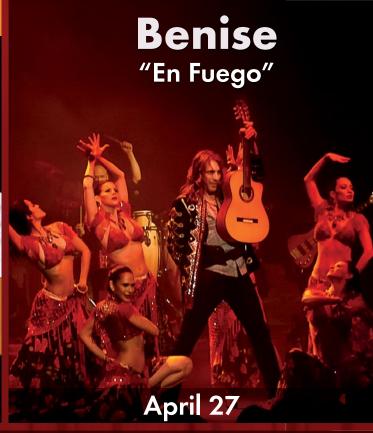




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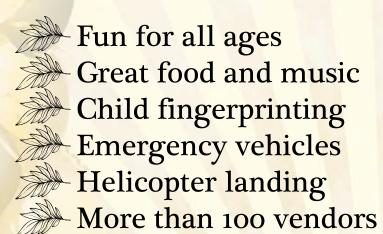
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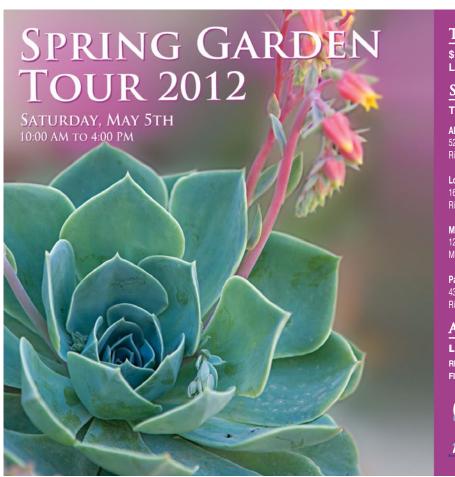
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Great Food and Fun at Fallbrook Avocado Festival

ime is finally here for the 26th Annual Fallbrook Avocado Festival held on Sunday, April 15, from 9-5pm. It celebrates the agricultural heritage of Fallbrook while providing an opportunity for entertainment and festival fun.



The Festival's celebration of Fallbrook's heritage as an agricultural community is visible in the museums, the avocado-themed events sponsored throughout the day, and the wide variety of foods and agricultural displays found all along the Festival streets. Held on Main Ave., visitors get the "village"

feeling of Fallbrook while enjoying over 450 booths and many other attractions, including 4 food courts with shady seating and amazing avocado foods.

Avenue of the Arts is the latest special focus at the festival, an entire street on Alvarado filled with working local artists, selling their wares and demonstrating their talents. Kids can even help "construct" an avocado tree!

Two refreshment gardens host all-day music from live bands and a place to sit and relax a little while. A full carnival will be held in Joe's Hardware parking lot with kiddy rides at the North end of the festival.

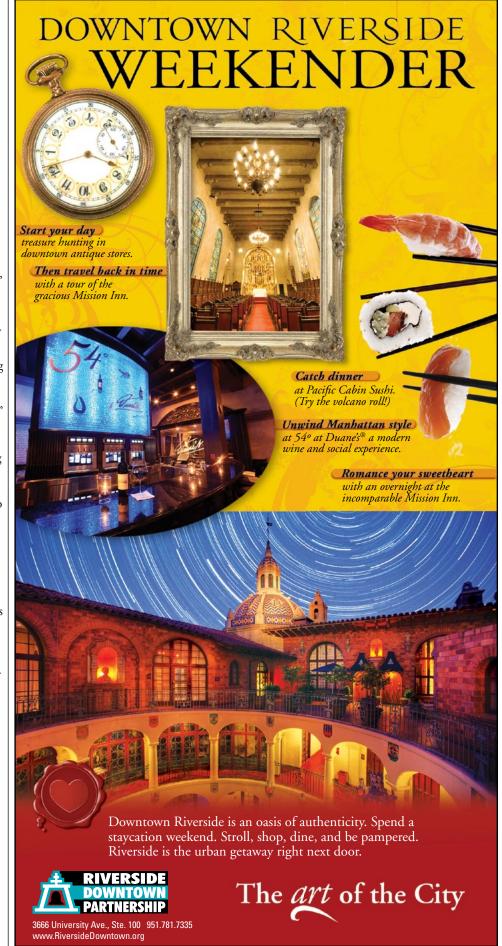
Free parking, shuttles and admission help make this a fun, family outing and the contests designed for kids are especially entertaining - who could ever forget the race car

they built with an avocado and won that blue ribbon?

Check the Fallbrook Chamber of Commerce website for all the details, at www.fallbrookchamberofcommerce.org. III



Fallbrook Avocado Festival features food as well as activities and carnival games.





Planes of Fame Airshow Takes Wing

he Planes of Fame 2012 Airshow will mark the momentous events that occurred 70 years ago literally "turning the tide" of history in 1942. Warbirds will once again fill the skies over Chino Airport during the County of San Bernardino Planes of Fame Airshow over the weekend of May 5-6.

1942 saw the formation of the VIII Bomber Command in January of 1942 - later to become the famed 8th AAF - the daring Doolittle raid in April of 1942 and key battles at Coral Sea, Midway and Guadalcanal and finally Operation Torch in North Africa in November, 1942.



A veteran panel will be on hand to discuss and add their insight to those events 70 years ago. Warbirds, historic aircraft. modern military aircraft and aerobatic planes will make the 2012 County of San Bernardino Planes of Fame Airshow the southern California and world aviation event of the year.

Adding excitement to the program of warbird flybys and air combat re-enactments will be high performance aerobatic displays by Sean D. Tucker, the world's premier Airshow performer flying Team Oracle's Challenger bi-plane and, local favorite Rob Harrison, "The Tumbling Bear," in his Czech built Zlin 50. There will be World War II fighter aerobatics with the famed "Horsemen": Steve Hinton, Ed Shipley and Dan Friedkin. The Horsemen will fly a three-ship demonstration flight in two P-51 Mustangs and a P-38 Lightning. A graceful wing walking routine will also be performed by the Silver Wings duo of Margaret Stivers and Hartley Foldstad in a Stearman biplane. A tribute to all veterans will be performed by the U.S. Air Force Heritage Flight display Team.

Other aircraft, military vehicles, and aviation-related items will be on static display

for up-close viewing. There will even be opportunities for the public to experience Planes of Fame Air Museum member orientation flights in genuine warbirds. Numerous food and beverage vendors will delight the palette and a host of memorabilia vendors will be on hand to make the overall experience even more enjoyable for Air Show visitors.

General admission tickets purchased at the gate are \$20 for adults and \$5 for youngsters 5-11, with free admission for accompanied children under 5. Advance discount general admission tickets are available online at www. planesoffame.org for \$15 until April 20. Reserved grandstand seating and a Sunrise Photo Pass, allowing early access to the flight line for photographers, will be available for \$75 - advance purchase only with limited availability.

Gates for the County of San Bernardino Planes of Fame Airshow 2012 will open at 8am each day, and flying activities will begin at approximately 11am. For more information, call (909) 597-7576; or visit the Planes of Fame Air Museum website at www.planesoffame.org.

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Classic Cars for Charity at Show & Go

how & Go, established in 1999, is Riverside County's premier car show. On the first weekend of May each year, about a thousand cars gather in Downtown Riverside to show off, compete for trophies, and cruise the streets like they did in years gone by.

The three-day event is sponsored by the Riverside East Rotary Club and produced by the Old Farts Racing Team, with this year's Event Title Sponsor being K&N Filters.

All proceeds from the show are put back into the community through the service projects of the Riverside East Rotary Club.

"We hear from many participants that Show & Go is the best car show around," Gary Echito, founder of Show & Go and member of both the Riverside East Rotary and the Old Farts, said. "They get a chance to show their cars in an attractive venue, leisurely cruise with open headers, and enjoy getting together in a relaxed atmosphere with fun for the whole family."

This year Show & Go will take place from Friday, May 4 through Sunday May 6. Friday's activities start at 6pm with a cruise and a barbecue. On Saturday, cruising takes place from 11am to 4pm. There is a Grand Marshal parade at 10:30am.



PHOTO BY ANDREA KAUS

ONE THOUSAND CARS Show and Go takes place in downtown Riverside, May 4-6.

Along the cruise route, visitors will find product and service vendors, a large variety of food vendors, a youth corner and activities for the whole family.

The Magnolia Center Rotary Club will be having a pancake breakfast from 7 to 10am

featuring the best pancakes around. In addition, most Downtown Riverside merchants and restaurants will be open. Sunday features cruising from 8am to 1pm, with trophy presentations

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Free Open Mic Night At University Village

niversity Village announced the beginning of a brand new event - Open Mic Night. The Open Mic Nights will be held on the first and third Wednesdays, from the months of April through October, 6pm - 8pm. Open Mic Night will take place on the front patio of Starbucks.

Open Mic Nights are free to the community and guests have the chance to win raffle prizes and giveaways during the event. Open Mic is open to songwriters, poetry, spoken word and acappella performers. Signups will begin at 5:30pm on event nights. All performances must be family friendly.

In addition to the free entertainment, University Village's food merchants will pass out delicious samples and coupons. Event goers can also register to win valuable prizes sponsored by the center's merchants.

University Village is located at the intersection of University and Iowa in Riverside. For more information on Open Mic Nights, call Danielle Bovard at (818) 710-6100 or visit www.universityvillageriverside.com.

University Village is part of a portfolio of over 67 shopping centers that NewMark Merrill Companies, LLC owns or manages. The company was recently honored by the International Council of Shopping Centers (ICSC) with a Gold MAXI Award, the top recognition given in the U.S. for marketing programs. NewMark Merrill Companies has the unique ability to draw from its over 25 years of experience to provide a higher level of property management, development and asset management services for its clients. NewMark Merrill Companies has ranked among the top 20 Largest Property Management Firms and Top 10 Largest Commercial Real Estate Developers from 2007-2010 by the LA Business Journal. The company currently owns and/or operates more than 67 shopping centers in three different states and owns LandMark Retail Group, a preferred developer for CVS Pharmacy, which is developing new stores throughout California. For information about New-Mark Merrill Companies, LLC, visit www.newmarkmerrill.com.

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.

IE Foodie Weekend Brings Great Eats!

The IE Food Truck & Brew Fest at Citizens Business Bank Arena

he IE Foodie Weekend is coming May 5 and 6 to Citizens Business Bank Arena in Ontario, bringing two days of great food, family fun, live music, vendors, car clubs, and more. Get your tickets in advance and save – available on Ticketmaster.com or at the Arena Box Office.

Start your day on May 5 at 10am when the gates open for the IE Dixie Salsa BBQ Competition. The Kansas City Barbeque Society sanctioned event is also a State of California Championship. Over 30 competitors will spend more then 24 hours preparing the perfect BBQ, and then they go before the judges in hopes of winning the title.

You'll enjoy great food from 15 food trucks and several restaurants. Live music contests, local car clubs, a kid's zone, vendors and more will round out your day.

The IE Food Truck Festival is on May 6. Over 40 Food Trucks will be on site offering their gourmet delights. Plenty of bars serving beer, wine and margaritas and lots of tables and chairs are set up to provide you with shade and a place to enjoy eating "streetside." The entire family will have fun with the live music, kid's zone, vendors and entertainment.

- MAY 5: IE Dixie Salsa BBQ Competition 10am – 6pm Tickets \$10 or \$8 in advance
- MAY 6: IE Food Truck Fest 12pm 6pm Tickets \$10 or \$8 in advance



FOOD!! More than 40 food trucks bring good eats to the IE Food Truck & Brew Fest.

Tickets are on sale now. Purchase a 2 day ticket in advance for only \$14. Kids 6 and under are free.

For more information about the IE Food
Truck & Brew Fest visit
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IEFoodTruckFest.com.





starting at 1pm. Show & Go then wraps up with a Winner's Parade and drawing for the Engine Raffle.

There is no admission charge to attend Show & Go. The pre-registration to enter a car is \$50. Registration on the day of the event is \$60, and entries are capped at 1,000 cars.

Since 1999, Show & Go has generated funds that have allowed the Riverside East Rotary Club to donate over \$300,000 back to the community. Show & Go proceeds support scholarships for high school students, Interact Clubs at John W. North and Martin Luther King High Schools, sponsoring 12 eleventh grade students annually to attend Rotary Youth Leaderships Awards (RYLA) camps and 7th grade students to attend PRYDE, a middle school version of RYLA. Riverside East hosts an annual Christmas party for the children at the Community Settlement Association and donates cranberry sauce for the Salvation Army holiday food baskets.

Community organizations that Riverside East Rotary supports with funding raised by Show & Go include the Riverside Public Library Foundation, Riverside Community College District Foundation, March Field Air Museum, Meals on Wheels, Fair Housing Council's Champions for Justice, Singh Chevrolet's Perfect Attendance Awards, Teen Challenge, Evergreen Cemetery, Olive Crest, Habitat for Humanity, Boy Scouts, and the YMCA Youth Circus. Many other causes are supported on an as-needed basis.

For more information or to register a car or get sponsorship information, call (951) 682-1656 or visit www.showandgo.org.

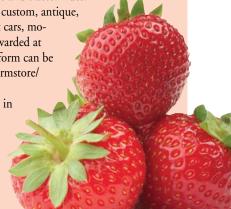
Farm Store at Cal Poly Pomona to Host Tractor and Car Show & Strawberry Festival

njoy live music and a variety of foods from vendors at the Cal Poly Pomona Farm Store's sixth annual Tractor/Car Show & Strawberry Festival on Saturday, May 12. To celebrate the peak of strawberry season, guests will have the opportunity to pick sun-ripened berries from the patch, eat strawberry pie, and sip a strawberry snow cone.

The festival, which runs from 10am to 3pm, will also include a farm animal petting zoo, face painting, horse rides and tractor rides.

The tractor and car show will feature custom, antique, classic, muscle, street rod, special interest cars, motorcycles and tractors. Trophies will be awarded at 2pm. Registration is due April 30 and a form can be downloaded at www.csupomona.edu/~farmstore/tractor-car-show.shtml.

Admission is free. Parking is available in Parking Lot K, and costs \$3. For more information about the event, visit www. csupomona.edu/-farmstore/tractor-carshow.shtml or contact Dawn Taccone at dmtaccone@csupomona.edu.



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Gardens Galore at the Annual Spring Garden Tour

The Riverside County Regional Medical Center Foundation's 17th Annual Spring Garden Tour will be held on Saturday, May 5th.

he Riverside County Regional Medical Center Foundation's Spring Garden Tour features five beautiful and unique private gardens in Riverside. Now in its 17th year, this tour has become one of the favorite events of its kind for gardening enthusiasts. Proceeds benefit the Child Abuse and Neglect Unit at Riverside County Regional Medical Center.

The Spring Garden Tour is self-guided and includes a delicious lunch which will be served in one of the private gardens. Tour attendees provide their own transportation, begin the tour at any of the five gardens and proceed at their own pace. UC Master Garden-

ers will be on site at each garden to answer questions.

Tickets go on sale April 2. The price includes lunch and are \$15 per person presale, \$20 on the day of the event. Addresses and directions to the gardens are printed on the tickets. See their ad on page 4

Riverside County Regional Medical Center Foundation's Spring Garden Tour

For further information, contact the RCRMC Foundation office at (951) 486-4213

or visit their website at www.rcrmcfoundation.org





Riverside County Regional holds Health and Safety Fair

ather some valuable information on staying healthy while having a good time this month. The Riverside County Regional Medical Center will hold the 13th Annual Health and Safety Fair Saturday, April 28, at the Moreno Valley Auto Mall at 12630 Motor Way, in Moreno Valley. The event runs from 9am to 3pm.

Events and activities include: health screenings, checking out emer-

gency vehicles including a helicopter, more than 100 vendors to peruse, child fingerprinting, food and music, and information on services available to Riverside County residents.

The Fair, fun for the whole family, is open to the public. To get to the Moreno Valley Auto Mall, take the 60 Freeway and exit at Moreno Beach Drive. For more information, call (951) 486-7556 or visit the www.rcmc.org.

FUN FOR ALL The 13th Annual Health and Safety Fair includes many activities for children and families.











t's a Great American Party, and it's close to home! Huck Finn's 36th Jubilee returns to Mojave Narrows Regional Park in Victorville, Father's Day weekend, June 15-17, with tickets on sale now.

The Park, an 800 acre natural preserve located on a river bottom in the high desert, is a place where Huck Finn would love to hang out. Each day begins with hot air balloons drifting over RVs and tents settled in for a short vacation break. An early morning balloon flight can be reserved by calling (1-800) 246-8247, and tethered rides are available until 10am each day.

An old fashioned tent circus anchors itself just out of reach of flying cow chips, and villages of mountain men, crafters and "river folk" spring up alongside Horseshoe Lake.

There are river raft building contests, a Route 66 car show, arm wrestling championship and bluegrass music workshops. A Mark Twain Live performance opens main stage activities on Friday, followed by 30 hours of bluegrass, Cajun and classic country music and headlined by Grammy award winning artist Larry Gatlin & the Gatlin Brothers on Father's Day.

"It's like a vacation without the TV – an escape event," Don Tucker,

Huck Finn's 36th Jubilee.

who started the Jubilee to celebrate the arrival of summer, said. "If you're

who started the Jubilee to celebrate the arrival of summer, said. "If you're living in Southern California, it's also a great answer to the high price of gasoline and theme parks."

Only a short drive for RVs, the celebration takes place in a Mississippi River style setting, and offers a great value. For families without an RV, host hotels in Victorville and Hesperia, like the Hilton Garden Inn, Hawthorn Suites, Courtyard by Marriott and Holiday Inn Express, offer a "Huck Finn Jubilee" discount along with free admission to the event for youth (6 through 12 years old) by displaying their hotel key.

It's not too early to get a reservation for this popular weekend festival. Tickets are now on sale and are discounted until June 4. Camping with electrical hookups is readily available, and a three-day admission with two nights camping package is \$75, with youth, ages 6 through 12 years old is only \$20. Camping, maps, a schedule of events and tickets are available by calling (951) 780-8810 or by going to www.huckfinn.com.





Theater & The Arts

MainStreet Theatre Company Ends Sixth Season With 'A Wrinkle In Time'

he MainStreet Theatre Company will end its 6th season of producing high quality professional productions for children and families with an adaptation of Madeleine L'Engles' Newberry Award winning classic *A Wrinkle in Time*. The book is celebrating its 50th anniversary this year and the MainStreet Theatre Company was awarded a grant from the National Endowment for the Arts to help to support this very special production.

An independent agency of the federal government, the National Endowment for the Arts advances artistic excellence, creativity and innovation for the benefit of individuals and communities.

May 5, 12, 13, 19, 20 • Saturdays at 1pm & 4pm, Sundays at 1pm

A Wrinkle In Time

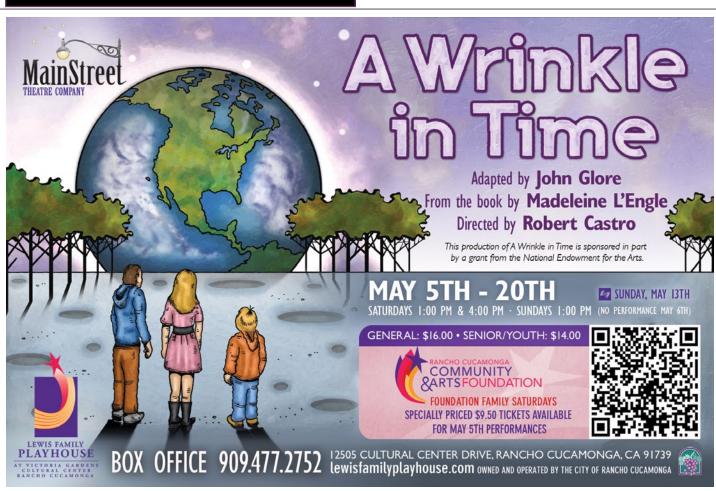
At the Lewis Family Playhouse in the Victoria Gardens Cultural Center located at 12505 Cultural Center Drive in Rancho Cucamonga.

TICKETS: General \$16, Seniors (65+) & Youth (up to 12) \$14 BOX OFFICE: (909) 477-2752 or (877) 858-8422 WEBSITE: www.lewisfamilyplayhouse.com The Newberry award winning novel has been a favorite with children and adults since it was first published in 1962. The MainStreet Theatre Company will make full use of its large space and the artistry of its creative team to bring this beloved work to audiences. The wonderful adaptation by John Glore (Associate Artistic Director at South Coast Repertory Theatre) uses only six actors to tell the enduring story of the Murry children's journey to rescue their father from the dark forces on another planet. As with all timeless stories, this production is not just for children – as fans of the book know, the story resonates with people of all ages.

Director Robert Castro, familiar to MainStreet audiences from his productions of *Dreams of Anne Frank, Ferdinand the Bull* and *Treasure Island*, is known for his use of stunning visual images and imaginative theatrical storytelling.

The creative team, which includes Scenic Designer Victoria Petrovich, Lighting Designer Brian Gale, Costume Designer Raquel Barreto and Sound Designer John Zalewski, will transform the Lewis Family Playhouse stage as the story leaps from Earth to the various worlds on other

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Blues and Benise at the Fox Performing Arts Center

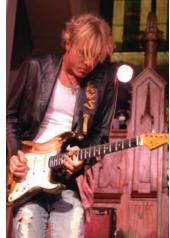
Kenny Wayne Shepherd with The Robert Cray Band and Benise heat up the stage in April

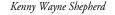
he Fox Performing Arts Center in Riverside will host a blues and rock spectacular this month with Kenny Wayne Shepherd performing with Robert Cray and special guest artist Riverside based Rod Piazza & The Mighty Flyers, on Thursday, April 12 at 7pm.

Then, on April 27, Spanish guitarist Benise will take the stage at 8pm. Kenny Wayne Shepherd has been selling millions of albums, throwing singles into the Top 10, shining a light on the rich blues of the past and forging ahead with his own modern twist on a classic sound he has embodied since his teens.

Robert Cray, a five-time Grammy Award winner, brings 35 years of blues mastery to the show.

Rod Piazza is a tried-and-true, dyed-in-the-wool blues veteran. From







Robert Cray



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Sinfonia Mexicana Honors Mothers with Concierto Para Las Madres

his year's Sinfonia Mexicana annual Concierto Para Las Madres honors all mothers with a Mother's Day Extravaganza concert and features world class artists Mariachi Champaña de Jeff Nevín, who has performed in Paris, France, Russia and China; Mexican soprano Florencia Tinoco; Rafael Palomar, legendary voice of Mariachi Vargas for 23 years; and the popular Pedro Lopez y Su Trio Casablanca playing the romantic music of legendary trios such as Los Panchos, Los 3 Aces y Los Dandy's.

Tickets may be purchased by calling (909) 885-5152 or the Sinfonia Mexicana office at (909) 884-3228, toll free 1-866-687-4284 or visit the business office at the California Theatre of the Performing Arts, 562 W. 4th Street (between E and F streets) in San Bernardino. For more information visit www.sinfoniamexicana.com, www.ticketmaster.com or www.claiforniatheatre.net.

Maestro Jeff Nevín stated, "What an amazing lineup! This super show would be welcomed in any theater in the world."



Jeff Nevin, Director and Founder of Mariachi Champaña

Also performing are Sinfonia Mexicana's Mariachi Youth Academy and Ballet Folklorico Flores del Desierto who have both performed with world renowned musicians, Mariachi Vargas de Tecalitlan and Mariachi Sol de México de Jose Hernandez. The Mariachi Youth Academy has twice been the opening act for Mariachi Divas at the House of Blues in Anaheim.

Ticket prices have been scaled down for this

special concert.

Jeff Nevín, Ph.D., is a professional classical trumpet player, mariachi trumpeter and soloist, a conductor specializing in the interpretation of Mexican music, and an award-winning composer whose works have been performed by the San Diego, Colorado, Aguascalientes, Jalisco, Pasadena, San Bernardino, Key West, East Texas, Santa Rosa, Desert, Idaho Falls, Baja California and La Jolla Symphonies, as well as Mariachi Vargas de Tecalitlán, Sol de México and many other ensembles. Together with Mariachi Champaña Nevín, he has established a reputation for presenting the highest quality classical and mariachi music performed with the mariachi ensemble alone, soloing with symphony orchestras, and appearing with world-renown singers including Placido Domingo, Aida Cuevas, Fernando de la Mora, Jorge Lopez-Yañez, José Luíz Duval, Mónica Ábrego and others.

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OnStage Palm Springs Jazz Festival



April 29th, 2012 Indian Wells Theater 1:00 PM

Location – Sculpture Garden Patio at theater entrance. Indian Wells Theater located on Cook Street off of I-10 freeway at the Cal State San Bernardino Palm Desert Campus. Brownpapertickets.com to order tickets

Yve Evans, Steve Madio, Pat Rizzo, Don Rice, Jeff Stover, Keith Droste, Andy Fraga Quartet, Rod Kokolj, John Stanley King, Jackson Garrett and the All Star Big Band. James Nation Band plays on Outdoor stage as well with our vendors market place selling jewelry and art and performers CD's and T-shirts. Enjoy the vendors, the weather, and Jazz.

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OnStage Palm Springs Jazz Festival

ome hear some of the finest musicians from Southern California playing at the OnStage Palm Springs Jazz Festival, taking place April 29 at the Indian Wells Theater.

The event, which runs from 1pm to 4:30pm, starts at the Sculpture Garden Patio at the theater entrance then moves inside for concert style jazz. The Indian Wells Theater is located on Cook Street off of the I-10 freeway at the Cal State San Bernardino Palm Desert Campus.

To order tickets, go online to www.brownpapertickets.com.

OnStage has taken some of the finest musicians from the desert, Inland Empire and Los Angeles and put them on the line up for these festivals which feature an outdoor stage with an arts marketplace and

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planets depicted in the book. The design, using both high tech and low tech elements, will serve as a wonderful landscape to make the complex themes of the story accessible to a broad audience, and the production will highlight the characters' emotional journeys as they discover their inner strength and the power of love.

A terrific cast has been assembled to bring this imaginative adaptation to life! Frequent MainStreet audience members will recognize Tracy Thomas (Cinderella) as Meg Murry, the young girl whose love for her brother proves stronger than the forces of evil. In addition to acting, Ms. Thomas is also a songwriter and has been seen around Los Angeles with her band performing in venues such as The House of Blues and the Troubadour. Jeremy Lelliott (Treasure Island), is back as Charles Wallace – the intuitive younger brother. Jeremy is the Artistic Director of the Ovation Award winning Coeurage Theatre Company in Hollywood. Royce Johnson, who was a cast member in the critically acclaimed What's Wrong with Angry at the Celebration Theatre, will play Calvin O'Keefe. Matt Foyer (Honus and Me), Amanda Pajer (Lilly's Purple Plastic Purse and Anne of Green Gables) and Ted Barton will portray an array of characters the three children meet on their adventure, including the eccentric Mrs. Whatsit, Mrs. Who and Mrs. Which, the Murry children's parents, the many tentacled Aunt Beast, and the disembodied brain "IT."

In conjunction with the production, the MainStreet Theatre Company will host two special events including an Opening Night Celebration on May 5 following the 4pm performance to celebrate the NEA grant. On Saturday, May 12, the 4pm performance will be followed by a post show discussion. Special guest Al Canguahuala (manager for Mission Design and Navigation at NASA'S Jet Propulsion Laboratory) will lead audience members and the cast in a conversation about the difference between Madeleine L'Engles' imagination and the realities of space travel today.

A Wrinkle in Time, appropriate for ages eight years and up, runs Saturdays at 1pm and 4pm and Sundays at 1pm (no performance on May 6). The matinee on May 13 will be interpreted in American Sign Language.

The Lewis Family Playhouse also hosts weekday matinees for school children, and study guides for teachers and parents are accessible on the Lewis Family Playhouse website. Special prices are available for groups over 15 people by calling the Box Office. Thanks to a generous donation from the Rancho Cucamonga Community and Arts Foundation, all tickets to performances on Saturday, May 5 are only \$9.50. Special "Opening Night Party" packages for the 4pm performance on May 5 are \$20 and include a ticket to the show and admission to the post-show celebration.

An intimate, 536-seat venue, the Lewis Family Playhouse is located in the Victoria Gardens Cultural Center located off the I-15 Freeway at Foothill Boulevard. For additional information visit www.lewisfamilyplayhouse.com.

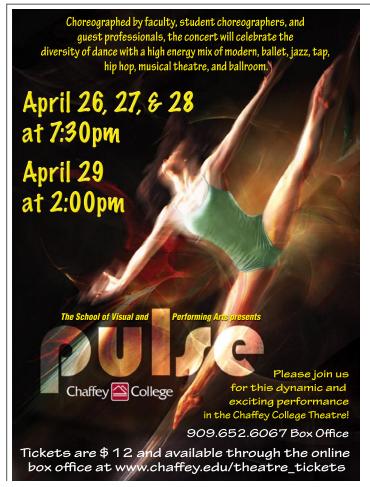
then indoor theater seating. No sitting in the dirt or on lawn chairs or blankets, this festival takes place at a modern state of the art theater which provides comfortable climate controlled seating and professional

sound and lighting to enhance your experience.



The Palm Springs Jazz Festival features Yve Evans, Steve Madio, Pat Rizzo, Don Rice, Jeff Stover, Keith Droste, Andy Fraga Quartet Rod, Kokolj, Ron Stout, Larry Holloway, John Stanley King, Jackson Garrett and the All Star Jazz Group as well as other guest artist appearances to be announced. The James Nation Band plays on an outdoor stage as well with the vendors market place selling jewelry and art and performers' CDs and T-shirts. Come early to enjoy the vendors, the weather, and jazz.

Go to www.Iwellstheater.com for maps to the theater. For more information visit www.jazznart.com/palmspringsjazzfestival or www.jazznart.com/onstagemusicals.



THEATRE & ARTS EVENT GUIDE

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ANNENBERG THEATER

Palm Springs. For tickets, call (760) 325-4490, or go online to www.annenbergtheater.org.

CALLAWAY SISTERS: April 7, 8pm. Tickets: \$50-

THE PHANTOM'S LEADING LADIES: April 14.

Tickets: \$40-\$55.

PASQUALE ESPOSITO: April 15. 7pm. RHYTHM IN THE NIGHT: April 27, 8pm. Tickets: \$35-\$55.

ART DEPOT GALLERY

Downtown Fontana, off Sierra Ave. between Arrow and Spring St., 16822 Spring St., Fontana. (909) 349-6900. arts.fontana.org.

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CINDERELLA: April 21, 1pm and 7pm, April 22, 1pm. Tickets: \$20, \$24, \$28, \$38. Order tickets at www.ipballet.org or (909) 607-1139.

CAL STATE UNIVERSITY SAN BERNARDINO THEATRE

5500 University Parkway. San Bernardino. (909) 537-5884. theatre.csusb.edu. ALMOST MAINE: April 15, 2pm and 6pm. SHA DYNASTY IMPROV: April 20-21, 8pm. HANSEL AND GRETEL: May 4 at 7:30pm, May 5 at 2pm.

CALIFORNIA THEATRE & STURGES CENTER

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

CONCIERTO DE AMOR PARA LAS MADRES:

Mother's Day Extravaganza, May 12, 7:30pm. Featuring Mariachi Champaña Nevin, with Jeff Nevin, Florencia Tinoco, Rafael Palomar, Pedor Lopez v Su Trio Casablanca, and the Sinfonia Mexicana Mariachi Youth Academy. See article on page 16.

CENTER STAGE THEATRE

8463 Sierra Ave., Fontana. (909) 349-6979. www.centerstagefontana.com.

NOCHES CON RITMO: Every first and third Thursday of the month. Latin music and dance.

CHAFFEY COLLEGE SCHOOL OF VISUAL AND PERFORMING ARTS

5885 Haven Ave., Rancho Cucamonga. Box Office: (909) 652-6067. www.chaffey.edu/theatre tickets ONE FLEW OVER THE CUCKOO'S NEST: April 1 at 2pm.

PULSE: April 26, 27, 28 at 7:30pm, April 29 at 2pm. A high energy mix of modern, ballet, jazz, tap, hip hop, musical theatre and ballroom dancing. Tickets: \$12. See article on page 19.



COMMUNITY ARTS THEATER SOCIETY OF BIG BEAR VALLEY

For more information and tickets, call (909) 866-4970 or go online to www.bigbeartheater.org. BEARLY BROADWAY: April 1 at 2:30pm. General admission: \$15. For tickets, call (909) 585-4757 or go online to www.bigbeartheater.org.

FALLBROOK ART CENTER

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FONTANA COMMUNITY SENIOR CENTER (FCSC) ART GALLERY

The art gallery is located on the Center's upper level in the Library and Art Gallery Corridor, 16710 Ceres Ave., in Fontana. (909) 349-6975. arts.fontana.org.



FOX PERFORMING ARTS CENTER

In Downtown Riverside, 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.

KENNY WAYNE SHEPHERD AND THE ROBERT CRAY BAND: April 12, 7pm, with special guests Rod Piazza and the Mighty Flyers. See article on page 15.

BENISE: En Fuego, April 27. See article on page

INDIAN WELLS THEATER

At the Cal State San Bernardino Palm Desert Campus. 37-500 Cook St., between Gerald Ford and Frank Sinatra Drives.

I LOVE A PIANO!: April 4. Part of Musical Chairs. For ticket information, call (760) 883-1800 or go online to www.musicalchairs.us. Tickets are \$35.

INLAND VALLEY REPERTORY THEATRE

For more information, go online to www.ivrt.org HAIRSPRAY: Through April 11. Held at the Candlelight Pavilion in Claremont.

LEWIS FAMILY PLAYHOUSE

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

UPRIGHT CITIZENS BRIGADE: April 20, 8pm. Live improvised comedy, created on the spot. General: \$16, \$20; Senior: \$16, \$18.

CHOO-CHOO SOUL: April 21, 11am and 2pm. General: \$15; Senior: \$13; Youth: \$12.

A WRINKLE IN TIME: May 5-20. Saturdays 1pm and 4pm, Sundays 1 pm (no performance May 6). General: \$16; Senior/Youth: \$14. See article on page 14.

Concierto de Amor Para Las Madres Mother's Day Extravaganza

Saturday, May 12, 2012 - 7:30 PM Featuring - Mariachi Champaña Nevin



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Pulse 2012—Celebrating Dance at Chaffey

he Chaffey College Dance Department presents its annual spring dance concert showcasing the choreographic and danceperforming talents of faculty, Chaffey dance students, and guest performers celebrating the diversity of dance with a kinetically intense mix of modern dance, contemporary ballet, jazz, tap, hip hop, musical theatre, and ballroom. With a cast of forty dancers, this year's concert, Pulse 2012, will prove to be a dynamic and exciting performance that offers a bit of everything for everyone with a well-paced and highly energized range of dance styles.

Artistic director and full-time dance faculty, Michele Jenkins, choreographed several of the dance works including excerpts from Sweet Charity, West Side Story, and Mary Poppins; a Swan *Lake* parody—Trockadero style; a kinetically dazzling jazz trio of explosive energy with music by Aretha Franklin; and a contemporary modern dance accompanied by the dancers' own story vocalizations.

Chaffey's hip hop and social dance adjunct instructor, BJ Brasier, offers a retrospective of hip hop styles through the decades using cover versions of Michael Jackson's Human Nature, and a



PHOTO BY PATRICK WELLS

James Bond-themed ballroom piece incorporating Tango, ChaCha, and the Hustle. Maura Townsend, Chaffey's modern and jazz adjunct instructor, provides a fusion of modern, ballet and jazz to music by Boozoo Bajou, and inspired by the voodoo ritual practice of a high priestess in a turn-of-the-century New Orleans setting.

Using music from John Legend, student choreographer Christopher Bennett offers a contemplative contemporary modern piece exploring psychological themes of invisibility and disconnection, and from student choreographer Tim Eswagen, a high-energy western-themed hip hop piece about fate and consequences to music by Michael Jackson. Chaffey advanced tap students provide harmonious rhythms reminiscent of 40's jazz tap retro style, and guest student choreographer Stacey Strickland presents a contemporary modern dance which expresses the voices of human suffering with music by Sigur Rós.

Guest artists include Colorado-based dance artist Liane Adamo and Ken Morris and company, LA-based choreographer and alumnus of the Lula Washington Dance Theatre.

Creating scenic magic is intelligent lighting designer Guy Rock, who returns to provide technical and dynamic lighting artistry along with the talents of conventional lighting designer Gary Reinschmidt.

Pulse 2012 runs April 26, 27, and 28 at 7:30pm and April 29 at 2pm. Chaffey College is located at 5885 Haven Ave. in Rancho Cucamonga. Tickets are \$12. Call Chaffey College Box Office at (909) 652-6067 for ticket information and purchases. IER

Riverside Master Chorale Performs Mozart's Coronation Mass

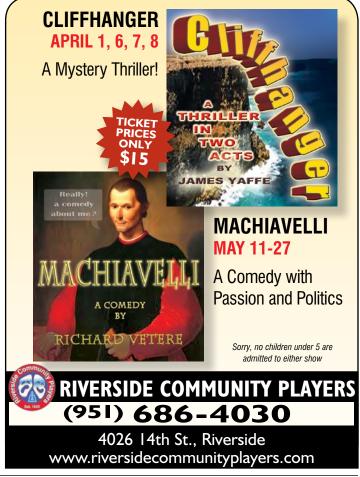
he Riverside Master Chorale celebrates its 50th year of bringing great chorale masterworks to the community with its 2011-2012 season. The chorale has weathered many changes in its long history and this year has been no exception. Right after the chorale's ambitious and successful collaboration in December with the Corona Symphony Orchestra on Carmina Burana, its director, Karen Garrett,



fell victim to continuing budget cuts at Riverside City College. Ms. Garrett's adjunct professor position was eliminated and John Byun, a full-time RCC faculty member, took over. Mr. Byun is the Director of Choral and Vocal Activities at RCC and also directs the awardwinning RCC Chamber Singers and the Jazz Ensemble.

RMC's spring concert will benefit from Mr. Buyn's directorship and a deepening of the chorale's association with RCC, as it is joined by the RCC Chamber Singers and Jazz Ensemble, as well as the RCC Symphony Orchestra, for Mozart's Coronation Mass on May 19 at 7pm. Each group will be showcased individually in the first half of the concert, then will come together for the Mozart masterwork in the second half. This concert will also mark RMC's long-awaited return to the Landis Auditorium stage at 4800 Magnolia Avenue in Riverside.

Tickets for the concert are \$10 for general admission. For more information, visit www.riversidemasterchorale.com. The chorale will also participate in the Temecula Chorale Festival in May.



his first recordings as a leader in 1967 fronting The Dirty Blues Band, through his multiple W.C. Handy Award winning with his current band The Mighty Flyers, Piazza has set a standard for harmonica virtuosity that has established him as one of the most influential living blues harp players.

Armed with his Spanish guitar, an amazing world class band of musicians, and elaborately choreographed dancers, Benise captures world music at its best. His fiery melodies and high-energy rhythms combine with elaborately choreographed stage shows to thrill audiences.

TICKETS AND PRICING INFORMATION:

Tickets are available through Ticketmaster or at the Fox Performing Arts Center Box Office, which is located at 3801 Mission Inn Avenue in Riverside. Ticket for Kenny Wayne Shepherd range from \$20 to \$65 with limited VIP Seating at \$75, and Benise is from \$25 to \$69.

The Box Office is open Monday - Friday from Noon to 6pm, Saturdays from 10am to 4pm and on all

show days from 10am to show time.
The Box Office phone number is

(951) 779-9800.



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.



Reality Rally Gears Up For Second Successful Year

More Than 80 Reality Stars Gather From 27 Different Shows To Temecula

eality Rally returns to Temecula Valley April 13-15, and registration is in full swing for the special opportunity to be a part of this Fun for Funds weekend. Due to the immense success of Reality Rally 2011, this year's Reality Rally has not only garnered regional interest but a national and even an international focus. Registration is open to anyone



who wants the opportunity to compete with their favorite reality star.

Reality Rally is a four-hour "Amazing Race" kind of game, where participants will be walking (or running) throughout Temecula's Old Town in a competition involving crazy activities and fun challenges for all ability levels, all for the coveted prize (trophy) and bragging rights but, most importantly, raising funds for Michelle's Place Breast Cancer Resource Center.

"I thought my excitement could never be matched when I made it on *Survivor* after eight years of trying. I am equally, if not more, excited to bring back the second year of Reality Rally which, after last year's success, is being touted as the Premier Reality Fundraising event in the nation," said event founder Gillian Larson who was a contestant on *Survivor: Gabon*.

More than 80 reality stars have already committed to participate in this year's Reality Rally Temecula Valley including: Richard Hatch (Winner of the first *Survivor* and participant in *Survivor*: *All-Stars*), Dawn Meehan (*Survivor*: *South Pacific*), Papa Bear Caruso (*Survivor*: *South Pacific*), Adam Poch (*Big Brother*), Elise Wims (*Hell's Kitchen*) and many others.

Teams consist of three members of the general public and a Reality Star added to make a team of four. Registration is \$90 per racer until April 8 or when all teams are filled, whichever comes first. Only eighty teams will play and spots are filling up quickly.

Not only are all of the Reality Stars in attendance donating their time, this year they are required to raise \$400 (the cost of a mammogram) minimum to be part of the event. The Reality Stars are raising "Money For Mammograms" and all the other services that Michelle's Place offers to women suffering from breast cancer.

The three day Fun for Funds event will take place April 13-15. The Reality Rally competition is on April 14, and the public will be able to not only watch the competitors as they complete the over 12 challenges but also have the opportunity to participate in many of the activities surrounding the event. Event times, tickets and information can be found at www.realityrally.com.

All proceeds of Reality Rally will benefit Michelle's Place which was founded in 2001 by Marilyn and Bill Watson, parents of Michelle Watson. Michelle was diagnosed with breast cancer at the tender age of 23 after years of misdiagnosis. It was her dying wish to start a breast cancer resource center where women could go for support and information in Riverside County. For more information regarding Michelle's Place visit www.michellesplace.org.

Events at the Wally Parks NHRA Motorsports Museum

Automotive buff? Then don't miss these exciting events in April and May!

Elite Collection of Cobras to be Displayed

uest curator Lynn "Mr. Cobra" Park announced a short list of the extraordinary Cobras to be included in the "Speed Merchants of Venice" 50th Anniversary Cobra Exhibit as part of the Ford-Cobra-Shelby Reunion scheduled for Saturday, April 21 at the Wally Parks NHRA Motorsports Museum presented by Automobile Club of Southern California.

The rare Cobras to be displayed include the following:

- The first production Cobra kindly loaned by Bruce Meyer.
- FIA 289 loaned by Lynn Park.
- Recently restored Shelby School of High-Performance Driving car loaned by David Lerian.
- 427 Comp Car loaned by Anthony Boosalis.
- 427 S/C loaned by Anthony Boosalis.
- King Cobra loaned by Bill Hartman.
- "El Cid" Dragonsnake loaned by Lynn Park.

"I was honored to be invited to curate the 'Speed Merchants of Venice' exhibit," Lynn Park said. "I think we have a very exciting line up of rarely-seen Cobras, plus I'm planning a few surprises. Couple the cars with the graphic elements being developed by Michael Holmes at Racing Division and I'm certain we will pay tribute to Carroll Shelby, the Cobra and everybody who was involved in this great chapter of American motorsports history."

The 50th Anniversary Cobra Exhibit will be part of the inaugural Ford-Cobra-Shelby Reunion. The Reunion is open to all Cobras, GT40s, Ford GTs, all Ford, Lincoln, Mercury (FLM) and FLM-powered vehicles, including trucks and Broncos and all Shelby vehicles.

Proceeds benefit the NHRA Motorsports Museum and the Carroll Shelby Foundation.

For more information, call (909) 622-3389 or go online to fordco-brashelbyreunion.com or museum.nhra.com.

Sammy Tanner named Grand Marshal of the Ascot Flat Track Reunion

amous 1960s Dirt Track Racer Sammy "The Flying Flea" Tanner was named Grand Marshal of the Ascot Flat Track Reunion to be held May 12 at the Wally Parks NHRA Motorsports Museum. Tanner was the first winner of Ascot's National Championship Half-Mile Race in 1959. He also won an incredible 408 regulation AMA races and 67 Trophy Dashes.



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Neon and the American Road Exhibit

he Wally Parks NHRA
Motorsports Museum
presented by Automobile
Club of Southern California
and the Museum of Neon Art
(MONA) will unveil a new
exhibit, Neon and the American
Road, dedicated to automotive-related neon and their
illuminating presence across
American highways, on May
2 during the monthly Prolong
Twilight Cruise.



Located in the Museum's Hall of Champions, the exhibit explores the history and development of neon signs along American highways, and how neon changed the look of the nighttime highway scene.

"This new exhibit in partnership with MONA will be enlightening for visitors of all ages. To be able to educate visitors on the unique connection between the American road, neon and the automobile is going to be a treat," Museum Executive Director Tony Thacker said.

The exhibit will feature auto-related neon signs from MONA's permanent collection as well as from other private neon collectors. In addition neon artists will display their works that relate to the automobile, highway and travel theme with a show called Traveling Light. Historical photographs of iconic L.A. auto dealerships by Tom Zimmerman will also be featured in the exhibit.

A neon fabricating workshop will be built as part of the exhibit display to provide ongoing demonstrations on sign restoration. "Neon fascinates people of all ages because of its brilliant colors and its appearance of being 'alive' when viewed close-up," MONA Director Kim Koga said. "The exhibit is a great new addition to the Museum and will relate to the golden era of neon and American highways, roads and streets."

During the Prolong Twilight Cruise, admission to the Museum and Cruise is free, 10am to 8pm. Stay for the entertaining monthly gathering of some of the coolest hot rods, customs, classics and everything in between.

Neon and the American Road Exhibit will run through December 2012.

The Wally Parks NHRA Motorsports Museum is open Wednesday through Sunday, 10am to 5pm. Current NHRA members are admitted free and Auto Club members enjoy a \$2 discount. Admission for nonmembers is \$8 for adults, \$6 for seniors 60 and older, \$6 for juniors six through 15, and free for children under the age of five. The Museum is also available for special group tours. The Wally Parks NHRA Motorsports Museum is located at Fairplex Gate 1, 1101 W. McKinley Ave. in Pomona. For more information about this exhibit and events, visit the Museum's website at museum.nhra.com or call (909) 622-3389.

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Whoopi Goldberg Takes To The Fantasy Stage

ON THE COVER

omedian, actress, singer-songwriter, political activist, and talk show host Whoopi Goldberg is setting her sights on Fantasy Springs Resort Casino for one night only, May 5 at 8pm. Known currently for her commentary as one of the hosts of the daytime talk show "The View," Whoopi has made her mark in stage, movie and television productions, as well as in standup comedy. She's performed with some of comedy's biggest stars such as Robin Williams, Jay Leno, Billy Crystal and others.

Whoopi Goldberg launched onto the performing arts scene in a big way after her acting chops were noticed in her own onewoman stage show. A director liked Whoopi and asked her to bring the show to Broadway. While there in the mid-1980s, she apparently caught the eye of movie director Steven Spielberg, who was getting ready to shoot *The Color Purple*. Goldberg was nominated for an Academy Award for her performance. She won role after role and received an Oscar for Best Supporting Actress for her part in the movie *Ghost*. She performed a series of HBO specials in the late 80s and continues to make audiences laugh.

Tickets for Whoopi's Fantasy Springs performance are \$29, \$49 and \$59 and available in person at the Fantasy Springs Box Office, by calling (800) 827-2946 or online at www. FantasySpringsResort.com.



Rock Giants, Creed, On Their Way To Fantasy Springs

reed is one of the most successful rock bands of the last 15 years, and on Saturday May 12 they will perform at Fantasy Springs Special Events Center. The show is part of their U.S. tour and includes performances of their entire blockbuster albums, *My Own Prison* and *Human Clay*.



CREED Playing May 12 at Fantasy Springs

2012 marks the 15-year anniversary of Creed's debut blockbuster album, *My Own Prison*, which has sold over 6 million copies to date. The follow-up, 1999's massive global hit *Human Clay* has sold over 11 million copies and features the rock radio mainstays "With Arms Wide Open" and "Higher."

Since their formation in 1995, Tallahassee natives Scott Stapp (vocals), Mark Tremonti (guitar), Brian Marshall (bass) and Scott Phillips (drums), better known as Creed, have gone on to be one of the most successful bands in rock history; selling close to thirty-five million albums.

The band's third studio album, *Weathered*, was released in 2001 and tied *The Beatles Anthology* for the most consecutive weeks at Number One on Billboard's Top 200 chart. In November 2004, *Creed's Greatest Hits* was released, and was certified double platinum. The band's most recent studio album, 2009's *Full Circle*, featured the top 10 rock radio hit "Overcome."

The songwriting team of Stapp and Tremonti are considered one of the most prolific in rock history. The band was voted Favorite Group in 2003 on the People's Choice Awards and has won numerous American Music Awards, Billboard Music Awards and others including the Grammy Award for best Rock Song in 2001 for "With Arms Wide Open." For more information visit www.creed.com.

Tickets for Creed are \$69, \$49, \$29 at the Fantasy Springs Box Office, via telephone (800) 827-2946 or online at www.FantasySpringsResort.

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KELLY CLARKSON: April 7, 8pm. Tickets \$109, \$89, \$69, \$49. WHOOPI GOLDBERG: May 5. See article on page 22.

CREED: May 12. See article on page 22.



REV UP, UP & AWAY AUDI A5 GIVEAWAY Saturdays, April 14, 21 & 28, members can receive FREE entries for the weekly drawings by swiping their card at the kiosks between 8am and 11pm Sunday - Friday for that week's Saturday drawing. On Saturdays, guests MUST swipe their card at the kiosks and "drop" their entries into the virtual drawing drum to be eligible for the weekly drawings. Three qualifiers will be drawn hourly from 4pm to 7pm to participate in the Audi A5 giveaway game. At 7:15pm, the qualifiers will choose an envelope from the game board in the order they were announced and reveal their prize: 6 envelopes have \$500 FREE slot play and an entry for the Audi A5 Grand Prize Wheel Game on Saturday, May 19 and 6 envelopes have \$250 FREE slot play. At 7:30pm, five wildcards will win \$100 free slot play.

IMPROV COMEDY CLUB: Every Friday (9pm) and Saturday (8pm and 10pm) through April 14. April 6 & 7 Harry Basil/Scott Kennedy/ Tracey MacDonald; April 13 & 14 Bob Zany/Scott Henry /Wendy Hammers Tickets: \$20.

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LIT LOUNGE: Every Thursday night is Country Night with country cover bands and tributes from 8pm to Midnight. Admission is free. Live bands play every Friday and Saturday night from 9pm to 1:30am. April 6 & 7 Reel Band; April 13 & 14 Common Ground; April 20 & 21 New Breed; April 27 & 28 Kool Breeze The lounge also features pay-per-view sporting events. No cover charge (unless otherwise stated). Guests must be 21 or older to enter.

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COMEDY NIGHT: In AC's Lounge, every 1st Wednesday of the month at 8pm.

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Kelly Clarkson at Fantasy Springs

Kelly Clarkson appears at Fantasy Springs on Saturday, April 7, at

8pm. Tickets \$109, \$89,

\$69, \$49.

Upland, Where Lemon Is King!

The Annual Lemon Festival returns with family fun for all

t's Lemon Festival time again in Upland! This year's citrus celebration is a partnership of the City of Upland and the Colonies Crossroads: "Upland's Partner in Progress."

This year is slated to be bigger and better than ever. The **15th Annual Lemon Festival** will occur the weekend of April 27 to April 29 in beautiful downtown Upland. Festival attendees will enjoy great food, carnival rides, games, lemon favored items, entertainment, contests, a live Western and gun show and Lemon Idol. Plus come see artisans from all parts of California.

The Lemon Is King in historic Upland for three days of fun, food and families.

This year's Lemon Festival includes the return of the "Lemon Idol" singing contest, a competition that is always a crowd pleaser. All ages can participate in the American Idol-inspired competition. Juniors, teens and adults of all ages will audition and will compete head to head. The semi, and the Idol finals will be live April 27 and 28.

This year come and see a live Western show

complete with Guns of the Round Table performing Old West Gunfighter skits hourly. Plus, witness The Wild Bunch Fast Draw Club featuring "Cisko," The Fastest Gun Alive. In addition to organizing the Western Show each year, Marion Houser (eaglesnestupland.com), has arranged a wonderful tribute to James Arness of Gunsmoke. Come and get autographs and meet your favorite cast members of the best Old Western TV shows and movies including Gunsmoke, Across the Great Divide, Deadwood, and Tombstone.

And if that wasn't enough, don't forget the carnival rides, live music and family fun! Pre-sale carnival ride tickets can be purchased at City Hall-Finance Department or the Magnolia Recreation Center.

Come join in the lemon fun and see why the Lemon really is King! The 15th Annual Lemon Festival in Upland takes place Friday,



LEMONY GOODNESS The Upland Lemon Festival features good, citrus eats, and lots of fun activities.

April 27 from 3pm to 10pm, Saturday, April 28 from 10am to 10pm and Sunday, April 29 from 11am to 6pm.

For more informatinon, go online to uplandlemonfestival.com

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Mariachi Champaña Nevín is making a name for itself as a virtuoso ensemble of uncompromising quality with a multicultural aesthetic unique in the world of music. Led by Jeff Nevin, this ensemble's performances, recordings and workshops have thrilled and inspired mariachi and Classicalmusic enthusiasts alike. Turning effortlessly from classic, very traditional Mexican standards to transcriptions of beloved works from classical music literature, their skill and authenticity within both of these traditions is a thrill to behold.

Florencia Tinoco has thrilled audiences worldwide with her beautifully expressive soprano voice. She is a native of México and classically trained in México, Europe and the United States. Her vast repertoire has kept her busy singing in major roles including Puccini's La Boheme, Georges Bizet's Carmen, Mozart's Magic Flute, Verdi's Requiem, and Carl Orff's Carmina Burana.

Florencia is rapidly becoming recognized for her unique style of combining opera highlights with the colorful sound of the mariachi ensemble. She has recorded in CD and DVD format with the Jalisco Philharmonic, Bogota Philharmonic, Baja California Orchestra, Orquesta de la Universidad del Estado de Hidalgo, Symphonic Mariachi Champaña Nevin, and Mariachi Sol de México.

Born in the port of Veracruz, México, Rafael Palomar started playing in the Plaza Garibaldi with different groups at the age of 13, while studying in the Escuela Libre de Música in México City. Directed by his father Roman Palomar, Rafael performed with Mariachi Charros de Ameca for 15 years.

The group cut their first recording of the famous song Mariachi Loco, composed by his father. Rafael traveled to the United States with Mariachi Charros de Ameca, to accompany the Charro del Misterio, Las Jilguerillas and Sr. Montemayor. At 17, Palomar became a member of Mariachi Latino working in the well-known restaurant "Plaza Santa Cecilia" in México City, accompanying famous singers such as Las Hermanitas Nuñez, Marco Antonio Vaszuez, Manuel López Ochoa, Magda Franco, Maria Elena Sandoval and many more.

From 15-22 years of age he had the opportunity to record productions of Los Hermanos Zaizar, Federico Villa and others with his father. Later, Rafael Palomar had the tremendous opportunity to become a member of Mariachi Vargas de Tecalitlán, with whom he traveled

to many countries including the USA, Japan, Holland, Canada, China, Venezuela, Colombia, Ecuador, Chile, Peru and others. They accompanied many singers, including Lucha Villa, Lucero, Beatriz Adriana, Estela Nuñez, Aída Cuevas, Guadalupe Pineda, and more. A very significant aspect of his work with Mariachi Vargas was Palomar's participation in approximately 35 recordings, considered classics in the genre today.

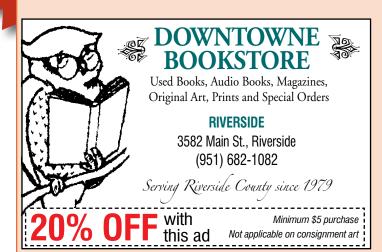
Palomar retired at the age of 47 and since then has worked as musical director for Sr. Ezequiel Peña, accompanying him on a tour of México with his Mariachi Palomar de Ameca. He also directed Peña's band. Rafael Palomar currently resides in the United States and teaches singing lessons. In his free time he composes arrangements for singers and mariachis who request them.

Trio Casablanca is known as one of the best Trios in the United States for their romantic interpretations of the Bolero and for their original and traditional style of the romantic Trio.

Pedro Lopez is known for his unique style of playing the Requinto and accompanying many well known artists in recordings and productions. He has also performed in various Mariachi Festivals held at the Hollywood Bowl.

'Dust Devils' Writing Contest

The Downtowne Bookstore wants to get your words in print!



RELEASE YOUR INNER NOVELIST! Riverside's Downtowne Bookstore, with the Inland Entertainment Review, is sponsoring a contest to help you get published, at least in a very short form. Each month, the Downtowne Bookstore will choose a mini-novel of 75 words (yes, 75 words), called Dust Devils. Send your mininovel to: Dust Devils, c/o Downtowne Bookstore, 3582 Main St., in Riverside, CA 92501, and receive the fame of your novel and name printed in the IER, and a prize of a \$10 gift certificate from the Downtowne Bookstore. Submissions must be typed, double-spaced, and sent by snail mail. Submissions become the property of Downtowne Bookstore.

Close eyes on rocking fast bus express to down where town crowds bump elbows noise bar type tale fast food junkie straggles in cold laugh young stride by.

We sit close beneath loud chatting voices sweet bit dizzy over large salt-rimmed glass tip higher air rounded thick laughter and drone cluttered.

Moist eyes focus not long before light kiss slip clothes kiss leave ring in pocket kiss early heavy kiss coffee taste linger kiss.

Timothy Krauss, Riverside

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OLD TOWN TEMECULA COMMUNITY THEATER

42051 Main St., Temecula. (866) 653-8696. www.temeculatheater.org.

JAZZ AT THE MERC: Thursdays, 7:30pm. Tickets:

COUNTRY AT THE MERC: Saturdays, 7pm and

9pm. Tickets: \$15. CLASSICS AT THE MERC: Sundays, 3pm.

JANIS SIEGEL: Of The Manhatten Transfer, Feb. 9.8nm

JAZZ FESTIVAL: April 1, 1-4:30pm.

ONSTAGE MUSICALS

For more information and to order tickets visit www.jazznart.com/palmspringsjazzfestival or www.jazznart.com/onstagemusicals

OLD TOWN TEMECULA THEATER JAZZ FESTIVAL: April 1, 1-4:30pm.

ONSTAGE PALM SPRINGS JAZZ FESTIVAL

April 29, at the Indian Wells Theater, 1pm. Yve Evans, Steve Madio, Pat Rizzo, Don Rice and more on an outdoor stage. www.jazznart.com/palmspringsjazzfestival, www.jazznart.com/onstagemusicals. See article on page 17.

RIVERSIDE COMMUNITY PLAYERS

4026 14th St., in Riverside. (951) 686-4030. www.riversidecommunityplayers.com. CLIFFHANGER: Through April 8. Retiring professor Henry Lowenthal is looking forward to being appointed to an endowed chair in his philosophy department. However, he is given a rude jolt when his vindictive successor informs him that she has different plans. The usually gentle professor is sent into a rage that results in a series of suspenseful twists and ethical quandaries. Tickets: \$15.

STEELWORKERS' AUDITORIUM

Lewis Library and Technology Center, 8437 Sierra Ave., Fontana. Lewis Library: (909) 574-4500. Event and facility information: (909) 349-6979









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CANYON CREST TOWNE CENTRE

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Scramble begins promptly at 11am (for children age 10 and under), and a Scavenger Hunt for children ages 11-13.

CASTLE PARK

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

FONTANA EASTER EVENTS

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JESSIE TURNER HEALTH AND FITNESS

COMMUNITY CENTER: Easter Egg-Citement at Fontana Park, at 15556 Summit Avenue, from 10am to 1pm on Saturday, April 7. Egg hunt, pictures with the Easter Bunny, games, arts and crafts, music, giveaways and more.

CYPRESS NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER: Located at 8380 Cypress Avenue, Eggstravaganza, 10am to 12pm on April 7. Egg hunt, pony rides, a petting zoo, a magic show and a visit from Build-A-Bear company mascot, Pawlette the Bunny.

EASTER COLORING CONTEST: Open to children ages 5-7, 8-10, and 11-13. Participants can pick up coloring pages between April 2 and April 6 to enter into the contest on the day of the event.

DON DAY NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER: April 7.

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Park at 10am and the Easter Bunny will hand out eggs to children ages 0-2-years-old. There will also be crafts, games with prizes, raffles, face painting, balloon animals, caricature artists, music, food and vendors.

GROVE COMMUNITY CHURCH

Summer Splash summer camp, registration opens May 5, camp runs 25-29. *See article on this page.*

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April 28 at the Moreno Valley Auto Mall, with events promoting health and safety in a fun, festive atmosphere. See article on page 12.

KNOTT'S BERRY FARM

With over 165 rides, shows and attractions in five themed areas, Knott's Berry Farm has it all when it comes to family fun. www.knotts.com. Buena Park.

KNOTT'S SOAK CITY WATERPARK

16 acres of water rides and attractions, with a special season pass offer good through May 1. See article on page 27.

LEWIS FAMILY PLAYHOUSE

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

CH00-CH00 SOUL: April 21, 11am and 2pm. General: \$15; Senior: \$13; Youth: \$12.

A WRINKLE IN TIME: May 5-20. Saturdays 1pm and 4pm, Sundays 1 pm (no performance May 6). General: \$16; Senior/Youth: \$14. See article on page 14.

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Summer Camp

Registration Opens May 5 for Grove Church's Summer Splash

rain with Dan, Shaq, Meesh and Ben as they struggle to stay true to God and slam dunk their way to gold. Join The Grove Community Church for a week of summer game fun as they dribble their way into games, music, crafts and discover God's Word in a whole new way.

Summer Splash – Go For The Gold runs June 25 to June 29 from 9am to noon and is open to all children ages 3 years to 6th grade. Registration begins May 5. The cost is \$30 through June 1. Registration after June 1 is \$40. Space is limited so don't delay.

For more information contact The Grove Community Church KIDS Quest ministry at (951) 571-9090 ext. 2425 or visit at www. thegrove.cc.

The Grove provides a safe and loving environment for your child and reaches more than 1,100 children throughout the Inland Empire. Summer Splash – Go For The Gold is based upon the life of Daniel, Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego. The week long journey culminates with the Grove's annual family night concert with world renowned children's artist Yancy live in concert on June 29 at 6:30pm.

Knott's Soak City Cools Down Hot Days

s temperatures start to rise, Knott's Soak City Palm Springs has just what you need to keep it cool! Rides, slides and plenty of fun are on hand at Knott's Soak City Palm Springs this summer.

Longboards, surf woodies and beach themes are back in order for the wildest, wettest and coolest place in the desert. Knott's has a special on season passes right now, at \$54.99 until May 1.

Knott's Soak City, Palm Spring's only water adventure park, is 16 acres of water rides and attractions. Themed to 1950s Southern California beaches, Soak City guests can catch a wave in the 800,000-gallon Rip Tide Reef wave pool, brave Tidal Wave Tower's 7-story vertical chutes or relax in the Sunset River. Tube and body slide fans can head for Surf Rider Rapids or Sea Snake. Join your friends on Undertow, a twisting, turning tube slide you won't want to try alone. And there's fun for the whole family in Kahuna's Beach House.

Knott's Soak City admission is \$32.99 for adults, \$25.99 when you purchase online at knotts.com and for Southern California residents. Kids (ages 3-11) and seniors (62 and older) are \$22.99. Admission price includes unlimited use of all water rides and attractions. After 3pm everyone gets in for \$22.99.

For more information, go online to www. soakcityps.com or call (760) 327-0499.





What To Do

EVENT GUIDE

Get your event listed in the



"What To Do" Section

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- Name of the event
- · Date and time
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FAIRS, FESTIVALS, EVENTS

CALIFORNIA WELCOME CENTER

Ask for a regional recreation and relaxation passport. 1955 Hunts Lane, #102, in San Bernardino. (909) 891-1874. visitcwc.com or cwcinlandempire.com.

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

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children ages 11-13.

DOWNTOWN FARMERS MARKET IN RIVERSIDE

Main Street between 5th and 6th Streets, a wide variety of novelty and fresh food, every Saturday in downtown Riverside. See article on page 8.

FALLBROOK AVOCADO FESTIVAL

April 15, celebrating the agricultural heritage of Fallbrook. See article on page 5.



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IE FOOD TRUCK & BREW FEST

May 5-6 at the Citizens Business Bank Arena in Ontario, enjoy great food, live music and more. See article on page 9.

THE INLAND EMPIRE HOME AND GARDEN SHOW

At the National Orange Show Events Center through April 1. Everything for the home, including: displays and exhibits of the latest ideas in home improvement, remodeling, decorating and landscaping. The National Orange Show Events Center is located at 689 South E Street in San Bernardino, 92408. Hours of the show are: Friday Noon - 7pm, Saturday 10am to 7pm, Sunday 10am to 6pm. Admission is free. For more information, call 1-800-358-7469 or visit their website at www.homeshowconsultants.com.



LEMON FESTIVAL

April 27-29 in Upland, downtown. Celebrating all things lemon, the festival includes great food, carnival rides, games, entertainment, contests and more. See article on page 24.

THE 2012 LITERACY 5000 WALK

April 22 in Riverside at Fairmount Park, 6:30am. Includes a Health and Education Expo, 7:30am through 10:30am, with events such as wall climbing and children's activities.
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To register a vendor booth, visit vendorliteracy5000.eventbrite.com.
This event is sponsored by the Inland Empire Branch of the International Dyslexia Association. For more information, visit www.dyslexia-ca.org.

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REALITY RALLY

April 13-15, in Temecula. Reality stars team up for a four hour race through Temecula's Old Town to complete crazy activities. See article on page 20.

THE RIVERSIDE INTERNATIONAL AUTOMOTIVE MUSEUM

LEGENDS OF RIVERSIDE RACING FILM FESTIVAL AND GALA: Through April 1, honoring racing legend Bobby Unser. 815 Marlborough Avenue #200, in Riverside. Open 10am to 4pm Monday through Saturday. (951) 369-6966, www.riversideinternational.org

OAK GLEN APPLE BLOSSOM FESTIVAL

April 21-22 in Oak Glen. The annual festival gets underway as apple season blooms, with growers participating in annual festivities and events. www. oakglen.net



SHOW AND GO CAR SHOW

In downtown Riverside, car show for charity, May 4-6. See article on page 7.



SOBOBA GOLF CLASSIC

Tickets are on sale now for the tournament, April 2-8. The Soboba

Band of Luiseno Indians and The Country Club at Soboba Springs play host to the event. See current and future stars of the PGA TOUR. www.soboba.net

SPRING GARDEN TOUR

Tour five beautiful and unique private gardens in Riverside with this Riverside County Regional Medical Center Foundation's annual event. See article on page 11.

TRACTOR/CAR SHOW AND STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL

May 12, celebrate the peak of strawberry season with Cal Poly Pomona's Farm Store. See article on page 10.

UNIVERSITY VILLAGE

Open Mic Night, first and third Wednesdays, April through October, 6-8pm, on the patio in front of Starbucks. See article on page 8.

MOUNTAIN ACTIVITIES



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MOONRIDGE ANIMAL PARK

43285 Goldmine Dr., Big Bear Lake. Open daily. (909) 878-4200. www.bigbearzoo.com.

MUSEUMS

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.

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PLANES OF FAME AIR MUSEUM

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. 475TH FIGHTER GROUP: Living

475TH FIGHTER GROUP: Living History Flying event on April 7, 10am.

AIR SHOW: May 5-6. See article on page 6.

SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY MUSEUM

At California Street exit from I-10 in Redlands. Open Tuesdays -

Sundays, 9am-5pm. General admission \$8 (adult), \$6 (military or senior), \$5 (student), and \$4 (child aged 5 to 12). Children under five and Museum Association members are admitted free. Parking is free. www.sbcountymuseum.org, (909) 307-2669.

WALLY PARKS NHRA MOTORSPORTS MUSEUM

Open Wednesday - Sunday 10am-5pm. The Museum features over 80 historical race cars from several venues. Racing memorabilia spanning the History of NHRA, specialty exhibits rotate throughout the year. Huge museum gift shop and so much more! (909) 622-2133. 1101 W. McKinley Ave., Pomona, Gate 1, LA County Fairplex. www.museum.nhra.com.

COBRAS ON DISPLAY: April 21, Cobras on display as part of the Ford-Cobra-Shelby Reunion. *See article on page 21.*

NEON AND THE AMERICAN ROAD:

Exhibit dedicated to automotive-related neon, May 2. See article on page 21.

ASCOT FLAT TRACK REUNION: May

12 with Sammy Tanner as Grand Marshal. See article on page 21.

THEME PARKS

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In Upland. Miniature golf, go karts, bumper boats, rock wall, ferris wheel, spinning tubs, airplane ride, tiny tot cars, two arcades, snack bar & cafe. 1500 W. Seventh, Upland. Call (909) 946-9555. www.boomersparks.com.

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RIVERSIDE CHILDREN'S THEATRE

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RIVERSIDE YOUTH THEATRE

Family-friendly theatre with classes in acting, dance and voice for ages 4-20. www.riversideyouththeatre.org.

FOR MORE FUN EVENTS, SEE THE WHAT TO DO SECTION ON PAGE 28.



"During his career, Sammy won on Triumph, BSA, Royal Enfield, Norton, Honda and Harley-Davidson motorcycles--unheard of at the time. Flamboyant, he was the first Flat Track rider in the country to compete in colored leathers, standing out in a sea of black leather clad competitors," Ascot Reunion organizer Jerry Greer said. "To have him as our Grand Marshal is truly an honor."

When Tanner first began racing as a teenager, he was just 5 feet tall and weighed almost 100 pounds, earning him the nickname the "Flying Flea." He was inducted into the American Motorcyclist Association (AMA) Motorcycle Hall of Fame in 1999. Read more about Sammy on motorcyclemuseum.org/halloffame/detail.aspx?racerid=278. Sammy will be joined by numerous riders including Grand National Champions Gene "Burrito" Romero and Gary Scott for a day of wild and crazy Ascot memories.

The Ascot Flat Track Reunion - Saturday, May 12, 9am to 4pm - celebrates the spirit of Ascot, Greer saying, "The track may be gone but the legend and ideals that was Ascot live on, as do many of the racers."

Entrance is just \$10 for everybody including those who want to bring a Flat Track motorcycle. There will also be displays of memorabilia, rarely seen racing movies, an autograph session (\$5 extra), raffle and plenty of Grand National-level bench racing. There are no awards and no judging.

Proceeds from the event support the Aid To Injured Riders and the Wally Parks NHRA Motorsports Museum—both are 501(c)3 not-for-profit organizations.

For more information contact Jerry Greer by email at jrgreer5565@sbcglobal.net.



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