

# 2025

## Mayor Max and the Mayors of Idyllwild



*They're amazing!* 🐾



# From the Office of Mayor Max! Welcome to 2025!

**M**ayor Max the Third, Vice Mayor Meadow the First, and Deputy Co-Mayors Mitzi and Mikey are the Golden Administration of Idyllwild, California, running the non-partisan, non-political mayoral office of Golden Retrievers along with their human Chiefs of Staff, Phyllis Mueller and Glenn Warren. The Mayor's office only does kind and loving things for people, but we do a lot of it. This includes visits downtown almost every day of the year at regular office hours. It also includes attending hundreds of private events throughout the year.

Our policy is to never say no to a visit request, and we endeavor to be available to meet with the public every day. Sometimes we have to "move Heaven and Earth" to make every request happen, but we do our best to accommodate the schedules of local residents and out-of-town visitors. It's a joy to do this.

## Services Provided by the Office of Mayor Max

The Mayors attend and participate in all kinds of events, and here's just a small sampling of the kinds of events and activities that we do:

- Animal Blessing Events
- Animal Rescue Events
- Anniversary Parties
- Art & Wine Walk Events
- Assisted Living Visits
- Bachelor Parties
- Bachelorette Parties
- Birthday Parties
- Business / Store Events
- Charity and Holiday Events
- Corporate Events
- Daily Visits Downtown
- FaceTime Events
- Fundraising Events
- Grand Openings
- Grief and Suicide Outreach
- Halloween Festivals
- Harvest Festivals
- Hospital Visits
- Library Events
- Litter Pick-Up Events
- Meetings with the Media
- Parades
- Parties of Any Type
- Podcasts
- Public Visiting
- Reading Programs
- Reaching Out to Those in Need
- Ribbon Cuttings
- School Programs
- Special Events (All Kinds)
- Special Guests in Town
- Training Programs
- Tree Lighting Events
- Visits at the Mayor's Home
- Visits to Your Home
- Weddings
- And more!

**To meet the Mayor,  
call or text 949.525.0100.**



## Scheduling to Meet the Mayor

**Y**ou can schedule a meeting or event with the Mayor at any time by simply contacting the Office of Mayor Max at 949.525.0100 or by email at [max@mayormax.com](mailto:max@mayormax.com) or posting a message on social media. The real-time way to reach the Office of Mayor Max is to actually call because we are often out in the public during the day and not on social media until late in the evening.

*Call to arrange a visit at any time, and save this number in your phone: 949.525.0100*







*Mayor Max the Third*

*Vice Mayor Meadow the First*

*Deputy Co-Mayor Mikey*

*Deputy Co-Mayor Mitzi*



*New Official Logo of the Office of Mayor Max*

# Annual Mayor Max Calendars

The Office of Mayor Max began with Mayor Max the First on July 1, 2012. The office continued on July 21, 2013 with Mayor Max the Second and Deputy Co-Mayors Mitzi and Mikey.

In 2014, we produced the Mayor’s first calendar. It was so well received that we have continued this annual project since then. You can read all the calendars going back to 2014 by going to the calendar section of the Mayor’s website at [www.mayormax.com](http://www.mayormax.com).

Today, the Office of Mayor Max continues with Mayor Max the Third, Vice Mayor Meadow the First, and the two Deputy Co-Mayors Mitzi and Mikey. The third generation of Mayor Max the Third and his sister, Vice Mayor Meadow the First, began on November 10, 2022 and continues to the present day.

The 2025 Mayor Max calendar is our 12th year of calendar production.

The calendars are free and are a gift from Phyllis Mueller and Glenn Warren to the Idyllwild community and Mayor Max friends around the globe. We print and prepare 10,000 calendars every year. We distribute 6000 copies in Idyllwild to residents and visitors. We mail 4000 every year to individuals in 33 countries who have requested them.

In 2024, we began receiving and fulfilling our first calendar requests from mainland China.



Though we send the calendars for free, we do very much appreciate donations for the calendars as that does help us in the funding of this initiative every year. It is financially challenging for us to do this project since it has grown to be so large. So if you can help, we appreciate it.

Every year, the calendar includes what we call “some of the secrets to the universe,” helpful suggestions on how to live a happy and extraordinary life in challenging times. It includes how to accomplish goals. It includes what you can do to help create Peace on Earth in our lifetime.

We are dedicated to continuing the calendar initiative because we believe it improves the quality of life for anyone that receives and reads the calendars. We provide the calendars for free because we believe that enables us to distribute more copies than if we were to charge for them. We wish we had the resources to deliver billions of them to the world—not kidding! All of the calendars are available for download on our website at [www.mayormax.com](http://www.mayormax.com).

When you read a calendar, you will understand and be benefited by it. This makes us very happy to know, and

we know this because we have received thousands of responses from calendar recipients telling us so.

It is our absolute joy to provide this calendar to you every year.

We love you with all of our heart!

Love always,



Maximus Mighty-Dog Mueller, the Third  
aka: Mayor Max



# 2025 Mayor Max Calendar Printing Cost Contributors

The Office of Mayor Max has created an annual calendar since 2014 that has been entirely funded by the Mayor's Chiefs of Staff, Phyllis Mueller and Glenn Warren. For the 2025 Mayor Max calendar, we did outreach for the third time to request some financial assistance with a portion of the printing costs that have continued to increase substantially.

Listed here are the people, businesses, and organizations that contributed toward the cost of printing the 2025 calendars. When you see them, please thank them and support these businesses and organizations in every way possible. We are deeply grateful for the support of everyone that has helped.

Chris Allen	Harvey House
Lynn Allen	Idyllwild Brewpub
Pam Allen	Idyllwild Bunkhouse
Sue Anderson	Idyllwild Community Center
Art Alliance of Idyllwild	Idyllwild Gift Shop
Shirley Baas	Kenny Gioli
Kathy Barclay	Idyllwild Inn
David and Loie Butterfield	Idyllwild Realty
Café Aroma	Diana Kurr
Sue and Pete Capparelli	La Casita Mexican Restaurant
Neeley Coe	The Lumber Mill Bar & Grill
Credere Organics	Mama's Egg House
Cindy and Hal Dahlstrom	Mamma Mia Crepes and Desserts
Eric and Adrienne Edmunds	Manzanita Cantina & Grill
Stacy and Rick Emmons	Office of the Mayor of Idyllwild
Cindy Felix	Mississippi Coast Model
Lori and Frank Ferro	Railroad Museum
FERRO Restaurant	Mary Morse
Forest Folk	Mountain Paws
Fratello's Ristorante & Pizzeria	Glenn Mueller
Lee Friend	Phyllis Mueller
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Robert Garcia	Mueller Worldwide, Inc.
In Loving Memory of Birdie Zulazen Gray	Janie Oliver
Cindy and Michael Gray	Carmen, James, and Storm Plank



Rajiv and Anjali Panchal	Spirit Mountain Retreat
Chris Perreault	Shane and Ashley Stewart
Kim and Kevin Perry	Strawberry Creek Inn
Grace Reed	The Sunflower
Renaissance Pet Resort and Spa	Tahquitz Pines Retreat
Alex Robins	In Loving Memory of Denise Van Herpen
Katryn and Don Robinson	Glenn and Peggy Van Herpen
Rotary Club of Idyllwild	Rebecca Vasconcellos
Vera-Julia Sakins	Martisa and Mike Vignali
Rick and Colleen Shahan	Glenn Warren
Lois and Doug Sheppard	Wooley's
Silver Pines Lodge	
Luis Solis	
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# 2025 Mayor Max Calendar Printing Cost Contributors



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Cindy Felix



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# Highlights of the Year!

The Mayors of Idyllwild generate a great deal of media exposure every year, they attend hundreds of events, and meet thousands of people. 2024 was a very busy year, and in this section, we are providing a small sampling of some of the accomplishments.

## To mention only a few:

- Daily Downtown Visits with the Public (300+)
- Visits at the Mayor's House (100+)
- Visits with hundreds of PCT hikers
- Guest of Honor at Multiple Weddings at Town Hall, Harvey House, Hicksville Pines, Tahquitz Pines Resort, Private House Events
- Multiple Tour Bus Group Meetings, 50-100+ Per Group
- *Los Angeles Times*, The Unusual Story of How a Dog Became a Town's Mayor
- The Messenger, A California Mountain Town Has a Quirky Tradition — 'Its Mayor Cannot be Human'
- Euro ES Euro, Max III, the Mayor Dog of a City in California
- Your Tango, A California Town's Local Government Is Run Entirely By Dogs
- KCAL News / CBS, Heading to the Inland Empire to Meet Idyllwild's "Paw-litician" Mayor Max, Interview and Broadcast by Alex Biston
- GOOD, How a Golden Retriever Became the Mayor of a Town in California and Slayed It
- The Dodo, This California Town's Mayor's Duties Include Belly Rubs and Head Scratches
- *Daily Mail*, The Stunning Mountain Town with No Ski Resort, No Stoplights, No Starbucks – and Where a Dog Named Max Is Mayor
- *Express*, The Pretty Popular Mountain Town with No Ski Resort Where a Dog Named Max Is Mayor
- MarketWatch, Tired of Politicians? These 6 Cities Elected Animals as Their Mayors.
- BBC's Stephanie Prentice Interviews Phyllis for BBC Broadcast
- Freizeit Revue, Huch, unser Bürgermeister bellt!
- Visit from Psi Upsilon Fraternity from Pepperdine University
- Kelly Clarkson Show Interview with Phyllis Mueller
- Family Fun Night, Valle Vista Library
- Celebration of Life Event (The Mayors were asked to attend to bring joy at this sad time.)
- Idyllwild Tree Lighting Ceremony
- Mayor Max Documentary Interview Phyllis with D.S.
- Dolly Parton Show ("Dolly Parton's Pet Gala") Interview and Broadcast on National TV
- Gene Nichols Community Roundup Radio Interview and Broadcast
- ARD German Public Radio and TV Interview and Broadcast
- Birthday FaceTime Call
- Conference Call with Katie Gill, First Stop News
- Ken Calvert, Member of the U.S. House of Representatives Meet and Greet
- AstroCamp Events
- Multiple Bachelor, Bachelorette, Birthday, and Other Private Parties and Events
- RTL Television (German) Interview, Hanna Klouth
- Interview, William Mellon & Max Otremba, The So Late It's Early Show



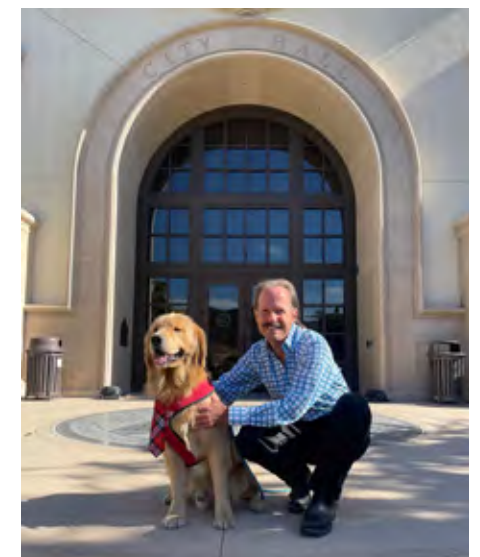
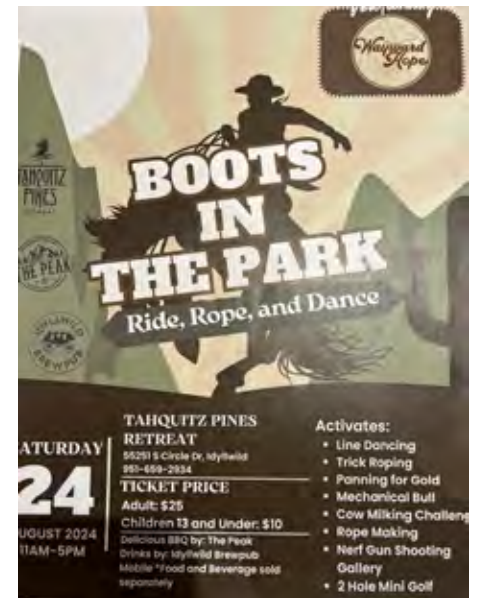
*Mayor Max posing for photos with hundreds of visitors every week*



*Mayor Max documentary film in the Notre Dame Student Film Festival*



*Mayor Max and Staff at the Boots in the Park event*



*Mayor Max and Glenn Warren at Temecula's Rescue with Ribsy Pet Expo and Fundraiser event*



*Jake Asner's Mayor Max video production*



*Gridspace corporate event*



- Independent Journalist Interviews
- Documentary with Noah Sapon and Maddi Jean Waterhouse
- Riverside International Film Festival with Mayor Max Documentary
- Grace Castagnetti Film Project and Documentary
- The Star Grand Opening Event
- Economic Development Department of Riverside Event at Idyllwild Library
- Wildflower PCT Hiker Meeting
- Moses Fleischman Mayor Max Documentary
- Yearbook Signing at Idyllwild Arts
- Rotary Pancake Breakfast
- Dairy Queen Meet-and-Greet Event with the Public
- National Doughnut Day at Amelia's Donuts
- Thousand Trails Events
- Fathers and Daughters Events at Multiple Idyllwild Campgrounds
- Camp Maranatha Royal Family Kids Camp Events
- San Jacinto State Park Events, Camp Visits
- Living Free Hoedown Fundraiser
- First Pitch at Palm Springs POWER Baseball Game
- Scavenger Hunt House Visit
- Buckhorn Camp - Family Camp Visit
- Daughter's Graduation Party
- 4th of July Parade
- Light Up the Night First Responders Tree Lighting Event
- Meadowsfest Events at Idyllwild Arts
- Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts Events at Camp Emerson
- Gridspace Event
- FWB Event at Idyllwild Arts
- Idyllwild Songwriters Festival Events at Spirit Mountain Retreat
- Smokey's 80th Birthday Event at Idyllwild Ranger Station
- Meeting for YouTuber FaZe Rug at Wooley's
- MiraCosta College Visit at Silver Pines Lodge
- Boots in the Park at Tahquitz Pines Retreat
- Private Party Events at Tahquitz Pines Retreat
- Hosting Out-of-Town Visitors at the Mayor's Home
- Mayor Max III and Meadow Birthday Party at Mountain Paws (600+ guests attended)
- Will Rollins & Christine Holstege Meet-and-Greet at Idyllwild Library
- Bark in the Park at Nature Center
- Private Event at Silver Pines Lodge
- Blessing of the Animals at St. Hugh of Lincoln Episcopal Church
- CineStory Retreat Event at Silver Pines Lodge
- Surprise Marriage Proposal Event (She said Yes!)
- Temecula's Rescue with Ribsy Pet Expo Events and Fundraiser
- Halloween Meet-and-Greet Event at Credere Organics
- *Mayor Max for President!* Play by Alex Robins
- Harvest Festival Event at Calvary Chapel, Mountain Center
- Eric Jones' Halloween Event, Mountain Center
- Idyllwild's Halloween Festival Event
- Oakwood Village Halloween Celebration
- Pints for Paws, ICC Playground
- Podcast Interview, Ron Levi, DOGTV
- The Great Pumpkin Carnival Parade
- Spirit Mountain Retreat Center Event for Veterans
- Australian YouTuber Jesse Willesee Interview and Broadcast



*Dust Busters Fire Crew from Eugene, Oregon*



*Tour bus visitors posing with Mayor Max at the Idyllwild Monument*



*Photo by @alecandro\_cristiano*



*A play by Playwright Alex Robins*



*Mayor Max with the Scouts at Camp Emerson*



# Mayor Max, If I Were President



Over the years of being Mayor Max since 2012, I have had thousands of people ask me if Mayor Max can run for President. Thousands have also asked if Mayor Max could be the Mayor of their town or their Governor or whatever their elected officials are where they live.

At first, I thought people were just joking. I came to realize that many were not joking but they were stating their frustration with the condition of politics as they see it where they live, and they like the Mayor's approach which is non-partisan, non-political, loving, and represents everyone fairly and equally, not taking sides. I always look at this as a wonderful compliment.

These questions caused me to think about what would Mayor Max say if he were President. I am the one that puts a voice to the Mayor. If he were President, what would he say or do, which

## From Playwright Alex Robins

Firstly, I'd like to say what an honour it is to be included in this calendar. As you can tell by my spelling of "honour" in the previous sentence - I'm not from the States!

I travelled from the UK to Idyllwild in 2023 with the intention of writing a piece of theatre about Mayor Max, informing everyone I spoke to that I would eventually return to perform the show. One year later, I fulfilled that promise.

*Mayor Max For President!* was performed at Idyllwild Town Hall on the 25th and 26th October 2024. The presidential angle wasn't just picked due to the play's proximity to an election; you can go to the comments section of most Max posts and find fans repeating this proposition over many, many years: so many that Phyllis has been writing a book called *Mayor Max, If I Were President*. Discussing this concept was a great source of inspiration for me when deciding how best to tell the story.

I would like to thank Phyllis and Glenn who have been amazing in every respect. Their kindness, honesty and positive energy has made this project possible. I'm so glad that they enjoyed the play and hope that they feel it reflected the values of the Mayors and the town.

I also want to thank Rick and Stacy for the hospitality and helpfulness they showed me during both of my trips up the mountain. There isn't enough space on this page to thank everyone else who assisted me or agreed to be interviewed. Please know that I am incredibly grateful to you all.

Finally, I'd like to thank you - the reader - for reading the calendar! If this happens to be your first time doing so, I implore you to go to the Mayor Max website and discover an archive of antecedent issues. They are brilliant! It's an honour to be a part of this one!

*Alex Robins*

## Glenn's notes for Alex on qualities of the production –

- ◆ High creativity in the manner of telling the story
- ◆ Excellent writing
- ◆ Excellent diction
- ◆ Excellent enunciation
- ◆ Excellent pace of speech
- ◆ Fantastic research
- ◆ Great references to others' quotations and historical events or situations
- ◆ Great stage and personal presence: present, in communication, upbeat, outgoing, personable, charming, intelligent
- ◆ True art

is the same as what would I say or do? I decided to put that in writing. The name of the book is, *Mayor Max, If I Were President*. This book does have a strategy for creating happiness and well-being for every individual on the planet.

I do believe I would be ideal for this job, but I did not figure this all out until a little bit late in life. It makes me wish I had studied harder in school!

I want you to know, though, that I have dedicated my life to helping others as much as possible, and I want to see and help to achieve peace on Earth for all mankind in my lifetime. If I don't make that happen, I do believe in past lives and future lives. I do believe we come back. When I come back next lifetime and in all future lifetimes, I plan to pick right up where I left off and continue to work on this. And I think I would make a run for it to see if I could achieve a high



# Join Mayor Max's Peace on Earth Team

level of office in politics, though I am not certain that a high-ranking political office would create more good than an individual outside of government. It is an intriguing proposition.

I do know that if anyone could have a positive impact on all the people of the Earth, I am one of the ones who could do it because I can conceive of things on the proper order of magnitude, and I can conceive of ways to do it. I don't think it's impossible. In fact, I think the only things that are impossible are the things you say are impossible because your thought is the determining characteristic of what happens in your life. If you think it can be done, you can make it happen. If you think it cannot be done, you won't even try.

I have been running spreadsheets for years on what it will cost to implement these types of programs for the whole planet. When I started doing this, there were 5 billion people on the planet. Now there are 8 billion. OK!

I think I can see a way to help all mankind.

In October 2023, Alex Robins, a playwright from the UK, contacted us and told me he wanted to come to Idyllwild because he wanted to write a play about Mayor Max. That's all he said, and I said fine because I say yes to all non-partisan, non-political people who want to meet Mayor Max and do anything with him, e.g., photos, movies, documentaries, social media posts, you name it. I pretty much never say no. Alex came to Idyllwild and spent time interviewing us and others in the community.

I had no idea what Alex was going to do, and I only gave it a little bit of thought. I wondered if it's a play, will there be a dog in it? Will it be a stuffed animal dog? Is there more than one person in the play? What will it be about? I had no idea, and that's where my thought ended. I didn't think about it much.

A year later, Alex contacted us in October 2024 and said he had completed the play, and it was entitled, *Mayor Max for President!*

Alex returned to Idyllwild and presented the play twice. I found it very impactful. It actually made me a better person and made me resolve to try even harder than I was. It revitalized me because in the day-to-day challenges of living, running a company, running the Office of Mayor Max, both of which are full-time jobs, I can sometimes get so involved in keeping up with the schedule challenges of our lives and the mechanics of day-to-day living that I might not be as active

in working on the global issues as much as I should be or would like to be.

We are challenged every day in our two worlds of making a living in our business to make enough money to afford to pay for our lives AND fund and run the Office of Mayor Max. I would love to be working exclusively to implement Mayor Max's POET initiative and his Peace on Earth Team program.

I was so moved by the play that I wish you could have seen it. If you would ever like to see the play, let Alex know. I have put his contact information here, and the next time he is in the US, perhaps he will stop by and present it to you in your town.

**Alex Robins**  
[hotlinecoldcalling@gmail.com](mailto:hotlinecoldcalling@gmail.com)

I have always wanted to have a major positive impact on mankind in my lifetime. I have been driven that way since my early twenties. I actually didn't know until the death of Mayor Max the Second in July 2022 (age 71 for me) that I had actually accomplished that at some small level because the response to his death reached many millions of people, and they contacted me. I could not keep up with the condolences messages, and after two months of trying, I had to give up on getting back with everyone. Had I attempted to continue that, I would have had to spend the rest of my life doing that and nothing else.

It was at that point I realized that maybe I really do have a shot at helping mankind on a global level, and I asked myself the question about Mayor Max's POET initiative (his Peace on Earth Team), "How many Living Angels would need to be on Earth to create peace on Earth for all mankind?" I got an answer, and I do not believe the answer came from me. The answer I heard was 2 billion.

So, I have my work cut out for me, and I work on it as much as I can. I do believe that each of us has a hand in creating Peace on Earth for mankind. It begins with your own actions

and being loving and kind in all that you do. It also means that you encourage others to do the same.

There is no need to be cruel or hateful to anyone. You can communicate any message with a loving heart, and that is the key toward survival for all of us. Positive energy

leads towards life. Negative energy goes in the opposite direction.

It has always been easy for me to put myself in the shoes of another person or the existence of another life form and imagine exactly what it would be like to experience what they are experiencing, feel what they are feeling. Because I can feel and

understand that, I have tremendous love and understanding for everyone and all life forms. I am a humanitarian that fights for human rights, and I am also an animal rights activist that believes that animals should have the same rights as humans, and even humans need more rights in many areas around the globe. I believe the souls of animals are the same as the souls of humans.

My love for mankind is so extreme that I ache that I cannot be with every individual on Earth. I actually wish I were God because, like God who can be in multiple places at one time, I would spend one-on-one time with every individual on the planet and comfort them and share with them what I have learned about helping others, creating joy and happiness, pulling people out of depression and suicidal thought, and how to create a joyous life even in challenging times. I would let them know of my tremendous love for them, and they would know my compassion



and understanding for their situation. I know I can elevate the spirits of those with whom I am in communication.

## Please join POET, Mayor Max's Peace on Earth initiative.

The task is very simple — Anyone in this group pledges themselves to the following:

### LEVEL 1

1. Being dedicated to using only positive energy in all communications.
2. Using love as the basis for everything you think, do, or say, and working on this to the best of your ability, realizing of course that no one is asking you to be perfect. Just do the best that you can. The more you work on this, the easier it becomes. Love is easy when it's easy. We are asking you to also use love when it is difficult. If you practice this and hold back when you are angry and wait until you can find a positive and loving way to communicate your thoughts, you will see that you can turn your heart into a loving heart. You can be a living angel on Earth.
3. Take actions every day that are focused on helping others in some way. Don't just think about yourself. Think about others. The joy in doing a kind and helpful action for another is one of the most personally expansive and spiritually exhilarating experiences that you can cause and experience every day.

### LEVEL 2

4. Get others to be aware of and join this group.

If you would like to be a member of this group, please reach out to me at 949.525.0100 or email at [max@mayormax.com](mailto:max@mayormax.com). I will tell you more about it and add you to the group.

Thank you. I love you with all my heart.

Love always,



Phyllis Mueller  
Chief of Staff for Mayor Max  
Creator of POET





# Support the Office of Mayor Max

The Office of Mayor Max has never been a business. We won a voted election in 2012 and became the Mayor. As the office has grown, we began to incur expenses in running the Mayor’s office. There is no tax basis or income that comes to us for running the Mayor’s office. Gasoline alone to attend hundreds of events is substantial.

In 2025, we plan to turn our attention to creating revenues to support the Office of Mayor Max so that we can continue our work and expand it to reach more people around the world with our Peace on Earth Team message. Positive Energy Leads Towards Life!

This initiative will create and promote Mayor Max merchandise (yet to be created) to our friends.

Today, you can purchase T-shirts, hoodies, and sweatshirts on the Mayor Max website: [www.mayormax.com](http://www.mayormax.com)

You can also order stickers and Mayor Max ties by emailing: [max@mayormax.com](mailto:max@mayormax.com)

By July 2025, we plan to have the Mini Max stuffies available for purchase.

In 2025, we also plan to update our website to add a shopping cart where you will be able to order all types of merchandise. Merchandise items being considered for production include these and others.

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|-----------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------|
| • Baseball caps       | • Key rings              | • Stickers                     |
| • Beanies             | • Magnets                | • Stress balls                 |
| • Blankets or throws  | • Mayor Max story books  | • Stuffed animals (Mini Max’s) |
| • Bookmarks           | • Mayor Max ties         | • Throw pillows                |
| • Christmas ornaments | • Mousepads              | • Tote bags                    |
| • Coasters            | • Mugs                   | • Travel coffee cups           |
| • Coloring books      | • Pens                   | • T-shirts                     |
| • Dish towels         | • Playing cards          | • Umbrellas                    |
| • Drinking glasses    | • Pot holders            | • Water bottles                |
| • Greeting cards      | • Puzzles                | • Watches                      |
| • Hoodies             | • Reusable shopping bags |                                |
| • Jewelry             | • Socks                  |                                |

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## Visit [www.mayormax.com](http://www.mayormax.com) for these and other apparel.

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If you have any type of merchandise that you would like us to offer, please let us know. You can contact the Office of Mayor Max at any time by calling 949.525.0100 or emailing: [max@mayormax.com](mailto:max@mayormax.com)





# Your Donations Truly Help!

If you would like to support the Office of Mayor Max, you can donate to our office at this link: [www.mayormax.com/donate.htm](http://www.mayormax.com/donate.htm)

You can also purchase Mayor Max Merchandise at our website:  
[www.mayormax.com](http://www.mayormax.com)

Any funds raised go entirely to helping to cover the out-of-pocket costs we incur in running the Mayor's office, helping others, and outreaching our Peace on Earth Team initiative to the world.

Thank you for your help. We love you with all of our heart!

Love always,



Mayor Max the Third  
Vice Mayor Meadow the First  
Deputy Co-Mayor Mikey  
Deputy Co-Mayor Mitzi  
Chief of Staff Phyllis Mueller  
Chief of Staff Glenn Warren

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## To Donate for Calendars or Support the Office of Mayor Max

We do accept donations via all of the following:

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For Zelle, the last four digits of the corresponding phone number are 0100.



*Navy, a Mayor Max fan, with Mini Max!*



# The Story of Manny the Manzanita

Hello everyone. My name is Manny the Manzanita tree. I live in a very exciting mountain community in the high desert in California. I highly recommend being a Manzanita tree because it's so exciting. There's never a dull moment.

I have hundreds of visitors every single day, and I just love my life so much. Plus I'm close to other Manzanita trees and all kinds of other trees as well, and I get to have wonderful conversations with everyone in the neighborhood.

First of all, there are all kinds of little creatures under the soil, and they like to come by and tickle my roots, and it feels really good. There are little bugs, beetles, worms, and squiggly things, and they come by my roots in the soil and walk along them, and it feels so relaxing. They also punch little holes in the soil and fresh air comes in, and it's just great! The little underground soil creatures are so helpful.

I happen to be close to a sprinkler system, and even though I hardly need any rain at all, it's kind of nice to get some unexpected water now and then from the sprinklers. In the winter, it's still nice and warm down under the tree roots in the soil. Even though it gets nice and cold out, my tree roots are pretty snugly and warm all the time. My roots also like to send water up to me via their network of tree fibers, and they know how to push water up to my leaves which is very sweet of them to do.

I get visitors all day long and some of the visitors are lots of bees that come from all over the region. I've memorized the names of all of the bees. I have great conversations with them.

They love my pink blossoms, and they fly around and make buzzing humming kinds of sounds, and it's really pretty to hear.

The bees tell me about their adventures, what it is like to live in a beehive or bee box, and all the different places they go to bring pollen to the hive and make honey. They say they really like the pollen in my flowers, and I appreciate that. They bring me little droplets of

honey nectar and leave it on my leaves, and it is delicious. Sometimes they bring me honey from other flowers like orange trees, apple trees, roses, and more.

I'm also visited by all kinds of little crawling and flying insects, and they all have interesting stories to tell. Moths talk about how at night they are always trying to get close to bright light bulbs, and they spend a lot of time bouncing off of windows. They said that they are so excited to get to the light that sometimes they bump into the windows too hard, and they are discussing having a special kind of helmet made to protect their heads and their noses from bumping into the windows. I think that is a good idea.

There are all kinds of beetles that come to visit, and they like to compete with each other. The one that usually wins the competition is a little stink bug. He likes to raise up his rear end and give everybody a little blast of his special perfume, and everybody "runs for the border!" I think it's really funny, but it doesn't bother me at all.

Because all kinds of little plants grow up in the dirt around me by my trunk, I get visited

by rabbits all the time. The rabbits love to eat the green plants or nap on the plants, and there are so many rabbits. I love it!

I love watching them hop around and scamper. Their little white tails are so cute and seem to point in the direction that they are turning. I am not sure this was Nature's best design, but it sure is cute to see. I always know which way they are going!

The bunnies are amazing because they can squeeze through the tightest of spaces, and you can't believe it's possible, but they do it all the time. There are different kinds of bunnies too. We have these giant jackrabbits with huge ears, and they seem to be five times the size of a regular rabbit. The jackrabbits love to play punching games with their front legs. It's so funny. No one ever gets hurt, and both rabbits of each competition claim they are the winner!

In the spring, it's fun to see the baby rabbits. In the beginning, they are no bigger than a chicken egg. They sure are fast, and there are so many of them. Sometimes they come to visit me at the base of my tree trunk, and they take a nap together in the nice cool shade on a warm day. I just love how peaceful and serene



*Purity and Mr. Ed from 2024 calendar story*



it is. Sometimes they lean against my trunk, and I can feel the warmth of their fur and how soft it is, and I can feel the motion of their breathing and the beat of their hearts. The movement pulses up to every limb of me.

I just thoroughly enjoy the moment, and I try to be nice and quiet and not have my leaves rustle too much so that they stay as long as they can while they are napping. They like to snuggle up together like a giant ball of fur, and it's very cute. Sometimes the mommy rabbit is actually nursing the babies, and I just love to watch how happy they are on any day.

I love all the different birds too. They all have something fun to say about their unique lives. I get to talk to the ravens. They are very smart and live for 30 years or so. I've been around for 40 years myself, and I think I might live for hundreds of years. Why not?! I am going strong, and I am so exhilarated by life, I just feel life is eternal.

All of the bird species are very observant. The ravens sometimes like to hang around in groups of a couple hundred. The ravens are

very good at noticing all kinds of things to eat on the ground. For example, the Mayors of Idyllwild, four Golden Retrievers, enjoy having meals out on their deck that goes around the house. And when the Mayors eat, they always make some crumbs that fall outside of the bowl onto the deck floor but that also fall through the cracks in the wood panels of the deck. After the Mayors eat, they take a nap, and the ravens like to quietly tiptoe under the deck and get all the extra goodies. The ravens know they have to be quiet or the Mayors will wake up and bark at them. The ravens and other birds have all perfected this quiet, stealth-like behavior to acquire food. The Mayors' food includes carrot pieces, blueberries, apples, some banana, an occasional dollop of peanut butter, chicken, and all kinds of doggie snacks. The ravens say that everything the Mayors eat is delicious!

Phyllis and Glenn, the owners of the Mayors, also like to put some food out for the wildlife, so all of the birds are tuned into this routine as well. The wildlife can't wait to see what's

next. Phyllis and Glenn don't let things go to waste, so they always put the leftovers out to share with nature. Even the ants love this. The ants have told me many times that their all-time favorite food that they get is the leftovers from some egg salad sandwiches. They said it doesn't get better than that!

Phyllis likes to communicate with the ravens. One day, a raven was sitting on the chimney, and Phyllis looked at the raven, and the raven was looking at Phyllis, and Phyllis said with some impingement apparently, "Hello Raven!" And the raven didn't expect it and got startled and jumped three feet in the air. It was a funny moment, and the raven and Phyllis both laughed about it.

At night, the nightingale living closest to me likes to sing and makes noises that other nightingales mimic from other trees for miles. And this is a pleasant sound throughout the evening that you can hear at all different levels of sound from the close-by loud and the softer sounds that are farther away.

The owls also add some lovely hoo hoo hoos to the evening and also communicate with owls on other trees. They carry on all kinds of interesting conversations, mostly about where are you sleeping tonight. Sometimes, they love sleeping in the trees, but sometimes they like roof tops. Sometimes, they find

big holes in a tree, and they love that! They are very creative. There are even owls that like to burrow in holes in the ground if you can believe that!

One of my favorite friends is an owl called Sam. No one knows how he got his name, but he proudly tells everyone his name is Sam. Sam loves to fly at night and stand on my branches. I love looking at his fiery orange and yellow eyes that are always vibrating with movement and pulsating energy. I really enjoy seeing him and having our delightful conversations. His eyes are extraordinary to see, and there is so much life behind those eyes. He always talks about his flying adventures, and it makes me wish I could fly. But I love that they fly to me and that I get to be a resting point for every single kind of bird that lives in the mountains in California. I consider it an honor to be able to provide shelter and comfort to them.

The Steller's jays sometimes make a nest in my branches, and that is so much fun to watch for a season. I get to see them raise their children, and I can feel their nest on my branches. When they jump in the nest or the parents fly in, the nest gets a little heavier. When they take off and fly away, the nest gets lighter. The Steller's jays are very good at making sturdy nests—so even in high winds, their nests never blow out of the tree. Plus, I am a strong tree, and I can handle high winds.

I love the hummingbirds. Huey, Dewey, Louie, and Newey come by all the time, and they're always playing tag and racing around. They go so fast, I can hardly keep up with





them and see where they are and then they show up magically. They're so beautiful and the sun illuminates their beautiful iridescent feathers that explode with color. The colors are so pretty, I can't decide which colors are my favorite. I love the deep beautiful greens, purples, blues, reds, and oranges. The hummingbirds are always telling me how much they love the sweet nectar from my pink flowers. That makes me so happy to hear. I love seeing them, and I am always trying to make sure that I am making a lot of nectar for everyone that comes to visit.

I think it's so nice that I can share a common experience with humans. The bees take my pollen, and they make delicious honey from my flowers. The bees bring me back little droplets of honey that I can taste. People then jar the bees' honey so humans can buy the honey. Then, Phyllis and Glenn buy the local honey from my flowers. I always think how nice it is that Phyllis and Glenn are having breakfast enjoying some honey from my flowers. I feel at one with them like we are all part of the same family. Yes, I am certain I am part of their family.

I like that Phyllis, Glenn, and most humans seem to really admire the beauty of us Manzanita trees, our beautiful bark, exquisite flowers, and beautiful leaves. It's so nice to be appreciated.

We get visiting bobcats, of course, and they seem to always travel in twos. They're very cute and are always having conversations about what it would be like to have a long cat tail. They also often miss a meal because they get so excited when they see something they want to eat: they start squeaking and that alerts the animal to run. But fortunately, the bobcats also like to eat other plants and things that they find on the ground so there's always something delicious to eat. I noticed that bobcats enjoy nibbling on the apples that have fallen from the apple trees, the pine cones, and fresh newly green grasses. They also like to sip water from the ponds that people have or the little plastic swimming pools or dog water bowls. The bobcats really appreciate finding water wherever they go. Occasionally, the bobcats will also bite through a water hose to lap out precious drops of water to quench their thirst. They say that hose water is as delicious as every other type of water.

The bobcats like to nap on the ground under my branches in the

shade as well, and because they always travel in twos, it is a double pleasure.

I feel very safe and secure in my world. On a few occasions, I have even been visited by black bears who are usually traveling solo. The bears seem to love to come by and get a back scratch. They find some of my strongest branches, they stand on their hind legs, and they rub their back against my branches. I can tell how good it feels for them to be able to scratch their backs because we are somehow sharing the experience through a spiritual connection. I can really tell how good it feels to scratch that itch!

There's only one thing that makes me tremble a little bit, and it is the giant mountain lion that lives very close to where I live. When he comes by, I tremble a little bit and some of my petals from my flowers fall on the ground. But that's OK because when we have a rainstorm, the ants like to jump on the petals and go surfing as the water runoff goes down the driveway to the street and further down to the creeks and ponds. The

ants thoroughly enjoy their surfing experience because the petals are like little boats that float on the water. You can hear the ants going "Wheeeeeeeee!" or "hang six" all the way as they pass by. It's a joy to see how happy they are having fun using my petals as little boats and surfboards on the rainwater.

I had always thought that one mountain lion was daunting to watch. I am just in awe of the mountain lions. They're so majestic. It's not really fear I experience when I see them. It is the tremendous respect



I have for their awesomeness and how beautiful and intense they are and how confident they are. I think they are some of the most beautiful creatures I have ever seen.

One time, five mountain lions came all at once. The mountain lions lounged under my branches

but also a little bit outside my branch area. It was a mommy, daddy, and three grown mountain lions that were young and only about a year old. They were having a family adventure and were being extremely curious.

One of the youngsters somehow knew I was a little intimidated by their fierceness. So he stood up on his hind legs putting his front legs up toward the top of me, and he looked me right in the leaves! Yowzer! I did faint for just a few seconds. I survived it.

After lounging by me for a few hours, the mountain lions went on the deck of a neighbor's house very nearby and kept looking in the windows of the house. One of them actually stood on its hind legs and pawed on the window glass with his front legs. The mountain lions and I could definitely hear the animated screams and screeches of the humans in the house who were riveted by this experience and hiding behind a doorway but peering out to see what the mountain lions were doing. The humans were hoping the window glass would hold and keep the mountain lions out of the house, and they were speaking with excitement and a little bit of concern. But the mountain lions were just having fun. The mountain lions knew they were creating an effect upon the humans, so it made the mountain lions laugh, and the mountain lions kept it up for a while so the humans would have a good story to tell.

What the mountain lions were really looking for was water. It was a hot





day, and the deck had several large dog water bowls. The mountain lions were able to fully imbibe and satisfy their thirst. Then, they sauntered off into the high mountains as if they had not a care or concern in the world.

And now that you know a little about my life, I want to tell you about the most wonderful thing in my life. It's my family. Here is how it all got started:

When I was just a little seedling no more than a foot high, I met another seedling just 20 feet away. She calls herself Merrily the Manzanee because she said it sounded like a poem. We became great friends and experienced everything together. We have been together for 40 years now.



We talked all day every day, and in just a few short years, we fell completely in love. We decided to grow our roots in all directions, but in the directions between Merrily and me, we grew our roots so we could touch each other's roots and "hold roots," synonymous for humans as "holding hands." As we got stronger and taller, our tree roots became like strong arms that we could hold in an embrace for every minute of every day. It is like having a full-time hug from the person you love the most. What a wonderful thing to experience. I knew I was the luckiest Manzanita tree that ever lived.

We even have the ability to move our roots so we can give each other little taps that say, "I love you."

Merrily is the most beautiful Manzanita that I have ever seen. Growing up, I noticed when the wind was blowing, she would use her strength to form her branches into the most beautiful curving shapes almost like legs and arms of a ballerina or the lithe mountain lion

in a morning stretch.

It was important to Merrily to have beautiful curvatures in her branches. So on windy days while other Manzanita trees were content to let the wind form their shapes, Merrily held her position against the wind so that she could maintain the artful shapes of her branches just the way she wanted them.

Something else you may not know about trees is that the wind can blow us in a direction, but we also have the ability to move our branches should we choose to do so. So in the evenings when Merrily and I rest and no one is watching, we gently bend our trunks and our branches toward each other, and we "hold hands" via our branches so that we are in lovely gentle physical contact throughout the night. This is our secret that we cherish.

One night, there was quite a fast and sudden downpour. A young rabbit was caught in the runoff and was being whisked away. Merrily and I saw it happening right in our direction, and we jumped into immediate action. We both bent our tree trunks and our branches to touch the ground giving the rabbit something to climb onto. Once the rabbit was safely in our branches, we raised our branches off the ground and out of the water. We held the rabbit until the downpour was over, and it was safe for him to hop around on the ground again. The rabbit was very grateful for our help.

He promised to bring over his family in the morning so they could all say thank you. Like most rabbits, his name was Hoppy which is a synonym in bunny-speak for Happy!

We were delighted to meet Hoppy's family in the morning. It was easy to remember their names. He brought over 79 relatives. What a great day of celebration. They cheered, they ate the grasses and plants under and around Merrily and me, and they napped. Seventy-nine napping rabbits with 18 that snored. They all slept with smiles on their faces. It was a magical experience that I will never forget.

As Merrily and I became adult trees, we decided we wanted to have as many children as possible. So we made a plan to produce as many seeds as possible and then to enlist the support of squirrels and birds to take our seeds around our region to help get them planted. Because of the spiritual connection we Manzanitas have with our seeds, each time a seedling of ours would pop out of the

ground, we would hear the Manzanita cheer: "Hello I'm here. Hello is my cheer!" Merrily and I would then know that another one of our children had been born.

Merrily and I are able to stay in constant spiritual connection with all of our children. Today, we have over 187 confirmed children as part of our family. We love being in communication with them, and they love being Manzanita trees too. They find it an exciting adventure every day.

If you ever want to be a Manzanita tree during one of your many lives, I highly recommend it. There is never one dull second, and you have hundreds of friends that come to see you and talk to you every day!



I love you with all my heart.

Love always,



Manny the Manzanita with  
Merrily the Manzanee







# Hello Everyone!

## It's Mayor Max!

Welcome to 2025! We are always so excited for the New Year. We are so optimistic about the opportunities, and we make plans to have a great year every year!

Here is our formula for success and goal accomplishment. Phyllis calls this some of the “secrets to the universe,” and she’s right!

First, make a plan! You are the architect of your life, so what is your plan? What are you designing for your life? What would you like to make happen? Make a plan and think big! You can achieve whatever you can conceive! Write down your plan.

Remember, if you don’t know where you are going, you will probably end up someplace else. Yikes!

About the plan:

- ◆ Think Big, Plan Big – Make your plan with no limitations. Accomplishing your plan begins with creating and making the plan you want for your life! If you make a plan, you are winning!
- ◆ Total Intention and Never Give Up – Have the intention to make your plan happen. To win the intention battle, you simply have to re-intend your plan and goals to happen any time a counter or negative intention pops up. The mind can be tricky that way. You just have to re-assert your intention any time a counter thought comes up. Just ignore the distractions and re-assert your intention with total intention. You can do it! You become unstoppable when you Never Give Up! If you Never Give Up, you are winning!
- ◆ Review your plan daily! This keeps you on track for getting your plan done! In the busy activities of day-to-day living, it can be easy to get distracted with other things and forget to work on your plan. If any step of your plan is too big, break it down to smaller steps. Take the next step. Reviewing your plan is a step. If you are reviewing your plan, you are winning!
- ◆ Visualize yourself as having accomplished your plan. See yourself being exactly where you want to be! Thinking about it with positivity is an important step all by itself. Always do that! If you are visualizing your goal accomplishment, you are winning!

In summary, you want to be focused on your plan the way we Golden Retrievers are focused on retrieving a tennis ball. We never give up on that, and we are focused on it with the total intention to get it, and we do. We always get the ball.

Keep a positive, upbeat, and enthusiastic attitude about everything you do no matter what! Positive Energy Leads Towards Life!

We know that 2025 will be a fabulous year for you. We love you with all of our heart!

Love always,



Mayor Max the Third





  
Happy New Year  
#oomans!  
I wuv you lots.  
Big tail wagz.  
Wuv, Max

January 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
29	30 ● New Moon	31 New Year's Eve	1 ● New Year's Day	2 Last Day of Chanukah	3	4
5	6 ● 1st Quarter	7	8	9	10	11
12	13 ○ Full Moon	14	15	16	17	18
19	20 ● Martin Luther King Jr. Day	21 ● 3rd Quarter	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29 ● New Moon	30	31	1

Positive Energy Leads Towards Life!







Photo by Sandra Kline

# Hello Everyone! It's Mayor Max and Vice Mayor Meadow!

**W**e Mayors and Staff are in love with Idyllwild, California. It is a wonderful place to visit and live. We always recommend that visitors should move here!

Think about this! There is a **SQUIRREL!** to chase around every corner! What could be better than that?! The squirrels are lightning fast and like to taunt us Mayors. We never catch them, but not for lack of trying! We certainly get our exercise this way.

Idyllwild is a pristine-clean beautiful mountain environment just a couple hours away from any Southern California location. We have lovely weather all year and snow occasionally. We enjoy the fresh air and four seasons here. Snuggling by the fireplace is a favorite pastime in cool weather.

We do love all the wildlife here so much including lots of deer. Phyllis has seen a mountain lion four times now, and she says the existence of the mountain lions puts a little edge on the nighttime walks. So far, so good on that!

The red-headed woodpeckers are another favorite of ours. They are very busy pecking on just about anything, including metal which ends up sounding like a drum! We Mayors are also kindred spirits with the raccoons here who love peanut butter as much as we do!

Idyllwild is a very friendly and loving community. It is like a big family, and going to the post office or the grocery store is a little bit like a family reunion. When you come to Idyllwild, you will notice immediately this warm and friendly community welcoming you to town!

For outdoor enthusiasts, the campgrounds and hikes are superb. Idyllwild also has excellent restaurants, fabulous shopping and art galleries, public transportation, a world-class movie theatre, an extraordinary elementary and middle school, and more!

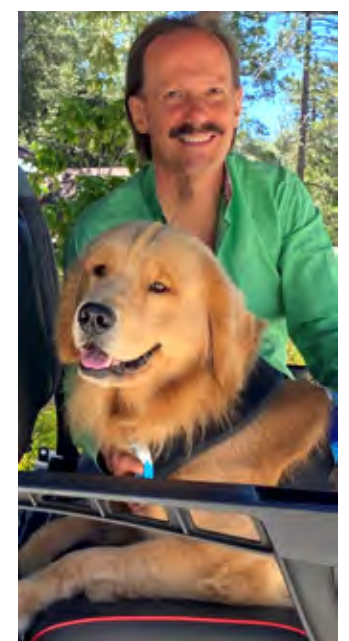
- ◆ To arrange lodging, contact: [www.idylodging.com](http://www.idylodging.com)
- ◆ To find out about Idyllwild's restaurants, organizations, events, and more, contact: [www.goodmorningidyllwild.com](http://www.goodmorningidyllwild.com)
- ◆ To arrange public transportation, contact the Shuttle Service at (951) 426-9688 or visit: [www.forestfolk.org/shuttle-service](http://www.forestfolk.org/shuttle-service)
- ◆ To contact Idyllwild School, call (951) 659-0750.
- ◆ To arrange a visit with the Mayor, call the Mayor's office at (949) 525-0100.

We love you with all our heart. You are always welcome in Idyllwild.

Love always,



Mayor Max the Third  
Vice Mayor Meadow the First



Max and Glenn Warren at  
Tahquitz Pines Retreat








Living the dream at the Dairy Queen!



To schedule free public transportation,  
call the Shuttle Service at (951) 426-9688.



February 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
26	27	28	29 <span>●</span> New Moon	30	31	1
Positive Energy Leads Towards Life!						
2 Groundhog Day 	3 National Golden Retriever Day	4	5 <span>☾</span> 1st Quarter	6	7	8
9	10	11	12 <span>☾</span> Full Moon	13	14 Valentine's Day 	15
16	17 <span>●</span> Presidents' Day	18	19	20 <span>☾</span> 3rd Quarter	21  Hi Sue! Happy Birthday!	22
23	24	25	26	27 <span>●</span> New Moon	28	1







# Hello Everyone!

## It's Deputy Co-Mayors Mitzi and Mikey!

### A Roadrunner Is Teasing Us!

We now have a pesky and outgoing roadrunner who has the audacity to frequently come onto our deck when we Mayors are sleeping and walk toward us in a very stealth-like manner.

He gets very close and looks at us quizzically. He sneaks up on us very quietly, and somehow his presence finally awakens us when he is just inches away. As our eyes start to open and focus as we slowly come to awareness that he is there, we then spring into action to chase him.

We can hear the roadrunner chuckling and going “Beep Beep!” as he runs off, then jumps on the side of the deck and flies away.

We want to catch him so badly, but we don't jump off the deck because it would be quite a drop down to the ground, and in some places, more than 15 feet.

The roadrunner loves to tease us this way. We never catch him, but we really try hard to get him. He is certainly pesky, and he really enjoys teasing us.

We Mayors have conferred, and we are going to start to pretend like we are sleeping, but we will keep one eye open just a little bit waiting for him to return. Then, we will be able to surprise him. That's the plan!

It's fun living in the mountains! This is a true story!

We love you with all our roadrunner-chasing heart!

Love always,



Deputy Co-Mayors Mitzi and Mikey  
The Frisky and Feisty







March 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
23	24	25	26	27 <small>● New Moon</small>	28	1
Positive Energy Leads Towards Life!						
2	3	4	5	6 <small>● 1st Quarter</small>	7	8
9 <small>Daylight Saving Time Starts</small>	10	11	12	13	14 <small>○ Full Moon</small>	15
16	17 <small>St. Patrick's Day</small>	18	19	20 <small>March Equinox</small>	21	22 <small>● 3rd Quarter</small>
23	24  <small>Celebrating a Very Special Day for Phyllis Mueller</small>	25	26	27	28	29 <small>● New Moon</small>
30	31	1	2	3	4 <small>● 1st Quarter</small>	5







# Hello Everyone!

## It's Me, Vice Mayor Meadow!

Phyllis told that funny chicken joke again, and I can't stop laughing. Here it is: Question: Why did the chicken cross the road? Answer: Because Mitzi and Mikey were chasing it! Aren't you happy to finally know the answer to that question?! LOL

Mayor Max and I had lots of fun looking at the eclipse on April 8, 2024. We hope you think we look cute in our eclipse glasses!

Plus, here is a message from Phyllis Mueller.

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### Love Is a Spiritual Armor

### Positive Energy Leads Towards Life!

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A person creates their own emotions with their own thoughts. When you like someone, your thoughts create more affinity and love for that person. Alternatively, if you think you dislike someone, you are creating thoughts that further distance you from that person and lower your affinity even more.

You can practice liking someone you dislike and watch your own feelings change for the better and theirs.

Using and emanating love is like having a spiritual armor surrounding you. Use it and it protects you and makes life very pleasant. Use it and create love in yourself and others. The world needs more love, admiration, and affinity. Make using love as your first thought on handling any situation that comes up no matter how difficult. Love is a universal solution to problems and relationships. Use it to be a positive and causative influence in your life and the lives of others.

A person gets out of life what they are emanating. So what are you emanating with your thoughts, your energy, your communications, your actions, and your words? The more positive it is, the happier you will be!

“Don't take the bait on hate.” Negative thought, actions, and communications trigger the same response in return. If you bop someone on the head negatively whether mentally or physically, you will get a negative bop right back. That is no fun!

It is always possible to find a kind and loving way to communicate your thoughts if you can discipline yourself not to react in an instant. Take the time to respond positively to any situation. Make it a policy to find a kind and loving way to communicate. Your thoughts and words are important. The more positive energy you can create when communicating, the more you will help yourself and others, even the world.

Unhappiness is caused by being connected to negative energy. At the Office of Mayor Max, we like to shun negative energy and not connect to it at all. We disconnect from it.

You can identify the sources of happiness and unhappiness in your life by simply looking at what elevates your spirit and makes you happy or lowers your happiness. It is easy to tell them apart. You can protect yourself and have a wonderful life by being positive and choosing positive energy, positive people, and positive communications.





We Mayors and Staff have a policy to do only kind and loving things for people. Therefore, our lives are extraordinary in every way. We try to be like living angels on Earth. We are not perfect at this, but by being dedicated to this policy, we continually make huge gains of improvement.

We love you with all our heart!



Phyllis Mueller  
Chief of Staff for the Mayors of Idyllwild

April 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
30	31	1	2	3	4 1st Quarter	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12 Full Moon Passover (first day)
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20 3rd Quarter Easter Sunday Passover (last day)	21	22	23	24	25	26
27 New Moon	28	29	30	1	2	3

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# Hello Everyone! It's Vice Mayor Meadow and Mayor Max!

## We Love the Pacific Crest Trail (PCT) Hikers!

Every year, thousands of PCT hikers hiking from the US/Mexico border to the US/Canada border come through Idyllwild between March through June. All year, we get other hikers that travel from north to south via the same route. The hike is 2,650 miles long and takes around six months to complete for many hikers. Approximately 8,000 hiking permits were issued last year for the PCT.

Idyllwild is a stopping ground for these hikers, and they love to see Mayor Max, and we love to see them. The hikers are so friendly, extroverted, and upbeat. Some stay for days as they recover from blisters, and we get to see them multiple times.

Phyllis likes to ask how long it has been since they have had a shower. So far, eleven days is the longest.

We have sheltered and housed many hikers at our home in inclement weather. We pick them up when they are hitchhiking to and from Idyllwild, and we give them rides whenever needed.

When they come over to pet us for a meet-and-greet, we try to snag food out of their backpacks, and we have perfected the please-feed-me-a-piece-of-your-pizza look whenever we see them carrying a pizza box. They often share. How great is that!!

PCT Hikers:

Here are two important websites to monitor if you are hiking the PCT. They are:

[www.pctcalsectionb.com](http://www.pctcalsectionb.com)

[www.sanjacjon.com](http://www.sanjacjon.com)

Feel free to contact one of Idyllwild's most extraordinary Trail Angels, Grumpy, by text or call at 951.500.5954.

Also, we asked Grumpy what advice he would like to share with hikers. Here's what he said:

### *Advice for Hikers from Trail Angel, Grumpy*

If hiking alone, in areas of doubt, get into a group or go off trail and go around the dangerous area. There is no way to hike every step of the trail. There are trail closures, bad weather that make it too hard to do, trails that are washed out, snow that prevents visibility of the trail, etc. These are just a few examples. If you cannot find the trail or see it, do not go forward. Get help, join a group, turn around. The important part is to hike what you can handle safely, and skip those few parts that put you at risk. Go around the problem areas. Love, Grumpy

Love always,



Vice Mayor Meadow the First  
Mayor Max the Third





Spicy and Wildflower, PCT hikers

May 2025

Check out these hiking movies and books!

- ◆ A Walk in the Woods movie with Robert Redford
- ◆ A Walk in the Woods book by Bill Bryson
- ◆ Wild movie with Reese Witherspoon
- ◆ Wild book by Cheryl Strayed

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27 ● New Moon	28	29	30	1	2	3
Positive Energy Leads Towards Life!						
4 ☾ 1st Quarter	5 Cinco de Mayo	6	7	8	9	10
11 Mother's Day	12 ○ Full Moon	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20 ☾ 3rd Quarter	21	22	23	24
25	26 ● New Moon ● Memorial Day  Co-Mayor Mitzi's and Co-Mayor Mikey's Birthday	27	28	29	30	31





# Hello Everyone! It's Mayor Max!

## We Mayors Love Renaissance Pet Resort & Spa

**W**e Mayors of Idyllwild have a lot of fun visiting Renaissance Pet Resort & Spa in Banning, California. We love this place very much and consider it a "home away from home." We run to get in there, and everyone takes such great care of us! It is a pleasure for us to be there!

This is a special place to board your pets whenever needed for daytime or overnight boarding or to get pet supplies and grooming! You can board your dogs, cats, birds (parrots, parakeets, canaries, ducks, etc.), and all types of other small animals including rabbits, guinea pigs, chinchillas, pigs, and more. Renaissance Pet Resort & Spa will take care of any type of pet that lives in the house.

It is so much fun to play on their playground equipment. They have a lot of it, and it makes an exciting game for us every day. We love climbing, jumping, and being generally frisky here.

Phyllis loves that she can see pictures of us every day by checking in on the website, plus she always calls in to get a verbal update as well. The staff are immediately aware of how the pets are doing, and they give excellent and knowledgeable reports to Phyllis about us Mayors.

You can visit Renaissance Pet Resort & Spa on the website or stop by or call at:

### **Renaissance Pet Resort & Spa**

1346 E. Ramsey Street

Banning, CA 92220

**951.849.5020**

[www.renaissancepetresort.com](http://www.renaissancepetresort.com)

Our Home Away from Home!

We hope you think we look cute in the pictures. I was pretty frisky so I was playing Superman flying out of the castle!

I love you with all my heart!

Love always,

Your dear and devoted friend forever,



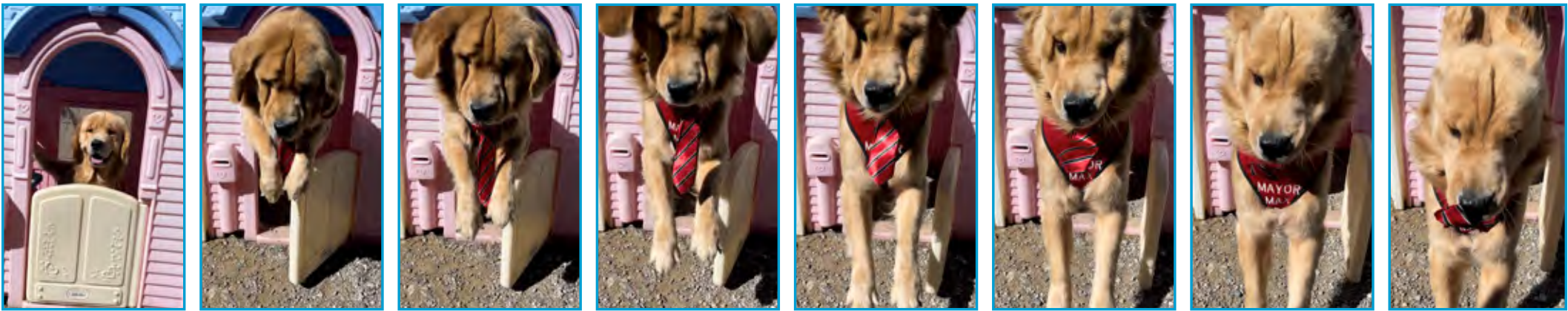
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aka: MM3



*Renaissance  
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951 849 5020*







June 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 ☾ 1st Quarter	3	4	5	6	7  Chief of Staff Phyllis Mueller's Birthday
8	9	10	11 ☽ Full Moon	12	13	14 Flag Day
15 Father's Day	16	17	18 ☾ 3rd Quarter	19 • Juneteenth	20 June Solstice	21
22	23	24	25 ● New Moon	26	27	28
29	30	1	2 ☾ 1st Quarter	3	4 • Independence Day	5 





*I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.*

**A**s an American citizen my entire life, I have felt like I live in one of the best countries in the world. I have a natural love for our country.

What is a country? I think of it as a collection of all of its people. It's my country, and I am part of it.

There is a great line in a movie, "A country is what it stands for when it's most difficult," and I think we do stand for liberty and justice for all, not only here but anywhere in the world. I am proud of that.

I feel what we have here is very special. Just talking to immigrants or refugees that have come here to live, you learn about conditions in other places. It is quite a luxury to live here. We can complain about slow service in a restaurant or traffic delays on the way to a baseball game...

For anyone who is not grateful for what we have in America, I recommend you read the book, *A Captain's Duty* by Richard Phillips. The book was turned into a movie with Tom Hanks called *Captain Phillips*. Captain Phillips describes the conditions in ports where he has traveled. You learn what some people had to go through just to vote. We do not have those issues here.

Though there have been mistakes made, I still like what we stand for and what we strive to be and hold on to.

*"Let every nation know, whether it wishes us well or ill, that we shall pay any price, bear any burden, meet any hardship, support any friend, oppose any foe to assure the survival and the success of liberty."*

*John F. Kennedy*

I feel very fortunate that I was born in the United States of America. In my 73 years of life, I have been able to experience a very high degree of human



rights that continue to increase as society continues to make improvements. My standard of living is excellent, and I enjoy all the basics like food, shelter, electricity, water, friendship, my right to vote, freedom to express my opinions, pursue any dream I have, travel where I want, and a million other things.

I often think back to the Founders of our country, what they went through, the sacrifices they made, and their ability to see the future, helping to set up a government that could survive and do so without tyranny. I often think about World War II and how tough that was.

There are issues, of course. But I think that Bill Clinton stated it well too when he said:

*“There is nothing wrong with America that cannot be cured by what is right with America.”*

*Bill Clinton*

July 2025

There is so much right with America. To know that, one only has to look or study conditions in other countries and compare the quality of life.

There is work to do, and I am completely fine with helping in any way that I can.

I am so deeply grateful for my country and the devotion and sacrifices made by the men and women of the past and present who have put our country here and continue to put it here with the greatest of liberties and freedoms. There are many people who have sacrificed their lives to give us what we have today. I imagine that devotion and caring.

I am grateful every day, and I have respect for every person that is ethical and trying to help in their own ways whether large or small. I do not take for granted anything that I have. I know what I have. I am grateful for it. Words can never even come close to conveying the absolute depth of my gratitude and respect that I have for my country and its citizens. I cherish it.

The pursuit of liberty and justice for all is in our blood. We came from freedom fighters who stated it well in the Declaration of Independence.

*We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness.*

We all have so much for which to be grateful!

We look forward to seeing you in Idyllwild for our 4th of July celebration and parade if you can make it. It is a wonderful experience every year and starts promptly at 10 AM.

We love you with all our heart.

Love always,



Phyllis Mueller  
Chief of Staff for the Mayors of Idyllwild

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
29	30	1	2 1st Quarter	3	4 Independence Day 	5
6	7	8	9	10 Full Moon	11	12
13	14	15	16	17 3rd Quarter	18	19
20	21	22	23	24 New Moon	25	26
27	28	29	30	31	1 1st Quarter	2

Positive Energy Leads Towards Life!







# Hello Everyone!

## It's Me, Vice Mayor Meadow!

### Mayor Max Wants to Tell You about Huey and Dewey, His Hummingbird Friends

**H**i there. This is me, Mayor Max, sharing with you more about my adventures with my dear hummingbird friends, Huey and Dewey.

My relationship with Huey and Dewey got started over watermelon.

Phyllis gave me some watermelon in a bowl, and it was delicious. I had left a few little watermelon pieces and watermelon juice in the bowl.

All of a sudden, two hummingbirds, Huey and Dewey, decided to join me and started slurping up the juice in the bowl. It was fun to see them fluttering all about, and they were very animated and delighted to taste the watermelon juice.

Huey and Dewey decided to stand on my head and have a conversation with me. I looked up at them sitting on my head, and they were kind of tilted over so they could look in my eyes and I was going a little cross-eyed looking at them, but we had a fun conversation.

They were telling me what it was like to be a hummingbird, and how much fun it was to fly so fast that people could only hear them but not see them. They called it their stealth mode, and they have fun buzzing by people.

It is always so much fun to see them.

Huey and Dewey then started sipping the sugary watermelon juice off my whiskers and my lips. It was kind of startling at first to get used to having hummingbirds so close to my face and eyes, but they are very friendly and they are always very kind.

When I lay down to take a nap, Huey and Dewey decided to nap with me, and they snuggled into the long fur on my chest and went fast asleep. I found it interesting to learn that hummingbirds make a very quiet squeaky noise when they are snoring. It's really cute. Sometimes, they even spend a wintery night sleeping with me all cozy and warm in my chest fur. It's great to see them all year long!

That is a little bit about my dear friends, Huey and Dewey.

I hope you enjoyed learning about them. They are dear friends. I love them, and I love you too with all my heart.

Love always,



Mayor Max  
With All the Huey and Dewey  
Hummingbird Facts







Artwork by Durga Nair



Photo by Sandra Kline



## August 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
27	28	29	30	31	1  1st Quarter	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9  Full Moon
10	11	12	13	14	15	16  3rd Quarter
17	18	19	20	21	22	23  New Moon
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31  1st Quarter	1 Labor Day	2	3	4	5	6







# Hello Everyone! It's Mayor Max and Vice Mayor Meadow!

**Come visit Mountain Paws  
and meet the new owners,  
David and Diane DeMarco.**

**Y**ou will love seeing all the new merchandise for pets of all sizes, and they have great pricing. We Mayors love the dog beds, clothing, leashes, treats, and more! We also get our harnesses here and lots of them because we love to chew them up! Meadow does most of the chewing, but I must say, I have a tooth in it too!

I just love the dog bakery here as well. The cookies are delicious, healthy for dogs, and so much fun! Plus, they carry all my favorite treats. When you bring your pet, your pet will even get a free treat!

This is yet another reason to live in, visit, and/or move to Idyllwild! — A fabulous pet boutique in every way!

Last but not least, Meadow and I will be celebrating our third birthday party on September 6, 2025, at Mountain Paws, a wonderful venue for parties. You are invited! We love you!

Love always,



Mayor Max the Third  
Vice Mayor Meadow the First

## *Mayor Max and Vice Mayor Meadow Three-Year Birthday Party*

Saturday, September 6, 2025 from 12-3 PM

### *Mountain Paws*

54380 North Circle Drive  
Idyllwild, CA 92549  
(951) 468-4086

## *You Are Invited!*

*Free Food and Entertainment*

*Menu—Popcorn, Corn Chips, Potato Chips, Pretzels, Fresh Fruit, Cotton Candy, Birthday Cake (Chocolate and Vanilla), Ice Cream (Chocolate, Strawberry and Vanilla), Beverages (Water, Soda, Juice), and More!*

*We can't wait to see you at our birthday party. We will be out of our terrible twos and into our terrible threes! LOL*

*Presents are not required. We just want to see you! That being said, we do love to get presents!*





September 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
31 ☾ 1st Quarter	1 ● Labor Day	2	3	4	5  Mayor Max's and Vice Mayor Meadow's Birthday	6  Max and Meadow Birthday Party at Mountain Paws
7 ☾ Full Moon	8	9	10	11	12	13
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14 ☾ 3rd Quarter	15	16	17	18	19	20
21 ● New Moon	22 September Equinox	23 Rosh Hashanah National Dogs in Politics Day	24	25	26	27
28	29 ☾ 1st Quarter	30	1	2 Yom Kippur	3	4







# Hello Everyone! It's Us 4 Zebra Mayors!

**W**e Mayors dreamed we were on a safari to see the zebras, and we wondered how did zebras get their stripes?

Our safari leader, Zak, explained that hundreds of millions of years ago, a king named King Zebra had a daughter that was very sad. She was born that way, and nothing the parents did could make their daughter happy.

One day, King Zebra thought to get his daughter a black pony and that surely this would make her smile. But he was wrong. The daughter's eyes were still filled with sadness, and there was no change.

The father then heard a voice say to paint the pony with beautiful white stripes, and he saw a vision of his daughter's eyes lighting up with happiness. King Zebra immediately hired the country's best artist to paint the pony in a safe-for-animals, organic, non-toxic, water-soluble paint.

The king, with tremendous excitement and hope in his heart, showed the pony to his daughter. The daughter's eyes changed in an instant from the saddest eyes to the most beautiful and happy eyes you can imagine. In fact, the daughter was so happy that a giant loving energy beam emitted from her soul and permeated the entire Earth, bringing happiness and joy to all mankind and all animal kind. For millions of years, the world lived in complete harmony, love, and beauty, existing within the powerful energy beam created by his daughter and the existence of this new creature.

The energy beam transformed the pony's white stripes from paint to the actual hide of the horse, making a new breed of horse to be called Zebra in honor of the king and his daughter. All the horses of the Earth's realm were magically transformed into the new breed of Zebra.

King Zebra's daughter and everyone in the kingdom lived happily every after, and zebras walked the land and lived in every household.

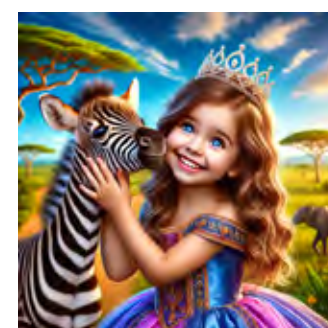
The safari leader said that all zebras have the loving heart and soul of King Zebra's daughter, and that this has been true since then and shall be true for eternity.

We hope you think we look cute honoring the loving soul of the zebras this Halloween season! We love you!

Love always,



The Zebra Mayors of Idyllwild







*It's us Baby Mayors in our first year in office!*



October 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
28	29 1st Quarter	30	1	2 Yom Kippur	3	4
Positive Energy Leads Towards Life!						
5	6 Full Moon	7	8	9	10	11
12	13 3rd Quarter Columbus Day Indigenous Peoples' Day	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21 New Moon	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29 1st Quarter	30	31 Halloween	1







# Hello Everyone! It's Mayor Max!

## Be a Deputy Mayor Representing Idyllwild Where You Live!

**Y**ou and your pets can be Deputy Mayors. This means you are helping to make the world a better place by conveying unconditional love and doing as many good deeds for others as possible.

If you would like to be a Deputy Mayor, just write a letter to Mayor Max, and we will send you a Deputy Mayor Tie from Mayor Max and an 8½" by 11" Deputy Mayor Certificate personalized with your name. Let us know how many ties you need for you and your pets.

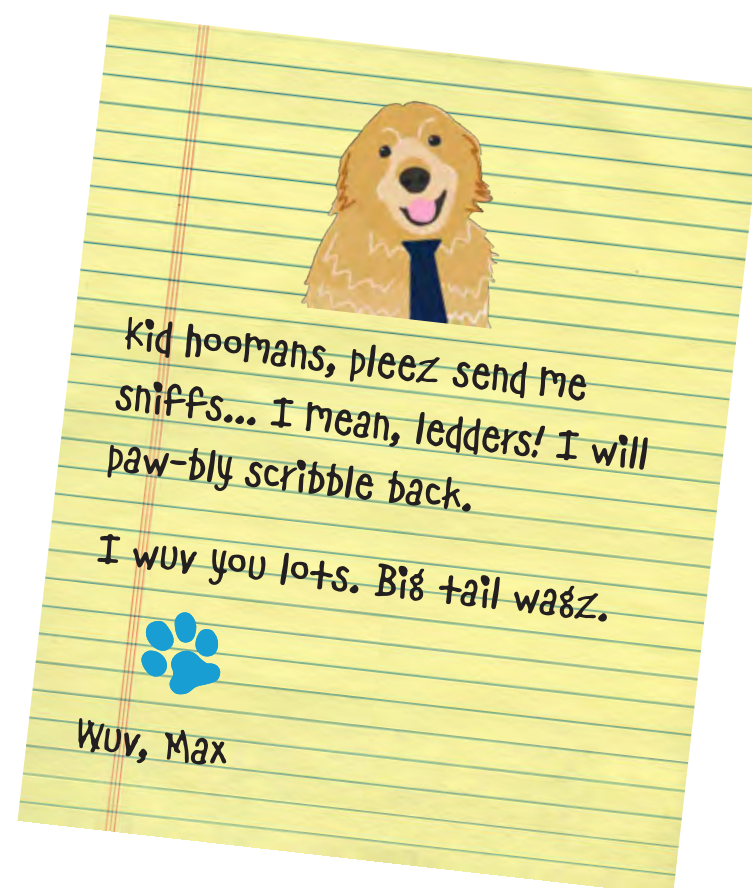
Send your letters to Mayor Max, PO Box 1848, Idyllwild, CA 92549.

Thank you for being on the team to help make the world a better place. We love you!

Love always,



Mayor Max The Third



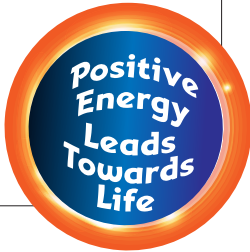




November 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
26	27	28	29 1st Quarter	30	31 Halloween	1
2 Daylight Saving Time Ends	3	4 Election Day	5 Full Moon	6	7	8
9	10	11 Veterans Day	12 3rd Quarter	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20 New Moon	21	22
23	24	25	26	27 Thanksgiving Day	28 1st Quarter Black Friday	29 Idyllwild Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony
30	1	2	3	4 Full Moon	5	6

Positive Energy Leads Towards Life!









*We wish you the happiest of holidays and all the best in this  
New Year and all years to come.  
May all your dreams come true.*

*We promise to love you unconditionally for infinity, dot dot dot!  
Love always from the Mayors of Idyllwild and Staff*



## December 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
30	1	2	3	4 ○ Full Moon	5	6
7	8	9	10	11 ● 3rd Quarter	12	13
14	15 Chanukah/Hanukkah (first day)	16	17	18	19 ● New Moon	20
21 December Solstice	22 Last Day of Chanukah	23	24	25 ● Christmas Day	26	27 ● 1st Quarter
28	29	30	31 New Year's Eve	1 ● New Year's Day	2	3 ○ Full Moon

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The Mayors of Idyllwild and Staff  
Your Dear and Devoted Friends Forever

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Idyllwild, CA 92549

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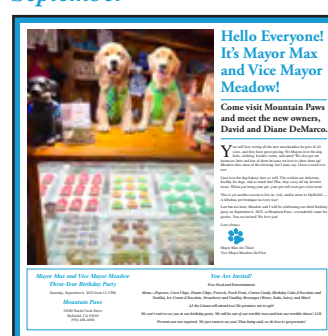
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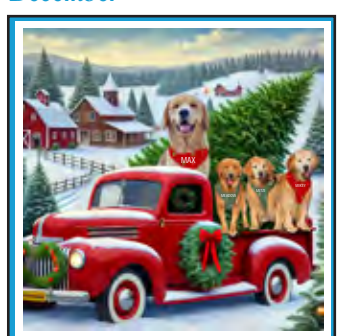
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- Send an email to max@mayormax.com
- Call the Mayors' Office at 951.659.0283
- Mail your request to Mayor Max, P.O. Box 1848, Idyllwild, CA 92549
- Send a private message or a friend request on Facebook to Phyllis Mueller
- Like and follow on Facebook the Mayor Max Politician page

- Follow us on Instagram and TikTok at mayormax1
- Visit the Mayor's website at www.mayormax.com
- Call the Chief of Staff, Phyllis Mueller, at 949.525.0100

We will get back with you right away.



We hope you love this calendar. We love you!

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