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THERE THEY GO, AGAIN!

At the MACA meeting Tuesday night, copies of the Highland Community News for December 28, 2018 were being shared; the lead article stated that, despite several requirements, Orange County and Lewis Homes are planning to resume their efforts to develop the area east of Highland - the "Harmony" project against which Mentonites fought in 2018. Those requirements include: 1) a new bridge over Mill Creek; 2) consideration of an alternative, to reduce the number of homes to 1400; 3) mitigation of Riverside an Alluvial Fan Sage Scrub habitat for endangered species; 4) Hydrological studies should be complete before

construction begins; 5) addressing the problem of 34,000 daily vehicle trips in and out of the project area and 6) finalization of wastewater treatment plans.

BIG FLAP OVER NEW COUNTY SUPERVISOR'S NOMINATION

In its second December issue, Mentone Matters reported that Dawn Rowe of Yucca Valley was elected to fill the last two years of James Ramos' term as Third District Supervisor. However, Ms. Rowe was actually *appointed* to the position.

Some complained that the Brown Act was violated, in that all 48 applicants were not heard and supervisors held secret meetings to narrow down the field to 13 and then 5. According to <u>http://wp.sbcounty.gov/cao/county</u>



<u>wire/?p=4051</u>, "The voter-approved County Charter requires the board to appoint a qualified elector (individual residing in the Third District and registered to vote 30 days prior to the application period) to fill the remainder of the unexpired term, otherwise the responsibility for the appointment transfers to the governor. The charter does not specify a process for the board to follow in making an appointment. . . The voter-approved County Charter requires the board to appoint a qualified elector (individual residing in the Third District and registered to vote 30 days prior to the application period) to fill the remainder of the unexpired term, otherwise the board to appoint a qualified elector (individual residing in the Third District and registered to vote 30 days prior to the application period) to fill the remainder of the unexpired term, otherwise the responsibility for the appointment transfers to the governor. The charter does not specify a process for the board to follow in making an appoint. The charter does not specify a process for the appointment transfers to the governor. The charter

"On Tuesday, the Board of Supervisors is scheduled to discuss and determine the process it will follow in making an appointment assuming the vacancy occurs in the Third District, which includes all or portions of the cities of San Bernardino, Grand Terrace, Colton, Loma Linda, Highland, Redlands, Yucaipa, Barstow, Big Bear Lake and Twentynine Palms, the Town of Yucca Valley, and surrounding unincorporated communities and areas. A detailed map can be viewed at http://www.sbcounty.gov/Main/Pages/BOSDistricts.aspx. The public will have an opportunity to comment on the process the Board of Supervisors will follow for making an appointment.

The Brown Act was sponsored by _____- One attendee stated that the

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Mentone Senior Center, 1331 Opal Avenue (in the Library building): Senior Breakfast on Tuesday mornings. Call 909/794-0327 for more information.

OTHER LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS*: (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, 92359

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 Mentone, CA 909-799-3521 Mentonechurch.org

Mentone Indonesian-American SdA Church (Saturdays) 1331 Turquoise Ave., Mentone, CA 909-799-3521

New Life Christian Women's Luncheon @ Mill Creek Cattle Co., Mill Creek Cattle Co., 1st Thursday of the month

AA/NA Rocky Point Fellowship, 2116 Mentone Blvd., Mentone, 92359, Tuesdays

Republican Committee Tea Party, Mill Creek Cattle Company, 1874 Mentone Blvd., Mentone, First Wednesday each month, 10-2

*Organizations that aren't listed here are welcome to contact <u>mentonematters@aol.com</u> to have their information included. Interested in advertising with us? E-mail <u>mentonematters@aol.com</u> for reasonable rates and information.

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