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-John Ruskin

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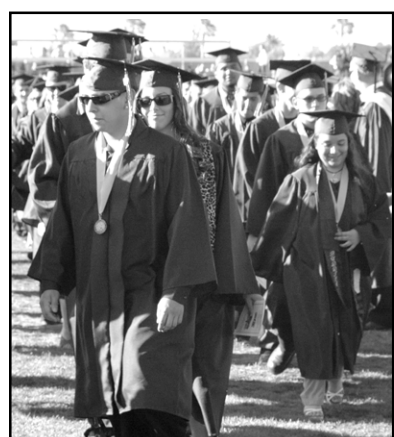
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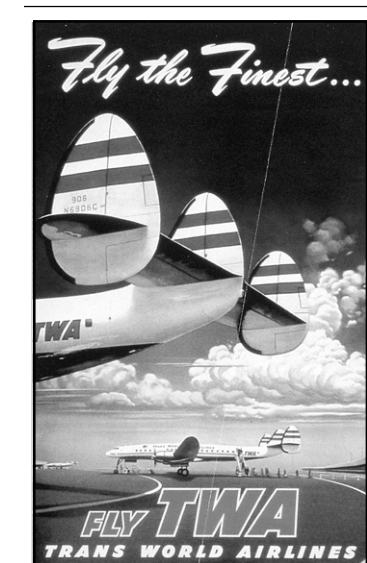


Jurupa Valley High School's
16th Annual Commencement and Awards Night Recipients...pages 8-9

4th of July Parade
Wednesday, July 4
Country Village, Mira Loma
9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

3rd of July Fireworks
Agate Park
Tuesday, July 3
5 to 9 p.m.

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Mt. Rubidoux, 9 p.m.
Wednesday, July 4



Aviation Posters from the Smithsonian Institution's National Air and Space Museum will be at the Museum of History and Art in Ontario, 225 So. Euclid Avenue, Ontario, July 6 to August 12.

60th Annual U.S. Army 1st Cavalry Division Association Convention in Riverside
July 11 to July 15
Headquarters at the Marriott, Riverside

New Driving Fines for 2007
• **Carpool lane** - 1st time \$1,068.50 starting 7/1/07 (The \$271 posted on the highway is old). 2nd time is going to be double; 3rd time triple, and 4th time license suspended.
• **Incorrect lane change** - \$380. Don't cross the lane on solid lines or intersections.
• **Block intersection** - \$485.
• **Driving on the shoulder** - \$450.
• As of 07/01/07 **cell phone use** must be "hands free" while driving. Ticket is \$285.

Jurupa-Eastvale Steelers Football MINI-CAMP
July 14-15
10 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Roosevelt High, Eastvale
7447 Cleveland Avenue
For boys and girls 7-14
Chris Lewis, Arizona Cardinals
Brandon Hancock, USC
Don Norford, '98 Coach of the Year
Darrell Rideaux, USC, Indy Colts
Kareen Koltz, USC, Saints

Jurupa Rodeo Volunteer and Sponsor Picnic
Saturday, 2 p.m.
Agate Park, Glen Avon

\$500 - \$1,000 Fine
For Possession, Sale or Use of Fireworks in Riverside County Patrols Underway

Bryant Post Office Dedication Tuesday

Rubidoux Post Office takes on the Name Of Jurupa Hills Soldier Lost in Iraq

RUBIDOUX -- A dedication ceremony naming the Rubidoux Post Office on Tilton Avenue "Lt. Todd Jason Bryant Post Office" will be held at 10 a.m. Tuesday, July 3. Ceremonies will place at 5757 Tilton Avenue, Rubidoux followed immediately with a reception at the Experimental Aircraft Association, Chapter 1 Hangar at Historic Flabob Airport on Mennes Street, also in Rubidoux.

President George W. Bush signed legislation authorizing the name change in honor of the Jurupa Hills soldier, killed in Iraq by an improvised explosive device. Bryant, a graduate of the U.S. Military Academy at West Point in New York, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Larry (Linda) Bryant of Jurupa Hills.

Congressman Ken Calvert authored the legislation changing the post office name.

Bryant served as an intern at Calvert's Washington D.C. office and received his appointment to West Point from Calvert.

Lt. Bryant is buried at the famed Arlington National Cemetery at the nation's capitol.

Citizens who wish to remember Lt. Bryant may submit a eulogy to his on line page at <http://defender.westpoint.org/service/eulogy/listing/>

Bryant's brother, Timothy, is a major in the U.S. Marine Corps and Purdue



Lt. Todd Jason Bryant

graduate. Bryant's sister is Tiffany Bryant, a U.S. Army 1st Lt. and graduate of the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, New York.

Public Open House to View 'Preferred' SCE/RPU Transmission Line June 28

RIVERSIDE -- A public open house to view information on the preferred transmission line routes selected for the Riverside Transmission Reliability Project is tonight from 4 to 8 p.m. at Riverside Municipal Airport, 6951 Flight Road, Riverside.

City officials tonight are expected to announce they will run the 230 kv transmission towers and lines along Van Buren Boulevard, traversing Mira Loma, Glen Avon and Pedley before crossing into the City of Riverside.

The Jurupa Unified School District and Jurupa Area Recreation and Park District oppose the route.

Van Buren Boulevard is being chosen over Bain and over a route north of Jurupa and Rubidoux, and into the City of Riverside.

Opponents argue the City of Riverside and the Riverside Public Utilities Commission had easy access from the Mira Loma Substation on Hamner Avenue, but avoided the choice of Hamner Avenue itself, which runs north-south to the City of Riverside.

Reservations for February General Chuck Yeager Event In Orange County Underway

ORANGE -- General Chuck Yeager, the first man to break the sound barrier, will be the keynote speaker at the California Rifle and Pistol Association banquet February 16 at the Hilton Hotel at the Orange County Airport.

To make reservations call 1-714-992-2772.

The announcement was made early because Yeager is expected to cause an early sell-out.

VFW Open House Saturday, July 7

GLEN AVON -- Veterans of Foreign Wars, Post 10267 Jurupa, 8607 Mission Boulevard, Glen Avon, is hosting an open house from 2 to 7 p.m. Saturday, July 7.

The event features a barbecue and horse shoe tournament.

There will be ribs, hamburgers and dishes brought by guests, members and their families.

For more information call 681-0267.

R.M. "Cook" Barela, an elected member of the board of directors of the Jurupa Community Services District, and Pedley lawyer Dan Shapiro announced immediate plans to block the choice of a Jurupa route.

"My role will not be so much as an attorney but as an experienced community organizer," said Shapiro. "We have a community action group to oppose the transmission lines passing anywhere through Jurupa. I anticipate a core of a dozen people with a much larger group supporting our efforts."

Barela has contracted with Cochran Initiatives to gather signatures of opposition.

Gregory Cochran, the company's owner, has worked for the Republican and Democratic Central Committees to register voters, and also solicits signatures for supporters, or opponents, of statewide ballot initiatives.

Cochran expects to set up at market fronts throughout Jurupa.

The City of Riverside and its public utilities agency sent a newsletter to Jurupans announcing the open house.

"All members of the team collected resource data for the project area and identified potential impacts from each alternative transmission line route," the newsletter said. "All members of the team met to rank each segment based on a variety of factors..."

The city and utilities said alternatives weighed aesthetics, land use, biology, wetlands, cultural, public opinion, geology and constructability.

The next step for the city agencies to distribute a draft environmental impact report for a 45 day public review. After a response the comments from the 45 day review, the city will response to comments.

The city is planning an late 2008 or early 2009 project construction.

Van Buren Boulevard is described by the city agencies as "environmentally superior."

Dr. Edward E. Hawkins of Indian Hills, a former superintendent of schools and opponent of the Jurupa routes, scoffed at the term, calling it "hogwash."

Barela and Shapiro said there is plenty of time to fight off the Jurupa route.

The protest, they said, begins today.



28 cancer survivors participated in the Relay for Life Honor Walk Saturday at Jurupa Valley High School's Jaguar Stadium. About 600 people spent 24 hours lapping the track, raising \$20,000 in the fight against cancer.

California Air Resources Board Here Tonight

CARB Follow-up Meeting Concerns Union Pacific Rail Yard in Mira Loma

MIRA LOMA -- The California Air Resources Board (CARB) will be at the Jurupa Valley High School theater tonight, 6 p.m., to conduct a follow-up meeting regarding the Union Pacific Auto Facility Rail Yard and related health risks of the diesel fuel emissions caused by heavy train and big rig truck traffic.

The CARB is expected to follow-up on a health risk assessment presented to the community May 24.

"The recent release of a draft by Union Pacific on the health risks to residents in Mira Loma and those within the close proximity to the Union Pacific auto facility left residents with a great deal of concern," said Rachel Lopez of the Center of Community Action and Environmental Justice (CCAIEJ). "What do these numbers really mean to our families and what will Union Pacific do to lower the risks our families are being exposed to?"

Lopez said the response from Union Pacific was not what residents wanted to hear.

"Especially when it came to making changes that will lower the health impacts to the students at Jurupa Valley High

School," she said. "And in particular to those students participating in sports on athletic facilities right next to the facility."

Lopez said Union Pacific representatives told her the cost of closing a gate next to the athletic fields at JVHS were too costly.

"Is the railroad putting a price tag on our childrens' health?" Lopez asked. "How can a corporation whose yearly net profits are in the millions put a price tag on our childrens' health?"

CARB an Union Pacific are being asked by CCAIEJ and citizens to find solutions to the air quality problem in Mira Loma, called by USC scientist as the worst in America.

CARB officials say particulate matter 2.5 in the South Coast Basin is responsible for 5,400 premature deaths a year, 2,400 hospitalizations and 980,000 lost work days.

"More than 70% of the air borne cancer risk in Southern California is directly attributed to diesel fueled engines in the basin," Lopez said. "Despite significant progress, air quality in the basin remains

the worst in the nation impacting 17 million people."

Lopez is urging citizens to attend tonight's meeting.

"The air quality here is unacceptable," she said. "We demand immediate attention. We need everyone to join together and voice concern."

For more information about tonight's meeting, call 360-8451.

Calvert Votes to Reject Amnesty Bill

WASHINGTON D.C. - Today Congressman Ken Calvert (R-Corona) voted in favor of a resolution passed by the GOP Conference that stated: "Resolved, that the House Republican Conference disapproves of the Senate immigration bill."

Calvert is steadfast on his opposition to amnesty. "It's baffling how out-of-touch Senators are on the issue of illegal immigration," said Rep. Calvert. "This resolution is a clear signal that House Republicans will not vote for a bill that provides amnesty to those illegally in the United States. The American people have demanded that Congress secure the border and enforce the laws on the books. House Republicans are committed to building the fence, increasing the number of border patrol agents and requiring employment verification and not rewarding individuals whose first action was to break the law."



Tournament of Champions 'Champions'

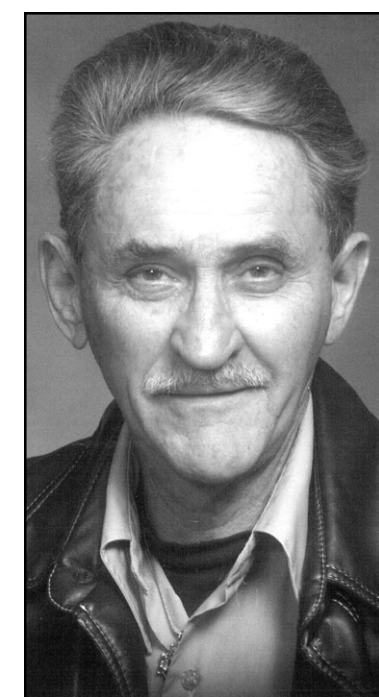
Jurupa American Little League's 15-0 Senior League Angels team has won the District 24 Little League Tournament of Champions, the first team to do so since the 1996 Jurupa American White Sox. The Angels clinched the championship Saturday in a victory over Norco, 7-5.

The team members and coaches shown above are Coach Guy Deckert, Edgardo Valdez, Junior Rios, Mike Louk, Dakota Stokley, John Martinez, James Koenig, Junior Ibarra, Ralph Hurtado, Alex Sanchez, Jacob Deckert, Coach Jesse Hurtado, Anthony DeLeon and Coach Bill Stokley.

On the week of June 18-23 the Little League District 24 Baseball and Girls Softball Tournament Of Champions took place. Out of the six divisions played for, Jurupa American took the championship in Senior Girls Softball, Junior Girls Softball, Major Girls Softball, and Senior Boys Baseball

"A special well done goes out to the Major Girls Softball Steelers. (11-12 year olds) who went undefeated in the regular season with a record of 16-0 in intraleague play with eight other teams," said Damon Drake of the Steelers. "It is a very big accomplishment for our community. We invite all members of our community to come out and support these local athletes in the upcoming All Star competition." A schedule of upcoming All Star games will be released soon.

Fireworks in Riverside County are Illegal Free Shows July 3 at Agate Park, July 4 Mt. Rubidoux



JAMES "MAX" STRICKLER

Services Held for Max Strickler

RUBIDOUX -- Services for James "Max" Strickler were held yesterday at Rubidoux Mortuary Chapel, followed by graveside services at Riverside National Cemetery. Mr. Strickler die June 22. He was 88.

Mr. Strickler was one of the first homeowners in the Paramount Estates development north of Mission Middle School in Rubidoux. He lived on the hillside below Rattlesnake Mountain, and often caught larger rattlers that had wandered into his back yard.

Max Strickler caught two rattlers longer than he was tall, and was often the first warning to citizens the snakes were coming out of the hills and looking for food.

Mr. Strickler and his wife, Gean Alice, came to Jurupa 50 years ago. He retired from the U.S. Air Force in 1965 as a senior master sergeant.

Mr. Strickler immediately took work as an Sheriff's aide, a position he held for 12 years.

Mr. Strickler and his wife was active in Jurupa community events throughout the 1960s, 1970s, 1980s and early 1990s. The couple slowed a little bit when they reached their 80s.

Mr. Strickler was born in Logan, Kansas October 5, 1918.

In addition to his wife of 65 years Gean Alice, Mr. Strickler is survived by three daughters, Jacqueline McNally and her husband, Mike, Maxine Avila and her husband, John, Blanche Banuelos and her husband, Raymond, and his son Rahn and his wife Stephanie.

There are also 18 grandchildren and 14 great grandchildren.

Rubidoux Mortuary is in charge of the arrangements.