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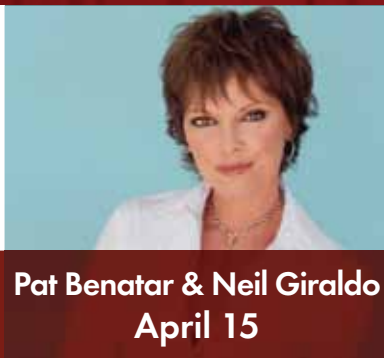
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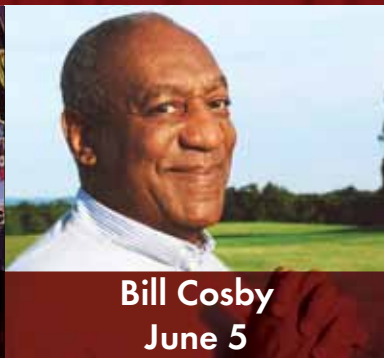
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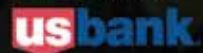
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The festival begins at 10am Saturday, Feb. 6 with the Gordon Highlanders and "Queen Victoria" raising the flag while singing "Britannia" and ends at 5pm Sunday, Feb. 7.

Main events include: Mr. Fezziwig's Victorian Ball, Evensong by Raincross Chorale, Royal Victorian Tearoom and Music Hall, two fashion shows, and a pub with entertainment. The plays are "Meet Mr. Dickens," starring Paul Jacques, "The Old Curiosity Shop" adapted by Katherine Gage and "Nicholas Nickleby," adapted by Paul Jacques. A special Children's area called Oliver's Alley will have games, crafts, storytelling and children's teas. The London Marketplace will feature entertainers, vendors, bookstore and re-enactment groups.

Fictitious characters, The Gordon Highlanders Scottish Regiment, Queen Victoria, Charles Dickens, Mr. and Mrs. Fezziwig, and Mr. Pickwick will roam the Marketplace.

Approximately twenty events and performances are on-going the entire weekend. Hotel reservations are recommended by early January to obtain discounted Dickens' rates. For further information on events and performances, visit the website www.dickensfest.com or call (800) 430-4140. Ticketed events may be charged to Visa, Mastercard or Discover or checks sent to P.O. Box 113, Riverside, CA, 92502. Brochures and free newsletters are sent upon request. IER



Charles Dickens, portrayed by Paul Jacques (left), with Mayor and Mrs. Ron Loveridge.



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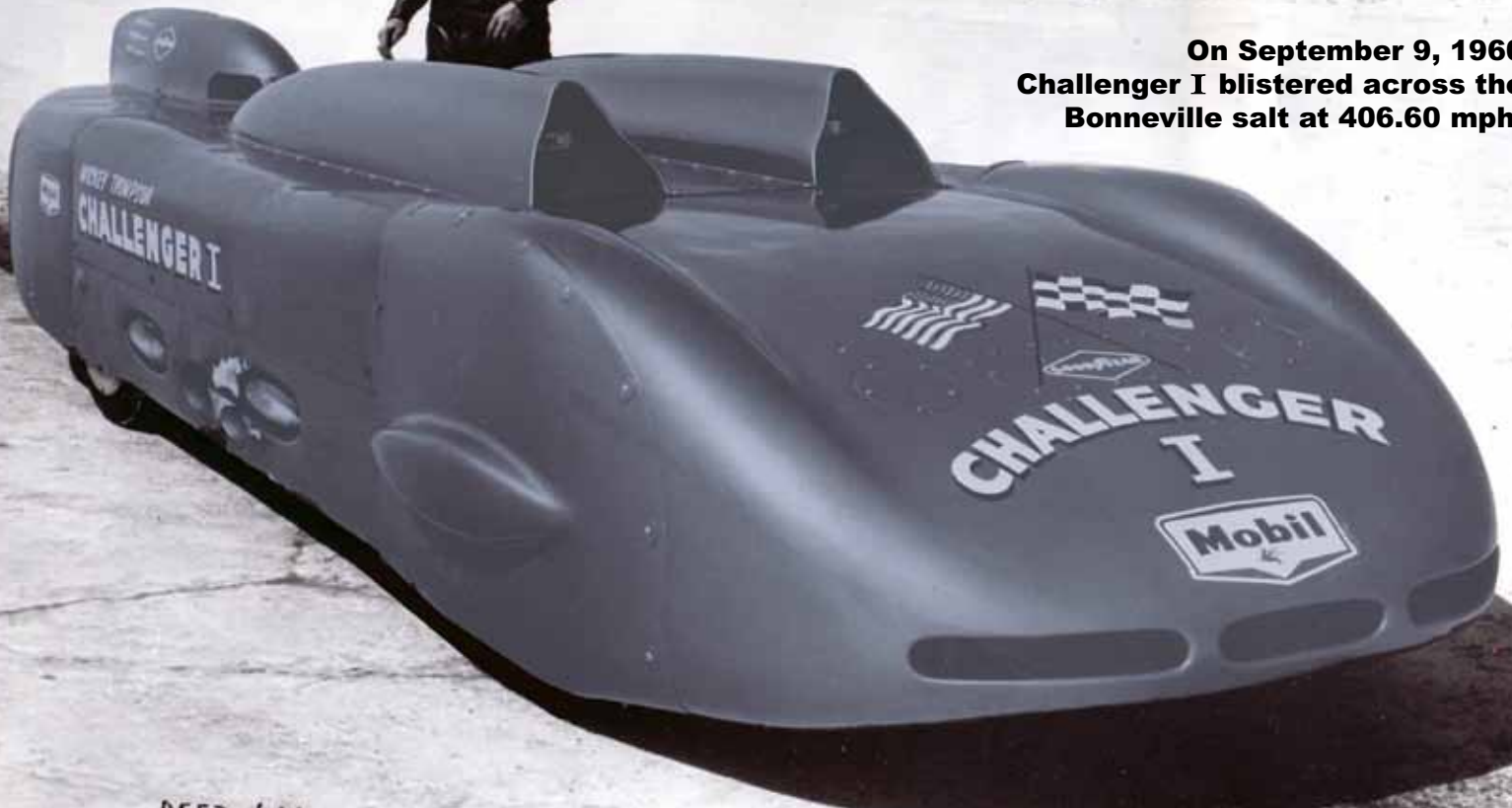
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Theater & The Arts

Riverside's Fox Performing Arts Center

opens with

Sheryl Crow

The long-anticipated Fox Performing Arts Center in Downtown Riverside opens this month, featuring Sheryl Crow in the renovated theatre's inaugural performance, Jan. 22-23.

Sheryl Crow, award winning singer-songwriter, has recorded six Top Ten studio albums featuring many hit singles. Crow's 1993 debut album went seven times Platinum and earned three Grammy's — best new artist, record of the year and best female pop vocal performance for the featured hit single, "All I Wanna Do."

Her subsequent 1996 triple Platinum album earned the Grammy for best rock album and the single from that album, "If It Makes You Happy," earned the Grammy for Best Female Pop Vocal Performance.

Ongoing album releases in the late 90s and on into the new millennium earned her additional accolades in the category of best female rock vocal performance and once again for best rock album. Sheryl's 2003 album, *The Very Best of Sheryl Crow*, soared to 4 times Platinum hitting #2 on the Album Charts and featured the hit single, "The First Cut is The Deepest."

The Fox Performing Arts Center presents this nine-time Grammy award-winning extraordinary artist for two nights on the theater's Grand Opening Weekend of January 22-23 in a concert to Benefit The American Cancer Society. **IER**

Fox Performing Arts Center TICKET INFORMATION

Tickets are available at ticketmaster.com, Ticketmaster outlets and the Riverside Municipal Auditorium Box Office. For more information, call (951) 788-3944, or go online to www.foxriverside-live.com.

More Fox Performances ...



NATALIE COLE with the Corona Symphony
Pops: Feb. 13



WARREN HILL with the Corona Symphony
Pops: Feb. 14



MASTERS OF HARMONY:
Feb. 27

Benise performs at the Fox, Jan. 29-30

Benise, 2008 Emmy Award Winning Master of the Spanish Guitar, takes his audiences on a spectacular journey through the world of Nouveau Flamenco, Cuban Salsa, African Tribal Rhythms, Argentinean, Tango and Brazilian Samba.

Performing since age of 11 and inspired by the places he traveled, Benise has created a uniquely exciting musical style, attracting musicians, dancers and circus performers who now are an integral part of his performances.

Backed by these world class musicians

and elaborately choreographed dancers, with a show that appeals to people of all ages, cultures and musical backgrounds, and with his new PBS Special, "The Spanish Guitar," to air in spring of 2010, this Master of World Music and Dance performs at the Fox on January 29 and 30. **IER**

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LET THEM EAT CAKE: Artist showcase featuring Martiros Adalian, Jan. 4 - Feb. 26. Artist reception Feb. 5, 7pm. See article on page 15.

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SHERYL CROW: The Fox Theatre's inaugural event, Jan. 22-23. See article on page 8.

BENISE: Jan. 29-30. See article on page 9.

NATALIE COLE: Feb. 13, with the Corona Symphony Pops.

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MENOPAUSE THE MUSICAL:

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▼ SAN BERNARDINO MUSIC SCENE


Tenor Daniel Rodriguez performs in San Bernardino

America's beloved tenor, Daniel Rodriguez, will bring a heartfelt performance to the Sturges Theatre in San Bernardino on Thursday, January 28, at 8pm. This performance is part of the San Bernardino Valley Concert Association's electrifying concert season.

It was fate that brought an unknown New York police officer named Daniel Rodriguez to the national stage after September 11, 2001. While a country in mourning looked for answers, it was his stirring renditions of "God Bless America" and the National Anthem that brought renewed hope, determination and patriotism to America. Since that memorable performance, Daniel has sung around the world including at the 2002 Winter Olympics and he was featured in the PBS Memorial Day concert in Washington, D.C. With three CD's under his belt, Daniel is looking to the future with the same optimistic spirit that has brought him to this point. His goals include the Broadway stage, opera and acting.


The San Bernardino Valley Concert Association was born in the 1930s as the MacDowell Club (named after then popular American composer Edward MacDowell). Initially, performances were held in members' homes, local churches, the YWCA and music studios. Later performances were held at San Bernardino

Valley College and San Bernardino High School. Eventually, the name was changed to San Bernardino Valley Concert Association and performances were moved to the California Theatre and Sturges Theatre. The current 2009-2010 season marks the organization's 70th anniversary.

Tickets for Daniel Rodriguez are \$20 for adults, \$10 for children and students. Military, police and other law enforcement personnel and their families are invited to attend free of charge. For more information call (909) 570-9793. 



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Mambop January 14	La Internacional Sonora Show January 21	Yari Moré January 28
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HOT FLASH!**Hit 'Menopause the Musical' comes to Palm Springs**

It's time to kick-up those high heels. The international hit show *Menopause The Musical* is making its Palm Springs debut February 5 at the Annenberg Theater in the Palm Springs Art Museum.

Set in a department store, where four women with seemingly nothing in common but a black lace bra meet by chance at a lingerie sale. The all-female cast makes fun of their woeful hot flashes, forgetfulness, mood swings, wrinkles, night sweats and chocolate binges. A sisterhood is created between these diverse women as they realize that menopause is no longer The Silent Passage. It is a stage in every woman's life that is perfectly normal.

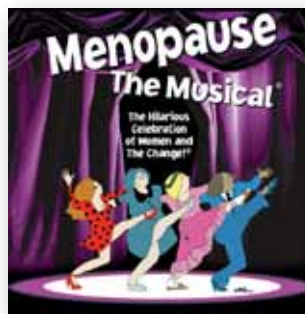
Menopause The Musical is the work of writer and producer Jeanie Linders. The laughter-filled 90-minute production includes parodies from the classics of the '60s, '70s and '80s.

Menopause The Musical has launched a women's movement that has superseded entertainment and become a must-see event. It is estimated that nearly 11 million women

have attended a performance since the 2001 opening in Orlando, Florida. Inspired by a hot flash and a bottle of wine, Jeanie Linders created the show as a celebration of women who are on the brink of, in the middle of, or have survived "The Change."

"Most women know intuitively that every other woman is experiencing hot flashes or night sweats," Linders said. "There is always a close friend or two who can sympathize or identify with her, but when they are sitting in a theatre with hundreds of other women, all laughing and shouting, 'That's me! That's me on stage!' they know what they are experiencing is normal. They aren't alone...or crazy. It becomes a sisterhood."

Since its first performance, the show has evolved as a grassroots movement of women who deal with life after 40 and all the challenges that result from the mental, physical,



and spiritual freedom of being a woman.

Menopause The Musical has entertained audiences across the country in more than 250 cities and in a total of 14 countries. Internationally, the show has visited Australia, Canada, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Malaysia, Mexico,

New Zealand, Philippines, United Kingdom, Singapore, South Africa, and South Korea. Each week women of all ages and stages find their spirits lifted by the show's light-hearted look at menopause.

For more information, go online to www.MenopauseTheMusical.com. The show runs Feb. 5 through March 28 at the Annenberg Theater at the Palm Springs Art Museum. Reach the Annenberg Box Office at (760) 325-4490 or www.annenbergtheater.org. For group tickets, contact Bill Davis at (760) 333-0253. **LER**

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The MainStreet Theatre Company continues its fourth season of high-quality, professional theatre for young audiences, with *Cinderella*, opening at Rancho Cucamonga's Lewis Family Playhouse January 30 and running through February 13.

Written in the 1970s, this version of *Cinderella* takes a "fractured fairytale" approach to the age-old rags-to-riches love story. In this version, the White Rabbit from *Alice in Wonderland*, who has fallen through the wrong hole, becomes an integral part of the story, adding a delightful twist to the classic fable.

The creative team, including original composer/lyricist David Coleman is updating the musical for this production. The show will have a new opening, new musical arrangements, and the overall style of the piece will enhance the magical elements inherent in the story. Original book writer Phylis Ravel (formerly Phyllis Ward Fox) will attend the opening weekend performances.

"I feel like we've discovered a lost jewel,

a gem of a show," Mireya (Murry) Hepner, MainStreet Theatre Company producer, said. "The script is witty, funny and smart. The music is great, and our production will bring all the magic of the story to life in very surprising ways."

In addition to director Mark Rucker, the creative team includes: Janice Rodgers Wainwright, musical director; Janet Miller, choreographer; Michael C. Smith, scenic design; Brian Gale, lighting; and Angela Balogh Calin, costume design.

Cinderella, appropriate for ages six years and up, runs Saturdays at 1pm and 4pm, and one Sunday matinee February 7 at 1pm, which will also be interpreted in American Sign Language. The city also runs special



weekday matinees for school children. Tickets are \$16.50 for general admission, \$14.50 for seniors, and \$13.50 for youth up to age 12. Specially priced \$8 tickets are available during the Target Family Weekend performances on January 30.

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▼ SAN BERNARDINO MUSIC

San Bernardino Symphony pays tribute to the King of Pop

January concert also features pianist Eldred Marshall

Maestro Carlo Ponti and the San Bernardino Symphony will pay a special musical tribute to Michael Jackson with exclusive instrumental transcriptions of some of his most popular songs. The Ponti family considered the late musical icon a close friend.

Maestro Ponti, conductor and music director of the San Bernardino Symphony Orchestra, was invited by Jackson in 1988 to accompany him during his "Bad" Tour that spanned cities across the world.


The orchestral medley, featuring the popular hits "Billie Jean," "The Girl Is Mine," and "Beat It," will open the San Bernardino Symphony's performance on Sunday, January 24, at 3pm.

This magical afternoon of music for the whole family will also feature up and coming pianist Eldred Marshall playing Mozart's most popular concerto. Marshall



Pianist Eldred Marshall

was raised in Rialto and is on Assembly Member Wilmer Amina Carter's staff. Another highlight of the concert is the Inland Empire premiere of Carlos Chavez's Toccata for 6 Percussions.

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Certainly every country music fan knows Patsy Cline as a phenomenal singer who pioneered the rise of female country stars. More importantly, at a time when country and pop music were a twain that almost never met, Patsy was the first female country singer to achieve a pop hit in "Walkin' After Midnight," the first of many crossover successes. Music fans of every persuasion were captivated by the astonishing liquidity and richness of Patsy's voice.



Lisa Layne as Patsy Cline.

Back by popular demand at the Candlelight Pavilion in Claremont is the story of Patsy Cline, *Always ... Patsy Cline*. Lisa Layne reprises her role and Candlelight favorite Beth Mendoza is Louise. All of Patsy Cline's hits, "Crazy," "Walkin' After Midnight," "She's Got You," "Sweet Dreams," "I Fall to Pieces" and 22 other Cline tunes, are performed live by Layne accompanied by a live band.

Patsy was the youngest inductee into the Country Music Hall of Fame, honored the year she would have been only 41 years old. Cline is part of the list of young vibrant performers taken from the world too soon by a tragic accident. Since her 1963 death at the

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Noches con Ritmo in Fontana

Beginning January 14 at Center Stage Theatre in Downtown Fontana is *Noches con Ritmo*, an evening of Latin music and dancing. As part of the Fontana Arts program, *Noches con Ritmo* is scheduled to run from January to June 2010 on select Thursday evenings. There is a minimal entrance fee of \$5 per person. Appetizers and beverages are available for purchase. This event is for adults, 18 years and older only.

The evening starts off at 7pm with dance instruction from Ivelisse Quiñones (Evie), who teaches you how to move to the rhythms of Latin music. Drawing from her knowledge and experience with Plena, Merengue, Salsa, Cha-Cha and other styles, Evie will make sure you learn the art of Latin dance while having fun at the same time.

At 8pm the music starts and the dance floor opens up for those who want to show off their dance skills. Or if you'd like to just sit, relax and enjoy the live music, perhaps order some appetizers and beverages, you're more than welcome to. But once that

music starts it'll be hard to resist jumping out of your seat and getting out on the dance floor. Music and dancing continues through the night until 12am.

On January 14, MamBop will bring their pulsing mambo and be-bop rhythms to Center Stage ensuring an exciting night to kick-off the *Noches con Ritmo* series. The MamBop style is an intriguing combination of driving Cuban and Puerto Rican Mambos and American Bebop Jazz as well as "Salsa Dura" Hard Salsa. MamBop started out strictly playing Latin Jazz that was on the fiery side. As their audiences grew they noticed their music made people want to dance. As a result MamBop added singers and extra percussion and now also plays Salsa Dura and Latin classics which appeal to the hard core Salsa crowd and makes MamBop a more versatile group. The band was founded and is led by timbale player Jim Munoz. Over the years, the band has changed and grown into what it is now with seasoned players that give it a strong confident sound.



Scheduled dates for the upcoming *Noches con Ritmo* are January 14, 21 and 28; February 18 and 25; March 4, 18 and 25; April 8, 15 and 22; May 13, 20 and 27; June 3 and 10. Other scheduled performers include La Internacional Sonora Show, Yari Moré, DJ Danny Cabrera and Cumbia Live.

Noches con Ritmo is part of the Fontana Arts program focused on enriching life through art events and activities in the Fontana Community. For more information about this event and other Fontana Arts events in the City, call (909) 349-6900 or visit www.fontanarecreation.org. **IER**

▼ INLAND EMPIRE ART



Fontana's Artist Showcase presents 'Let Them Eat Cake'

This winter the Fontana's Art Depot Gallery features *Let Them Eat Cake* by artist Martiros Adalian. Every quarter, the Art Depot in Fontana showcases a

Southern California artist and displays their work at the Art Depot Gallery. From January 4 to February 26 stop by the Gallery to check out Adalian's exhibit themed after 18th Century France.

During a time of food shortages and hardship, Marie Antoinette, wife of Louis XVI, the King of France, was told the people have no food to eat, to which she responded, "Let them eat cake." This exhibition is a mixture of what that era represented: wealth, big hair, poverty and images from nightmares of artist Francisco Goya in a more modern interpretation.

Martiros Adalian was born in Yerevan Armenia and started painting when he was three. Adalian graduated from Terlemezian Art College of Yerevan and moved to the United States in 1990.

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Players present Miller's powerful 'Price'

During January, Riverside Community Players will present a classic American drama as part of its 85th season of quality theatre. Arthur Miller's *The Price* will play for three weekends, January 15 through January 31 at their intimate theatre-in-the-round.

This brilliant, powerful and deeply moving play by America's foremost dramatist is a piece that examines with compassion and humor the relationship of two long-estranged brothers who meet after many years to dispose of their late father's belongings. Their confrontation leads them to examine the events and qualities of their very different lives and the price each has had to pay for his decisions.

Arthur Miller, born in 1915, was a Pulitzer Prize-winning

playwright whose career spanned over seven decades. He is considered to be one of the greatest dramatists of the twentieth century. Some of his other celebrated works are *Death of a Salesman*, *All My Sons* and *The Crucible*. Upon his death in 2005, Broadway theaters darkened their lights out of respect for his great contributions to the American theatre.

"Arthur Miller's works are so integral to our country's theatrical history that it's important to include them in our seasons periodically," Jennifer Lawson, an RCP Board Member, said. "His works examine the complexities of human relationships and expose human strengths and frailties in an intriguing way."

This small-cast production will be directed by Corona

resident and long-time RCP member Patricia McQuillan. No stranger to the American classics, McQuillan previously helmed RCP's critically-acclaimed production of Tennessee Williams' *A Streetcar Named Desire*, in addition to productions of *Amadeus*, *The Cemetery Club* and *Murder on the Nile*.

There will be no late seating, and no children under 5 years of age will be admitted. The Riverside Community Playhouse is located at 4026 14th Street in Riverside, between Magnolia and Brockton. On the day of the show, the hour prior to curtain time is reserved for business pertaining to that performance only. For more information about this event or upcoming events, visit www.riversidecommunityplayers.com. **IER**

This powerful production will open on January 15, but will only be around for three weekends, closing on January 31. Tickets are only \$15 each and can be purchased by calling the Riverside Community Players' box office at (951) 686-4030. The box office also will be open for walkup business starting on January 11, and will be open 6pm-8pm, Monday through Saturday, as well as from 12pm to 2pm on Sunday, during the run of the show. Mention the code "IER Fan" and receive \$2 off each ticket if purchased by January 14.

▼ THEATER FOR KIDS

Charming 'Chanticleer' will delight young audiences

The Riverside Community Players Family Series concludes its 12th season of delightfully imaginative, quality theatre for young audiences by presenting the Inland Empire premiere of *Chanticleer and the Fox*. The charming production runs for one weekend only, February 12 through 14, at their intimate theatre-in-the-round.

Based on one of Chaucer's Canterbury Tales, this hilarious Joseph Robinette adaptation brings to life the story of a radiant and conceited rooster named Chanticleer. All is peaceful on an old widow's farm until Chanticleer is caught off guard by a flattering fox who beguiles, then captures him. With help from his barnyard friends, Chanticleer narrowly escapes and learns a valuable lesson.

An ensemble cast of seven plays double duty as both storytellers and barnyard characters in the show, which can be exhilarating and exhausting for the performers. "In casting the show it was important to find the right mix of energy, imagination, humor and clarity of speech," Jennifer Young

Lawson, director of the production, said. "The cast runs all over the theatre and pops up in interesting places. It should be a lot of fun for children and adults to see and experience."

Young, who has been with the Family Series since its inception, directed *The Velveteen Rabbit* earlier in the season, as well as last season's *The Fabulous Fable Factory* and award-winning productions of *Schoolhouse Rock Live!*, *Schoolhouse Rock Live, Too!*, *Stone Soup* and *OZ*.

Mike Truelock and Joanne LaPointe, who delighted audiences with their multiple roles in *The Fabulous Fable Factory*, join the cast as Chanticleer and his hen-lady love Pertelote. Truelock is a regular figure on the RCP stage having portrayed a wide range of roles in productions of *Murder on the Nile*, *4 Beekman*, *Anna in the Tropics*, and *On Golden Pond*. LaPointe recently graced the RCP stage in *The Velveteen Rabbit* and the Performance Riverside stage in *The Unsinkable Molly Brown*.

Tickets are \$8 each and can be pur-



Photo by Andrea McGuire.
Mike Truelock and Joanne LaPointe from last year's *The Fabulous Fable Factory*.

chased by calling the box office at (951) 686-4030. The box office is open for walkup business starting on February 8, 5pm-7pm, Monday through Saturday, and 12pm to 2pm on Saturday and Sunday, during the run of the show. There is no late seating, and no children under 5 years of age will be admitted. The Riverside Community Playhouse is located at 4026 14th Street in Riverside, between Magnolia and Brockton. For more information visit www.riversidecommunityplayers.com. **IER**

'Rain' comes to Performance Riverside stage, literally

Singin' in the Rain, perhaps the most famous and beloved movie musical of all time, will be presented live onstage by Performance Riverside at Landis Performing Arts Center from January 22 through 31. Performance Riverside's production has been faithfully and lovingly adapted for the stage from the original award-winning screenplay by Betty Comden and Adolph Green, with lyrics by Arthur Freed, and music by Nacio Herb Brown.

Unforgettable scenes, songs and dances are brought to life, including the show-stopping title number – complete with a rain storm live on stage. David Engel, one of the creators of the Off-Broadway perennial hit *Forever Plaid*, is directing and choreographing the production. A six-time LA Stage Alliance Ovation Award winner, Engel starred as Singin' in the Rain's Don Lockwood in 2008 and 1999 at Cabrillo Music Theatre. The production is musically directed by Scott

Smith, and produced by Producing Artistic Director Rey O'Day.

Singin' in the Rain will feature top talent from Riverside and around the Southland. Actor's Equity Artist Michael (Mishi) Schueler will play Don Lockwood, the role originally brought to life by Gene Kelly. Alyssa Marie, last seen in Performance Riverside's September production of *All Shook Up*, plays Kathy Selden, and Casey Garritano takes on the physically challenging comic role of Cosmo Brown. The cast, in alphabetical order, also includes Jordan Arana, Courtney Burfeind, Desmond Clark, Josh Elmore, Chelsea E. Franko, Karla J. Franko, Frank Gillece, Donterrio Johnson, Rachel King, John Lynd, Rachel McLaughlan, Michael Milligan, Ann Myers, Linda Neel, Sam Nisbett, and Alison Vesey.

"*Singin' in the Rain* honors both MGM's magnificent movie musicals of the 1940's, and the revolutionary birth of the talking

motion picture. It's a big, broad, rich musical about a glorious age in American film history. This show topped our list of requests for this season, and we are delighted to produce it," O'Day said.

Performance Riverside is the professional theatrical production company based for over a quarter-century in Landis Performing Arts Center at Riverside City College.

Performances of *Singin' in the Rain* are January 22, 23, 29, and 30 at 8pm, and January 24, 30 and 31 at 2pm. Tickets are \$25, \$30, \$37, and \$43. A specially priced "Discovery Theatre" prevue for school and senior groups is available on Friday, January 22 at 10am. All performances are at Landis Performing Arts Center at 4800 Magnolia Avenue. For more information and to purchase tickets contact the Landis Box Office at (951) 222-8100, or go online to www.performanceriverside.org. **IER**

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Martiros spent several years at various odd jobs in the States but through that time he never stopped painting. He's exhibited in numerous solo and group exhibitions throughout the United States, Europe and Russia.

"My figures are constantly in a state of flow or motion, partly because the human body is never static and is ceaselessly changing and evolving, and also because my own lifestyle and character, which are all about restlessness and change, are projected into my work." Visit www.adalart.com for a glimpse into the art of Martiros Adalian.

On Friday, Feb. 5, stop by the Gallery from 6 to 9pm and meet Martiros Adalian at Family Art Day. During Family Art Day at 7pm, Martiros will be present to demonstrate his talents and talk to the public about the specific works and techniques he uses in his artwork. Family

Art Day also includes hands on activities as well as live entertainment. The Art Depot is located in Downtown Fontana, across from the Lewis Library at 16822 Spring Street. The Art Depot Gallery is free and open to the public Tuesday through Thursday from 10am to 5pm, Friday from 10am to 6pm and Saturday from 12pm to 5pm.

The quarterly artist showcase is a growing cornerstone of the Fontana Arts program focused on enriching life through art events and activities in the Fontana Community. The Art Depot serves as a hub for the City's art activities such as Open Studio, Fusion Friday and Open Gallery Exhibits making the venue one of the many destinations for family-friendly entertainment in Fontana. For more information, call (909) 349-6975 or visit online at www.fontanarecreation.org. **IER**

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Mickey Thompson: First American to 400mph

A new NHRA exhibit looks at one of America's fastest automotive pioneers



Over the years, the hot rod industry has spawned numerous innovators, icons, entrepreneurs and heroes but perhaps none more prolific than the late Mickey Thompson. Murdered, along with his wife Trudi, in their Bradbury driveway in the spring of 1988, Mickey was larger than life and his life is the subject of a new exhibit: *Mickey Thompson: First American to 400 MPH* presented by Gale Banks Engineering. The exhibit opens to the public on Friday, February 12 at the Wally Parks NHRA Motorsports Museum at Fairplex Pomona.

Entrance is free that weekend.

According to Tracy Powell writing in *Automobile Quarterly* in 2007, Mickey participated in over 10,000 races, drove over one million race miles and set nearly 500 speed and endurance records, including 295 records at the Bonneville Salt Flats. He competed everywhere from the dry lakes of El Mirage to the brickyard at Indy and even the Baja 1000 and everywhere he made an indelible mark like no other.

Born Marion Lee Thompson Jr. on Dec 7, 1928, in San Fernando, Mickey undoubtedly

had two major issues to deal with growing up – his first name and second a strict police captain for a father. A family road trip in 1937 that took in those famed salt flats at Bonneville sealed his fate and by the time he was a teenager he was already building hot rods in his Alhambra back yard. By age 15 he was running a Model A Ford at El Mirage and got close to a class record with a speed of 79 mph.

Mickey's second passion was his first wife Judy and they married at age 19 while he worked at the Los Angeles Times and raced the dry lakes and drag strips of southern California. Notoriety came in 1952 when Mickey raced a chopped and extended Austin Bantam at Bonneville.

With two flathead Ford V8 engines it went 196 mph. That same year Mickey became enamored with the Carrera Panamericana, or Mexican Road Race as it was better known. In 1953, Mickey and friend Rodger Flores entered a '53 Ford Coupe. Unfortunately, although they were doing well, they crashed and five spectators were killed

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Mickey Thompson at work

resulting in lurid headlines in *Life* magazine. From Mexico Thompson headed to Bonneville where he used the Coupe as a push car for the Bantam, which now sported a Chrysler Hemi in place of one of the Ford V8s. Sadly, a motor exploded.

The following year Mickey and Rodger returned to Mexico with a Ford V8 and won their class. The event would be fortuitous when Mickey hooked up with Gene McManus of Goodyear tires and cemented a relationship that would last until his death and put the tire maker in the record books.

With too many ideas to sleep, Mickey continued to race by day and work nights

at the *LA Times* and yet in April 1955 also took on the task of first building and then managing Lions Associated Drag Strip for the Lions Club. While manager, Thompson invented the staging lights that were eventually adopted throughout the sport. Mickey also invented energy-absorbing water-filled barrels which are still used as a highway safety device today. Mickey's brain never seemed to tire of thinking up and developing new stuff.

During the late-fifties, Mickey was prolific: Still working nights at the *Times*, running Lions, racing and record setting and developing his growing manufacturing business Mickey Thompson Enterprises. He also got into road racing at this time competing with his Cadillac-powered Kurtis in road races from Pomona to Palm Springs. However, a side trip to Bonneville on his way to race in the 1958 NHRA Nationals at Oklahoma City resulted in him becoming the fastest American ever when he ran 294 mph.

The drags were all but forgotten as MT now focused upon a major land speed project to combine four Pontiac motors and go 400 mph. Few took him seriously, but Thompson was not deterred and assembled the Chal-

lenger I in his El Monte garage in just nine months.

On Aug. 22, 1959, Challenger blistered across the Bonneville salt going 362 mph. It was not enough to break John Cobb's land speed record. Thompson returned the following year with GMC truck superchargers adapted to the top of each Pontiac. They gave the necessary oomph to boost Thompson's Challenger to a one-way best of 406.6 mph. Unfortunately, a broken drive shaft curtailed the attempt and Thompson never did ratify it. Instead, he turned his attention to America's other Mecca of speed, Indianapolis.

Here again Thompson's innovations upset the establishment when he entered a rear-engine, stock-block speedway car and designed and first used extremely wide, low-profile tires that are now commonplace even on road cars.

Mickey Thompson: First American to 400 MPH, presented by Gale Banks Engineering, opens at the Wally Parks NHRA Motorsports Museum, presented by Automobile Club of Southern California, Pomona, California on Friday, Feb 12 and runs through October, 2010. **IER**

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GREEN RIVERSIDE
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Earlier this year Riverside was chosen to be the first city in California to be designated as an “Emerald City,” which is part of a state pilot program designed to help municipal governments become greener through hands-on technical and financial assistance.

As a result of this designation, Riverside’s Green Action Plan was recently revised to include the goals of the Emerald City program and expand the already aggressive city goals for creating a more sustainable community.

By 2020, the Green Action Plan seeks to:

- Install 20 megawatts of photovoltaic power within the city
- Reduce citywide waste by 75 percent per capita
- Reduce water usage by 20 percent

Read more about the new Green Action Plan at GreenRiverside.com.

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CINDERELLA: Feb. 13. See article on page 13.

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SINGIN' IN THE RAIN: Jan. 22, 23, 29, 30, at 8pm. Jan. 23, 24, 30, 31, at 2pm. See article on page 17.

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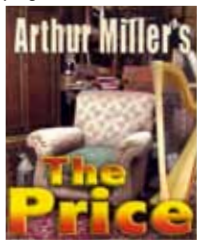
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DANIEL RODRIGUEZ: Jan. 28, 8pm. Presented by the San Bernardino Valley Concert Association. See article on page 11.

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Connick kicks off tour at Fantasy Springs

He's an actor, a humanitarian, but most of all, Harry Connick, Jr. is a musician – a Grammy Award-winning singer and pianist. Harry Connick, Jr. will be trading in his recent appearances on the “Rachel Ray Show,” “Ellen” and “Tavis Smiley” to embark on his 2010 tour, and he will kick it off with a much-anticipated concert at Fantasy Springs Resort Casino on Saturday, January 23.

The show takes place in the resort's Special Events Center at 8pm. Tickets are \$59-\$129 and are on sale now. Tickets may be purchased online at www.FantasySpringsResort.com, via telephone at (800) 827-2946 or in person at the Special Events Center Box Office.

Fantasy Springs is offering hotel stay packages to accompany the Connick concert. Guests can take advantage of a one-night or two-night stay hotel/concert packages for the weekend of January 22. The one-night stay hotel

package includes deluxe luxury accommodations for two, two premium show tickets, a \$100 restaurant credit and \$20 in free slot play or \$20 table games match play. This package is \$599, is a significant value from purchasing each item individually. This package is valid on Saturday, January 23rd. To book this concert/hotel package, use promotion code CJR10.

The two-night concert/hotel package includes luxury accommodations on Friday, January 22nd and Saturday, January 23rd, two premium show tickets, a \$100 restaurant credit and \$20 in free slot play or \$20 table games match play. This package is priced at \$779 and saves guests more than \$100 over booking each item separately. To reserve the two-night package, use promotion code 2CJR10.

Call toll free (800) 827-2946 to make reservations for either offer. For more information about these promotions or about the Harry Connick, Jr. concert, log onto www.FantasySpringsResort.com. **IER**

CASINO EVENT GUIDE

AGUA CALIENTE CASINO

(866) 858-3600. www.hotwatercasino.com. 32-250 Bob Hope Drive, Rancho Mirage.

AUGUSTINE CASINO

760-391-9500. www.augustinecasino.com. 84-001 Avenue 54, Coachella.

CAHUILLA CASINO

(951) 763-1200. www.cahuillacasino.com. 52702 Highway 371, Anza.

CASINO MORONGO

(800) 252-4499. www.casinomorongo.com. 49750 Seminole Drive, Cabazon.

FANTASY SPRINGS RESORT CASINO

Fantasy Springs Resort Casino is located north of Interstate 10 at the Golf Center Parkway exit near Indio (22 miles east of Palm Springs).

Featuring 2000 slots, 40+ table games including TableMAX, five restaurants. Fantasy Springs Resort Casino is owned and operated by the Cabazon Band of Mission Indians. For tickets and information, call (760) 342-5000, (800) 827-2946 or visit www.fantasyspringsresort.com.

BANK BUSTER GIVEAWAY: Each Saturday starting Jan. 9, Fantasy Rewards club members have the chance to win their share of \$15,000 in cash, and nearly \$20,000 in free slot play. Earn free drawing entries beginning Sunday, Jan. 3 through Friday, Jan. 29 by swiping your club card at designated kiosks. Three people will be selected during hourly drawings from 4pm to 7pm on Saturdays to compete in the evening's \$125,000 Bank Buster Envelope Game for the top prize of \$10,000 cash.

LIONEL RICHIE: Jan. 15. *See article on page 24.*

HARRY CONNICK, JR., AND ORCHESTRA: In concert Sat., Jan. 23, at 8pm. Tickets: \$59-\$129. See article on this page.

ROCK YARD: Fridays and Saturdays, 8pm, Rock Yard Winter Edition. See free live bands, dance and party til 12am. No cover. 21 and older.

IMPROV COMEDY CLUB: Fridays and Saturdays starting Jan. 15, 8pm & 10pm. Experience the best standup comedy club in the desert. Three comedians each show. \$20 per person. 21 and older.

EAGLE FALLS GOLF COURSE: (760) 238-5633. www.eaglefallsgolf.com. Located at Fantasy Springs Resort Casino. 18-Hole, Par 72 Championship Course.

PECHANGA RESORT & CASINO

(951) 693-1819. pechanga.com. 45000 Pala Road, Temecula. Box Office (951) 303-2507.

Spotlight 29 presents Dionne Warwick, Bobby Vinton

The Showroom at Spotlight 29 Casino in Coachella is hopping in January and February with action, from classic rock to music legends.

All shows start at 8pm unless otherwise indicated. Under 21 must be accompanied by an adult 21 years or older. Spotlight 29 Casino is located at 46200 Harrison Place. For tickets, visit www.Spotlight29.com or call (800) 585-3737. Tickets are also available for purchase at the Spotlight 29 Gift Shop Sunday-Friday 8-10pm, and the Spotlight Showroom Box Office 1:30pm-9:30pm on Saturdays and on the day of the show.



Bobby Vinton

Bobby Vinton

Saturday, January 23, 8pm
Prices: \$30, \$40

Billboard Magazine calls Bobby Vinton “the all-time most successful love singer of the ‘Rock Era.’” His is a name that has been synonymous with superstardom for over 25 years and today he continues to enjoy success as a top-rated performer. Vinton has established himself as one of America’s top cabaret performers and most versatile entertainers. Vinton has sold over 50 million records including hits like “My Melody Of Love,” “Blue On Blue,” “Blue Velvet,” “Mr. Lonely,” “Please Love Me Forever,” “Tell Me Why.”

Nelson

Friday, January 29, 8pm
Price: \$20

Twins Matthew and Gunnar Nelson dazzle audiences of all ages. They carry on the family tradition, while carving out their own musical identities with grace, class, and passion. Their dad is Ricky Nelson and grandparents are Ozzie and Harriet Nelson. Nelson’s hits include “After the Rain,” “(Can’t Live Without Your) Love and Affection” and “More Than Ever.”

Dionne Warwick

Saturday, February 13, 8pm
Prices: TBD

Dionne Warwick’s career has spanned more than 48 years, establishing her as an international music legend. She has earned more than 60 charted hits and sold over 100 million records. Her hits include “Do You Know the Way to San Jose?,” “Don’t Make Me Over,” “Walk on By,” “Anyone Who Had a Heart,” “Say A Little Prayer” and of course the landmark song with Gladys Knight, Stevie Wonder and Elton John, “That’s What Friends Are For,” which became a number one hit record around the world and the first recording dedicated to raising awareness and major funds for the AIDS cause. **IER**



Spotlight 29 Casino is located off I-10, and features 2,000 slot machines and a complete lineup of the most popular table games. The casino offers a wide variety of entertainment options; a 2,200 seat showroom for headline entertainment, the Blue Bar with live entertainment seven days a week and an array of dining choices including JEM Steakhouse and the all-you-can-eat buffet at Café Capitata. Spotlight 29 is currently undergoing renovations including an upgrade to the poker room featuring additional poker tables, a high limit slot area as well as a new lounge for Platinum Members. Spotlight 29 is open seven days a week, 24 hours a day and is a business venture of the Twenty-Nine Palms Band of Mission Indians. For more information, go online to www.Spotlight29.com.

SAN MANUEL INDIAN BINGO AND CASINO

(909) 864-5050. www.sanmanuel.com. 5797 North Victoria Avenue, Highland.

SOBOBA CASINO

Features 2,000 slots, 28 table games, live poker, live entertainment, non-smoking area and restaurants. (951) 665-1000 or (866) 4-SOBOBA. www.soboba.net. 23333 Soboba Road, San Jacinto. Tickets: 1-866-4-SOBOBA, ext. 183.

SPA RESORT CASINO

(760) 323-5865. www.sparesortcasino.com. 401 E. Amado Rd., Palm Springs.

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can-eat buffet at Café Capitata. 46-200 Harrison Place, Coachella. Show tickets available online at www.spotlight29.com or call (800) 585-3737 or (760) 775-5566.

BOBBY VINTON: Jan. 23, 8pm. See article on this page.

NELSON BROTHERS: Jan. 29, 8pm. See article on this page.

DIONNE WARWICK: Feb. 27, 8pm. See article on this page.

BLUE BAR: Live entertainment seven days a week.

JEM STEAKHOUSE: Every Wednesday is Jamaica Night with authentic Jamaican food and drinks along with a DJ playing Caribbean music.

WINE DINNER: At JEM Steakhouse, Jan. 22. See article on page 24. **IER**

Lionel Richie at Fantasy

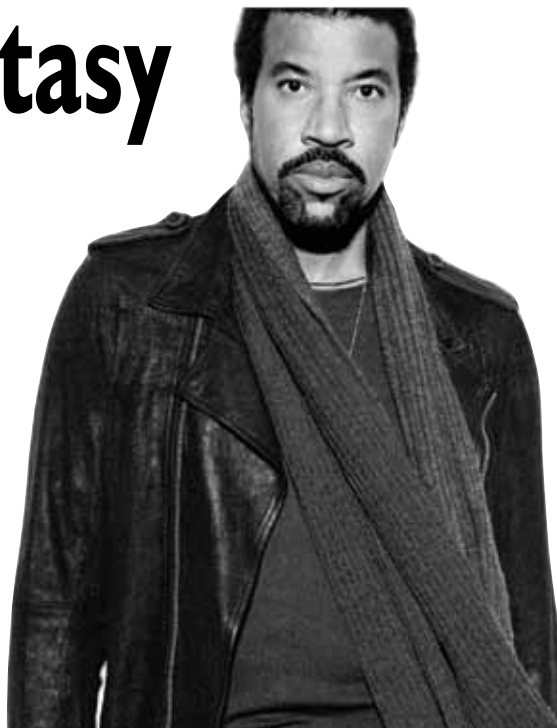
He's a Grammy Award winning singer, songwriter and producer who has sold more than 100 million albums worldwide. Contemporary R&B superstar Lionel Richie's 2010 tour will stop in the Palm Springs area for a concert at Fantasy Springs Resort Casino on Friday, Jan. 15. The former member of The Commodores who went on to mega stardom in the 1980s and beyond takes the stage inside the Fantasy Springs Special Events Center at 8pm.

Tickets are \$69-\$149 and may be purchased at the Fantasy Springs Box Office, via telephone (800) 827-2946 or online at www.FantasySpringsResort.com.

Lionel Richie hit it big in 1982 with his self-titled debut album. His single, "Truly," launched his career as one of the most successful balladeers of the decade. He followed up the smash hit song with more such as "You Are" and "My Love." The next year he released

the album *Can't Slow Down* which ushered out even more chart topping hits – "Hello," "All Night Long" and more.

Even before Lionel Richie became a household name in the 80s, songs he wrote for other artists had already become radio staples. He penned Kenny Rodgers' famous "Lady" and sang "Endless Love" as a duet with Diana Ross. Richie released his most recent album *Just Go* earlier this year, which features current R&B artist Akon on two of the tracks. Akon and singer/producer Ne-Yo are also reported to have shared in writing the album's songs with Richie. **IER**



Sue A. from Danville, California, stands beside a 1¢ WMS Wizard of Oz slot machine where she had just won a progressive jackpot of of \$1,331,195.84 at Fantasy Springs Casino. "Ordinarily, I play video poker," the ecstatic winner said. "I saw this machine as we walked by and thought of my family so I sat down. My mom used to dress me and my three sisters up for Halloween as characters from the Wizard of Oz."

Wine Dinner at JEM Steakhouse

Wines from Paul Hobbs Winery to be paired with 4-course dinner, January 22

JEM Steakhouse is offering a 4-course wine dinner on Friday, January 22, at 6:30pm, featuring a selection of wines from Paul Hobbs Winery. The wine dinner is \$100 per person and reservations are required.

JEM Steakhouse, which earned the prestigious 2009 Restaurant Wine List Award given by Wine Spectator Magazine, is located in Spotlight 29 Casino.

Chef de Cuisine Hesron McKenzie has put together a delicious menu perfectly paired with wines chosen from Paul Hobbs Winery. The hors d'Oeuvres reception begins at 6:30pm in the JEM bar followed by three main dishes and a dessert.

JEM Steakhouse features All Natural Certified Angus beef as well as the freshest seafood. The beef, which is aged for 29 days, includes such choices as a 24 ounce Porterhouse and a 20 ounce Bone-in Rib Eye. JEM Steakhouse is open 5-10pm, Wednesday-Saturday and 5-9pm on Sunday. Enjoy the wine list and special bar menu at the JEM Bar, open daily at 4pm, with Happy Hour specials from 4-6pm (except Wednesday, Saturday and show nights).

Spotlight 29 Casino is located off I-10. For more information, go online to www.Spotlight29.com or call (760) 775-2880. **IER**

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City of Riverside 55 and Better Trip to the Four Queens at Las Vegas

The City of Riverside Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department is accepting enrollment for an excursion from January 27 to January 29 to Las Vegas with a stay at the downtown Four Queens Hotel and Casino.

Try your luck in Vegas at a reduced price. This adventure filled tour includes a luncheon buffet, a stop at Buffalo Bill's in Primm, a tour of the strip, a stop at the New York, New York Hotel and Casino, and deluxe accommodations at the Four Queens Hotel and Casino.

Senior excursions are fun, active and provide adults with an opportunity to meet other like-minded seniors. This trip is designed for the vigorous senior.

Prices for the trip to Las Vegas are \$149.50 for multiples and \$179.50

for singles. Complete payment is due by January 6. Phone registration will not be accepted. Registration will be accepted at Dales Senior Center, located at 3936 Chestnut Street and at the La Sierra Senior Center, located at 5215 La Sierra Avenue or online at www.riversideca.gov/park_rec (select the online registration tab and change the category to "senior program"). This excursion is set to depart from Dales Senior Center/White Park at 8am on January 27, and is scheduled to return between 5pm and 6pm on January 29.

For additional information on senior programming, contact Betty Perez at (951) 826-2047, email bperez@riversideca.gov or Michael Mitchell at (951) 351-6131, email mpmitchell@riversideca.gov. **IER**

Enjoy 55 and Better Bingo

The City of Riverside Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department is offering Bingo from 1:00 to 3:00 pm every Wednesday beginning February 3, at the new La Sierra Senior Center, located at

5215 La Sierra Avenue.

For additional information about programs and services offered at the La Sierra Senior Center, contact Michael Mitchell at (951) 351-6435 or email mpmitchell@riversideca.gov. **IER**

55 and Better Trip to Mexico's Copper Canyon

The City of Riverside Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department is accepting enrollment for an excursion from March 5 to March 13, to Mexico's Copper Canyon.

Copper Canyon is considered "the treasure chest of northwestern Mexico" and is believed to be one of North America's best kept secrets. Located in the heart of the Sierra Tarahumara, Copper Canyon is four times larger and nearly 250 feet deeper than the Grand Canyon.

Prices for the excursion to Mexico's

Copper Canyon are \$1,839 for multiples and \$2,269 for singles. Also, a \$200 booking deposit is due at registration. Complete payment is due by February 18. Registration will be accepted at Dales Senior Center, located at 3936 Chestnut Street and at the La Sierra Senior Center, located at 5215 La Sierra Avenue or online at www.riversideca.gov/park_rec.

For more information contact Betty Perez at (951) 826-2047, email bperez@riversideca.gov or Michael Mitchell at (951) 351-6131, email mpmitchell@riversideca.gov. **IER**

YOGA IN CORONA >>

De-stress with the Yoga Den

The Riverside Raincross 5K Run/Walk at Historic Fairmount Park

Lace up your shoes and prepare to hoof it through some of Riverside's most beautiful, and historic areas during the Raincross 5K Run/Walk. The annual event, orchestrated by the City of Riverside Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department, is now accepting registration.

The Run/Walk will be held on Saturday, February 20, from 7:30am to 10am (the 5K run will begin promptly at 7:30am and the 1K Kids Fun Run at 8:30am) at Fairmount Park, located at 2601 Fairmount Boulevard. The top three males and females in each age division will receive awards. All youth will receive a participation award.

Register by February 1 to save \$5 on the registration fee. The cost for the 5K run is \$20 per person by February 1 and \$25 after. The cost for the 1K kids fun run is \$10 per person by February 1 and \$15 after.

Registration will be accepted until Thursday, February 18 at 5pm at the Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department, located at 3936 Chestnut Street, all community centers, or online at www.riversideca.gov/park_rec. **IER**




Aden at home is often a place to relax and find yourself. For those looking to create inner peace through yoga, the Yoga Den in Corona offers this same opportunity in a supportive, and comfortable, setting.


Helmed by Leeza Villagomez, the Yoga Den offers a wide range of classes aimed at a variety of interests and ability. Learn meditation, engage in post-natal exercises, or get a mid-day session at the Lunch Hour Yoga class. There are also classes geared toward children, belly dancing, and Spanish language participants.

The Yoga Den is well-known for its relaxed, "homey" atmosphere; this is not a place where you just bring your mat, take a session, then go home. Villagomez strives to engage her students on multiple levels, whether it's practicing technique or learning how to make a vegetable tonic.


A former international model, Villagomez traded her stressful, globe-trotting lifestyle for the serenity of yoga. With Corona as her home town, she has returned to her roots. Villagomez has been attracted to Yoga ever since, as a teenager, she witnessed Raquel Welch extolling its virtues on television. During her travels, Yoga provided an internal safe haven against an often chaotic lifestyle. Villagomez has sought out, and studied under, a number of teachers and traditions, giving her an eclectic and well-rounded style of her own.

The Yoga Den is located at 1035 Montecito Dr. in Corona. For more information, call (951) 279-9642 or go online to www.yogadenhealthspa.com. **IER**





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The Search for Gertrude Tompkins Silver


The Search for Gertrude Tompkins Silver, a WASP pilot who disappeared under mysterious circumstances, will be the subject of the monthly Living History Flying Event hosted by Planes of Fame Air Museum at the Chino Airport on Saturday, February 6. The event will begin at 10am with a seminar by aviation archaeologist/author Gary Patrick Macha and conclude with a flight demonstration by a Planes of Fame North American P-51D Mustang fighter plane, the type flown by Silver.

Macha has been the driving force behind an ongoing effort to recover the remains of Silver and her P-51D Mustang. Of the 1,074 Women Air Force Service Pilots (WASPs) who ferried combat aircraft during World War II, 38 lost their lives in the effort. Of those

women lost, Gertrude Tompkins Silver is the only one still missing. She disappeared after taking off on a ferry flight from Mines Field (now the Los Angeles International Airport) on October 26, 1944. After extensive research, Macha is convinced that

her Mustang crashed into Santa Monica Bay, and he has been directing an exhaustive search to find the crash site, which is probably under the water near Dockweiler Beach.

An independent, non-profit institution dedicated to the preservation of the artifacts and history of aviation, Planes of Fame was founded in 1957 as the very first permanent air museum in the American West and a pioneer in the concept of restoring historic aircraft like the P-51D Mustang to flying condition.

Planes of Fame is open to the public every day, except Christmas and Thanksgiving, from 9am until 5pm. General admission is \$11, youngsters 5-11 are admitted for \$4 and admission is free for accompanied children under five. For more information, call (909) 597-7576 or visit the museum's website at www.planesoffame.org. 



A North American P-51D Mustang fighter plane, like the one flown by Gertrude Tompkins Silver.

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age of 30, in a plane crash, Patsy Cline's memory and talent have been revered by lovers of music everywhere.

More than forty-five years after her death, there is finally an opportunity for fans to experience the magic of a live performance, if not by Patsy Cline herself, by a singer/actress endowed with the wonderful ability to bring her to life. *Always... Patsy Cline* opens Jan. 8.


Layne began singing professionally at the age of four. She started her own country band just after graduation from high school, singing and playing bass. Layne joined "Vince Vance and the Valiants," traveling and performing across the country with this group until 1989 when she recorded with VVV in Nashville, TN, what has become the most requested Christmas song of all time, "All I want for Christmas is You."

She signed with CCR records in Nashville, and still travels the country performing as Patsy Cline in productions of both *Always... Patsy Cline* and *A Closer Walk With Patsy Cline* for over a decade. Lisa has performed concerts nationwide in numerous country, variety and legend shows.

The musical tribute *Always... Patsy Cline* was the creation of writer and director Ted Swindley. Nationally recognized since 1990, Swindley continues to enjoy the warm reception of *Always... Patsy Cline* performed throughout the world. The production is based on the true story of Patsy Cline's friendship with Houston housewife Louise Seger. Seger's role is portrayed by longtime Candlelight patron favorite Beth Mendoza.

"Although Patsy may never be replaced, I'm so thankful to reprise a role that tributes her spirit and celebrates the music of her life," Mendoza said. Layne and Mendoza will sport their country duds once again for five weeks.

Additionally, Layne will perform in *Lisa Live!* at the Candlelight Pavilion on January 2 and 3. Put on your dancing shoes and kick up your heels while enjoying an evening of country music, complete with the sounds of classic and contemporary hits. Patrons are invited to wear their best country duds and join in the line-dancing.


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Rides, games and miniatures golf. 3500 Polk Ave., Riverside. (951) 785-3000.

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LEWIS FAMILY PLAYHOUSE

12505 Cultural Center Dr., Rancho Cucamonga. Tickets available at lewisfamilyplayhouse.com, (909) 477-2752.

CINDERELLA: Feb. 13. *See article on page 13.*

LOLLIPOP PARK

In Lake Arrowhead Village. The park features go karts, mini golf, pirate ship ride, swing ride, train and fun house.

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RIVERSIDE COMMUNITY PLAYERS

4026 14th St., Riverside. (951) 686-4030, riversidecommunityplayers.com. *See their ad on page 12 for a \$2 off offer.*

CHANTICLEER AND THE FOX: Feb. 12-14, \$8. This classic tale from Chaucer tells of the radiant, and conceited, rooster, Chanticleer, who spends his days strutting around the barnyard. All is peaceful until Chanticleer is caught off guard by a cunning fox who beguiles, then captures, the cocky rooster. With help from his friends, Chanticleer escapes a dreaded fate and all learn a valuable lesson in this lively, humorous story.

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ANNUAL TROUT DERBY

Sponsored by Riverside County Parks, enjoy fishing and activities. Jan. 23, Rancho Jurupa Park, 4800 Crestmore Rd., in Riverside. (800) 234-7275. www.riversidecountyparks.org. See article on page 20.

CABLE AIR SHOW

Jan. 9-10, at Cable Airport in Upland. The Air Show is open from 8am to 4pm Saturday and

Get your event listed in the



"What To Do" Section

If you have an upcoming event that you would like to see listed in these pages, please send the following information:

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CALIFORNIA WELCOME CENTER

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CAR SHOW: Second Sunday of each month, 2pm until 5pm.

CITIZENS BUSINESS BANK ARENA

4000 E. Ontario Center Parkway, Ontario.

DISNEY ON ICE: WORLDS OF FANTASY: Jan. 1, 3:30pm.

CLOUDS JAMBOREE

Rock, gem, jewelry show. See article on page 26.

DICKENS FESTIVAL

Celebrate all things Dickens with costumes, entertainment, vendors, and historic re-enactments. In downtown Riverside, Feb. 6, 10am through Feb. 7, 5pm. Opening gala event on Feb. 5 at the Municipal Auditorium. See article on page 6.

55 AND BETTER ACTIVITIES

See page 26 for a variety of 55+ activities and events in Riverside.

MARTIN LUTHER KING UNITY BREAKFAST

Free event, Jan. 18, 7:30am to Noon, at the San Jacinto Campus Library. (951) 487-3685.

REPTILE SUPER SHOW

At the Pomona Fairplex (1101 W. McKinley Ave.), Jan. 9-10, Saturday 10am to 6pm, Sunday 11am to 5pm. www.ReptileSuperShow.com. See article on page 20.

RIVERSIDE PLAZA

(951) 683-1066 x.113. shopriverside-plaza.com. The Riverside Plaza is located in Riverside off of Central Ave.

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT: Every Friday and Saturday evening, 7-9pm (except Jan. 1) at the Main Street side and at the West end, near El Torito.

RIVERSIDE RAINCROSS 5K RUN/WALK

The annual run is now accepting registration. The Run/Walk will be held on Saturday, February 20. See article on page 27.

MOUNTAIN ACTIVITIES

ALPINE SLIDE AT MAGIC MOUNTAIN

The Alpine Slide lets riders experience Olympic-like action as they negotiate sleds along a quarter-mile track with banked turns and long straightaways. The Alpine Slide at Magic Mountain is located on the boulevard in Big Bear Lake, 1/4 mile west of the Village shopping area, home to 60 specialty stores. 800 Wild Rose Lane. Call (909) 866-4626.

LAKE ARROWHEAD VILLAGE

The Village features more than 50 stores, restaurants and attractions. For more information, call (909) 337-2533, or go online to lakearrowhead-village.com.

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