

**Inter Canyon League**  
**Minutes of the General Meeting**  
**Tuesday, October 5, 2021 at 7:00 PM Live Streaming**

**I. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 7:03pm by President Sarkissian.

**II. General Announcements & Discussion**

**a. General Community Announcements**

Geoff Sarkissian noted that Mary Schreiber was recognized recently by the Fire Safe Council of California for her fire safety work.

Whiting Ranch Regional Park, closed recently due to mountain lion sightings, is open again.

Geoff relayed Sherry Meddick's concern about traffic, gunfire, and trash in the Cleveland National Forest. Along with meeting the rangers in charge, she would like to solicit letters of support from the community. Geoff and Joanne Hubble will pursue this. Francesca Duff wondered about writing letters to US Representative Katie Porter.

**b. Canyon History: Drawing of Modjeska House**

Geoff shared a drawing of Madame Modjeska's house as it was believed to look around 1889.

The drawing was donated to the county, but its origin is still being researched.

**c. Canyon Cleanup & Chipper Days—Steve Kerrigan et al**

No report.

**d. Country Fair—Jane Bove**

Beer, wine, and refrigeration arrangements still need to be made for the October 9 and 10 event. Cody Mileham will start building structures tomorrow. Additional volunteer help would be appreciated, including organizing contests. Renting a generator will cost an extra thousand dollars this year. Sponsors have contributed \$750, including \$200 from Supervisor Don Wagner.

Geoff will try to make an information sheet showing what the income from the fair will be used for. Francesca said that ICL needs \$4,000 to \$5,000 annually just to pay for insurance, email, the website, and government filing fees. Anything over that can be used for emergencies and disaster relief.

**e. Canyon Watch Update—Bic & Keith Edwards, Francesca Duff, Cle Robinson**

Keith said that radio interference can barely be heard now. Repeaters and Minetrack reception also look good, but further base station installations are on hold.

Francesca will include pictures of both the burned up repeater and its replacement in a story to the California Fire Fund, which awarded ICL a grant to pay for the new repeater. Keith said that he also has a slideshow on Google.

**f. Emergency Preparedness—Joanne Hubble**

The county was said to be planning on supplying sand and up to 50 empty sandbags per person to canyon residents this winter.

As possible AT&T wireless phone service, Joanne said that she wouldn't like to see a lot of boxes like Verizon's along the road—just something at the two volunteer fires stations.

**g. Friends of the Library—Fran Williams**

Once again, Friends of the Library will have items for sale at their boutique tea room at the Silverado Fair. Fran would be happy to talk to anyone interested in helping out, since she is planning on retiring this year as chief organizer of these fundraisers.

The library, meanwhile, has not used any funds for paid programs in a while, though their hours have expanded to 10-7 Monday through Thursday and 9-5 Saturday. Closing at 5 earlier in the pandemic made a dent in adult services. Fran also wondered if organizations like the Tucker wildlife sanctuary could sponsor programs at the library.

**h. SCE Grants—Francesca Duff**

Holly Vioria, Modjeska Nurse Practitioner, created a one-page summary of mental health resources available to canyon residents. Francesca plans on having copies available at the Silverado Fair, where she will also have a sign-up sheet for anyone interested in joining the Canyon Crisis Support Group—neighbors helping neighbors. There will be a separate sign-up sheet for a basic first aid class (no CPR) if there is enough interest.

SCE grants paid for first aid kits (each augmented with a headlamp, a flexible splint, and a large bandage that could be used as a tourniquet). These will be available to Canyon Watch block captains.

**i. Shakespeare for Canyon Residents—Dion Sorrell**

There will be a special performance October 16 at the Modjeska House, free for canyon residents. Modjeska Foundation board members (some of them actual actors) will present brief excerpts from Shakespeare, to encourage others to get involved. Inside, Annie Loui's film based on Madame Modjeska's fairy tale book will be shown.

Francesca added that there will also be cake in honor of Madame Modjeska's October 12 birthday.

Gates open at 11; the performance is at 12 noon. See Dion or a poster for ticket info.

### **III. Director Reports**

**a. President—Geoffrey Sarkissian**

There will probably be a sign at the Country Fair about COVID risk, and a request for unvaccinated attendees to wear masks. Geoff related his recent experience with a fair similar to ours that wound up being canceled due to an outbreak of too many COVID cases in children days before the scheduled date.

**b. Vice President—Dion Sorrell**

No report

**c. Secretary—Scott Breeden**

The minutes of the September meeting were approved 4-0.

**d. Treasurer—Francesca Duff**

The Santiago Relief Fund now has a balance of \$18,000. The September financial report was approved 4-0.

### **IV. New Business**

None.

### **V. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10pm.

**\*\*\* The next ICL meeting will be held November 2, 2021 via live streaming \*\*\***