

HIDDEN MEADOWS

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NEWS

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HMFC Volunteer Appreciation Night at Sideyard

By Tom Fragala / Resident

The Hidden Meadows Community Foundation Volunteer appreciation event was held Wednesday September 25 from 6 to 10 pm at Sideyard. We all had a blast!

It was a costume party with a Roaring 20s theme. We filled up the entire back area of Sideyard, which provided pizza, wings, salad and sweet treats. Thanks Shari!

Many revelers dressed up and there were fun decorations. So many flappers and sharp dressed gentlemen!

Vickey Ciarlanti organized the evening, done impeccably as always. Thank you, Vickey!

The board members in attendance were Michelle Zipse, President, Vickey Ciarlanti, Vice-President, Shannon Antekeier, Secretary, Paul Schoos, Treasurer, Heather Davila, Rob Enfield, Pat Ta-

nabe, and Lynn Wheeler. We appreciate you board members.

Jean-Louis Clement and Beth Klein looked fantastic in their costumes.

Just a few of the other attendees included Jamie, Emma and Logan Gutierrez. The Rosio family: Chris and Erica, with Cece, Jack and Kolbe. Linda Collins and Randy Mitchell, Jeff Ciarlanti, Lisa Saget. Harlan "the Mayor" Gruenstern was also present.

Thank you to our donors and volunteers! More great events are planned this year. Trunk or Treat is Saturday, October 26, 2024, and Seller's Faire on Sunday, October 27, 2024.

Please consider donations to the HMCF. We organize and host many of the events you see in this paper. A lot of wonderful people donate their time, but we need funds. Go to

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Lynn Wheeler, Laurie Nobles, Pia Courser, Lisa Saget and Connie Brumley

Wine Tasting at the New Hidden Meadows Vineyard

By Pat Tanabe / Resident

The September heat wave broke, and a bunch of Hidden Meadowites met at the new Hidden Meadows Vineyard. The winery opened on August 21, 2024. They are open Wednesday through Saturday from 12 pm – 6:30 pm.

Hidden Meadows Vineyard is conveniently located in the hood at 28572 Meadow Mesa Ln, Escondido, CA 92026. One could walk to the vineyard depending on your location in the neighborhood and your fondness for walking hilly terrain. Otherwise, a short drive (with street-side parking) will take you to this local winery. The winery is nestled atop a hillside

on 5.5-acres and has incredible mountain views (including Palomar Mountain). Seating is available both indoors and outside. Outdoor seating can be found on the patio, in small group seating areas all around the grounds, and on a raised deck with a bird's-eye view of the vineyard.

Hidden Meadows Vineyard has a selection of wines to sample. There are five red wines, five white wines and three sparkling/dessert wines. The wines are made from grapes from Escondido as well as other areas of California (including Sonoma, Napa and Santa Barbara). The wine labels are custom tailored to the vineyard. Ask Mario (one of the hosts) the stories behind the label designs. The tasting menu has a white flight, a red flight and a mixed flight (red & white). Other



Hidden Meadows Vineyard sign



Shari Petric and Lisa Barr

beverages available on the menu includes nonalcoholic drinks, a selection of beer and specialty coffees. There are small bites to accompany the wine which includes charcuterie, a cheese platter, nuts, olives, hummus and a chef selected dessert. The snacks are predominately housemade.

This winery has it all - delicious wine and small bites, beautiful views, and wonderful, warm hosts. The hosts have created a welcoming atmosphere where you will want to linger over a glass of wine or two. Hidden Meadows Winery is a lovely addition to our neighborhood and a great place to meet friends and neighbors.

OCTOBER HIDDEN MEADOWS EVENTS

Trunk or Treat - Saturday, October 26th, 10am – 12:30pm

Location: Lower Parking Lot at the Boulder Oaks Golf Club

Sellers' Faire - Sunday, October 27th, 10am - 2pm

Spooktacular Bake Sale Fundraiser - Location: Lower Lot at the Boulder Oaks Golf Club

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TURKEY TROT

Thanksgiving morning at 8am
Meet at the back parking lot behind the Deli.

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Our first monarch!

By **Linda Collins / Resident**

The Working Wednesday Team at the Mountain Meadow Preserve has been watching the milkweed that the Conservancy obtained a few months ago. We got a ton of it and planted it in a couple areas with the rest placed in the nursery. First, we saw the eggs. We didn't know what it was until Juan Troncoso, our Land Manager, told us. We were tickled to have so many! We only spotted one caterpillar and a couple weeks later we found our first Monarch butterfly in the nursery. It is such a treasure to see the work we do pay off!

Wanna come play with us? We are at the Preserve on Wednesday mornings from 8:30am until we decide to go home (usually 2-3 hours). Email linda_j_collins@sbcglobal.net or text 760-212-2601 to get involved!

The 693-acre Mountain Meadows Preserve, here in Hidden Meadows, is home to The Escondido Creek Conservancy headquarters. The office is the home base for all Conservancy staff, including those who are in the field a lot of the time taking care of nature and providing outdoor education programs for Escondido students.

This preserve was acquired in partnership with San Diego County Parks and Recreation and the Navy/Camp Pendleton. It is part of a larger effort by the conservation partners to preserve natural open spaces in the Escondido Creek watershed and North County. Escondido Creek begins in Bear Valley (east of Lake Wohlford), then travels 26 miles west emptying into the San Elijo Lagoon.

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Coyote Encounters and Co-Existence

By Linda Collins / Resident

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The very traits that have allowed coyotes to thrive, adapt, and co-exist with people, even in the most populated regions of North America, have also led to conflicts with us and our domestic animals. Most coyotes fear people. However, coyotes who associate people with food may become habituated to our presence. The abundance of food, water, and shelter offered by urban landscapes--coupled with unsecured garbage, unfenced gardens, and unattended domestic animals--can lead to conflicts. Documented cases of coyotes injuring people are very rare and most often related to people intentionally or unintentionally feeding them. Coyotes become more active, vocal, and territorial during mating and pupping seasons. Pay particular attention to your companion animals' safety during these times and do not let them roam. (Breeding season peaks in mid-February with pups born in April or May.)

Although free roaming pets are more likely to be killed by automobiles than by wild animals, coyotes may view cats and small dogs as potential prey and larger dogs as competition. Other domestic animals including sheep, chickens, and rabbits may also be seen as food.

Consider taking the following steps:

- Don't let domestic animals roam; keep them securely enclosed and protected at night.
- Fence your property. The fence must be at least 6' tall with the bottom extending at least 6 inches below the ground. Fences are more effective by using wire mesh, outwardly inverting the top of the fences, or by installing the CoyoteRoller which makes it difficult for predators to gain the "foothold" they need to pull up and over the top of an enclosure. (See <http://www.coyoteroller.com>)
- Don't leave animal foods outside; keep all food well secured.
- Install motion-sensor lights near building.
- Walk dogs on leashes, particularly during coyote mating and pupping seasons.
- Spay or neuter your dogs. Though uncommon, coyotes are attracted to and can mate with dogs.
- Wildlife-proof garbage in sturdy containers with tight fitting lids.
- Keep compost in secure containers.
- Keep fallen fruit off the ground. Coyotes eat fruit.
- Keep birdseed off the ground; seeds attract rodents which then attract coyotes.
- Keep barbecue grills clean
- Eliminate accessible water sources.
- Clear away brush and dense weeds near buildings.

For more information on coyotes, see the Coyote Project website at projectcoyote.org. Project coyote is a North American coalition of wildlife scientists and educators promoting active coexistence between people and wildlife, and compassionate conservation through education, science, and advocacy.

OPINION

Addressing SB 43 and the need for resources

By JIM DESMOND

I want to update you on our ongoing efforts to address homelessness and help those struggling on our streets. Last October, SB 43 was signed into law, expanding the criteria for conservatorship to include individuals with severe substance use disorders.

This law ensures that more people receive the treatment they desperately need. I have always believed that we must help those who cannot help themselves, and SB 43 provides us with a valuable tool to do just that. However, implementing this legislation will require significant preparation and resources.

SB 43 broadens the definition of "Grave Disability," allowing involuntary holds for those with severe substance use disorders or those unable to care for their personal safety or medical needs. While this expansion

offers a critical path to getting more people off the streets and into care, it also necessitates additional treatment programs, facilities, and infrastructure to be effective.

The Board of Supervisors has voted to implement SB 43 starting January 1, 2025. Although I support expanding conservatorship, doing so without the necessary resources will fall short of our goals. At our recent Board of Supervisors meeting, I advocated for increased resources to support this expansion. We expect a significant rise in the number of individuals placed on holds due to drug and alcohol use, presenting us with a vital opportunity to intervene and provide life-saving treatment.

However, to make this work, we must first ensure that treatment is available. This means investing in new infrastructure, modify-

ing existing programs, and equipping our community with the necessary resources to support those in need.

It's clear that simply providing housing is not enough. We need comprehensive solutions that address the root causes of homelessness, including mental health and substance use disorders, and offer meaningful support to those who are most vulnerable.

Thank you for your continued support in making our community safer. Together, we can create real change and help those most need it.

Jim Desmond is a member of the San Diego County Board of Supervisors. He represents the 5th District, which includes Escondido, Valley Center, Pauma Valley, Palomar Mountain and much of the Backcountry.

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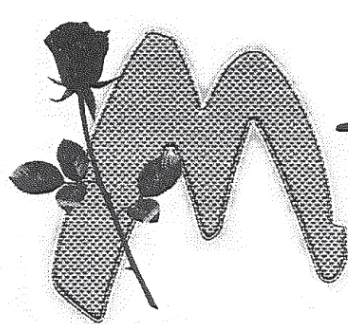
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Workforce grant helps fund CCAE intern program: highlighting a Hidden Meadows native

By DAVID ROSS

California Center for the Arts, Escondido (CCA) is a recipient of the 2024 Prebys Foundation Youth Workforce grants. This grant is part of a \$5.89 million investment dedicated to creating career opportunities for young people.

Head Electrician, Amber Steinbeck, who grew up in Hidden Meadows, is a prime example of how opportunities like these can shape careers. Steinbeck's journey began at CCAE, where she first fell in love with the backstage world through a youth theater program. As a young intern, she discovered her passion for technical theater, and over the years, grew into her role as Head Electrician. Steinbeck's story of growth, creativity, and perseverance mirrors what we hope to inspire in the next generation.

We spoke to Steinbeck, who described her job. "I make sure all the lighting equipment for the show and power for the band works. Sometimes I design the set for the artist. I teach the interns and also other people how lighting works and how to run consoles and how to make things pretty." In the interests of transparency, the author must confess that he has known Steinbeck since she was born.

Steinbeck started onstage when she was 12 in a show at the Center. "Then at Palomar I started taking classes when I was 17 and got the internship when I was 18 which was in 2010," she recalls.

Steinbeck was influenced by her mother and sister in getting into theater. Her mother, Dorothy used to regale her with stories of the famous lighting director Edward "Chip" Monck. "I watched my sister, Elizabeth and learned from my mother how she worked." Her father Mark was also a well-known photographer. "Art was always a huge thing in the family and it's not shocking I ended up in it."

A woman in this field is something of a unicorn, but that may be changing. "It definitely is a male dominated field," says Steinbeck. "but the numbers in both female and non-binary joining in the tech side of it, including costumers, has grown quite a bit in the last 10-15 years—but really boomed in the last seven."

She added, "In Escondido for the first time ever the head audio and assistant audio are both women. In my career, I've had a male assistant, a female and a nonbinary assistant. The nicest things I've seen is watching their growth and these little 19 year olds, newly in college learning to have their own agency and carry themselves as someone who deserves to be there and not just learning as they go along."

She credits CCAE's intern program with "helping the San Diego Theater community on the technical side that can't be quantified. People who got their start or honed their skills at the Center from the opportunities they got from its being a training venue. It's something that is awesome to see."

The Conrad Prebys Foundation invests in visual and performing arts, medical research, health care, and youth success, envisioning a future where San Diego County youth have their basic needs met while pursuing education, training, and career opportunities. The ultimate goal is to equip youth with access to careers that provide self-sustaining wages, financial stability, and social mobility over the next 10 to 20 years.

Paid internships stand out for their ability to yield significant benefits. Participants of paid internships often receive more job offers and command higher starting salaries compared to their peers in unpaid positions. A 2022 study highlighted that paid interns had a median starting salary of \$62,500, significantly higher than the \$42,500 reported by unpaid interns, indicating a substantial financial advantage over the course of a career.

Prebys Foundation issued an open call for proposals in March for organizations to provide paid internships and/or apprenticeships for youth ages 16-26. These internships give young adults the skills and training to be successful in the workplace, grow a current career sector, and allow youth who do not normally have access to paid internships the opportunity to earn and learn while building their social and professional network.

"Paid internships help students gain essential experience, skills, and professional connections, ultimately bridging the socio-economic gaps that too often leave them behind," said Grant Oliphant, CEO of Prebys Foundation. "We are excited to announce our 2024 'Youth Workforce' grantees, who will expand the availability of internships and apprenticeships in key industries essential to San Diego County's economy, including healthcare, creative fields, IT, STEM, education, construction, and environmental sectors."



Amber Steinbeck, once an intern at the California Center for the Arts, Escondido, today she teaches young people the trade of lighting a great theater.

Hidden Meadows Community Resources and Organizations

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Community Sponsor Group

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Please call Curt Bruce at 442-222-0821 if you'd like to join us.

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Olive Oyl? No Popeye, It's Olive Oil!

By Idalia Rewar

Beautiful day, very pleasant in Aguanga, where the Hidden Meadows Garden Club visited the Olive View Ranch at the Temecula Olive Oil Company in September for a private guided tour by owners Nancy and Thomas Curry. They are very friendly and happy individuals who would be introducing us to their traditional methods of making olive oils and the opportunity to sample a variety of them.

History: After being greeted by Mr. & Mrs. Curry, he spoke on the history of his farm. In the Temecula area, olives, almonds, grapes and other plants were planted by the Spaniards when they were building missions on the coast of California. Many of those trees survived and needed very little water. At this time, Mr. Curry wanted to be a gentleman farmer. He went on to buy acreage in the Temecula area to plant grapes and olives, but after much thought and study decided to just do olives due to their not needing so much water. He owns 300 acres throughout California but settled in Aguanga where he planted 10 acres.

We then proceeded to take a stroll to the nearest olive grove which provided wonderful shade. Interesting story: The olive trees where we were standing had little mirrors. Thomas gave us the story behind it. Anthropologie, stores where their logo is a large mirror, they came to visit and bought little mirrors. Nancy and Thomas decided to put the little mirrors on each tree. Very whimsical.

The span of an ordinary olive tree is 20-40 years, yet some have lived way beyond that with little care, commented Thomas. Some notes he addressed were olive trees:

- Do not need much water.
- The trees bear fruit within 2 – 3 years, and have alternate bearings.
- Best time to prune - when they are flowering
- Do not need much fertilization
- When buying olive oil, look at the expiration date on the bottle.
- The enemy of olive oils are light, air, and age. That is why oil should be placed in a dark place, avoid heat, and read the label for its age – should be used within 18 months of harvest.
- Tall thin dark bottles are best
- Make sure its Virgin Olive Oil and the “Extra” on the label is for commercial purposes.

As we walked over to the processing room, he pointed out that when they bought the property there were a lot of tires all over the place, what to do? They put it to good use by building a fence with them. It looks great! We entered an immaculate processing room that contained a large round mixer

and a presser. Thomas proceeded to explain how the olives are processed.

Process: put olives, fruits/herbs in the large round revolving mixer, which crushes the contents and separates the solids from the liquids, the remaining paste is spread on a silver-colored mat stacked on a press that in turn squeezes and separates the juice – water (which comes from the fruit), from the oil. The oil is then put into bottles and so on.

After the demonstration we headed on to the bar for olive oil tasting. And boy did we taste!! The first two samples were plain olive oil (a bit robust for me) and then some balsamic vinegar. We tasted others with fruit and herbs such as fresh blood orange, fresh basil, roasted garlic, vanilla & date balsamic vinegar, cider vinegar, to experience the exceptional quality and flavors of these excellent olive oils. My favorite was fresh blood orange and the vanilla & date balsamic vinegar. As we tasted, Thomas went on to tell stories about the oils of the ones we tasted, and other stories about their tasting experiences. The visit ended with us going on to the side patio with our lunch bags to eat and chat. Our thanks to Nancy and Thomas Curry and on-site staff for their cordiality and sharing their making and knowledge of fine olive oils, and to Kim Marin and Melisa Mitchell for their wonderful coordination as usual, and to all members who participated and car pooled to this wonderful educational and good-tasting experience. Our next event will be a trip to the Japanese Friendship Garden in San Diego. I look forward to that event!



The olive oil mixer



Group photo of attendees at the tour with Nancy & Thomas Curry



Olive Tree Grove



Nancy & Thomas Curry, owners

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Hidden Meadows Women’s Group Enjoys a Delightful Gathering at Pat Tanabe’s Home

By Michelle Zipse / Resident

Thursday, September 19, the Hidden Meadows Women’s Group came together for a delightful potluck at the beautiful home of Pat Tanabe, who graciously hosted the event. As an added treat, her husband, Joe Zlotnicki, provided transport up the driveway for the ladies in a golf cart, ensuring everyone arrived safely and with smiles. The views were definitely worth the trip!

Pat’s home boasts an amazing view,

with Catalina Island visible on clear days, providing an idyllic backdrop for the gathering. The house was beautifully prepared for the arrival of the guests, with thoughtful details that made the atmosphere warm and inviting.

The potluck featured an array of delicious dishes, showcasing the culinary talents of the members.

Karla Fernandez wowed every-

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 COMMUNITY EVENTS FOR Hidden Meadows and Rim Rock Residents

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These events can't happen without your help. Please contact me at vickeyciarlanti@gmail.com to add your name to our list of volunteers or to make a donation. Donations can be made via Zelle at HMCFDonate@yahoo.com or www.HiddenMeadows.news/donate

Trunk or Treat • Saturday, October 26th • 10am – 12:30pm

Location: Lower Parking Lot at the Boulder Oaks Golf Club. We need trunks to participate in the this Spooktacular Event for the kids in our Community.



Pumpkin Decorating and Costume Contest. Please contact Vickey @ vickeyciarlanti@gmail.com to sign up. Thank you!

Spooktacular Bake Sale Fundraiser • Sunday, October 27th • 10am - 2pm

Location: Hidden Meadows Community Foundation's Sellers' Faire, Lower Lot at the Boulder Oaks Golf Club

Please help make this Bake sale a huge success by donating baked goods. Please contact me @ vickeyciarlanti@gmail.com for more information.

Turkey Trot • Thursday, November 28th • Location: Back parking lot at the Deli Market here in the Meadow • 8am • Fun for the family! Door Prizes and much, much more.

Toys for Tots • Saturday, December 7th • 9am - Noon

Location: HomeSmart parking lot here in the Meadows

Kids activity Table • Visit with Local Marines and DinoSanta

BOOK REVIEW - by Lynn Clark

“The Briar Club” -
 by Kate Quinn - historical fiction

The time is the early 1950's and the world is starting to recover from WWII. McCarthyism is on the rise and Senator Joseph McCarthy is hunting Women are still moving into the work force seeking employment in places where men use to work. There is always another war...this time it is Korea.

Seven women are living in Briarwood House located in Washington, D.C.'s, Foggy Bottom area. Their shabby boardinghouse has small rooms, hot plates, and one bathroom shared by all. For some it is just a place to live in while they work in Washington. For others it is a place to stay until their life can move forward, and leave the past behind. But for one..... it is a place to hide.

Meet the Briar Club members: Nora, Grace, Reka, Fliss, Arlene, Claire, and Bea.

Super Crossword

Answers

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You are invited...

Open House and Fire Safety Event

Saturday October 12, 2024
10:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

Hosted by Deer Springs Fire Protection District, Deer Springs Fire Safe Council, and CAL FIRE

Deer Springs Fire Station 3
10308 Meadow Glen Way East
Hidden Meadows

Chat with Representatives from:

- . Deer Springs Fire Protection District
- . CAL FIRE
- . SD County Community Risk Reduction
- . Deer Springs Fire Safe Council
- . San Diego Sheriff
- . Deer Springs CERT
- . SDG&E
- ...and more

Meet your local firefighters and crews of:

- . CAL FIRE Helicopter*
- . CAL FIRE Dozer*
- . CAL FIRE Hand Crew*
- . Paramedic Ambulance*

Door Prizes

Free Pizza 11:00–12:30



On March 29, 2023, the IRS issued Revenue Ruling 2023-2, which generally states that appreciated property transferred through an irrevocable trust does not receive a step-up in basis when the Grantor dies.

That means the Grantor's children, or other loved ones, have to pay the capital gains tax on property they receive. There has been a great deal of chatter among tax experts and estate planners about this ruling. My clients and I are not bothered by this sea-change, however, as we use Charitable Remainder Trusts, and other techniques, to get around the Capital Gains Tax.

MY NAME IS MICHAEL BUSTILLOS. I am an attorney with over thirty years of experience in Estate Planning and Asset Protection. I live down the street from you, here in Hidden Meadows.



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While a career in the water industry may not come to mind when a young graduate is searching for their future occupation, jobs in the water business are meaningful and fulfilling and are critical for the health and well-being of communities statewide. VCMWD has a dedicated team of 73 staff members,



each equipped with specialized knowledge in water or job-specific fields. As a part of their job, our water experts are expected to enhance their skills by attending training seminars, pursuing certificate programs, and furthering their education. Certifications are provided by regulatory agencies, federal associations, universities, and community colleges.

BELOW IS A LIST OF THE CERTIFICATIONS, TITLES, AND DEGREES HELD BY VCMWD STAFF:

WATER-RELATED *Certifications*

*EMPLOYEES WHO PASSED THE EXAM BUT DO NOT HOLD THE OFFICIAL CERTIFICATE.

DRINKING WATER *Distribution* OPERATOR

Grade D2

Brandon DENDY
Paul STEHLI
Blake TOTH
Gaby OLSON
Dustin WINGROVE

Enrique GARCIA
Erik GONZALEZ
Payton RUTHERFORD
Ismael NAVARRO
Brayden STANSEL

Grade D3

Mario DE ALBA
Mike YOUNG
Jeson NIKRASCH
Daniel SHUBIN
James SEDILLO*

Paul ADRIAN
Domingo GONZALEZ
Ron BURKE
Chris KRATZ
Garret BRANDENBURG

Grade D4

Ryan HUGHES
Brian LOVELADY
Thang PHAM
Tony JACQUEZ
Ron DARLAND

Jared THOMAS
Cliff REEH
Moses SHUBIN
Len BROWN
Mike NICHOLS

Grade D5

Roy RUTHERFORD

DRINKING WATER *Treatment* OPERATOR

Brian LOVELADY
Tony JACQUEZ

Mike NICHOLS
James SEDILLO
Moses SHUBIN

Paul ADRIAN
Len BROWN
Thang PHAM

Ron DARLAND
Domingo GONZALEZ

WATER QUALITY *Lab Analyst*

Grade 1
Len BROWN

WASTEWATER-RELATED *Certifications*

COLLECTIONS SYSTEM *Maintenance*

Grade I - Mario CORTES
I - Jake VILLALOBOS
II - Ryan MADSON
III - Len BROWN

WASTEWATER *Treatment Plant* OPERATOR

Grade I - Ryan REEH
II - Len BROWN
III - Jake VILLALOBOS
V - Ryan MADSON
V - Rick BEATH

WASTEWATER *Treatment Plant* TECHNOLOGIST

Grade I - Ryan REEH
I - Ryan MADSON

BACKFLOW, CROSS-CONNECTION, and JOB-RELATED *Certifications*

BACKFLOW PREVENTION *Assembly Tester*

Paul ADRIAN
Ryan HUGHES
James SEDILLO

Daniel SHUBIN
Moses SHUBIN
Mike YOUNG
Ismael NAVARRO

CROSS- CONNECTION *Control Specialist*

Moses SHUBIN
James SEDILLO
Ryan HUGHES
Paul ADRIAN
Ismael NAVARRO

BASIC COATINGS INSPECTOR

Dustin WINGROVE

Certified WELDER

Domingo GONZALEZ
Mike YOUNG
Ron BURKE
Matt GOSWICK

Bill MORRIS
Jeson NIKRASCH
Brian LOVELADY
Cliff REEH

Jared THOMAS
Roy RUTHERFORD
Moses SHUBIN
Chris KRATZ

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Certificates

Ando PILVE, Cisco Network Associate and Information Systems Security Professional.

Cort DAY, CompTIA: A+, N+, Sec+, Proj+ and Microsoft: MCSA.

Thang PHAM, Cisco Entry Networking Tech., Cisco Network Associate, Microsoft Tech. Specialist, and Microsoft I.T. Specialist.

ENGINEERING

Wally GRABBE, Registered Civil Engineer
Nikolay LYUBER, Registered Civil Engineer

PROFESSIONAL *Certificates of* ACHIEVEMENT

WASTE- WATER *Technology*

Rick BEATH
Len BROWN
Jake VILLALOBOS
Ryan MADSON
Moses SHUBIN

WATER *Technology*

Ismael NAVARRO
Gabriela OLSON
Moses SHUBIN
Jessica LOVELADY
Brian LOVELADY

Len BROWN
Tony JACQUEZ
Bill MORRIS
Mike NICHOLS

WELDING *Technology*

Moses SHUBIN
Ron BURKE
Jeson NIKRASCH
Bill MORRIS

TECHNICAL *Application*

Marlene MARTINEZ,
Geographic Information Systems (GIS)
Annelise VILLALOBOS,
Construction Project Management
Danielle CATTANEO,
Accounting/Bookkeeping

College DEGREES

MASTERS *Degrees*

Gary ARANT,
Public Administration
Gabriela OLSON,
Public Administration
Ando PILVE,
Information Systems
Nick LYUBER,
Public Administration

BACHELORS *Degrees*

Gary ARANT, Political Science
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Jim PUGH, Accounting
Kirsten PERAINO, Kinesiology
Fernando CARRILLO, Civil Engineering
Wally GRABBE, Civil Engineering
Nikolay LYUBER, Mechanical Engineering
Ando PILVE, Applied Science in Electronics Engineering

Gabriela OLSON, Political Science
Thang PHAM, Information Technology Security
Vanessa VELASQUEZ, Business Administration
Coral WILLIAMS, Literature & Writing Studies
Cort DAY, Information Technology
Beatriz GARNICA, Accounting
Aurora SANCHEZ, Criminal Justice and Sociology

ASSOCIATES *Degrees*

Michelle WICK, General Studies
Marlene MARTINEZ, Advanced G.I.S.
Stephanie LACKERDAS, General Studies
Roman De MARIQUEZ, CAD
Gaby OLSON, Occupational Safety & Health
Thang PHAM, Computer Assisted Networks
Ando PILVE, Applied Science in Electronics Engineering
Kirsten PERAINO, Kinesiology

Annelise VILLALOBOS, G.I.S.
Jim PUGH, Accounting
Jamie MARTINEZ, Social Science
Mike NICHOLS, General Studies