#### DEDICATED TO A CONTINUING RURAL ATMOSPHERE

Elfin Forest/Harmony Grove Meeting

EF/HG Fire Station

Join us for a Rural Celebration of
Independence Day - July 1, 2012

#### From the Chair

By Jacqueline Arsivaud-Benjamin



Happy almost summer, and thank you for your continued patience as the construction project snakes its way down Elfin Forest Road.

Your Town Council has been busy these last few months with several projects:

- 1) working out the kinks in the OMWD pipeline project implementation,
- 2) planning for the upcoming 34th annual picnic and parade,
- 3) holding a community clean-up day,
- 4) and implementing changes to the website, including the ability to purchase your picnic tickets online via Paypal!

Check it out at <a href="https://www.efhgtc.org">www.efhgtc.org</a>.

### May 19, 2012 Clean-Up Day

Thanks to everyone that came out to make our Community Clean-up a success. Trash was picked up from Fortuna del Este, Canyon de Oro, Sage Hill, and Harmony Grove Rd. We filled up two dumpsters and made one run to the transfer center. Thanks everyone for rolling up your sleeves and keeping our community beautiful!

# Enter the 4th of July Cake-Decorating Contest

By Michelle Sidwell

Show off your baking skills at the annual 4<sup>th</sup> of July Picnic Cake Decorating Contest. We are looking for decorated cakes, cupcakes or cookies of all sorts. Prizes are given for the following categories:

Patriotic (think red, white and blue) Rural Life Most Creative

There will be awards for four age groups; 5 and under, 6-10, 11-17 and adults. The cakes from the contest will be used as prizes in the very popular Cake Walk. Drop off your cakes the morning of the picnic at the fire station. Be sure to have your name and age group on the cake. Questions, please contact Michele Sidwell at Sidwell.Michele@gmail.com.

# 34<sup>th</sup> Annual Elfin Forest/Harmony Grove 4<sup>TH</sup> of July Parade and Picnic

## SUNDAY, JULY 1st

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**11:30 a.m.** Parade line up just east of Fortuna Del Norte

**12 noon** Parade Begins...Fire trucks will lead the way followed by your

decorated floats, tractors, ATV's, bikes, strollers, horses and more

**12:30-2:30** Barbecue Lunch at the Fire Station

**12:30-4:00** Disc Jockey, Games and Picnic

Limbo, Hula Hoop, Egg Toss and Horseshoe Contests Awards for the Best Parade & Cake Decorating Entries

Carnival Booths, Jump House, Cake Walk & Dunk Tank

Firefighters' Water Hose Blast

#### **Cake Decorating Contest**

Both Kids and Adults are welcome to enter decorated cakes, cupcakes or cookies in the cake decorating contest. The cakes are used for the very popular cake walk. Prizes for Best Example of **Rural Life**, **Most Creative** and **Patriotic**.

Cake Decorating Contest Entries and Desserts for the Bake Sale can be dropped off at the Fire Station all day
Saturday or Sunday morning.

#### **Barbecue Lunch Menu**

Hamburgers & Hot Dogs
Barbecued Pulled Pork
Coleslaw, Baked Beans, Potato Salad & Chips
Watermelon & Popsicles
(veggie burgers available if ordered in advance)

# Thank you to our sponsor Albertson's San Elijo Hills

#### **Lunch & Game Tickets Order Form**

#### **Before 6/27 Day of Picnic**

 Adult Lunch
 \$9.00
 \$12.00

 Child Lunch (12 & under)
 \$5.00
 \$7.00

45 Game Tickets - \$20.00 22 Game Tickets - \$10.00

(Game tickets good for carnival booths, jump house, cake walk & dunk tank)

| Name:                                   | _Phone:  |
|-----------------------------------------|----------|
| e-mail:                                 |          |
| Number of Adult Lunch Tickets @ \$9.00: |          |
| Number of Child Lunch Tickets @ \$5.00: | <u> </u> |
| 45 Game Tickets @ \$20.00               |          |
| 22 Game Tickets @ \$10.00               |          |
| Veggie Burgers:                         |          |
| Total Amount Enclosed:                  |          |

You can now purchase your tickets via PayPal through the Town Council website: efhgtc.org

Click on "tickets" link in the calendar box on the home page OR

**Detach & Mail to:** 

Betsy Keithley, 19918 Elfin Forest Rd., Escondido, CA 92029 OR, Drop off at the Fire Station by 6/27

Make Checks Payable to EF/HG Town Council

Please pick up tickets at picnic

Remember to purchase your tickets by June 27<sup>th</sup> for the special discounted price!

Questions or would like to volunteer? E-mail.....

Lori Vitale – <u>VitaleHome@gmail.com</u>



## Join the Fun! Be in the Parade!

By Nancy Goodrich

Uncle Sam wants **YOU** to star in our very own 2012 Elfin Forest/Harmony Grove Fourth of July Parade! Get out the bunting, get creative and enter your family and friends in the parade on foot, on horseback, on bicycle, in your antique car, on your decorated ATV or lawn tractor, or on any other kind of float you create from your tractor, truck, car or trailer. Challenge your neighbors to a friendly float building competition. This event is always fun for the whole family so start thinking about how you will participate!

Parade participants should be lined up no later than 11:30 am at the staging area (location will be announced before the 1st of July) so judging can take place prior to the start of the parade at noon. The parade will proceed east on Elfin Forest Rd to the Fire Station. Categories to be judged will include, "Best Horse", "Best Bike", "Best Motorized Small Vehicle", "Best Car", "Best Float" and "Best Overall".

The parade is always a lot of fun for all ages and everyone is encouraged to participate.

Let's celebrate America's birthday in style!

# EFHG Town Council Meeting - May 2, 2012

By Bonnie Baumgartner

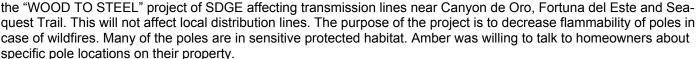
After the Pledge of Allegiance, introductions of all attending were made.

May Meintjes gave the Town Council Financial report. We have a balance of \$54,475.35 as of 4/30/12.

Chief Twohy reminded us all that we need to keep the weeds in check. This means use your weed whips and lawn mowers to clear the dead grass from near your house. Fire season is on the way.

Jessica Turner, our new Sheriff representative, gave us a breakdown in crime and calls in the area.

Amber Starbuck, SDGE Public Affairs Manager, outlined



If you are in the area defined you can contact Amber at <u>AStarbuck@semprautilities.com</u>. (see map)

Nancy Goodrich reported that she and Melanie Fallon have weekly meetings with George Briest, chief engineer of the OMWD pipeline project that is affecting all our commutes. Because of Nancy and Melanie the work time has been restricted to 8 am-5 pm, so that early commuters and school drivers are less affected. We are now getting weekly updates from OMWD.

George Briest spoke of what is left in the project, defined areas on maps, and how OMWD hoped the work schedule would progress. They are working hard to keep the community informed, and are trying to lessen as much as possible the delays.

George answered questions from individuals in the community. Of major concern was the fact that "one lane of traffic always open" is not how the construction is actually going. The road is actually shut for 10 minute intervals and then opened for traffic to pass.

Meeting adjourned 9:00 pm.



## What a Wonderful, Successful Pancake Breakfast

By Rachel Dimas-Martinez

My husband has been part of the Elfin Forest / Harmony Grove Fire Department for 9 ½ years and I have been volunteering with the Fire Auxiliary for 2 years. It's a second family for us. The spirit and support of this wonderful community never cease to amaze me and is what helps keep me involved with any and all fundraising and other events.

This year the Fire Auxiliary had our Pancake Breakfast on a Sunday. I was a bit nervous about attendance, but we had just over 150 attendees. We started off with a little bit of technical difficulties, but everyone was patient and understanding and enjoyed some extra socializing. We were honored and excited when a number of San Diego's Finest policemen rode in on their motorcycles and shared in our fundraiser. Though we offered a complimentary breakfast because they were in uniform, they insisted on paying and enjoyed our fine pancakes along with the rest of the community!



We were able to raise money for our new building and had many generous donations for some new gym equipment.



The breakfast would not have been possible without the sponsorship of our San Elijo Albertsons and our San Marcos Costco. Their generosity covered the majority of the expenses, so donations went to the Fire Department. Please support them as we rely on their continued support for all of our events.

Thank you to all who came and showed support! The Fire Auxiliary hopes to see you at our 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Spooktacular this fall.





#### Newcomer's Corner

If you notice new people moving in your neighborhood, please send an email to <a href="mailto:efhgtc@gmail.com">efhgtc@gmail.com</a> so the Welcome Committee (Amy Molenaar) can drop off a welcome basket. Also direct them to the New Resident section of the new web site at: <a href="http://www.efhgtc.org/newresidents.html">http://www.efhgtc.org/newresidents.html</a>

# Trails Committee Working on Improvements

By Bonnie Baumgartner

Drive into Elfin Forest /Harmony Grove on Elfin Forest Road from the west and Harmony Grove Road from the east and you are immediately transported into a rural area rich with trees, native manzanita, ceanothus shrubs, a winding year round creek and one of the most bio-diverse areas in the United States.

The side streets are announced by unique, artistic street monuments, the road is lined with native oak and planted pepper trees. In the spring the street monuments have bulbs and California poppies around them. There is a main trail throughout that echoes the road and serves as this rural area's 'sidewalk', and is one of our signature characteristics. You know at once that this is a rare, unusual, beautiful community, and its citizens care.

The main trail and the street monuments are the first apparent enhancement, but take a turn off the main road and you see that some of the side lanes also have these fantastic 'rural sidewalks'. No curbs, and cement walkways- this is a rural area -green in nature- our trails are our 'sidewalks'- our safety feature that allows the residents to hike, walk their dogs, ride their mountain bikes and ride their horses.

Hike the trails and you hear bird song, hawks calling, occasional coyote sightings, lots of squirrels, rabbits, deer, wild flowers, rare coastal sage in bloom, cactus and succulents, and even an elusive mountain lion. It is one of the reasons we all love living here. Do you know we have a resident trail elf that mysteriously sets split rail

fencing where it is needed on the trails? We also have a dedicated group of volunteers who help clear brush, trim trees, plan future projects, clean-up and plant around the street monuments.



The Trails Committee applied to the Community Foundation for funds to create, enhance and re-define trails. A project plan entailing enhancement, creation, refurbishment, trimming of many ancillary trails was submitted and the CF granted us \$5000 for new fencing and grading in October, 2011. To date the trails committee has spent approximately \$2500 on new fencing, wood preservative and diesel tractor fuel. All of our labor has been volunteer. In addition The EFHG Town Council has set aside \$15,000 for trail maintenance.

Thank-you to all who have helped with our projects. See you on the trails.

# Community Emergency Response Team

By Mickie Cross

Some people are unfamiliar with "CERT". CERT is the Community Emergency Response Team. CERT is made up of volunteers from the local community who act as first responders during a disaster. In Elfin Forest/Harmony Grove, there are currently 13 CERT volunteers. In an emergency, we have been trained to put out small fires, administer basic first aid, extricate people from some collapsed buildings and we can do some search and rescue. We are currently not funded by the County of San Diego or the State of California, so we survive on grants, like the recent grant we received from our very own Elfin Forest Community Foundation, and any donations from our residents. Donations can be in the form of money or items donated. If you have an item that you think we could possibly use (such as crutches, bottled water, blankets, etc) please contact Mickey Cross at <a href="mickeykc@juno.com">mickeykc@juno.com</a>.

If you are interested in joining our CERT team, our next class date has not yet been set, but you can email Mickey Cross to have your name put on the list.

Fire season is upon us and earthquake season is year around. Please remember to have your updated 72 hour kits ready. You should have food, water, clothes and other necessary items in it to help you survive for 3 days. Don't forget the 72 hour kits for your pets (including extra water). The County of San Diego also recommends that you have in your home a supply of food that will last you for 30 days, including a 2 week supply of water (minimum of 1 gallon per person per day....don't forget the pets!).

We will be putting articles on emergency preparedness in the future Chaparrals, so look for these articles. Are you prepared?

# Do You Have a Wildfire Action Plan? Your Fire Department Would Like to Help!

By Steve Barker, Battalion Chief, EF/HG Fire Department

Living in Elfin Forest/Harmony Grove means learning to live with fire because it is not if, but when, a wildfire will burn through our area.

You can dramatically increase your family's safety and the survivability of your property by preparing well in advance of a wildfire.

Your Wildfire Action Plan should address how to improve your home's resistance to fire and the defensible space around your home.

The Plan should also address how to prepare your family to be ready to leave early in a safe manner as the fire approaches.

CAL FIRE calls this process "Ready, Set, Go"

Want to learn more?

The Elfin Forest/Harmony Grove Fire Department is available to come to your home, meet with you, and help you develop your plan. We'll let you know the hazards we see and advise you on what you need to do to better prepare your home and property for wildfire.

Call us for a an appointment at 760-744-2186

For additional information on "Ready, Set, Go" visit http://www.readyforwildfire.org/

And for **Defensible Space** visit http://www.sdcounty.ca.gov/dplu/fire\_resistant.html Stay Safe

# Elfin Forest Community Foundation Funds Five Projects in April, 2012 By Mike Vallee

- a. Sky Mountain Institute Workshop Speaker Fees \$600 (future funding will be contingent upon providing copies of sign-in sheets of attendees and city of residence)
- b. TECC Removal of four abandoned vehicles from the banks of the Escondido Creek \$3,000
- c. Elfin Forest Town Council DJ for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Picnic \$600
- d. CERT Emergency Supplies \$1,193
- e. EF/HG Fire Department Two 8 Position Multi Casualty / Disaster Management System Go-Kit \$861.92

\$6,254.92 approved by Elfin Forest Community Foundation. Frank will ensure awardees are notified and Mike will write checks. Will Stosic will write letter and send with check informing Sky Mountain the new requirement for future funding.

# EQUINE ORDINANCE UPDATE By Bonnie Baumgartner

The EFHGTC Community Meeting for Sept. 5, 2012 will be addressing the very important and pertinent topic of the Equine Ordinance that the County is reviewing.

PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS AND BE PREPARED TO ATTEND.

The following is the latest information on the County's new Draft Equine Ordinance from Carl Stiehl, the DPLU planner assigned to this project:

Staff has begun work on the Equine Ordinance Environmental Impact Report (EIR) with our consultant Dudek and Associates following the Notice of Preparation and Scoping Meeting we had in February 2012. Since it's been three months, I'm sure many of you are interested in an update on how the project is progressing. Staff is continuing work drafting the EIR on schedule. In the coming months, staff will be revising and reviewing the Draft EIR to make sure it is complete. We are on schedule for public review of the Draft EIR and Draft Ordinance towards the end of this year and then we should be moving into the public hearings phase of the project with the Planning Commission and Board of Supervisors in 2013.

In the meantime, I'm working on two other important parts of the project. The first is that I'm conducting interviews with commercial Horse Stable operators to better understand the scope of horse facilities in the unincorporated county. In the next few weeks I would like to visit as many properties as I can to discuss operations onsite. As most of you know, I do not work for Code Enforcement, the information I'm gathering is for use with development of the ordinance only. Please let me know if you're interested in me visiting your property or if you know of a commercial horse property you would recommend I visit. I can schedule a time to visit with you or attempt to contact property owners who you think might be amenable to me visiting to discuss their operation. It would need to be during the week, between 9am and 3pm.

The other important part of the project is that staff (me again) is available to attend Community Planning or Sponsor Group meetings over the next few months to present the outline of the Draft Ordinance, discuss the basics of Board direction and how the project is progressing. This will assist the groups with analyzing the Draft Ordinance and Draft EIR when it comes out later this year for public review. Please let me know, those of you on county planning groups, if you're interested in me attending your Planning or Sponsor Group meeting to discuss the County Equine Ordinance.

Thanks, Carl Stiehl, Land Use Environmental Planner II > Advance Planning County of San Diego > Department of Planning and Land Use 5201 Ruffin Road | Suite B | San Diego | CA | 92123-1666 | Mail Stop O650 T.858.694.2216 F.858.694.2485

# How Do You Pass the Time Spent Waiting to Travel Past the OMWD Pipeline Construction on Elfin Forest Road? By Betsy Keithley

Thanks to all of you who responded. I had this idea after someone called me from the line and said he does all his business calling while sitting there --- then we had to end quickly.

I listen to the news and wonder why the Questhaven blockade hasn't been opened for Elfin Forest residents.

I was just thinking about this today, Even though George is claiming that the wait is not more than 15 minutes, I noticed that every time that I am the first person after waiting for 5-10 minutes, the guy comes to the car and tells me it will be about ten to fifteen minutes. Anyway I spend my time being so mad that why are we going through this. There was anther route they could take, but this was cheaper for OMWD. Our life changed since this project started and I always get places too early or too late. Actually I postpone a lot of stuff because I think that I have to sit and wait in the car about one hour waiting.

I take pictures on my phone!

I have whatever book I'm currently reading with me, roll down the window and relax and read a few pages!

I go the other way. It's longer but still shorter on time. Where's the free water?

I realize this may sound odd, but I turn off my motor and use it as positive time: I feel so lucky to live in Elfin Forest, I watch the tractors and am in awe of the operators' skill, I am glad I am not the guy/girl standing on their feet all day controlling traffic. I wonder how the person behind me or in front of me is feeling, etc...

I couldn't resist the request for how I make use of my wait time in the construction zone...I borrowed two books from San Diego County library in San Marcos for my boys to peruse in anticipation of an upcoming dream vacation to Kauai. Both books are travel books that highlight hikes, adventures, and tours that we can dream about for our upcoming trip. Most of the time, it's just me drifting off to some remote, lush, swimming hole in Kauai who is holding up the line when it's

time to "start your engines." The clouds of dirt and grinding noise quickly

bring me back to reality.

I hope that I am one of the first cars in line, which means I will have the longest wait. I use this time to relax, for it is one of the few times in my life where I can justify doing nothing because it is not my fault.

I created a Facebook "check in". Construction Zone from Hell. I can check in and see who else is stuck!!!

Much needed down time- 10 deep breathes - listen to the birds - grateful I have running water, a road to my house that is paved-and I live in Elfin Forest - AND IT BETTER BE TIME TO GO BY THEN!!

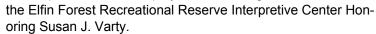
I use the time to gel out and beat all my friends at "Words with Friends" on my I-Phone!

Photo by Stephanie Jenks



# Award Winning Artist Now on Display at the Elfin Forest Interpretive Center By Jeff Swenerton

Over 60 people attended the opening reception hosted by The Escondido Creek Conservancy (TECC) (escondidocreek.org) for the artist Helen Shafer Garcia. "This is a must see exhibition," was a comment from one of the guests. Helen's work depicts observations while hiking the "Way Up" Trail and walking alongside Escondido Creek. The water media paintings represent rock formations, flora and water with strong color-based compositions. The display will run through June 30, 2012 at





For over 22 years, Helen's watercolor illustrations have graced cover brochures, garden articles and advertisements of numerous international resorts and magazines. She has received many awards including four San Diego Press Club First Place Awards of Excellence in Illustration.

Helen holds a bachelor's degree in fine arts and currently teaches college-level watercolor and acrylic painting, book arts and pastels. She also teaches watercolor and mixed media workshops across the US and internationally. More information about Helen Shafer Garcia is available at www.agavelatte.blogspot.com.

This exhibit was made possible by The Escondido Creek Conservancy, in partnership with Olivenhain Municipal Water District. For the hours of operation of the Elfin Forest Interpretive Center Honoring Susan J. Varty, please call 760-632-4212.





# 2012 Lecture Series at the Elfin Forest Interpretive Center Honoring Susan J Varty

| Saturday, May 19th<br>10 a.m. until noon      | Talk - The Amazing Insect Kingdom - Up Close! With Bill the Bug Guy.                                                              |
|-----------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Thursday, May 24th 5:30 until 7 p.m.          | Talk - "10,000 Years - The Archeological Record of San<br>Diego" with Ann Marie Cox from the San Pasquale<br>Archeological Museum |
| Saturday, June 15th<br>10 a.m. until noon     | Talk - The Amazing Insect Kingdom - Up Close! With Bill the Bug Guy.                                                              |
| Saturday, July 21st<br>10 a.m. until noon     | Talk - The Amazing Insect Kingdom - Up Close! With Bill the Bug Guy.                                                              |
| Saturday, July 28th<br>10 until 2 p.m.        | Workshop - Build Your Own Solar Oven                                                                                              |
| Saturday, August 18th<br>10 a.m. until noon   | Talk - The Amazing Insect Kingdom - Up Close! With Bill the Bug Guy.                                                              |
| Saturday, August 25th<br>Time to be confirmed | Talk and Workshop - Build an Owl Box                                                                                              |
| Saturday, September 15th 10 a.m. until noon   | Talk - The Amazing Insect Kingdom - Up Close! With Bill the Bug Guy.                                                              |
| Saturday, October 20th 10 a.m. until noon     | Talk - The Amazing Insect Kingdom - Up Close! With Bill the Bug Guy.                                                              |
| Saturday, November 17th 10 a.m. until noon    | Talk - The Amazing Insect Kingdom - Up Close! With Bill the Bug Guy.                                                              |
| Saturday, December 15th 10 a.m. until noon    | Talk - The Amazing Insect Kingdom - Up Close! With Bill the Bug Guy.                                                              |

## Classifieds

**Elissa Benjamin**, 17, senior at Canyon Crest Academy, own transportation, available to **babysit**, **petsit and tutor** up to 10th grade in bio, English, and History - math to Algebra. Born and raised in Elfin Forest, lots of local references, very dependable, Red Cross CPR certified. Call <u>760-274-5379</u> or email <u>beretnoir@gmail.com</u>.

**Get the best farm fresh eggs** from Eli on Faraway Lane, (mom is Mary Ellen). They are only \$3.00 a dozen and are wonderful! These eggs stand up in the frying pan and the yolks are a rich orange color. Eli's Farm Fresh Eggs, 7910 Faraway Lane, 760-510-8229, elisteria4@gmail.com.

Pet Sitting/Dog Training: Harmony Grove resident, 4-H dog group member and AKC Junior Handler will pet sit for you and help you train your dog in basic commands. Call Lily Molenaar: 760-741-1111.

BEYOND WORDS DESIGN Interior, Exterior, Whole house design, Window Treatments, Color Consultation, etc. Free Consultation, Low Rates to Elfin Forest Residents. Karen Tangorra 760/703 3994

**Aunty Karen Pet Sitting** Loving Animal Caretaking services Karen 760/703 3994

**Chad Clerke**, Pet Sitter, RSF Middle School, 14 years old, parents will provide transportation, please call <u>760-510-0143</u>.

A FREE Horse Manure Composting Workshop

> 1330 S. Stage Coach Lane, Fallbrook, CA 92028

> May 26, 2012 9:00 to 11:00 am

Join us and learn the "dos" and "don'ts" of composting your horses' manure. It is a great way to save money and the final product is incredibly useful. Don't be worried—composting is easy and straightforward! A UC Cooperative Extension Farm and Home Advisor will discuss the proper ways to compost or otherwise dispose of horse manure and then will lead a tour of a horse property with a successful, working compost system.

Please RSYP or refer questions to Bethamy Principe at

Amanda Clerke, Babysitter and Pet Sitter, Santa Fe Christian Senior, has own car, please call 760-803-1532.

beth@missionrod.org or (760) 728-1332.

Mary Ann Holden Elfin Forest resident, horse and pet lover available for house sitting 760 591-3111

**Pet Care** - cats, dogs, horses, hamsters, creepy crawlers, etc.... Tessora Bustillos, Elfin Forest resident, excellent references available -home 760-471-6355 or cell 858-354-0600.

**Dog Hikes** Will take your dog for a two hour hike at the Elfin Forest Reserve - any time of day. Socialized dogs only. EF/HG Resident: Call Lily Molenaar for more information: 760-532-0133

**FOR SALE:** Smith & Hawken Bio Stack Compost Bin - \$20; Worm Factory by Reln Plastics - \$15. Email <u>Vitale-Home@gmail.com</u> or call 760-752-7868.

Please e-mail your ads to Betsy Keithley for inclusion in the next issue ekeithley@ucsd.edu

Rates for commercial ads are at: http://www.efhgtc.org/chaparral.html





#### Upcoming Community Workshops at Sky Mountain Institute in Harmony Grove

| Date                     | Workshop                         |
|--------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Sunday, June 3rd         | Making fermented foods           |
| Saturday, June 9th       | Terracing and garden structures  |
| Saturday, July 14th      | Natural building with earth bags |
| Saturday, August 18th    | Greywater harvesting             |
| Saturday, September 15th | Building a cob oven              |
| Saturday, October 13th   | Connecting children with nature  |
| Saturday, November 10th  | Rainwater harvesting             |

To register, or for further information, contact Alden Hough at permaculture@skymountain.org



JOIN US!

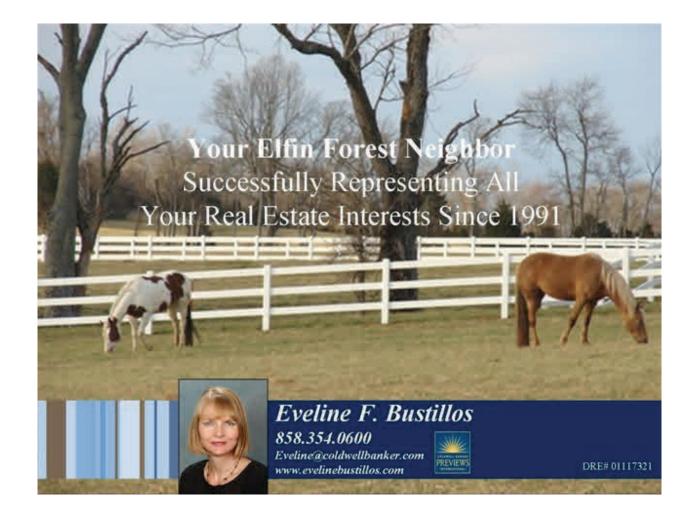
FAUBUS FARMS 4141 HIGHWAY 76 FALLBROOK, CA 92028 JUNE 2, 2012 9 TO 11 AM

Come join us at this free workshop! Learn about Best Management Practices for your property and how to maximize your horses' health and safety, as well as how to protect the environment.

Vic Smothers, retired from the Natural Resources Conservation Service, will present on the appropriate BMPs for your property and will lead a tour of Faubus Farms to look at successful BMPs.



Please RSVP to Bethany Principe at beth@missionrcd.org or (760) 728-1332.



#### Volunteer Opportunities at The Escondido Creek Conservancy Office!

The Conservancy is seeking volunteers to help out with administration in their Escondido office for a few hours each month. Computer skills necessary and any database experience would be desirable although training can be provided.

Contact Ann Hough at (760) 471 9354 or email <u>information@escondidocreek.org.</u>



#### Greetings -

I am your very own Ex Mac Genius. My part-time day job is to provide care for over 300 Macs including user questions, training, full service for desktops, laptops and servers. I daily diagnose and repair hardware and software. Hard drive and / or RAM limitations raining on your parade? Let me take care of that for you.

Get some help with all the heavy lifting to get your Mac / iOS 5 mobile world purring like a kitten, on all cylinders. Experienced perfecting your Tiger, Leopard, Snow Leopard and Lion setups, new and old.

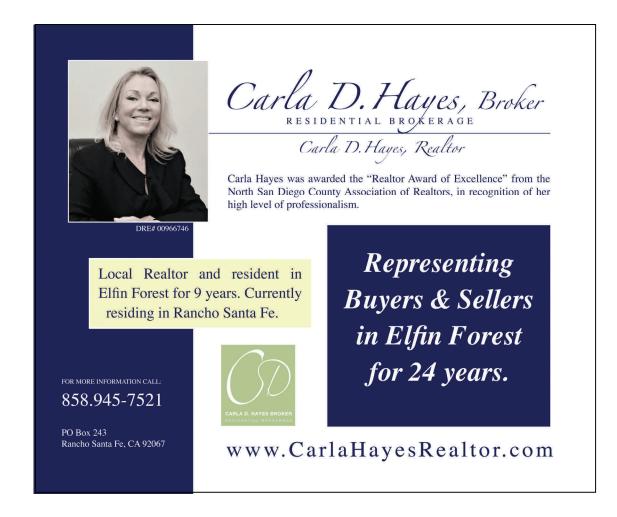
I'll work all the kinks out of photo-stream, iCloud and all the rest. Happiness and contentment is within easy reach including shared reminders, shared music and photo libraries and updates to networks, software and hardware. With three Apple certifications, in hardware and OS X, I kindly and courteously provide a high value, customized and comprehensive service in your home or business. Troubleshooting, upgrades and training with a mature and pleasant attitude PLUS top drawer Apple understanding and technical savvy.

I charge \$50 per hour. No travel time charges for Elfin Forest residents. Be surprised and delighted this time around! There is no job too big or too small. Local references. No scams or annoyances. Over thirty years working in professional IT. Working continuously with Apple since the Apple II.

FREE TELEPHONE CONSULT! Just call me, Phil Cohen, at 619-534-8408. Be sure to include your contact info: telephone number and email address.

# Eagle Project at Interpretive Center

My name is Daniel Cross. I am working on my Eagle Scout project through the Boy Scouts at the Elfin Forest Reserve's Interpretative Center, by renovating the grounds by fixing some of the irrigation, planting native plants, and spreading mulch around the Interpretive Center. I am, at this moment, trying to solicit funds to cover most of the costs of this project, priced around \$1000. Any additional funds collected, but not needed, will be donated to The Escondido Creek Conservancy, since they are a non-profit organization and work with the Elfin Forest Recreational Reserve. Cash or checks are both accepted. If you write a check, please make it payable to BSA or Boy Scouts of America Troop 767, and note "Eagle Project for Daniel Cross". Thank you for helping me improve the looks of the Interpretive Center. If you have any questions, just email me at <a href="mailto:drc1309@juno.com">drc1309@juno.com</a>. Funds can be mailed to our home at 7150 Circa de Media, Escondido (Elfin Forest), Ca. 92029.



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