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JOIN THE PROTEST!

Angry at what Redlands is doing to take over Mentone, local rancher Rich Orbaker has organized a peaceful, visual protest at the corner of Mentone Boulevard and Wabash and the future Tom's Burgers, beginning next Friday, August 10, continuing Saturday, the 11th and Sunday, the 12th, from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Orbaker plans to continue the protests for the following few weeks, at the same times, unless participants are notified otherwise.

Orbaker stated the initial dates and times were chosen in order to get the attention of the traffic going to and from the car show in Big Bear that weekend.

Protesters will receive professionally-produced picket signs, donated by Jeff; and shades are planned, to keep participants out of the hot sun. "Even if you can only spend 15 minutes, that will make a difference. Please come," said Orbaker, when he announced his plan at the C.O.M.E.T. and Chamber of Commerce meetings last Tuesday night. The Chamber approved supporting the protest.

From Gabe and Angie DeLaRosa: the reasons for the protest are: "Tom's Burgers has been held hostage for [\$]89,000 [for the] water meter [Editor's note: they have paid that and many thousands in other fees] and other issues for 11 years! Enough! Redlands is making any new development businesses PRE SIGN they will not fight Annexation in the "FUTURE" **this is giving up the people's constitutional right to VOTE at some point.** We have been working hard building up Mentone Identity and rallying for keeping Mentone, rural and traditional without Redlands or any other city's interference.

"Please gather up or call as many people, family, friends, teens, for FRIDAY AUGUST 10th at the corner of Wabash and Mentone Blvd. We will have e z ups, water, ice, chairs and signs. If you can't make it Friday then plan for Saturday and Sunday. Please call 909 362 7860 or JUST SHOW UP at 9 am- 12 noon.



The Future Tom's Burgers, one location for the protest August 9-11 and thereafter.

P.S. Greenspot Residents (Mill creek Alliance) won the Suit against the destructive and irresponsible HARMONY project that would have really hurt Mentone. There will be a meeting at Highland City Council in the evening, August 8th, [Ed.'s note: that's Wednesday evening] the day before this rally!! The Lewis group asked the Highland Council to stop the project and once they vote it is OVER!!! Hurray!! We are strong and let's get out there and support MENTONE in every way we can. Please help this effort. There will be fun events too "Celebrate Mentone".. the upcoming Casino Party at Mill Creek August 30th (Thursday night) And the 4th Annual Mentone Crockpot Chili Cookoff September 29th (Saturday)."

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As Rich says, if you can come for a while, please do. He personally has been suffering from shingles, a painful disease of the nerves, for several weeks, but he plans to be there.

It should be noted that the “Harmony” project is not *officially* over until the Highland City Council votes on Wednesday night, August 8; if you can be there to support the City’s vote to repeal the approvals, be sure and go. It’s at 6:30 p.m., 27215 Baseline, Highland.

However, “Harmony’s destruction does seem like “a done deal.” (There were other efforts in the past, under a different project name, remember.) Mentone Matters suggests the County of Orange look into selling the property to the San Bernardino Mountains Land Trust (it’s in the “Little San Bernardinos”).

This defeat, when it’s done, is what can happen when people band together and sacrifice the time and the money to do what they need to. MM is aware of a similar situation in the mountains, when a church decided to build a kids’ camp on forest land that backed up to homes in Twin Peaks. Trouble was, they were going to teach the kids to shoot guns and bows and arrows – potentially into the back yards of those homes. Twin Peaks residents said “I don’t think so” and fought it until the church decided to build their camp elsewhere and the land was sold to the Land Trust.

Now that the Boulevard and the homes and businesses on it seem to be safe, it’s time to take on another Goliath – Redlands’ greedy landgrabbers. Get involved and save the rest of Mentone!

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WILD WEST CASINO NIGHT

Sponsorship Application

Our Chamber is dedicated to support the initiatives that will strengthen our community. We have come a long way, but we still need your support. Your generous contribution will help us extend our efforts with improvements to the community.

Name: _____ Phone: _____
 Address: _____ City: _____
 Company: _____ Email: _____

Community Commerce

I would like to donate
 To the Mentone Chamber
 of Commerce in the
 amount of :

\$ _____

To support the contributions
 that benefit the people of
 this community.

Table Play

_____ Black Jack Table	\$150
_____ Roulette Table	\$150
_____ Poker Table	\$175
_____ Craps Table	\$300
_____ Other _____	\$ _____

Pleasant Prizes

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| _____ Door Prize \$25 | _____ Door Prize \$50 | _____ Door Prize \$75 |
| _____ Door Prize \$100 | _____ Door Prize \$150 | _____ Door Prize \$200 |

Please make checks payable to Mentone Chamber of Commerce
 Please contact Jim Lotito for more information (951)840-7256

COMING EVENTS:

Protest against Redlands' pending takeover of Mentone.

MACA:

Coming events: Weeklong celebration planned in 2019. **Chili Cookoff, September 29;** Thanksgiving parade. Film festival in a tent: date TBA.

C.O.M.E.T./CHAMBER OF COMMERCE: Meetings: last Tuesday of the month.

ORGANIZATIONS MEETING LOCALLY*:

(Religious organizations meet on Sundays unless otherwise noted)

Rocky Point Fellowship
2116 Mentone Blvd.,
Mentone, 92359

Avodah Fellowship (Friday nights)
Rocky Point Fellowship (in the fellowship hall)
2116 Mentone Blvd.,
Mentone, CA 92359

Congregational Church UCC
1205 Beryl Ave,
Mentone, CA · (909) 794-2893

Sandals Church East Valley
1325 Amethyst Ave.,
Mentone, CA

Faith Chapel
1259 Agate Ave.,
Mentone, CA 909-863-8145

Seventh-Day Adventist Church of Mentone (English and Spanish) (Saturdays 8:30 and 11:00 a.m.)
1230 Olivine Ave.,
Mentone, CA 909-794-1610

Mentone Indonesian-American Seventh-Day Adventist Church
1331 Turquoise Ave.,
Mentone, CA 909-799-3521

New Life Christian Women's Luncheon @ Mill Creek Cattle Co.,
1874 Mentone Blvd., First Wednesday each month, 10-2
Mentone, CA

Republican Committee Tea Party
Mill Creek Cattle Co., 1st Thursday of the month
1874 Mentone Boulevard,
Mentone, CA

COMET and Chamber of Commerce: Rocky Point Fellowship,
2116 Mentone Boulevard, at 7 p.m. on the last Tuesday of the month.
AA/NA Rocky Point Fellowship, Tuesdays

MACA: Mill Creek Cattle Co., in Diamond Jim's Saloon,
1874 Mentone Blvd., second Tuesday of the month,
Mentone, CA 909/389-0706

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VILLAGE NEWS (Where available):

GREENSPOT

According to their Facebook page, Judge Alvarez is expected to announce his decision sometime in July.

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MENTONE BEACH

DOWNTOWN MENTONE: