don't have to imagine. You saw it first-hand—and had a ball! I met so many fun and interesting people.

Around 200 delightful residents gathered at 10 am on Monday the 4th in the lower parking lot of the golf course. They brought a cavalcade of smiles and good cheer.

The event was organized and emceed by Vickey Ciarlanti, with help from her husband Jeff and others.

Great music was provided by DJ Niklas Ruiz. If you stayed until the end, you saw Niklas show off his dance moves.

We all enjoyed the national anthem performed by Ev Trivoli.

There were a few booths set up that provided activities for the kids and lovely treats.

Christina Stendall of Sweet Cheeks Homestead had a breath-taking array of sweets and baked goods. She had incredible looking cupcakes and "drop cookies". I purchased her organic blackberry jam and tangerine marmalade, and it is spectacular. I have never eaten my toast so fast! Christina is an immigration lawyer by day and artistic baker by night.

There was a "make your own slime" booth for kids, sponsored by Simona Giuffrida and Nancy Polston of Berkshire Hathaway

Realtors. The kids had a blast making their own slime to take home. I made fast friends with Nancy's adorable daughter Emma, who won the most "patriotic" award for 8-18-year-olds. Emma designed and selected her entire costume herself.

It's fascinating what you can discover at even a small event like this. While speaking with Simona, I found out she was born and raised in Sicily. And she is from a small town just a few minutes from the village where my grandmother and my cousins are from—Trecastagni.

Homesmart West Realtors (represented by Dawn Salazar and Kathy Moore) had a crafts booth for the kids. They had rub on tattoos and make your own hair beads. It was a hit with the kids. I may have seen a couple of adults wearing hair beads too!

Mountain Meadow Equine Rescue & Rehab had a table staffed by Doug Stoodt, Lynn Wheeler, and Darius Rimmell. They do wonderful work for horses, so consider helping them out.

The Foundation provided goodie bags for the attendees.

Our local across-the-street Cal Fire team brought their fire engine over. The kids enjoyed checking it out. I had a nice chat with the firefighters: Fire Captain Cory Costa, Steven Reyes and Roger Compton.

For those that remember the Lilac Fire a





few years ago, Fire Capt. Costa handled the initial 911 call and gave the fire its name (it originally was thought the fire started near a bridge on Lilac Road). I won't soon forget that fire, as I lived in Bonsall at the time and had to evacuate for two days. The fire came just feet from my old office at River Village and my home.

The highlight of the event was the parade. Since the parade included many small children on bikes and scooters, the parade "route" was simply to move in a circle around the inside of the parking lot six times. It was even cuter and more fun than I imagined.

There were also contests for most patriotic in several categories: three age groups, "fur baby," and most decked out ride (bikes, golf carts, scooters, wagons, tricycles, utility carts and more!) There was also a super fun hula hoop competition.

I am pleased to have met Hidden Meadows resident Jim Urbina. Jim had an impressive camera and took over 125 photos of the event. He's quite the photographer. I have posted links to Jim's photos (and my own) on my Linktree page linktr.ee/thetomsocial. I found out that Jim flew helicopters in combat in Vietnam. I resolved right then that I should interview him for the HMN, which I hope to do soon.

I had a wonderful and truly memorable time. Hidden Meadows has so much to offer in so many ways! I wish I had more space to mention others I met that day. Be sure to attend the next event!



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Aleppo pines along Mountain Meadow Road

Community Foundation Update

By: Hidden Meadows Community Foundation

June marked the end of the Hidden Meadows Community Foundation's annual fundraising drive for 2022. This year we received over \$12,000 in contributions from 150 households in Hidden Meadows and Rim Rock. The amount received was comparable to what was raised in 2021 but down from pre-pandemic donation levels.

On behalf of the Foundation Board of Directors and the community at large we want to sincerely thank all who contributed. Your donations are essential in allowing us to provide ongoing support for four areas of community life: Beautification, Community Events, Neighbors Helping Neighbors, and Scholarships.

At the foundation we feel we have an obligation to ensure the funds you generously contribute are efficiently spent on programs which provide benefit to the community. In calendar year 2021

Foundation expenses totaled \$13,548 with 85% of the spending returned directly to the community. Program expenses for 2021 totaled \$11,547 including \$6,000 for scholarships granted, \$3,645 spent on beautification and median maintenance, \$1,000 in aid to neighbors and \$902 for events. Additionally, \$2,001 was spent on administration with the majority of that going for insurance (\$1,457 - expensive but necessary) and \$330 in dues to the Meadows Homes Association. Other expenses included \$146 for rental of the Foundation P.O. box and \$68 for bank fees.

In addition to providing for on-going activities, the Foundation, with support from the community, from time-to-time

sponsors larger projects with significant impact on the community. In recent years projects of this sort have included design and installation of the mosaic Hidden Meadows sign at the south end of the Mountain Meadow median (\$7,000+), trimming and removal of the Aleppo Pines bordering Mountain Meadow Road (\$9,000+) and the complete re-landscaping of the Mountain Meadow median (\$50,000+). We are always open to ideas for new projects and will consider all suggestions based on impact and feasibility.

Thanks again to all who contributed this year and for those who may have missed the solicitation but still desire to help, you can always donate by going to <https://hiddenmeadows.news> and clicking on the "donate" button in the upper right corner.



Re-landscaping the median along Mountain Meadow Road

Hidden Meadows Dinner Group

By Michelle Zipse/ Resident

This was the 3rd time the newest official Hidden Meadows Dinner group met and it was well....at my house. I love entertaining because I enjoy spending time getting to know people and listening to everyone's story. And yes, everyone has a story and most of them are fascinating. On Saturday, July 23 I was serving barbequed tri tip. Everyone brought something to finish out the meal. This is what we do and it's fun to see what people bring. We had bacon wrapped dates and watermelon and cheese skewers



Left to right: Lynn Wheeler, Jack Weber, Michelle Zipse, Mike and Kat McLaughlin, Tom Metzger, Rochelle Rubin, Connie Brumley, Bonnie Metzger, Eveline and Michael Bustillos

for appetizers and both were a huge hit. Kat and Mike brought a huge heaping dish of bacon wrapped dates and believe it; not one of them made it out of there! Then we were onto the salads; we had Caprese and a garbanzo bean and veggie Quinoa, both were yummy. For dessert we had French Apple tart and that was amazing with just a smidge of whipped cream. How else could you do it. And of course there was wine, Chardonnay and Sauvignon Blanc for the whites and a GSM, Cabernet Sauvignon and a Turley Zin for the reds. The whites worked to get us started but since we were having Tri Tip the reds were a must. All the food was yummy and a good time was had by all.

This dinner group was started after the Welcome Committee Mixer that took place in November 2021. The idea was to get a group of new neighbors together and each family would host once each year. These small regular gatherings are the best way to meet and make new friends when you are new to a place.

If you are new to the neighborhood and would like to join a dinner group, please let us know by emailing: welcome.hiddenmeadows@gmail.com



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- Kids booths with raptor and critter Preparedness backpacks and other giveaways will be provided on a first come, first served basis. There will also be giveaways, including weather

stations, gift cards, preparedness items and more.

SDG&E will also share important information about what the utility is doing throughout the region to decrease the risk of wildfire. You'll be able to ask questions during the event. If adverse weather conditions arise, this event may be postponed or canceled.

Hidden Meadows Community Resources

Community Emergency Response Team (CERT)

Contact Marc Weissman at 760-525-5170 or marcweissman11@gmail.com.

Community Sponsor Group

Contact Chairman Jim Chagala, at 760 751-2691 for more information.

Hidden Meadows Neighborhood Watch

Please join our facebook group: Hidden Meadows Neighborhood Watch. We'll share neighborhood information, safety tips, and news of future events.

Contact Info: Erik Tyler 442-235-9060 eriktyler@gmail.com

Deer Springs Fire Safe Council

Contact Steve Kerrin at 760-807-1141.

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Organizations

Garden Club

Contact Frances Munk at francesmunk17@gmail.com

Hidden Meadows Bridge Group

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Hidden Meadows Community Foundation (HMCF)

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Ladies Bible Study

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Tennis Club

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Women's Golf Club

Contact Ellen at 760-749-1190

Women's Social Group

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Yoga

Contact Joanne Boessow at 760-751-0261 or mljab33@cox.net for more information.

San Diego District Attorney

To share or not to share: location sharing apps and services

By DISTRICT ATTORNEY SUMMER STEPHAN

Technology has made it easy to track your friends and family through location sharing apps, providing comfort for parents worried about their children or making sure your elderly parent made it to their doctor's appointment. But there is a dark side to location sharing because bad actors have found nefarious ways to abuse the technology and technology companies collect that data, combine it, and sell or monetize it.

Location sharing uses sensors on mobile devices to pinpoint their location and report back to the interested party. This is generally done via a combination of GPS, cellular radios, and Bluetooth radios. Often, the accuracy of the subject can be narrowed within a few feet. The area a device is in, as well as the state of the device will dictate how accurate the technology can get.

Location sharing can be a permanent in that it is always turned on, or it can be an option that is activated for a specific timeframe or event. For instance, going to an amusement park? You may want to start sharing your location with your friends or children for the remainder of the day, so if you get separated you can find your way back to each other.

The benefits of being able to see where your loved ones are is obvious. However, understanding the potential trade-off is also important. There are several ways to use location sharing. These include offerings already on your phone such as Find My or Google Maps or third-party options such as the popular Life360. The largest first party offerings include:

As with any technology designed for good, there are scammers ready to take advantage. Location sharing technology can be used by stalkers and in abusive situations.

When using sharing your location keep in mind the following safety tips:

- Never authorize location sharing with someone that you don't know.
- Discuss location sharing with your kids, and make sure they understand how it works, so that they do not share their location with would be bad actors.
- iPhones have a built-in service which will notify you if an unknown Air-Tag (location tracking device) is traveling with you, Apple also offers an app on Android which allows you to scan your area for any AirTag devices which may be surreptitiously tracking you.

In addition, consider the following when deciding to use location sharing:

- Larger more well-known companies are generally safer to trust.
- Read the fine print: most companies like Life360 publish their privacy policy on their website.
- Location sharing is a two-way street, at least as it applies to adults. Both parties should give consent to the location sharing before it is used.
- Consider all options when you activate location sharing and make sure it is setup in a way that works for you and gives you the features you want.
- Be aware of the principle on which certain location-sharing products work. Most apps offer the ability to share your current location, but it also tracks your movements in real-time. Choose what is best for you.
- Think carefully before turning on geotagging in your tweets, blogs, or social network accounts.
- Apply location features selectively. Consider only allowing geotagging on photos when you specifically need to mark them with your location. Note that it's safer not to geotag photos of your children or your house.

Location sharing is a great example of technology that wasn't readily available a few years ago, but now offers piece of mind. Used appropriately it offers great options for safeguarding your family and friends.

As your District Attorney, I'm committed to increasing communication and accessibility between the DA's Office and the public. I hope these consumer and public safety tips have been helpful.

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Diane Heath, who organizes the volunteers for the Seller's Faire, and Vickie Ciarlanti, who runs the bake sale and organizes the neighborhood kids events.



Kim Marin, who organizes the vendors for the Seller's Faire, shopping

Seller's Faire Update: Sunday October 23

By Michelle Zipse/ Resident

We all enjoy our local Seller's Faires. It's a chance for us to get out and see our neighbors and friends and find out what cute and practical items there are to bring home or buy for a loved one.

Dawn Fuller Korinek is doing a great job as our new Chairperson for these events. She has a troop of people who help to organize these events. It might be surprising to some just how many volunteers it takes to pull off an event like the Seller's Faire. We get to

do 6 of these events per year. If anyone was ever curious, 6 is the max we can do due to permitting. We are only allowed to have 6 events that are open to the neighborhood AND include our larger community. The other events in the neighborhood ie; July 4, Spooky Trunk or Treat, the Spring Carnival etc. are not included in these 6 events because they are for Hidden Meadows and RimRock residents only. So these Seller's Faire events are special opportunities for Hidden Meadows to interact with the Welk resort

and Escondido and the extended local area.

Our next Faire will be on Sunday, October 23. We are giving the Seller's Faire a break over the hot summer days and will resume when things start to cool off again. We will see you then! Stay tuned for the dates for the other 2 Seller's Faires to finish off the year. There will be one in November and one in December.

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By MARIE WALDRON, 75th Assembly District

California's spending priorities are often seriously out-of-whack. We spend billions on a bullet train to nowhere that few will ever ride, yet we refuse to spend available funds on new dams, reservoirs and aqueducts during repeated periods of drought. Once-in-a-while though, we get it right.

Our local fire departments are essential for public safety, responding to the ever-present threat of wildfires, along with other life threatening emergencies like automobile accidents and heart attacks. Ensuring they have the means to respond quickly and effectively has been a big priority for me in Sacramento. Once again this year, I'm very happy that my efforts to obtain funding for local fire departments in our region have succeeded.

During the budgeting process, I was able to obtain \$8 million for the Deer Springs Fire Protection District to fund a new permanent station at Deer Springs Rd. and the I-15 freeway. Centrally located along I-15 in North San Diego County, the station will act as a regional hub for critical emergency response throughout the region. Replacing trailers that have housed the facility for over 40 years with a larger permanent facility is essential for the station's mission to safeguard the area's growing population.

I'm also very happy that I was able to direct \$2 million to the San Marcos Fire Department, to be used for capital improvements on Fire Station #3, which requires extensive remodeling to improve safety and security for the building and for personnel. In addition, all four San Marcos stations need to install diesel exhaust removal systems to remove exhaust fumes from the apparatus bay areas to ensure firefighter safety.

These monies are in addition to the almost \$3 million I acquired last cycle for three local fire districts: Valley Center, North County and Rincon. First responders protect our homes and lives every day. As your Assembly representative, I will continue to do all I can to make sure they have what they need to do their jobs safely and effectively.

Assemblymember Marie Waldron, R-Valley Center, represents the 75th Assembly District in the California Legislature, which includes the communities of Bonsall, Escondido, Fallbrook, Hidden Meadows, Pala, Palomar Mountain, Pauma Valley, Rainbow, San Marcos, Temecula, Valley Center and Vista.



Devila Shah, Mike Quadrozzi, Geri Beam, Linda Collins, Elisabeth Leatherberry.



Roy Buntin, Karen Henderson, Docent/Guide, Myriam Johnson, Pat Buntin, Wilmas Roberts in the Mexico Garden.

Garden Club: San Diego Botanic Gardens

By Linda Collins / Resident

Have you ever been to the San Diego Botanic Gardens? I hadn't been there in at least 15 years when it was the Quail Gardens. I was really impressed. It has really grown and has some wonderful gardens including a butterfly garden and a children's garden.

Many of the plants are things we could grow in our own yard as they come from similar environments. Jacaranda trees, for example, come from Brazil, and we see their purple flowers all through our area. Jade, agapanthus, cycad, and many succulents we see around our neighborhood are from South Africa.

Twelve garden club members went on a docent tour on Friday, July 8. We divided into two groups so we could hear and see everything and ask all the questions we wanted. Myriam Johnson, Wilma Roberts, Pat and Roy Buntin, Karen Henderson were in the first group. Elisabeth Leatherberry, Geri Beam, Mike Quadrozzi, Devila Shah and I were in the second group. Our guide was very knowledgeable and was able to answer almost all of our questions! Our tour took nearly 90 minutes as we wove our way through the California garden, Australia, South Africa, a rain forest section, the bamboo garden, and more. The Botanic Garden

offers free tours on Saturdays at 10:30 am and Sundays at 11:00 am. But be sure to buy your ticket in advance, online. They limit the number of people in the gardens. Or for \$25 you can schedule a group tour during the week. (Plus, admission, of course)

I was particularly interested in the California garden as I am now trying to add more native plants to my garden. But I must say I was amazed at how many of the plants I have in my yard come from other parts of the world. I saw a Chaste Tree there and realized I have a baby one in my yard. It is going to look amazing with its tall stalks of purple flowers.

All the different flowering plants were interesting. I love to have color in my garden. There were also some interesting tidbits like the Cook pine, which isn't a pine. It leans towards the equator. The farther from the equator it is, the more it leans! The sculptures in the Mexico area that were filled with succulents were truly impressive. They probably take a lot of maintenance, so nix that one for my yard. But they are definitely worth seeing.

Elisabeth Leatherberry has been visiting the gardens for many years and noted the wonderful evolution. She first visited the San Diego Botanic Gardens in 1996,

(then called Quail Botanic Gardens), and found it to be small but lovely. It wasn't a carefully manicured garden with formal floral displays. Instead, it was full of succulents and bamboo, citrus and herbs, pines and natives, all allowed to mingle and roam at will. It had only one parking lot that filled up often and when it did, they opened a large field in the back for the overflow. But it was lovely, and it felt like an oasis far from the stress of the busy, urban cities that surrounded it.

Today, it is 37 acres with 4 miles of trails winding around 29 themed gardens from the tropical rain forest to desert landscapes representing biodiversity from all over the globe. It offers a variety of classes to the curious of all ages and it offers a new, 8,000 square foot conservatory that houses nearly 5,300 plant species. It is the most sought-after wedding venue in the county, and it is designated one of the "Top 10 North American Gardens Worth Traveling For" by the American Gardens Association. Today, it is still lovely and relaxing, educational, and inspirational. No question, it's worth the 40-minute drive from the Meadows.

So when are you going to visit the San Diego Botanical Gardens?

Did you get that from Simona and the Gyldan Group at that 4th of July Parade?

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(left) Women in hats! Back row left to right: Kat McLaughlin, Rochelle Rubin, Judith Jennings, Vicky Long, Melissa Mitchell, Leigh Goley, Freddie
 Front row left to right: Linda Colli s, Beverly Smith, Dawn Fuller Korniak hostess, Dannielle Milliken, EV Trivoli
 (above) The Hidden Meadows largest ever social group at the home of Dawn Fuller Korniak, who is on the farthest right

Hidden Meadows Women’s Social Group: July

By Michelle Zipse & EV Trivoli / Residents

Wednesday, July 20th, was a beautiful evening for the monthly gathering of the Hidden Meadows Women’s Social Group.

We met at the lovely home of Dawn Fuller Korniak in RimRock. Her backyard is beautifully appointed and features not one but TWO custom pools; one with an infinity edge overlooking the canyon. As is the custom, everyone brought a dish to share; there were a lot of delicious heavy appetizers and desserts. I remember green salads, Greek dolmas (stuffed grape leaves), pasta salad, shrimp, spicy artichoke dip, fruit, macarons, eclairs, mini brownies and more! We all agreed that we love the potluck idea: the variety is amazing.

Linda Collins opened the evening with an inspiring talk about our community, and encouraged everyone to get involved with groups that interest them. She also encouraged us to mix it up a little! Meaning... introduce yourself to someone new; sit and talk with someone you haven’t before. (We DID have name tags after all!) This was a good reminder about the nature of a social group: Be social. By doing this, EV Trivoli met a new member, Jacquie Hayes... not realizing Jacquie is a new neighbor of hers!

Bobbie Helland gave a report about the successful (early morning) lavender harvest at her property and a plan for an evening event, and Lynn Wheeler’s wheels are spinning about a possible fundraising event for the Mountain Meadow Horse Rescue that she’s affiliated with. (So, stay tuned. Much is coming down the pike!)

It was a night of hats! Many of the ladies sported floppy summer hats which added to the summer feel of the evening and made for some nice pictures. Dawn did an excellent job as hostess and surprised all of us with a raffle and prizes. The evening passed quickly and by the end, there were a handful of ladies in the hot tub and many more were dipping their toes in the pool. The sunset was full of vibrant reds that brought the sky alive.

The Hidden Meadows Women’s Social Group gets together at someone’s home for food, fun and “fellow”ship every month. It’s always great to catch up with current friends, and meet new people as well. We also have other events like game night once a month. The current game is Mexican Train.

The next one is at EV (Evelyn) Trivoli’s house on Par View Court, August 11th. EV is a wonder at planning events and we are all looking forward to what she has in store for us.

Linda Collins has done a great job running this group for many years. She will be passing the baton to Eveline Bustillos. This is our opportunity to Thank Linda for all her time and dedication to making Hidden Meadows the fun and friendly community that it is. A huge thank you from all the ladies in the group!

Want to join our group? There are no dues or obligations... just socializing with other women in Hidden Meadows. Contact the group email to get on the list: hmwsg@gmail.com.

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GOOD FOOD
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● **ABOUT US**

INSPIRED BY OUR FAMILY ROOTS IN HIDDEN MEADOWS, WE SET OURS TO CREATE A COMMON BOND: DELICIOUS FOOD, QUALITY CRAFT BEERS AND MAKING MEMORIES. FROM THIS, SIDE YARD PUBLIC HOUSE WAS BORN IN 2021.

OUR OBJECTIVE FROM THE BEGINNING WAS TO CREATE A WARM, FRIENDLY SPACE WHERE EVERYONE IS WELCOME, AND A PLACE WHERE THERE’S ALWAYS SOMETHING AMAZING AVAILABLE TO EAT AND DRINK TO SUIT EVERYONE.

WE OFFER A ROTATING SELECTION OF 20 CRAFT BEERS ON TAP AT ONE TIME, DERIVING FROM THE MOST POPULAR AWARD WINNING BREWERIES IN SAN DIEGO COUNTY, THROUGHOUT CALIFORNIA AND THE US.

WE HAVE ONE OF THE LARGEST WINE LISTS AROUND SAN DIEGO. WITH OVER 40 PLUS LABELS ON OUR MENU, WE HAVE SOMETHING FOR EVERY WINE LOVER! LOVE KOMBUCHA? WE HAVE IT ON TAP! CHECK OUT OUR LINE-UP OF SELTZER’S- ALL SERVED WITH OUR SIGNATURE FRESH FRUIT! BOTTOMLESS MIMOSAS? WE GOT YOU! ALSO, SERVING SLUSHEES EVERY WEEKEND.

OUR KITCHEN FOCUSES ON ENHANCING AND ELEVATING NATURAL INGREDIENTS AND PRODUCE FOUND IN SAN DIEGO AND THROUGHOUT CALIFORNIA. WE ARE A MODERN DAY EATERY SPECIALIZING IN LOCALLY SOURCED DISHES, TOP QUALITY MEATS, FISH, POULTRY AND BEER AND WINE FRIENDLY-FARE. WE ROTATE OUR MENU SEASONALLY TO ALWAYS HAVE THE FRESHEST OPTIONS FOR YOU TO ENJOY!

WE HAVE AN EXTRA ORDINARY HOT SAUCE SELECTION AS WELL THAT ARE LOCALLY MADE. I’M TALKING LIKE 15-20 ROTATING SAUCES ALWAYS. LIKE YOU’RE ON HOT ONES.

WE BELIEVE SIDE YARD HAS BECOME A HAVEN FOR CRAFT BEER LOVERS, FOODIES AND PEOPLE FROM ALL AROUND THE WORLD. WHETHER LIVING IN SAN DIEGO, OR TRAVELING TO STAY AT ONE OF OUR NEARBY RESORTS, SIDE YARD IS A PLACE FOR EVERYONE TO ENJOY AND CREATE MEMORIES THAT THEY WILL TALK ABOUT FOR YEARS.

● **OUR FUTURE**

WE’RE JUST GETTING STARTED! NOT EVEN A YEAR INTO BUSINESS WE ARE ENAMORED WITH THE RECEPTION WE HAVE RECEIVED THUS FAR!

OUR MENU HAS DOUBLED SINCE WE OPENED. WE ARE QUARTERLY CHANGING OUR MENU TO KEEP UP WITH FRESH TRENDS AND FRESH INGREDIENTS AND HAVE WEEKLY SPECIALS THAT AREN’T NORMALLY ON OUR MENU, LIKE SMOKED BBQ SPECIALS, FISH ETC.

WE HAVE SO MANY THINGS PLANNED FOR YOU TO ENJOY THAT WE ARE TIRELESSLY WORKING TO ADD. WE CONTINUE TO OFFER SOME OF THE BEST LIVE MUSIC IN SAN DIEGO. BE ON THE LOOKOUT FOR SPECIAL HAPPY HOUR MENUS, A SIDE YARD BEER CLUB, TAP TAKEOVERS, BREW BATTLES, AND FUN EVENTS FOR EVERY OCCASION.

“So bomb and beautiful outdoor seating”

★★★★★

“Beautiful scenery and delightful food and presentation!! We will definitely return.”

★★★★★

“Amazing food & ambiance, wonderful service, very friendly staff; and always a beautiful flower arrangement on every table. We love dining here!”

“It’s always so great coming to Side yard. The food is consistently amazing and the service is fantastic — Jake, you are awesome! Highly recommend!”

“Really good outdoor atmosphere. The food is good and so is the service.”

“It’s the perfect place to kick back with friends and family and enjoy the beauty and delicious food of this hidden gem.”

“LOVE this place!!! The food and service are always good and the setting is beautiful!!!”

“Their food and drinks may bring you in, but their beautiful patio will keep you there all night.”

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