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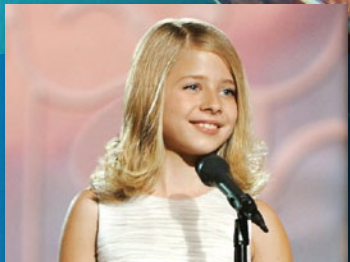
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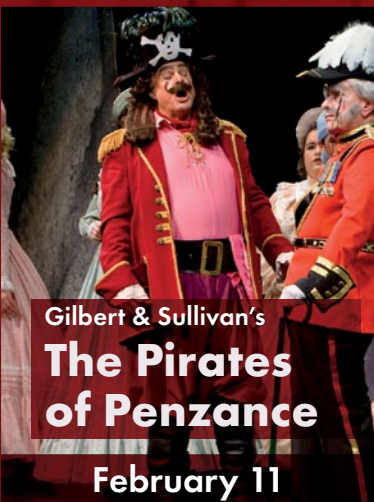
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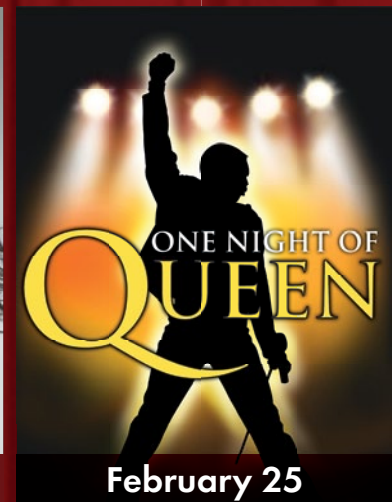
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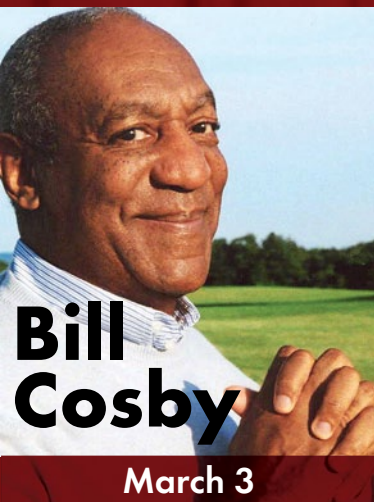
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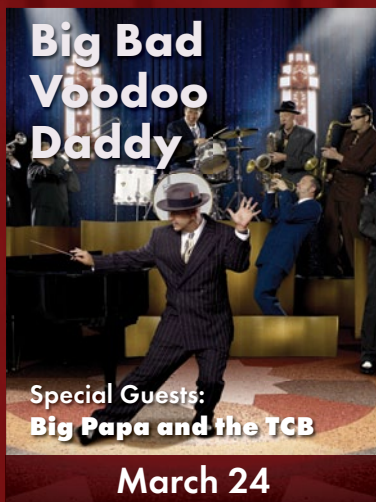
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Mooneyes Exhibit Opens in January at NHRA

Wally Parks NHRA Motorsports Museum will host a new exhibit celebrating the history of one of American motorsports' most iconic brands – Mooneyes. Mooneyes is one of the world's most recognized logos right up there with the Nike Swish and Apple's apple.

Dean Moon, the founder of Mooneyes, got his start right after WWII working on the oil rigs surrounding Pop Moon's Café in Norwalk, California. There he, older brother Buzz and members of the "Hutters" car club built numerous primitive hot rods. Like his contemporaries he started racing a hot rod Deuce at the dry lakes and the Santa Ana drags.

Unfortunately, his fledgling business was put on hold when he was drafted into the Korean War. The Air Force taught him photography which would prove an invaluable skill in his post-war business – Moon Automotive. The iconic logo came about while at collage, Dean saying, "When I typed my name, I'd hold the carriage off-center and put two periods in the OOs."

It was further developed when Dean sponsored Creighton Hunter's drag car which was numbered 00, pupils were an obvious addition. In 1957, Dean had a Disney artist draw the eyes as we know them today.

Ever creative, Dean invented a string of automotive products starting with a fuel block which he crafted from billet aluminum in high school shop before sand casting the production version. There soon followed a steady stream of products including the ubiquitous Moon fuel tanks and, of course, his most iconic offering, the Moon disc, all of which he photographed and marketed like a pro. Spun from aluminum, the discs found their way onto everything from lakes, drag and Indy cars to, well, the NASA Moon buggy.

Back in the fifties, Dean was selling 10,000 a month and they can still be found on almost every land speed race car there is.

In 1962, Dean's shop was used by good friend Carroll Shelby to assemble the very first



Dean Moon

Cobra, arguably America's most famous sports car. In 1964, Dean became the second president of SEMA (then the Speed Equipment Manufacturers' Association) and, like so many back then, helped build an international business along with an industry that now boasts sales of more than \$37 billion, all without so much as an MBA.

A member of the SEMA Hall of Fame, Dean Moon was a self-taught automotive pioneer and his achievements will be honored with a new exhibit at the Wally Parks NHRA Motorsports Museum. The exhibit will open on Friday, Jan. 27, in conjunction with the Grand National Roadster Show and will feature some of the famous Mooneyes race cars as well as artifacts, memorabilia and photography. For more information about this and other events at the Parks Museum visit the web site at museum.nhra.com or call (909) 622-2133. To learn more about Mooneyes visit www.mooneyes.com. **IER**

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Quilting's Best Hits the Road

Hit the road! *The Seventeenth Annual Road to California Quilters' Conference and Showcase* is scheduled for Jan. 19-22 at the Ontario Convention Center in Ontario. During the show there will be many special events and lectures to tempt both the dedicated and casual quilter. Over 18,000 quilters are expected to attend the four day show. Fiber Artists from Germany, Australia, Canada and 40 states are competing for a share of the \$25,000 in prize monies to be awarded.

Today's quilters are producing more than just the "warm and comforting" quilts that Grandma used to make. On Jan. 19th through the 22nd you can step away from the stresses of everyday life and into the Ontario Convention Center to experience the art, culture and creativity of quilting at its best. Many of the over 500 quilts on display will feature portraits, naturescapes, abstract art and innovative contemporary designs rivaling paintings in art galleries. In addition, there are merchants selling everything from antique quilts and sewing machines to the



latest gadgets for quilting and crafting.

For a schedule and directions to the Quilters Conference, visit road2ca.com. The Ontario Convention Center is located at 2000 E. Convention Center Way, in Ontario, Vine-

yard Ave Exit off I-10. One-day admission is \$10, multi-day admission is \$25, children 12 and under are free, strollers are permitted on Sunday only and no rolling carts are permitted in the Vendor Mall or Exhibit Area. **IER**

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Riverside Walk Celebrates Martin Luther King Jr.

The Riverside African American Historical Society and the Martin Luther King Visionaries will present the 19th Annual Martin Luther King Jr. 3k Walk-A-Thon in January. The Walk-A-Thon provides an opportunity for residents of the greater Riverside community to gather in celebration of the life of this great American Nobel Prize Peace winner and civil rights leader, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

The walk will begin at Stratton Center-Bordwell Park and proceed to the Riverside City College Digital Library by way of the King Monument in downtown Riverside. There will be a short pause for reflection at the site of Dr. King's statue. The walk will continue on to the Riverside City College Digital Library for a post walk program and other activities, including an awards ceremony and performances by a local band.

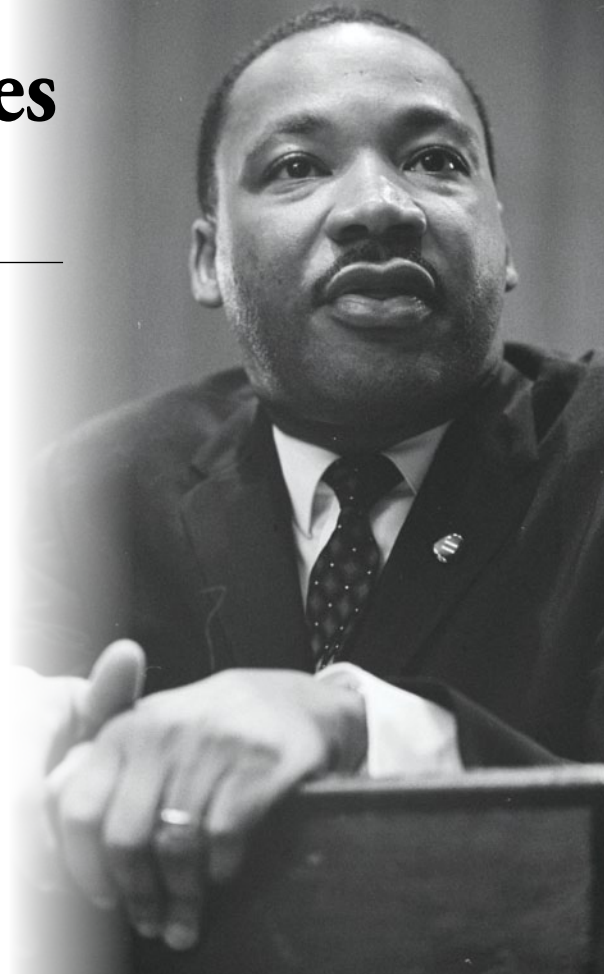
Food vendors will be at the library and a free shuttle bus will provide transportation

back to Bordwell Park.

This year's honorary chairs are Riverside Mayor, Ronald Loveridge, Michael B. Kelly II, Senior Pastor Mt. Rubidoux Seventh Day Adventist Church and Dr. Ed Bush, Vice President Student Services Riverside City College.

The Walk-A-Thon will be held Monday, January 16, the federal holiday which marks Dr King's birthday. The theme for this year's walk is "Walking for the Next Generation of Leaders." Registration will begin at 8:30am at Stratton Center, 2008 Martin Luther King Blvd. A registration fee of \$10 will be required of all participants, adults and children.

The Walk-A-Thon will begin promptly at 10am at the entrance of the center. All registered participants will receive a commemorative T-shirt. Proceeds from the walk will benefit the Riverside African American Historical Society and the Martin Luther King Visionaries Foundation. **IER**



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SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2012 • 7:30 A.M.
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Awards will be presented to the top three finishers in the male and female division/age group.

REGISTRATION

Each runner must complete the registration form on the reverse side. Waivers for minors must be signed by a parent or legal guardian. Registration forms may be returned until Thursday, February 23 at 5 p.m. to the Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department at 6927 Magnolia Avenue or register online at www.riversideca.gov/park_rec.

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Registration fee includes a race t-shirt and runner goodie bag. Register by February 4, 2012 and save \$5 on the registration fee!

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For registration information, please contact (951) 826-2000

5K COURSE

The 3.15-mile course begins in Fairmount Park at Bowling Green Drive and leads runners through the park and finishes at the Market Street entrance of the park (Fairmount Boulevard).

KIDS' HEROES RUN

Youth ages 8 - 12 are encouraged to participate in the Kids' Heroes Run. Every runner crossing the finish line receives a participation award.

START TIMES

Registration/Check-in 6:30 a.m.
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The Riverside Police Officers' Association will be hosting a pancake breakfast immediately following the 5K Run/Walk. Tickets are \$5 per person and are available at the RPOA office.

For more information please call: (951) 784-1034

Gold & Treasure Show headed to Pomona

The Gold Prospectors Association of America will hold its Gold & Treasure Show in Pomona, Jan. 21-22. The show will feature seminars led by Tom Massie, host of "Gold Fever" on the Outdoor Channel, guest speakers and a gold-panning contest.

With the price of gold spiking to record highs in 2011, GPAA President Brandon Johnson said gold fever is definitely rising and memberships to the GPAA have shown substantial growth over the last year.

"Spiking gold prices are sometimes the deciding factor to turn off the TV and actually go gold prospecting to experience it for yourself. A quarter-ounce or pennyweight of gold is worth a lot more now than it used to be," Johnson said.

"Prospecting isn't necessarily all about having the gold. It's as much about finding it," he said, adding that for many members the thrill is enjoying the outdoors with family and friends.

The Gold & Treasure show in Pomona will feature vendors and displays of gold nuggets, jewelry and prospecting equipment such as metal detectors, drywashers, spiral gold pans, dredges and highbankers.

Show-goers over 18 years of age will get a chance to win a two-week Alaska Gold Expedition trip to GPAA's famous Cripple River gold prospecting camp near Nome, Alaska. The event will run Saturday, Jan. 21 from 9am to 5pm and Sunday, Jan. 22 from 9am to 4pm at the Fairplex in Pomona, Building 6, 1101 W. McKinley Ave.

Admission is \$5. Children 12 and under are admitted free. The first 100 paid attendees will receive a free vial of placer gold. Tickets are available at the door. To pre-register online and get in free, go to www.goldandtreasureshows.com.

To find out more about gold prospecting, gem and treasure hunting or how to contact a local GPAA chapter in your area, visit www.goldprospectors.org or call (800) 551-9707. **TER**



GOLD FEVER The thrill in prospecting isn't so much the discovery as the chase. Find out about this exciting hobby at the Gold and Treasure Show in Pomona, Jan. 21-22.



THE REAL DEAL The price of gold spiked in 2011, increasing interest in "gold fever".

PANNING PRACTICE The show features activities and exhibits to make you a better prospector.

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Meet the Bombers of the Eighth Air Force

“**B**ombers of the Eighth Air Force” will be the subject of the Living History Flying Event hosted by Planes of Fame Air Museum at the Chino Airport on Saturday, February 4, 2012. The event will begin at 10am with a seminar describing the mightiest aerial bombardment force ever assembled and conclude with a flight demonstration by the Planes of Fame Air Museum’s North American B-25J Mitchell medium bomber.

Formally established on February 22, 1944, the Eighth Air Force was actually a re-designation of the U.S. Army Air Force’s VIII Bomber Command which was established on January 19, 1942.

Eventually, to become the largest of the 16 numbered air forces deployed by the U.S. Army Air Forces in World War II, VIII Bomber Command’s 97th Bombardment Group arrived in the United Kingdom on June 9, 1942 and flew its first combat mission, a strike by 12 Boeing B-17E Flying Fortresses against marshaling yards in France, on August 7, 1942. By February 1944, the Eighth Air Force was able to deploy over 1,000 four-engine bombers and more than 800 escorting fighter planes in attacks against the German heartland to spearhead the eventual Allied victory.


An independent, non-profit institution dedicated to preserving and inspiring interest in aviation, educating the public and honoring aviation pioneers and veterans, Planes of Fame Air Museum was the first permanent air museum in the American West and a pioneer in the concept of restoring historic display aircraft to flying condition. At each monthly Planes of Fame Living History Flying Event, members in attendance can



THE BOMBER TAKES FLIGHT *The Planes of Fame Air Museum’s North American B-25J Mitchell medium bomber will fly at the Chino Airport on Sat., Feb. 4.*

have their names entered into a drawing for a free member-supported warbird orientation flight.

Planes of Fame is open to the public from 9am until 5pm, Sunday through Friday, and from 9am until 5pm on Saturday, 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 Planes of Fame Air Museum’s website at www.planesoffame.org. 

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Celebrating the iconic **DEUCE**

The 80th Anniversary of the iconic 1932 Ford Deuce will be celebrated at the 2012 Grand National Roadster Show

The year 1932 is important in American history and culture. Franklin D. Roosevelt was elected to office at the forefront of the Depression; Amelia Earhart became the first female to complete a solo transatlantic flight; the Yankees won their fourth straight World Series; and Ford Motor Company introduced the first affordable mass produced V-8 powered car - the 1932 Ford Model B also known as the "Deuce."

The Deuce is the quintessential car to modify into a hot rod. Its unique design and rarity have led to the construction of some of the most beautifully designed hot rods ever built.

Unfortunately, 1932 was the worst year in car sales history. This was mainly due to the Depression, but also because Ford's Model A had become obsolete. People wanted a more luxurious, sleeker, faster car, all the while being affordable to the average American.

Edsel, Henry Ford's only son, was the key designer of the Deuce. Edsel's design was a car for the masses. It was practical and aesthetically pleasing, making it a masterpiece of automotive design. The Deuce was on sale for only six months, solidifying it as a prized commodity.

The following year Ford introduced several design changes, while other car manufacturers followed his example of affordable, fast luxury cars. The Deuce marks the end of an era and sets the precedent of another.

In honor of the 80th Anniversary of the Deuce, there will be eighty driven Deuces on display January 27th - 29th at the Grand National Roadster Show, at the

Fairplex in Pomona. The Grand National Roadster Show features hundreds of the best hot rods, customs, muscle cars, motorcycles, street machines and classic trucks found anywhere in the world. The indoor show offers a

great opportunity to reminisce about the past, enjoy the present, and look into the future of hot rodding.

For more information, go online to www.rodshows.com. **IER**



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Theater & The Arts

Indian Wells Theater unveils 2011-2012 concert series for OnStage Musicals



Indian Wells Theater

Tickets are now on sale for the 2011-2012 concert series at the Indian Wells Theater at the Cal State San Bernardino Palm Desert Campus.

Each concert begins at 2pm. Musical Chairs Concerts also have a second show starting at 7pm. The Indian Wells Theater is located at 37-500 Cook St., between Gerald Ford and Frank Sinatra Drives.

Season tickets are on sale through The Indian Wells Theater Box Office. The cost per ticket is \$50; however, if all three concerts are purchased together, the cost is only \$120, a 20 percent savings. Musical Chairs tickets are \$40 and Jazz Festival tickets are \$30 and these two shows are not part of the season ticket offering.

For more information visit www.jazzart.com/onstagemusicals.

To Purchase Tickets

Call the box office at (760) 341-6909 or visit the Indian Wells Theater website at www.IWTheater.com. Tickets can be purchased securely online.

JAN. 22 – “A TRIBUTE TO THE MUSIC OF HARRY JAMES”

Dr. Jack Poster, former lead trumpeter with the Harry James Orchestra (1969-1971), will present hits such as “All of Me,” “Days of Wine and Roses,” “Don’t Get Around Much Anymore” and “Blue Tango.”

The event features Troy Clarke and Cassie Miller. See sidebar article.



(Clockwise): Cassie Miller, Dr. Jack Poster, and Troy Clarke.



FEB 29 - “THE GREAT SINGERS”

Musical Chairs Encore 2pm and 7pm. Musical chairs returns for its 11th season in the Desert with a musical review show featuring a cast of eight singers and a swinging combo all under the direction of Derrick Lewis. This concert features the music of local composer Jimmy Van Heusen. For more information visit www.musicalchairs.us

FEB. 26, – “GOOD GUYS AND BAD GUYS: THE MUSIC OF SPIES AND PRIVATE EYES”

Featuring Patricia Welch and Bill Kilpatrick The All Star Big Band will perform songs from favorite spy movies, including classic “James Bond,” “Dragnet” and “The Pink Panther.” Songs include “For Your Eyes Only,” “Nobody Does It Better,” “Goldfinger,” “Live and Let Die” and “The Naked Gun Theme.”



Patricia Welch



Bill Kilpatrick

MARCH 25, – “BROADWAY SHOWSTOPPERS FROM THE GOLDEN AGE OF BROADWAY THEATRE - 1940-1960”

Featuring Kim Huber and Roger Belfer. The concert offers an afternoon of music from classic Broadway musicals such as “Oklahoma!,” “Carousel” and “South Pacific.”

APRIL 4 - “I LOVE A PIANO”

Musical Chairs Encore 2 shows 2:00 pm and 7:00 pm. Musical chairs returns to the Desert for its 2nd show of the season with a musical review featuring a cast of singers and great musicians all under the direction of Derrick Lewis. This concert features the best piano players from the Inland area along with the musical chairs singers. Visit www.musicalchairs.com for more information.

APRIL 29 - THE ONSTAGE PALM SPRINGS JAZZ FESTIVAL

2:00 pm A concert style jazz festival featuring the desert’s finest jazz personalities such as Yve Evans, Pat Rizzo, Steve Madio, John Stanley King, and Jackson Garrett. Tickets for this event are \$30 and are available through www.bownpapaertickets.com/event/197213



Yve Evans and Steve Madio

Dr. Jack Poster: A Tribute to Harry James and Friends

Master trumpet artist Dr. Jack Poster will lead his 20-piece big band in “A Tribute to the Music of Harry James” on Sunday, Jan. 22, at the Indian Wells Theater at Cal State San Bernardino’s Palm Desert Campus.

The concert, which begins at 2pm, features Poster, former lead trumpeter with the Harry James Orchestra (1969-1971), as well as vocalists Troy Clarke and Cassie Miller. They will perform hits such as “That Old Black Magic,” “I’m Beginning to See the Light,” “Luck Be a Lady” and “Mack the Knife.”

Poster, who holds a doctorate degree in music from Claremont Graduate School, has been on the cutting edge of the entertainment business ever since becoming a professional trumpet artist. He has an extensive performance background in all areas of music including jazz, pop, classical and midi sequencing. He is considered an expert in midi sequencing since becoming an operator in 1986. Poster was the lead trumpet player for such artists as Stan Kenton, Harry James, Ray Anthony, Si Zetner and others. He performed with the

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Colbie Caillat in Riverside Feb. 3

Takes the stage at the Fox Performing Arts Center


Listening to “All of You,” the third and most intriguing release from Colbie Caillat, is like turning a page of a book you’ve savored for two chapters only to be surprised and delighted by what awaits in Chapter 3.

This is, first of all, definitely and unmistakably a Caillat gem. Those qualities that burst from the first notes of her 2007 debut “Coco” like bouquets of sonic joy, and flowered in 2009’s “Breakthrough,” emanate from every track on “All of You.” But now they bloom with a richness of emotion and insight that comes only when a gifted artist can channel lessons learned into her music.

“Coco” debuted at No. 5 and raced its way past the multi-Platinum barrier. Her first single, “Bubbly,” caught a generation’s imagination and has become one of the best-selling digital tracks of all time. Billboard took note by naming Cail-

lat its Breakthrough Artist of the Year. Fittingly, “Breakthrough” broke at No. 1 and was honored with two Grammy nominations; that same year, Colbie won two Grammys for her collaborations with Jason Mraz and Taylor Swift.

She has sung the national anthem on the kickoff to the 2011 NFL season and performed at the Nobel Peace Concert in Oslo. She and her original music have been featured in commercials for cotton and in ABC Family Channel’s “25 Days of Christmas,” whose theme song she wrote and arranged. Her embrace has stretched to include work for honorable causes including the Surfrider Foundation, Save the Music and the Humane Society, for which she has recently become a spokesperson.

Colbie Caillat performs at the Fox Performing Arts Center in Riverside on Feb. 3. The Fox Performing Arts Center is located in downtown Riverside, at 3801 Mission Inn Ave. Tickets are available at ticketmaster.com, all Ticketmaster outlets and the Fox Box Office. For Box Office information, call (951) 779-9800, or visit foxriversidelive.com. 



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>> West Coast Premiere Of 'Sleeping Beauty: The Time Traveler' At The Lewis Family Playhouse

MainStreet Theatre Company, voted "Best Theater Company in the Inland Empire" by IE Weekly in 2010, has announced the cast and creative team for the next show of their 6th Season. *Sleeping Beauty: The Time Traveler*, with book by Janet Stanford, lyrics by Andrea Dodd and music by Deborah Wicks-La Puma, makes its West Coast premiere on Jan. 28 and runs through Feb. 12 at Rancho Cucamonga's Lewis Family Playhouse in the Victoria Gardens Cultural Center, 12505 Cultural Center Drive. Award winning director Art Manke directs, with musical direction by Janice Rodgers Wainwright.

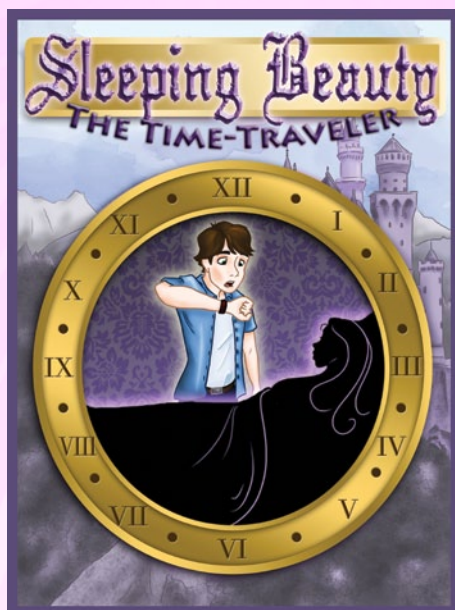
The musical, geared to girls and boys ages 5 and up, updates the *Sleeping Beauty* story by sending a modern-day 5th grader who is obsessed with the Nintendo game "Zelda" back in time to the age of Charlemagne, where he meets a young Princess Aurora. Aurora longs to be a knight and go off on adventures, and doesn't understand why her parents have never let her leave the castle walls. The two friends end up not only finding out about the curse put on Aurora when she was young, but with the help of the magic spindle, end up both living in our 21st century world – the "land of computers." The review in the Washington Post for the show's 2005 production said, "It's a nicely evocative overturning of an old symbol that the spindle – which once represented a woman's menial work – in this 'Sleeping Beauty,' represents freedom and possibility."

The musical continues MainStreet's "Time-Travel" season, which kicked off with *Honus and Me* in October, and will end with the Newberry Award Winner *A Wrinkle in Time* in May.

"So many kids know fairy tales mostly from the classic animated Disney movies, but we love doing fairy tales with a bit of an unexpected twist," MainStreet Producer Mireya (Murry) Hepner says.

"This show has a feisty heroine, really fun music and is perfect for our younger audiences! We are really fortunate to have the incomparable Art Manke directing, and it was such a pleasure having Debbie La Puma join us for the audition period." Deborah Wicks La Puma, the show's composer, also wrote the music for MainStreet's past production of *Ferdinand the Bull*.

Director Art Manke is a five-time winner of the Los Angeles Drama Critics Circle Award for his productions of a wide range of classics and new work. His production of *The Three Musketeers* opened the 30th Anniversary Season of Shakespeare Santa Cruz, where he also just directed and choreographed *A Year With Frog and Toad*. His



work has been seen locally at South Coast Repertory, Pasadena Playhouse, Mark Taper Forum and Laguna Playhouse.

Book writer Janet Stanford has written plays for children and adults that have been produced by The Virginia Stage Company, Source Theatre Company, The Kennedy Center's Programs for Children & Youth, The Honolulu Theatre for Youth, and her own Theatre For Young Audiences company, Imagination Stage, in Bethesda, Maryland, where *Sleeping Beauty* was first produced in 2000.

Lyricist Andrea Dodds' other shows include *Froggie Went A'Courtin'* (book by Stanley Werner Jr.), *The Adventures of Edam Stilton* (book by Stanley Werner Jr., based on the short stories of Mickey Klar Marks), *Rock Candy Mountain Revisited* (book by Stanley Werner Jr., music by Robert DeCormier) and *The Good Knight Story* (music by Deborah Wicks La Puma), commissioned by the Children's Empowerment Network.

Composer Deborah Wicks La Puma's work for adults and children has been seen across the country and the world from the East Room of the White House in Washington DC to California, Hawaii, Australia and Singapore. Her awards include the Jane Chambers Playwriting Award, the Robert M. Golden Award, a National Endowment for the Arts' New American Works Grant, three Helen Hayes nominations, two Parent's Choice Awards, and an iParenting media award.

Musical Director Janice Rodgers Wainwright will be leading a three-piece live band perched


above scenic designer Michael C. Smith's set, which will magically transform from a present day museum to a medieval castle. Michael Smith, whose work has been seen all over California and the U.S., is returning for his 7th show with MainStreet.

The rest of the creative team includes Costume Designer Angela Balough Calin and Lighting Designer Jaymi Lee Smith.

The cast of four includes Mary Kate Wiles, last seen as spunky red-head Anne Shirley in MainStreet's *Anne of Green Gables*, as Princess Aurora, and Jeffrey Todd as Rolly, the 5th grader who is more interested in Nintendo than school work. Ann Marie Lee and Gary Lamb play Aurora's parents in the age of Charlemagne and double as Rolly's parents in the age of computers.

Jeffrey Todd's credits include *The Emperor's New Clothes* and *Lucky Duck* at South Coast Repertory Theatre, as well as shows at Universal Studios, Sacramento Music Circus, and others. Ann Marie Lee, a classically trained actress and long-time member of A Noise Within, returns for her 5th show at MainStreet, having previously appeared as "Miss Nelson/Miss Swamp" in *Miss Nelson is Missing!*, "Aunt Spiker/Ladybug" in *James and the Giant Peach*, The Fairy Godmother in *Cinderella*, and Joey's Mom in *Honus & Me*. Gary Lamb, who is also the Artistic Director of North Hollywood's Crown City Theatre Company, appeared as "Herr Von Cuckoo" in last year's MainStreet Theatre Company production of *The Gingerbread Man*.

Sleeping Beauty: The Time Traveler, appropriate for ages five years and up, runs Saturdays at 1pm and 4pm and Sundays at 1pm (no performance on Jan. 29). The matinee on Feb. 5 will be interpreted in American Sign Language. The Playhouse also runs special weekday matinees for school children, and study guides for teachers and parents are accessible on the Lewis Family Playhouse website. Tickets are \$16 for general admission, \$14 for seniors over 65 and youth up to age 12. Special prices are available for groups over 15 people by calling the Box Office. Due to a generous donation from the Rancho Cucamonga Community and Arts Foundation, all tickets to performances on Saturday, Jan. 28 are only \$9.50.

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MythBusters Jamie Hyneman and Adam Savage.

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562 West Fourth St., San Bernardino. (909) 885-5152. Tickets available at www.ticketmaster.com, www.livenation.com, or the theater's box office.

FOREVER TANGO: Jan. 19, starring two-time "Dancing With the Stars" champion Cheryl Burke, 8pm. Tickets are \$38.50-\$77.50.

JOURNEY UNAUTHORIZED: Jan. 21. Don't stop believin' the magic when the phenomenal tribute band Journey Unauthorized performs in concert at 8pm. Tickets are \$19-\$45.

MY FAIR LADY: Jan. 26, 8pm. Lerner and Lowe's classic stage musical about a Cockney flower girl who takes speech lessons to become a proper lady. Tickets are \$38.50-\$77.50.

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ARTIST SHOWCASE, ARTISTIC AESTHETICS: Featuring artist Shira Seny. The exhibit runs from January 9th to February 24th. See article on page 17.



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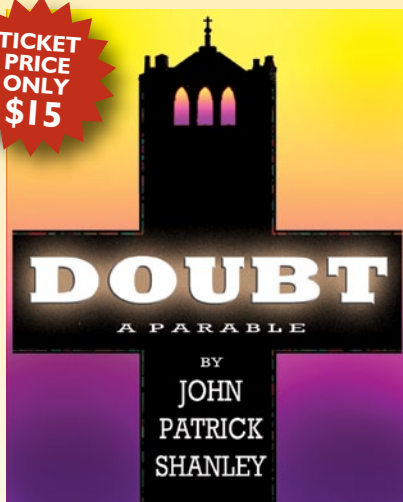
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Fontana's Art Depot Gallery presents 'Artistic Aesthetics' By Artist Shira Seny


>> This January and February visit Fontana's Art Depot Gallery quarterly Artist Showcase, *Artistic Aesthetics*, featuring artist Shira Seny and her stunning work. The exhibit runs from Jan. 9 to Feb. 24.

Seny's *Artistic Aesthetics* portrays peaceful portraits of indigenous people, needlepoint tapestries and breathtaking landscapes. "My general theme for paintings is portraits from different countries and cultures with emphasis on their unique cultural costumes and background. In my tapestries, the theme is geometric designs with a bright complementary color scheme," Seny said.

Mrs. Seny graduated from California State University, Long Beach with a Bachelors Degree in Fine Art. Upon graduation she traveled to Europe and the Middle East. She has studied art at some of the world's top museums such as the Louvre in Paris, France and the Sistine Chapel in Rome, Italy. In doing so, she has witnessed some of the greatest masterpieces of all time and gained an artistic influence that flows through her work.

Seny has been a member of various art associations such as the Art Association of Inland Empire and the Pomona Art Association. She has multiple first place awards and honorable mentions and her work has been exhibited at multiple locations including the Ontario Art and History Museum, the Jewish Center in Newport Beach, the Soho Gallery in downtown Pomona and the Cultural Center in Rancho Cucamonga on several occasions.

The Art Depot Gallery will host Seny's work for eight weeks from Jan. 9 to Feb. 24. There will also be an artist reception from 4pm to 6pm at the Art Depot Gallery on Feb. 3. The reception is open to the public and will have live entertainment, art activities and light refreshments.

The Art Depot is located in Downtown Fontana, across from the Lewis Library, at 16822 Spring Street and is open to the public Tuesday through Thursday from 10am to 5pm, Friday from 10am to 6pm and Saturday from 12pm to 5pm. For more information visit art.fontana.org. 



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Poster has been a guest lecturer at the University of Redlands, San Diego State University, Cerritos College and the University of Nevada-Las Vegas. He has 17 years of teaching experience as well.

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Adam and Jamie serve as guest editors for Popular Mechanics and were featured on the cover of the September 2009 issue. That same year, they were inducted as honorary members into Sigma Xi, the Scientific Research Society. They are Honorary Lifetime Members of the California Science Teachers Association and were named Honorary Engineers and Honorary Members of the Francis Crowe Society at the University of Maine. Adam and Jamie produced and starred in an H1N1 Public Service Announcement for the White House, and were chosen by the President to retest the

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They appeared as themselves in the movie Darwin Awards and have made several cameos on other TV shows, including CSI. And In 2010, Hyneman and Savage received the Outstanding Lifetime Achievement Award in Cultural Humanism from the Harvard Secular Society.



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Friday, February 3, - 8:00pm

COLBIE CAILLAT

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A CHORUS LINE AUDITIONS: Broadway at the Gardens will hold auditions to cast its March 2012 production of A Chorus Line. All those who wish to be in the performance must come to the dance auditions on Tuesday, Jan. 10 at 7pm at the Lewis Family Playhouse. Dancing in the show requires heavy jazz, ballet, and some tap. If asked to attend callbacks on Wednesday, Jan. 11, performers should be prepared to sing 16 to 32 bars of music preferably from the show and read from the side.

ABBA-MANIA & NIGHT FEVER: Jan. 13, 8pm. General \$26.50 and; Senior: \$26.50 and \$31.

DIONNE WARWICK: Jan. 14, 8pm. Tickets: \$65.

SLEEPING BEAUTY: THE TIME TRAVELER: Jan. 28 - Feb. 12. See article on page 14.

TICKET TO RIDE: A TRIBUTE TO THE BEATLES: Feb. 18, 7:30pm. See ticket offer in ad on page 16.

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A TRIBUTE TO THE MUSIC OF HARRY JAMES: Jan. 22, featuring master trumpet artist Dr. Jack Poster and his 20-piece big band. See article on page 12.

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MY FAIR LADY: Jan. 27-Feb. 5. Tickets: \$28-\$48.

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Classical crossover artist Jackie Evancho is capturing the hearts and minds of fans the world over with her incredible voice and presence despite her youth. Introduced to mainstream America in 2010 with her performances in the fifth season of *America's Got Talent* at the age of 10, Evancho has since gone on to perform at the 2010 National Christmas Tree lighting in Washington, D.C., with U.S. President Barack Obama, and appeared on the *Today Show*, *The View*, *The Tonight Show* and had her own PBS special.

Jackie Evancho will amaze at the Special Events Center at Fantasy Springs Resort Casino on Jan. 28 at 8pm. Tickets are \$89, \$69 and \$49, available at the Fantasy Springs Box Office, via telephone at (800) 827-2946 or online at www.FantasySpringsResort.com.

"She is a prodigy; they break the rules by definition," wrote music critic Andrew Duckenbrod in the *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette*. "[Her] voice mesmerizes." Jackie's unique, gorgeous soprano has won her millions of fans and her recordings have dominated the music and DVD charts. Her warmth, charm and poise have helped her gain the support of legendary music producers like David Foster, and now, movie producers like Redford. Billboard Magazine named Jackie to their list of music movers-and-shakers under the age of 21 because her "spellbinding, operatic vocals possess a power and poignancy that often moves listeners multiple times her age to tears."

Since appearing on *America's Got Talent*, Jackie has recorded one EP ("O Holy Night") and two full-length albums (*Dream With Me* and *Heavenly Christmas*), all of which raced to the top of the Billboard charts.

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DOOBIE BROTHERS: Jan. 7, 8pm.

JACKIE EVANCHO: Jan. 28. See article on page 20.

TERRY FATOR: Feb. 18. See article on this page.

PAUL ANKA: March 4.

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STYX: Jan. 27, 8pm. Tickets: \$50, \$65, \$75.

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MIKE EPPS: Jan. 12. Tickets: \$35 and \$45.

Famed Ventriloquist Terry Fator Lets His Puppets Do The Talking At Fantasy Springs Resort Casino

Best known for his victory on "America's Got Talent," master singer, comedian and ventriloquist Terry Fator is bringing his headlining Las Vegas show to the Special Events Center at Fantasy Springs Resort Casino on Saturday, Feb. 18 at 8pm. Without moving his lips, Fator will captivate audiences by bringing his signature puppets to life through comedy, singing, and uncanny celebrity impressions.

Tickets are \$89, \$69 and \$49, and available at the Fantasy Springs Box Office, via telephone at (800) 827-2946 or online at www.FantasySpringsResort.com.

From small-town appearances to performing on *The Today Show*, *The Oprah Winfrey Show*, *The Late Show with David Letterman*, *The Ellen DeGeneres Show*, *Larry King Live*.... Terry Fator has entertained millions with his unique brand of talent, and even Simon Cowell has praised him as "one of the most talented people on the planet."

Night after night, audiences are mesmerized as he takes them on a journey through the idiosyncrasies of his world of characters, including Winston the Impersonating Turtle, Vikki "The Cougar," country legend Walter T. Airedale, hip-hop diva Berry Fabulous, and many more.



WAR: With special guest The Family Stone, Jan. 19. Tickets: \$25 and \$35.

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DRIVE IN THE NEW YEAR: Jan. 1. Drawings held every hour starting at 1pm to 10pm. Winners take home \$200 in cash, a \$150 gift card, \$100 in free slot play and a \$50 gas card. Grand prize drawing on Jan. 1 at 10:30pm for a 2012 Chrysler 300.

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Fantasy Springs Whoopi Goldberg performance postponed

Due to scheduling conflicts, the Whoopi Goldberg performance at Fantasy Springs has been postponed. The show was to be held on Saturday, March 24. As of this publishing, a new date has not yet been set.

Ticket holders will be fully refunded through the Fantasy Springs Box Office. For questions, contact the Box Office between 10am and 6pm in person or via telephone at (800) 827-2946.

The Downtown Riverside Farmer's Market



Fresh food waits for you every Saturday in Riverside at the Downtown Farmers Market along Main Street between 5th and 6th Streets. The market opens bright and early at 8am and is available to shoppers until 1pm. A diverse set of vendors greet market-goers and offer an exclusive chance to explore their product and buy fresh directly from the hands of the farmer. Fresh fish, herbs, even vegetables specific to Asian cuisine, area farmers line the street in Riverside's downtown offering a unique opportunity to discover these refreshing luxuries.

Registration open for Riverside Raincross 5K Run/Walk



The City of Riverside Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department is hosting the 6th Annual Riverside Raincross 5K Run/Walk at Historic Fairmount Park. The Run/Walk will be held Saturday, Feb. 25, 7:30-10am (the 5K run will begin promptly at 7:30am and the Kids' Heroes Run at 8:30am) at Fairmount Park, located at 2601 Fairmount Boulevard. The top three men and women in each age division will receive awards. All youth will receive a participation award.

The cost for the 5K run is \$20 per person before Feb. 4 and \$25 per person after. The cost for the Kids' Heroes Run is \$10 per person before Feb. 4 and \$15 per person after.

To register, visit your local community center or register online at www.riversideca.gov/park_rec. For more information, call (951) 826-2000. **IER**

'Dust Devils' Writing Contest

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Snow Play After Dark for Faster Inner Tube Rides

As night arrives the lights go on and stars come out. More important, snow gets even faster, making for incredible inner tubing at Big Bear Lake's Alpine Slide at Magic Mountain, which offers the Southland's only night snow play.

Inner tubing after dark at Alpine Slide is surreal as sliders pinwheel back and forth through the shadows during their downhill descents. Always open for night snow play Fridays and Saturdays 5-9pm, the area also has extra evening sessions for the holiday season every night through Jan. 7. Bundle up when the sun goes down for the fastest, most exhilarating rides around.

The snow is groomed prior to each night session to ensure tubers enjoy perfectly smooth corduroy on Alpine Slide's traditional downhill runs. The area is also home to the twisting, turning "Snake," a series of high-banked turns that whip riders back and forth, to and fro, like a boardercross or motocross track. As snow gets faster as the evening progresses the famous Snake gets even more bite to its ride and is especially popular with the after dark crowd.

Getting to the top of all the snow is easy thanks to Magic Carpet uphill lift...just step on the moving conveyor belt and you're back at the top ready for more fun in a jiffy. No trying to

scramble up an icy slope, which just wouldn't happen after dark. Save your energy for the thrilling downhill rides. Alpine Slide's Magic Carpet is enclosed in Plexiglass for guest comfort.

When it's time for a winter warm-up, head inside the heated base lodge with video games, hot cocoa, coffee or other goodies from the family-priced snack bar.

Night tubing is perfect for those who want to ski, snowboard, snowshoe or explore other Big Bear recreation by day. Night tubing is cheaper, too; just \$15 buys four hours of fun and includes the Magic Carpet lift pass and tube rental.

Alpine Slide and nearby Big Bear Snow Play are open daily for inner tubing from 10am to 4pm. Each make their own snow with the same Lenko fan guns used at the ski resorts to ensure there's plenty of white stuff to play on. Day sessions cost \$25 which includes Magic Carpet pass and tube rental. Guests are welcome to come and go if they want, or bring a picnic lunch and make a day of it.

Alpine Slide is also home to the signature bobsled-like ride of the same name. Experience many of the same gravitational forces Olympians feel during your descent down two quarter-mile long cement tracks aboard sleds with ball-bearing



NIGHT TUBING AT ALPINE SLIDE

wheels that you actually control. Go faster or slower and lean into each banked turn before tucking through the straightaways.

Alpine Slide also offers Putt 'N Around Go-Karts and an 18-hole miniature golf course and there's a terrific weekend barbecue on the outdoor deck. **IER**

Alpine Slide

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Big Bear Snow Play

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CASTLE PARK

Rides, games and miniature golf. 3500 Polk Ave., Riverside. (951) 785-3000. www.castlepark.com.

THE GOLD PROSPECTORS ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA GOLD & TREASURE SHOW

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Soboba Golf Classic PGA Nationwide Tour

Charitable sponsoring making a difference

Charities and businesses don't have to wait until next fall to reap the benefits of the Soboba Golf Classic that has brought top-notch sports action and thousands of spectators to The Country Club at Soboba Springs for the past three years.

The Nationwide Tour event will return to San Jacinto April 2 through 8 of 2012. With the final day of play being on Easter Sunday, many special family activities are planned.

"It's a better time for us, no question," Bryan Addis, general manager of The Country Club at Soboba Springs and executive committee member for the tournament, said. "The weather conditions, the condition of the golf course, will have a positive effect on our volunteership and spectatorship."

The tournament has always been an ideal opportunity for community involvement, local and regional. The cities of Hemet and San Jacinto have already given their blessing and support for the event, which will be in its final year of a four-year contract with the tour.

The goal of any PGA TOUR is to cover the cost of the tournament so that any additional proceeds can be donated to charity. Though the Soboba Golf Classic has made a substantial charitable contribution during its first three years, that money has been generated primarily through the Tickets Fore Charity program and not from the tournament itself. Sponsorship sales of events is what will lead to major charitable contributions.

There are a variety of levels of sponsorship available for all size companies to reach the community – from mom and pop operations to big corporations.



THANK YOU VOLUNTEERS! *The Soboba Golf Classic relies on the tireless service of hundreds of volunteers.*

Large businesses who become presenting sponsors receive many perks. Affordable advertising banner placement is one of the most effective forms of getting a message to the on-site audience. Various options are available.

Sponsoring an appreciation day is available for \$1,500. Recognition themes include U.S. Armed Forces, Senior Citizens, Community and Cancer Awareness.

The Soboba Golf Classic relies on the tireless service of hundreds of volunteers who donate their time to ensure the success of the event. They are excited to be part of one of Southern California's biggest golf events and their uniform is their identity. A company can sponsor their uniforms or activities that support them throughout the week.

"As an avid golfer (volunteering) means being close to the professional golf world and participating in making something positive

take place in a smooth and organized manner," Tom Garnella, of Hemet, said. He and Laura Froehlich were chosen as Volunteers of the Week at this year's tournament.

The Tickets Fore Charity program is used by many PGA TOUR events to give back to local nonprofit organizations. After registering to participate, groups will receive tickets that can be sold to friends, family and supporters. At the end of the tournament, the charity receives the funds generated from ticket sales.

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'Easyriders' Bike Show Tour comes to Southern California



North America's biggest, baddest bike show arrives in Anaheim on Saturday, Jan. 7, at the Anaheim Convention Center for the first stop on the **Easyriders 2012 Bike Show Tour**. Don't miss the planet's hottest bikes, the world's top builders including Paul Yaffe and Ralph Randolph, and all the industry's top manufacturing representatives showing off all the industry's latest products.

The stars of the hit TV show *Sons Of Anarchy* have joined the 2012 Easyriders Bike Show Tour. Meet Tommy Flanagan "Chibs" and Winter Zoli "Lyla" as they will be taking pictures, signing autographs, and greeting guests from 1pm to 5pm. You definitely want to get there early for them as they are a crowd favorite. Also signing autographs and taking pictures with guests will be Easyriders Magazine's own topless tech Angie Savage.

In addition to the above the 2012 Bike Show Tour features can't miss, one of a kind "Rock Em Sock Em" women's roller derby action with Orange County's very own OC Roller Girls, live music from rock sensation HEMME, and this year Easyriders has added The Tattoo Gallery to the 2012 Bike Show Tour. The Tattoo Gallery will feature the areas top tattoo artists.

Doors open at 10am. Show hours are Saturday Jan. 7, 2012 from 10am to 8pm at the Anaheim Convention Center. You can purchase advance tickets at www.TicketMaster.com or purchase them at the door. For complete show details, events schedules, and more go to www.EasyridersEvents.com or call (800) 962-9857. **IER**

19th Annual Martin Luther King Jr. 5K Walk-A-Thon

**Monday
January 16, 2012**

**Registration: 8:30am, \$10
Walk-A-Thon: 10am**

Presented by The Riverside African American Historical Society and the Martin Luther King Visionaries

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Festivities to follow the walk including presentations, live music, a health fair and food vendors!

**Walk begins at Bordwell Park's Stratton Center in Riverside
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The walk will follow Martin Luther King Blvd. to 14th and Lime Streets, ending at Riverside Community College at 4800 Magnolia Ave.

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CAR SHOW: Second Sunday of each month, 1pm until 4pm.

DICKENS FESTIVAL

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www.dickensfest.com. See article on page 29.



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GRAND NATIONAL ROADSTER SHOW

Jan. 27-29, at the Fairplex in Pomona. Features hundreds of the best hot rods, customes, muscle cars, motorcycles, street machines and classic trucks. See article on page 11.

MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. 3K WALK-A-THON

The walk will begin at Stratton Center-Bordwell Park and proceed to the Riverside City College Digital Library, January 16. Registration will begin at 8:30am at Stratton Center, 2008 Martin Luther King Blvd. A registration fee of \$10 will be required. The Walk-A-Thon will begin promptly at 10am. See article on page 7.



THE REPTILE SUPER SHOW

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CABOT'S PUEBLO MUSEUM

In Desert Hot Springs. Museum collection includes Native American pottery and baskets, artifacts and other treasures. cabotsmuseum.org. (760) 329-7610.

EDWARD-DEAN MUSEUM & GARDENS

9401 Oak Glen Rd., Cherry Valley. (951) 845-2626. www.edward-deanmuseum.org. The Museum is open Friday, Saturday and Sunday 10am to 5pm and is closed on county holidays. Admission is \$5; children 12 and under are free. The Museum's permanent collections are primarily 16th through 19th century European and Asian decorative arts including furniture, ceramics, glass, textiles, sculptures, and many small collections such as miniature paintings, fans and pocket watches.

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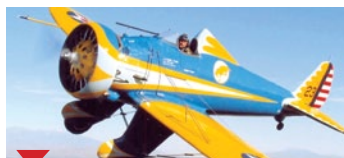
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The museum is open Sunday through Friday from 10am to 5pm, Saturday from 9am to 5pm. 7000 Merrill Ave., Chino. (909) 597-3722. www.planesoffame.org.

FABULOUS AIRCRAFT OF THE 1930S:

Living history flying event, Jan. 7, 10am.

BOMBERS OF THE EIGHTH AIR FORCE:

Living History Flyin' Event, Feb. 4, 10am. See article on page 9.

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Dickens Festival returns to downtown Riverside

Eat, drink and be merry at the 19th annual Dickens Festival in the downtown Riverside Convention Center. It takes a weekend to fully enjoy the festival and all the downtown happenings, with hotels offering discount prices.

"It's the last weekend for the Festival of Lights," according to Kathy Wright, Dickens Festival president, "so we're looking for additional numbers of people to attend the Dickens Festival which is an amazing and educational event."

On January 7 and 8, there will be many magical moments at the Riverside Dickens Festival: a fairytale-like dance at Mr. Fezziwig's Ball, a Victorian experience in Oliver's Alley, and meeting "famous authors and historical characters - Dickens, Twain, Poe, Wilde and Wells.

"Children's eyes get big as saucers when they meet 'Queen Victoria, Prince Albert' for they really believe they are meeting the queen," Brenda Beers, Oliver's Alley chairperson, said. The Oliver's Alley is a safe and special children's area where volunteers give special attention to assisting in making crafts, playing games, dressing in a costume for a photo op, and drinking tea. Everything in Oliver's Alley is free.

Crowds will recognize Mr. Pickwick and Scrooge as they mingle while entertainers play instruments, sing, dance, show magic, juggle, and ride a pennyfarthing bicycle - that familiar contraption with the huge front wheel and tiny back wheel. The "Queen and Her Court" cover their ears when the Gordon Highlanders drill and fire their Gatling gun.

Ticketed events are Pickwick's Pub Night Dinner and Show, Fashion Show, Mr. Fezziwig's Victorian Ball, Evensong Concert, Queen's Teas and Ghostly Teas.

This event is sponsored by the Riverside Dickens Festival, a non-profit educational organization, with a philosophy that this literary festival should be affordable for families and students from middle school through college. Other major donors are the Riverside Arts Council, City of Riverside, and Riverside County Supervisors Bob Buster and John Tavaglione.

Admission is free. For further information call (951) 781-3168 or visit the website at www.dickensfest.com. 



BIG WHEELS Dennis Forel rides his pennyfarthing at the Riverside Dickens Festival.

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