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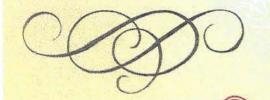
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CASINO NIGHT IS COMING! CAN YOU HELP?

OP-ED

The Mentone Chamber of Commerce sponsors the Casino Night as a fundraiser once a year; the funds are used to promote Mentone's interests. Jim and Maribeth Lotito, owners of Mill Creek Cattle Company and Diamond Jim's Saloon, personally and generously invest a lot of money and time and energy into this event as well as others during the year.

This year admission is free; you buy the chips and when you cash them in you are eligible to win prizes. For participants the Lotitos will host an hors d'ouevres bar.

Maribeth spends a lot of time making beautiful gift baskets, which are then raffled off and the proceeds go to the Chamber. If you have nice things lying around you don't use anymore check with her to see if she can use them. She also plans to make a "gift tree," with gift cards tied on. That should be the most popular raffle item of all! If you've gotten a gift card that you don't plan to use, why not donate it? Any of these items can be put in a bag with Maribeth's name on it and dropped off at their restaurant; the servers will know what to do with them. And, if you choose to support the Casino Night in another way, please see the form on the next page. You can print it out and fill it out, then drop it off; or you can scan it in and

While we don't personally participate in Casino Night, Mentone Matters supports the Chamber of Commerce and hopes you will, too.

There are other ways you can get involved in order to save Mentone. E-mail us at mentonematters@aol.com for more information.

Is Mentone Matters succeeding in informing everybody of everything that's going on here? Obviously, from the e-mails some are reading us; however, that's a small number.

So, the answer is "No," because 1) we don't have the e-mail addresses of everyone in town; and 2) we don't know everything that's going on in town.

However, where *you* can help is to spread the word: get your Mentone friends and relatives to e-mail us at <u>mentonematters@aol.com</u> and we'll send them the current issue and past ones, as well.

Then, let us know the newsworthy events that you know about, so we can publish them. Thank you. Thankfully, someone stepped up last month to work on the website in their spare time. We appreciate that, and look forward to seeing it up and running.

The Publisher.

WE GET E-MAILS!

"Thanks for all the issues, Joyce. You take a lot of time doing this service. . . ." Willma "Thank you so much for putting this together, a lot of work on your part!" Patty Good job, Joyce. Keep up the good work! George

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CASINO MIGHTANAS 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

Door Prize \$25

Door Prize \$50

Door Prize \$75

Door Prize \$100

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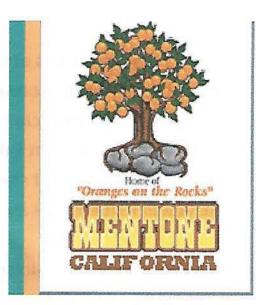
Please make checks payable to Mentone Chamber of Commerce Please contact Jim Lotito for more information (951)840-7256 MENTONE MATTERS August 2018

MENTONE OPPOSES HIGHLAND'S PROPOSED ORDINANCES 409 AND 410, AKA "HARMONY"

David Wilder, chairman of C.O.M.E.T. ("Citizens Of Mentone Empowering Together") and President of the Mentone Chamber of Commerce, sent the following letter to the Registrar of Voters to state Mentone's opposition to the issue now on the ballot for November. He distributed it at the Chamber meeting, Tuesday, July 31, 2018.

MENTONE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE Including the communities of Greenspot, Crafton, and Mill Creek Canyon

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28 June 2018

Registrar of Voters: re, Highland election

Vote NO on Harmony 409/410

The Mentone Chamber of Commerce is writing in opposition of the Ballot Measure to approve Ordinances 409, and 410, for the City of Highland.

It is the position of the Chamber that the "Harmony" project will have a significantly negative impact on the Mentone community area.

The project will increase the traffic on Highway 38, Mentone Boulevard, to an approximately 45,000 per day, this is an increase of at least 20,000 per day. It is already difficult to navigate the Boulevard with the existing traffic flow. The additional cars will exacerbate this issue.

For the foreseeable future the school aged children will have to come to our schools in Mentone. They might build an Elementary school at Harmony at some point of the project. But Middle and High School children will need to come to our area schools. Also any of individuals attending colleges will come through our community, adding to the traffic problem.

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Most of the residents of the Harmony project will travel through Mentone as it is a shorter trip to go through Mentone then go all the way through Highland to get to the freeways. The worst danger is cars turning onto our Residential Streets to get out of the boulevard traffic, and more than Likely Speeding down our streets to get to work or wherever and our children's lives are at stake. Mentone residents will also have difficulty leaving their own driveways due to the increased traffic anticipated.

The lack of grocery stores referenced in the plan, for this development, is concerning. The nearest grocery store will be the Stater Brother's store in Redlands, which is only reachable by traveling down the Boulevard. This adds an unknown amount of traffic to the already crowded Boulevard. The only way to accommodate the proposed increase of traffic will be to widen Highway 38. This will require the forfeiture of land by numerous businesses, and private homes. This will close most of the businesses on the Boulevard, and force individuals to move out of their homes. These conditions are unacceptable.

We implore the residents of Highland to vote no on this Measure, for the reasons listed above, as well as the negative impact on the Highland community, as outlined in previous submissions.

Respectfully,

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David W Wilder President, Mentone Chamber of Commerce 6 MENTONE MATTERS August 2018

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. Chairman/President Wilder also stated at the July Chamber meeting that the judge will issue his final decision, with requirements, on Greenspot's petition for writ of mandate, on August 10.

Stay tuned, as they used to say.

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 200 704 1610

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

 $*Organizations\ that\ aren't\ listed\ here\ are\ welcome\ to\ contact\ \underline{mentonematters@aol.com}\ to\ have\ their\ information\ included.$

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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.

CRAFTON

MENTONE BEACH

DOWNTOWN MENTONE: