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I-15/I-215 Freeway Reconstruction

By Val Henry

By now most of you have received a notice of the SANBAG “open House” at Kimbark Elementary School on June 20th from 4:30 pm to 7:00 pm. Some of you may not receive a notice if you didn’t submit comments the last time around. This meeting will be the same scenario as the last time they had a meeting at the school. They will have the maps for Alternates 2, 3, 3A, and 5. Alternative 3A was developed from the community comments. They also will have tables for various subjects; one of which will be for right-of-way questions for those affected property owners to get answers. This addition is a good idea, as the new maps we viewed did not show where the grade lines (slopes) would start on the community side of the freeway where properties are affected. The maps only show easement lines. That is one area that needs addressing as residents need to know just how much of their property is going to be affected. Darcee and Bill Klapp went with me to the SANBAG office to look over the maps and we found a few very small changes. One change was the tightening up of the extension of Cajon Blvd. (route 66). It has been brought closer to the rear of the Cal Fire station to avoid habitat sensitive areas.

The request for qualified companies to submit will start this July 15th and the request for proposals will be from July through December. The company that is selected will draft a design and if it differs from what they have drawn up, there will be a chance to submit comments. The process is going to bring a start somewhere in 2014 as it looks right now. This of course could change with design changes. We **did not** get assurances that the project start would be the extension of Cajon Blvd. The reasoning is that the design may show other cost effective starts.

What we need from the community is for you all to attend this open house and submit comments stating that you still feel the emergency access via the Devore Road bridge is of vital importance to the community in emergencies, we want to preserve our community businesses, and that you want the least impact on our community possible. Also to be addressed is the importance of getting Cajon Blvd. extended early on to relieve traffic flow through the community. Of course we need safe equestrian, bicycling, and walking access during and after the project. The only alternate that gives us the least impact as far as property disturbance and keeps the Devore Road bridge is Alternate 3A.

There are many issues that need addressing, just as we did in the prior comment period. Please try to make the meeting. If it is not possible, contact me and I will have extra comment cards. More than one member of a family can submit a comment card. I urge all of you to do this. We must keep on top of this project and assure them we do care what happens to our community. They listened to us before. They will again if we send them hundreds of comments like we did the last time. This comment period is just as important as the last on... actually more so. We are getting nearer to the project start and need to keep our voice loud and heard.

Once more the meeting will be June 20th, 4:30 pm to 7:00 pm at Kimbark Elementary School. If you have questions, call me at 909-880-9030. Darcee and I will be there all evening to help with your comments and/or questions.



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Roger and Alice Hall celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on March 25. They were married in the Devore Baptist Church in 1961 by James Metzgar, who had been pastor there in the 1950s.

Other 50th anniversaries have been noted by the couple. Roger's 50th year in Devore was in 1994, and Alice's was in 1998. So they've now been in Devore 67 and 63 years.

Roger lived at Rt. 1 Box 330, which is Stony Acres, the big white house on the east side of Devore Road at the Kenwood Ave. junction. The mail box was one of four on Kenwood just east of the new Water Company building. The other boxes belonged to Langes (in the 50s), Rowes, and Wrights. Roger can't remember if Wheeler's box was there, too, but it may have been, as delivery to the top of Devore Road (Main St.) wasn't likely. Halls had the only telephone on Main Street, so neighbors came frequently to use that marvelous instrument. Telephone numbers began with TU or 88. TU stood for Turner or Tuxedo. Most Devore numbers were Turner.

Alice lived at Rt. 1 Box 359, which was over by the nudist camp (it was Oakdale back then). The box was one of three, the other two belonging to Oakdale and Mrs. Bautista. Terribilinis and Ruddells, who lived farther up the west side of Cajon Canyon, had Star Route Box numbers and crossed Cajon Creek to get their mail on Rt. 66. There was no Saturday delivery, and no one missed it!

Roger and Alice both remember the big snow of 1949—over two feet of it that kept some people housebound for two weeks. They also remember the cold snap of the mid-60s when the temperature didn't deviate off 19 degrees, the flood of 1969, and of course, the numerous fires that have ravaged Devore through the decades.

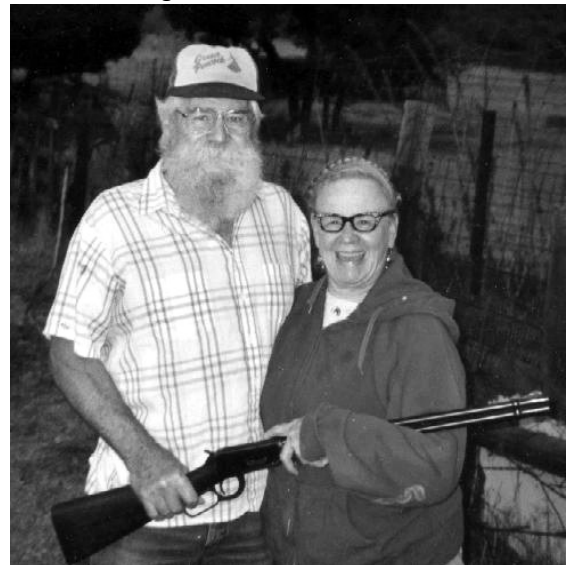
They both lost friends to the freeway construction in the late 1950s. While they concerned themselves with staying in college and graduating, their friends worried about where they would live after the freeway took their homes and property. The Nelsons were the most sorely missed by both. They had lived at the bottom of Greenwood and had a private drive off Rt. 66.

July 1, 2011 marks the 50th anniversary of the beginning of Hallcienda Nubians. The herd was honored two years ago with inclusion in the Historic Herd Name category for "significant contribution to the genetics of Nubian Dairy Goats throughout the United States." And Alice has been asked to present a Power Point program on Hallcienda next year for the Dairy Goat Pioneers history.

Alice once told her mother-in-law, "We might consider leaving each other, but neither of us will ever leave this place." As old age makes even simple every-day chores more difficult, the Halls can only hope that verdict will maintain. They will try, as they've learned that persevering through the hard times brings rewards later.



Roger and Alice Hall at wedding reception 3/25/61. Held at American Legion Hall on Main St.



Roger and Alice Hall after 50 years in Devore

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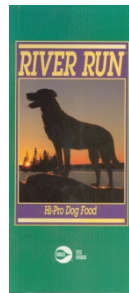
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Regular Quarterly Meeting Minutes

Kimbark Elementary School
May 2, 2011

Meeting Called to Order at 7:02 PM

Board Members Present: Valerie Henry, Darcee Klapp, Amber Claflin, Marybeth Navas, and Steve Helt.

Guests; Sheriff's Specialists Lupe Beas, Alice Hall, Laurie Rethaford and Bill Klapp.

Results from DRPA Annual Election of Officers and Board Members:

Valerie Henry-President, Darcee Klapp-Vice Chairperson, Amber Claflin-Treasurer, Steve Helt-Secretary, and welcome our newest Board Member-Bill Klapp.

Checks signed for Spring newsletter printing and bulk postage renewal fee.

Treasurer's Report: Balance of Checking Acct: \$3,493.31, Savings: \$1772.76 for a total of \$5,266.07

Unfinished Business:

Community Emergency Response Team: Capt. Flesher at Devore Fire Station collecting sign-ups for 3rd class. Training trailer is stationed at Devore Fire Station.

Emergency Preparedness Supplies: Purchased emergency supplies stored and ready for use. Preparing inventory and maintenance lists.

Neighborhood Watch: Sheriff Service Specialists Lupe Beas spoke on crime statistics within Devore from February, 2011 through April, 2011.

Trails: Devore Trail representatives collecting memorabilia (pictures & artifacts) of pre-1970 equestrian trails. Trail maps have been presented to County and granted preliminary approval. County currently coordinating with consultant firm.

Community Topics: Congratulations to Kimbark School on winning 11 Elementary Division Gold, Silver and Bronze Regional Science Awards.

Meeting adjourned at 7:58 PM.

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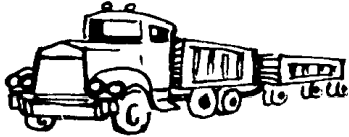
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Devore Weather Report

By Doug Clafin & Bob Kinne

All records are for the weather year started on July 1, 2010

High Temperature to Date (07/17)..... 101°
Low Temperature to Date (01/01) 30°
Wind Chill Low to Date (01/03)..... 6°
10-11 Rain Total..... 47.31"
High Wind Speed (02/01) 52 mph



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August 2011

Monday 1st - Devore Rural Protection Assn. Meeting 7:00pm at Kimbark Elementary School

Tuesday 9th - Water Board Meeting 7:00pm at the Devore Water Company

September 2011

Tuesday 13th - Water Board Meeting 7:00pm at the Devore Water Company

October 2011

Tuesday 11th - Water Board Meeting 7:00pm at the Devore Water Company

