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A GRATEFUL GLEN EDEN SAYS 'THANK YOU'

It's been a tough month for members of the **Glen Eden Sun Club**, culminating this past weekend with more than 600 truckfuls of mud and debris hauled from the club grounds. As predicted in official reports released after the **Holy Fire**, Glen Eden took one of the hardest hits in Temescal Valley during the Dec. 6 debris flow.

Since the day after the flow, residents and club members have labored dawn to dusk shoveling the mud and debris that came rushing down **Indian Creek**, which runs through the center of the club. And, as predicted in one of the reports, a 40-foot steel bridge that spanned the creek was washed away and carried a quarter-mile downstream almost to De Palma Road.

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ABOVE: The 40-foot steel bridge that was swept a quarter-mile downstream. **BELOW:** Trucks line up waiting to be filled with debris. More than 600 loads were hauled.





ABOVE: Trucks are loaded with mud and debris. **BELOW:** Spanish Hills resident **DAVE DAVIS** volunteered his skills to help his Temescal Valley neighbors.



DEBRIS FLOW ...

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Glen Eden did not have county financial aid in preparing for a possible debris flow, nor the county's assistance in the cleanup. Unlike the "high at-risk" areas adjacent to **Horsethief Canyon Ranch** and **Lemon Grove**, and in **Lake Elsinore** – both with basins on county flood control property, Glen Eden is a private club on private property. The 150-acre nudist resort was founded by Canadian transplants **Ray** and **Mildred Connett** in 1963.

The club's board of directors worked with state and county officials after the fire to get direction in the steps to take to prepare for a debris flow event. Both reports stressed it wasn't a matter of "if" there will be a flow, but "when" the flow occurs. At its own expense, the club built a catch basin capable of containing 10,000 cubic feet of debris, but it quickly reached capacity and overflowed.

After two weeks of shoveling muck from around their homes and throughout the resort – the two tennis courts were under 3 feet of mud, equipment was rented to finish the "heavy lifting." Through club resident and Temescal Valley community activist **Barbara Paul**, the call for experienced heavy equipment operators who would volunteer their services was posted on social media.

Several Temescal valley residents quickly responded. **Dave Davis**, a **Spanish Hills** resident, worked tirelessly for three weeks. **Weirick Road** resident **Brien Clingman** also volunteered. Others were placed on a stand-by list in case additional help was needed.

Frank Smith, owner of FST Sand and Gravel on Temescal Canyon Road, volunteered his help, as well. After touring the club, Smith posted on social media, "I have seen pictures of the damage, but in person the devastation is unbelievable. FST will be helping with rip rap (boulders for slope protection), crushed rock, equipment operators when needed, and anything else we can do to help. I left today overwhelmed by the huge progress of your volunteers, but sad to see the damage."

The county also responded, providing a fleet of dump trucks to haul the debris to an area off Walker Canyon Road where it is being dried and then tested for contamination prior to final disposal.

Operating in a continuous cycle, the trucks were filled and refilled from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. last Friday and for several hours Saturday morning hauling the debris. If not removed, the next rain exceeding the flow threshold could carry it across De Palma Road and the I-15 freeway.

While the trucks were making their final runs Saturday morning, **Steve Spencer**, president of the Glen Eden Board of Directors, and board member **Tom Vineski** attended the **We Are Temescal Valley** monthly meeting to thank the community for its outpouring of volunteerism.

Spencer expressed appreciation to the group for helping the club during its time of need. "Glen Eden is a great community and we're proud to be part of the larger Temescal Valley community," Spencer said. "Please accept our thanks for all you've done."



WITH A LITTLE HELP OF OUR FRIENDS: A volunteer operating rented equipment moves mud, rocks and debris at Glen Eden.

Corona City Council approves 31 additional acres for Arantine Hills

The newly seated **Corona City Council** last month gave the goahead to **The New Home Company** to add 31 acres to its 276acre housing development while adding no additional homes.

The number of residential units remains at 1,621 as specified in the original approval. That approval also includes the ability to construct an additional 185 units if designated "age-restricted" (55 and older), which would allow 1,806 homes to be built.

With the approval of the additional acreage, the City Council changed the definition of age-restricted to 62 and older, reasoning that if senior-housing is built, an age closer to retirement could reduce the number of daily car trips.

The 31 acres TNHC will add are located between the **Eagle Glen Golf Club** and the project's southern boundary. The property is part of a 159-acre parcel, now zoned agriculture. Approval was given for a zone change to medium density residential and open space on the 31 acres. The agriculture zoning on the parcel's remaining 127 acres will not change.

That acreage contains two plateaus that back up to **The Retreat** neighborhood in **Temescal Valley**. **Fred Myers**, a resident of The Retreat, and other Temescal Valley residents attending the meeting were told any plans to develop the remaining 127 acres would require an environmental impact report and an amendment to the Arantine Hills Specific Plan, as well as other approvals.

Councilman Wes Speake asked that focus not be lost on creating a viable trail system that would have a future connection point to both the Cleveland National Forest and Temescal Creek, and that a trailhead available to the public be established within the development.



COLOR CHANGE: Residents not happy with the use of bright red on some of the buildings asked that the color palette resemble Terramor.

Planning Commission recommends center's approval

The county **Planning Commission** last month voted to recommend to the **Board of Supervisors** the approval of a retail center planned at the northwest corner of **Indian Truck Trail** and **Temescal Canyon Road**.

Toscana Village at Temescal Valley is a proposed 27-acre commercial center to be constructed in two phases and when completed will have a gas station, restaurants, supermarket, and 194,000 square feet of office and retail space. There will be 15 buildings and 1,138 parking spaces.

The public hearing for the center could be on the Board of Supervisors agenda for the **Tuesday**, **Jan. 29** meeting, but a public notice for the hearing has yet to be published.

In voting to approve recommendation of the development, Planning Commission members did impose conditions to the project based on concerns raised by **Temescal Valley** residents attending the meeting or through emails sent prior to the hearing.

The number of oak trees to be removed along **Temescal Canyon Road** must be re-evaluated with the possibility that oaks will be included in landscaping plans for the center. A striped bike lane along Temescal Canyon Road is now included in the project and the color scheme for the buildings must be similar to the Terramor housing development.

Concerns over too many traffic signals placed along Temescal Canyon Road proved to be unfounded. Even though the signals were approved, they will not be placed unless justified by traffic congestion that slows traffic flow.

Residents were told that the issue of possible gridlock on **Indian Truck Trail** caused by motorists exiting the freeway and making a left turn to access the center would be handled by the county and **Caltrans** working together to coordinate the synchronization of traffic signals.

The center's 12-acre first phase will have six buildings – including a 16-pump **ARCO station** with car wash, an **am/pm mini-mart**, and two fast-food restaurants – one of which is **Jack in the Box**. Also planned are 4,500- and 6,000-square-foot restaurants, and a 39,000-square-foot, two-story building for offices and retail stores. Tenants are now being recruited by **Speedway Development**, the project's developer.

Some people have concerns that the only tenants announced for the center are the ARCO, am/pm and Jack in the Box. After the meeting, Speedway's **Tom Chavez** said that potential tenants do not want to be disclosed until the project is approved.

Proposed for the 15-acre second phase, to be constructed after completion of the first phase, are nine buildings totaling 133,000 square feet. Planned are two additional restaurants, office and retail space, a supermarket, and possibly a bank and pharmacy. All necessary project approvals and the certification of the Environmental Impact Report apply to both phases. Not included in the approvals is the plot plan for the second phase which will need approval prior to construction of that phase.

Questions or comments on the project can be emailed to county planner **Russell Brady**, **rbrady@rivco.org**

View the Environmental Impact Report and other documents: https://planning.rctlma.org/Home/PlanningNotices/El
RforToscanaVillage.aspx

Learn more about the center:

http://www.wearetv.org/2017/07/13/plans-for-retail-center-announced/



ADOPT A PET AT TOM'S FARMS: Thinking about getting a dog? Tom's Farms will have many from which to choose at its first-ever Pet Adoption event from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 26. If you are a local rescue or own a pet-related business, you're invited to participate at no cost. Vendors are asked to provide their own EZ-ups and tables, as well as a copy of their business license and certificate of liability. Rescues also need to provide a copy of their 501C. For more information, email Kristal Chavarria at kristal@tomsfarms.com. It's going to be a fun event and hopefully – many wonderful, deserving dogs will find their forever homes!



HAPPY WINNERS: Temescal Valley kids display certificates they received for having their artwork selected for the calendar. Presenting the awards were, from left, Samantha Stillwell – representing Assemblywoman Melissa Melendez; Art Marquez – El Sobrante Landfill, and county Supervisor Kevin Jeffries.

Waste Management calendar contest winners announced

January's Temescal Valley Municipal Advisory Council meeting is always special. That's when the winners of the Annual Recyclables Calendar Art Contest sponsored by Waste Management/El Sobrante Landfill are announced.

The theme this year was "Keep Calm and Recycle Often. Recycle Right," and there were 130 entries. "With only 12 winners, this made judging difficult," according to Art Marquez, the landfill's community relations representative.

All winners received certificates of recognition from county **Supervisor Kevin Jeffries** and **Assemblywoman Melissa Melendez**, as well as goody bags from the landfill. First- through fourth-place winners received cash awards for their school and an ice-cream party for their classroom. Congratulations to all our very talented artists!

1st Place: Mackenzie Crain, 6th Grade. Mackenzie earned an \$800 donation for Luiseno School.

2nd Place: Breanna Lee, 7th Grade. Breanna earned a \$600 donation for El Cerrito Middle School.

3rd Place: Taylor Mosley, Kindergarten. Taylor earned a \$400 donation for Todd Academy.

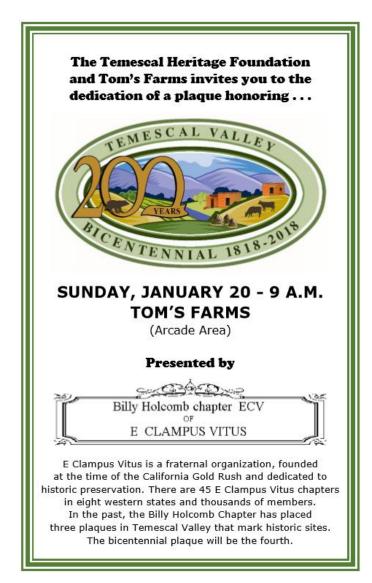
4th Place: Vivian Lee, 2nd grade. Vivian earned a \$200 donation for Temescal Valley Elementary School.

Runners-Up:

Jeremy Fors-Chang, Rayce Anderson, Isabella Noss – Luiseno School

Justin Mosley, Isabella Marro, Rylie Rich – Todd Academy

Mckenna Pallares, Abby Zarate – Temescal Valley Elementary School





DECEMBER PHOTO WINNER

The theme was "Happy Holidays." Congratulations to MARAM

JIBRIL of Horsethief Canyon Ranch for this photo of her son

Zayn. Maram caught that perfect moment when Zayn meets

Santa, whose visit each year to Horsethief Canyon Ranch is

sponsored by the Homeowners' Association.

CALLING ALL PHOTOGRAPHERS! The theme for January's contest is "Reflecting on Temescal Valley." It's easy to enter. Photos must be shot in Temescal Valley by Temescal Valley residents – limit five photos per photographer. Tell us who you are and in which Temescal Valley community you reside and give your entries a title. Shots are due by Thursday, Jan. 31. Email the photos and info to:

tvfairephotos@gmail.com

A BICENTENNIAL MOMENT . . .

It was in January of 1861 that Josiah Whitney and William Brewer, leaving

from Coldwater Canyon on foot, scaled Santiago Peak – up and back, during daylight hours. The two, with four other men were members of California's first geological survey. Brewer kept a journal during the team's four-year assignment, which later was published as a book, "Up and Down California in 1860-1864." In it, Brewer recounts the week he spent in Temescal Valley. Learn more historic facts on our bicentennial page:

WeAreTV.org/Bicentennial/ and join us at 9 a.m., Saturday, Jan. 19 for our next committee meeting in the Temescal Room at the Trilogy Lodge, 24503 Trilogy Parkway.

CALENDAR

EVENTS

- Holiday Break Ends: School is back in session for CNUSD students Monday, Jan. 14 and Tuesday, Jan. 15 for LEUSD students.
- <u>Father-Son Nerf Night</u>: At Temescal Valley Elementary School,
 <u>Friday, Jan. 18</u>. TK 1st, 5 to 6 p.m.; 2nd 4th, 6 to 7 p.m.; 5th 6th, 7 to 8 p.m. \$15 PTA member; \$20 non-member.
- <u>Bicentennial Plaque Dedication</u>: Hosted by the Billy Holcomb Chapter E Clampus Vitus, 9 a.m., **Sunday, Jan. 20**, Tom's Farms, adjacent to the arcade games.
- <u>Martin Luther King Jr. Day</u>: Federal holiday; school closed, Monday, Jan. 21.
- <u>Luiseno School Fundraiser</u>: Dine at Rock & Brews in The Crossings and 15% of your tab will be donated to Luiseno, 5 to 9 p.m., <u>Thursday</u>, <u>Jan. 24</u>.
- Sycamore Creek Interpretive Center: A hands-on learning experience where all ages can study the local ecology and natural history of Temescal Valley. The center is open 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Thursdays, Fridays, Saturdays, 11875 Indian Truck Trail. 951-277–0219 or scic@rcrcd.org. FREE!
- 100 Mile Club: Log your miles for all kids from all schools, 8 to 9 a.m., every Sunday at Deleo Park. No drop-offs, a parent must accompany runners.
- <u>El Cerrito County Library</u>: 7581 Rudell Road, behind El Cerrito Middle School. Many fun activities for the kids! 951-270-5012 or check out the January activities <u>HERE</u>
- <u>Tom's Farms</u>: FREE! Every weekend Craft Faire, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Magic Show, noon and 2 p.m.; live music, 12:30 to 5 p.m. Pet Adoption Event, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday, Jan. 26. For information: kristal@tomsfarms.com.

TEMESCAL VALLEY MEETINGS

- We Are Temescal Valley Education Committee: 6:30 p.m., Thursday, Jan. 17, Senor Tom's restaurant.
- <u>Temescal Heritage Foundation Bicentennial Committee</u>: 9 a.m., Saturday, Jan. 19, Temescal Room, Trilogy Lodge, 24503 Trilogy Parkway.
- <u>Temescal Valley Water District Board Meeting</u>: 8:30 a.m.,
 <u>Tuesday, Jan. 22</u>, 22646 Temescal Canyon Road. <u>AGENDA</u>
- We Are Temescal Valley Identity and Beautification
 Committees: 6 and 7 p.m., respectively, Thursday, Feb. 7,

 Senor Tom's restaurant.
- We Are Temescal Valley citizens' group: 8:30 a.m.,
 Saturday, Feb. 9, Trilogy Lake Center, 24477 Trilogy Parkway.
- <u>Temescal Valley Municipal Advisory Council Meeting</u>: 6 p.m., <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>Feb. 20</u>, Trilogy Lodge, 24503 Trilogy Parkway.

MEETINGS THAT AFFECT US

- Elsinore Valley Municipal Water District Board Meeting: 4 p.m., Thursday, Jan. 10 and 24, 31315 Chaney St., Lake Elsinore. AGENDA
- Riverside County Board of Supervisors: 9 a.m., Tuesday, Jan. 15, 29 and Feb. 5, Administrative Center, 4080 Lemon St., Riverside. AGENDA | WATCH LIVE VIDEO
- Riverside County Planning Commission: 9 a.m., Wednesday, Jan. 16 and Feb. 6, Administrative Center, 4080 Lemon St., Riverside. <u>AGENDA | WATCH LIVE VIDEO</u>
- <u>Corona-Norco Unified School District</u>: Business Meeting, 7 p.m., <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>Jan. 22</u> and <u>Feb. 5</u>, 2820 Clark Ave., Norco. <u>AGENDA</u>
- <u>Lake Elsinore Unified School District</u>: 6 p.m., Thursday, Jan.
 24 and Feb. 14, 545 Chaney St., Lake Elsinore. AGENDA



Riverside-San Bernardino Chapter

February Program



Ditch Your Lawn!

with Katie Barrows and Arlee Montalvo

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2019 9:00 AM TO NOON

At the Sycamore Creek Interpretive Center
11875 Indian Truck Trail
Temescal Valley, CA 92883

Email: scic@rcrcd.org, Phone #: 951-277-0219

(exit Hwy 15 @ Indian Truck Trail- intersection of Campbell Ranch & Indian Truck Trail)

Learn tips for lawn removal, irrigation, hydro-zoning, design, and selecting plants to create beautiful environmentally friendly spaces.

Class size is limited, please call or email to reserve your spot!

Co-sponsored by the Riverside-Corona Resource Conservation District





Join us to hear
Katie Barrows and
Arlee Montalvo
present this
traveling CNPS
program with great
information
tailored to our
region. There will
be some hands-on
demonstrations so
expect to get your
hands dirty!

Share your own
experiences in
waterwise
landscaping with
native and
California friendly
plants.

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