

What's Happening in Crest

DRIVE CAREFULLY—Crest school has begun the new year; look out for children in the streets. We hope you have had a pleasant and relaxing summer. As usual there is much going on, and Crest is changing daily.

Look inside for the article on the Critical Hours Program in the Park, update on the Clubhouse, library events, school events, a message from the Fire Chief, as well as our regular contributors.

Thank you, Crest Kiwanis Club for your improvements to the Library as a result of our Community Forum in May.

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If you have information to share, please call;

Chris at 447-5826 or Betty at 442-7083 or send it to;

Chris at winters72@hotmail.com or Betty at blucas@thecrestsun.com

The next deadline is October 20

Kiwanis

Crest Kiwanis Club is asking residents to save the tabs from aluminum cans to support the Ronald Mc Donald House fight against many children's diseases.

Do you know that 1 tab will buy 1 minute on a dialysis machine, and 60 tabs will buy 1 hour?

There is a container in the Crest Library where you may drop off the tabs.

Thank you from the Kiwanis Club!

Crest Kiwanis will be painting the Crest Library beginning Saturday Sept 17, which is a prep and prime day. Meaning that the surface of the exterior will be scraped and then a primer sprayed on the surface.

Volunteers are welcome to participate; work will start no later than 9 AM that day and will continue until prepping and priming is completed. Bring paint scrappers.

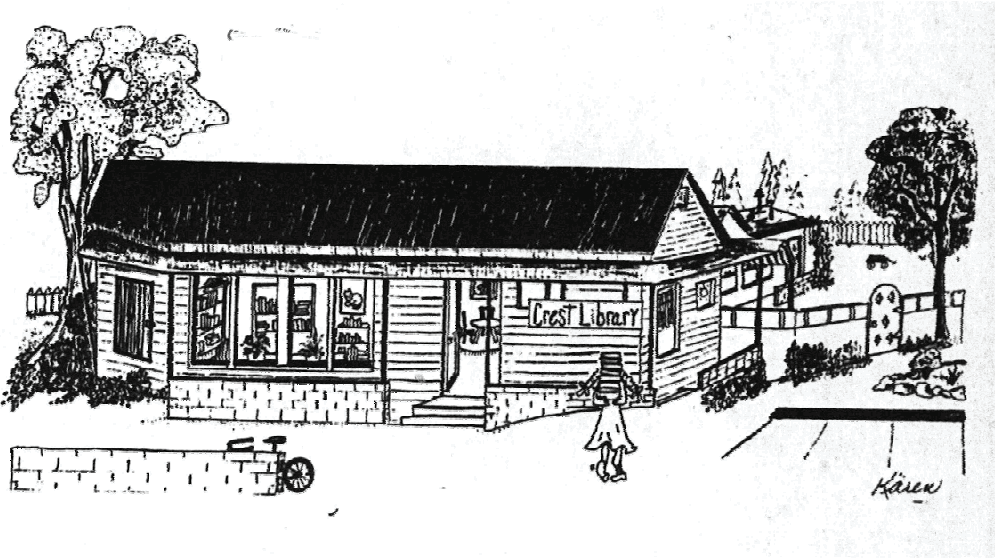
On Sept 24 the final painting of the Crest Library will take place; again this will be a spray on paint effort.

On Oct 1 Crest Kiwanis will apply final trim painting to the library. Again volunteers are most welcome.

Volunteers may sign up at the library or give Crest Kiwanis a call at 619-465-5442.

Crest Library Corner 105 Juanita Lane

619- 442-7083



Please note our Hours

Tuesday	12 to 8
Wednesday	10 to 6
Thursday	10 to 6
Friday	10 to 5
Saturday	10 to 3

Coming Events at the Library

**Be a Clown,
Be a Clown,**

Would you like to be a clown?

The Crest Library is going to start a clown club.
We want to have a group to entertain in the 2006 4th of July
Parade and Picnic.

**Children 4 and up will be taught the skills of
makeup. Costuming, Face painting, Balloon
Twisting and more.**

Sign up at Crest Library

**Do you like to Read and talk
about the latest book you
read??**

**If so you would probably like to
join our Crest Library**

Book Club.

**We will have an organizational
meeting**

**on Tuesday, September 20th at
6:30 in the library.**

**Come in and sign up,
or call us
and we will put you on the list.**

September 20th at 6:30– Book Club Meeting

September 27th Pajama Night– 7 PM Stories and Crafts

October– meeting of the Crest Clown Club– date to be
announced

October 25th 7 PM --Pajama Night-- Costume Party -- Stories
and Crafts

Mark your calendars

Readers' Express 7 day checkout

Velocity..... Dean Koontz

The Historian..... Elizabeth Kostova

Crusader's Cross..... James Lee Burke

Harry Potter and the Half Blood Prince.....JK Rowling

Come visit your library.

Our hours allow us to offer more services.

We can Send and Receive Faxes for you

**We have Videos, DVDs, CDs, Books on Tape or CD,
Best Sellers waiting for you.**

2 fast computers for public use

We have a copy machine for your use.

Our 59th annual 4th of July Family Walk and Picnic was a huge success, thanks to the Herculean efforts of Kandhy Franklin-Collins. This was Kandhy's 13th year as chairperson, and she certainly has honed down her organization to a science. Many other CCA members devoted dozens of hours of time to help pull off what was the longest parade anyone can remember and new activities to offer Crest residents. We appreciate suggestions that will improve or develop future events.

Phil Goettsch tells us that the foundation for our new clubhouse is ready and that concrete will be poured by the time you read this. Cascade Joinery will deliver the framing package in mid-to-late September. Many locals have volunteered materials and/or labor to complete the clubhouse. If you have anything to contribute, your assistance will definitely be appreciated.

Elsewhere in this newsletter, there is an article describing a Critical Hours Program for Crest children ages 11-14. Kudos to CCA members Tracy Baugh, Linda Chase and Dawn Hubert who worked with SDYCS to obtain a \$50,000 block grant and organize a much needed program for our children.

If you have not renewed your membership with the CCA (July 1-June 30), you may contact the Resource Center at Nancy Jane Park for an renewal form. Our newly formed membership committee worked diligently to contact each household in Crest and the response was outstanding. With the fees that were received, progress on the clubhouse will be expedited, and other programs can be implemented for the community.

Please look for the notice in the newsletter regarding a change in procedures for our community chalkboard. We welcome all residents of Crest to our General Meetings conducted on the third Tuesday of each month at 7:00 P.M. at the Resource Center.

DESSERT AND TWO GREAT DOOR PRIZES are always provided. Your suggestions that will improve our unique community and your time to accomplish our goals will ensure our success.

NEXT MEETING TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 7:00 PM

CCA COMMUNITY CHALKBOARD NOTICES

**Several days in advance Contact
Community Resource Center
to request a notice**

Monday thru Thursday

9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

619-328-0900

On Top of the Hill

AWANA Clubs
of Crest Community Church
will start in September

Call 442-3736 for more information

St Louise de Marillac Church

The St Louise Altar Society extends a warm invitation to all Catholics in Crest and Harbison Canyon to join us at Mass.

Share with us the warmth of our small parish in our beautifully refurbished church.

Join us in prayer and at social events such as our breakfasts, pot lucks.

Visitors welcome!
Questions? Call Betty-- 447-6143

Masses are at 5:30 PM on Saturdays
8 and 10:30 AM on Sundays

Coming Events at St Louise

Religious Education classes:
call Rita Kloack for information--444-3421

Oct 2 -- 9 AM Annual Blessing of Pets
behind the Church

Oct 16-- Soup and Salad Luncheon
11:30 Parish Hall

Visitors welcome

Donations accepted for Thanksgiving Baskets
for Needy in Harbison Canyon and Crest.

Need a Thanksgiving Basket for your family?

Call BEFORE Nov 1st---- 444-4503.

St Louise Thrift Shop is now OPEN Tuesdays from 9 to 3

Come see our new merchandise



Food for Thought



sponsored by In-and-Out Burger

*From October 8 thru November 19
Children ages 4 to 12*

*for each 3 books they read
Limit 3 coupons.*

Sign up in the Library!

South Lane Park

Volunteer San Diego and Home Depot are joining together to work on some irrigation and beautification projects at South Lane Park on September 22nd from 7:30-2pm. We are expecting 120 volunteers to converge on the park. Hitching posts, faucets in many areas, trimming, and cleaning are all on the list. Plants that are native and drought resistant will be planted around the sign, as well as putting in logs around the center of the drive-through area.

Padre Dam has moved the main over to the property, which gives us the opportunity to connect many areas of the park. We have a tentative approval for the concept of the secondary communications center/announcer's booth, and meetings will be held on how to best accomplish the building. There is also an on-going discussion of a bathroom with a vault-type toilet. This is a sealed type toilet, which would need to be pumped rather than having a septic system.

Call Kandhy Franklin for more information 444-4996

A HUGE Thank to Susie Reese who donated a large American/ 911 flag for Silent Auction at the July 4th Picnic. All of the 911 survivors were listed on the flag. The Alt Family who won the bid, will be flying the flag at half mast every September 11th.

Back to School at Crest Elementary

Welcome back to school! Our past school year was incredible! Filled with wonderful events and state of the art learning! This year we will continue the Crest tradition of excellence in teaching, parent involvement and nurturing our children.

We invite our school community to please come to the Open House/ Curriculum Night on September 1st. Please get involved with your children and their teachers and see what makes our school shine so brightly! Please rest assured that our school will be around for many, many years to come. At Open House, please stop by the Multi-Purpose Room before visiting your classroom and pick up a copy of our Budget for the coming year. This past year we took in a record number of donations, all of which will go to creating a better school experience for our children

Our first PTA meeting will on Sept. 8th in the school library. It is open to all interested Moms and Dads! We need your input to help create the coming year's events. Please read from top to bottom the Baby Coyote that goes home with your child every Thursday. This newsletter is your source of important information about events and issues at the school.

This year we will also be starting a Crest PTA News Website. We will announce this wonderful addition to Crest Elementary very soon. Don't forget to pick up more of the great "A Taste of

Crest" Cookbook & School Pride T-shirts in the school office! AND get your recipes ready for the next supplement of recipes, called "Volume 2" , that will pop right into your own copy of the Crest cookbook! More on this later in the year.

Most importantly please support our PTA by becoming a member! Our membership drive will begin on August 25th and continue through Sept 14th. We have a great new theme and urge all neighbors and families to stop by the school office and pick up a flyer. We are looking forward to your donations and volunteer involvement this year. It means so much for the children! All businesses that donate will be included in our "Business Brochure" circulated to all the families with school kids! This is a great way to promote your company and help Crest School!

This year's Halloween Carnival will be on October 29th from 4-7PM. We will need VOLUNTEERS!!!! Please come help, laugh and have fun! We will also need volunteers with big hearts and cars to park on the lower field and hand out treats to the kids.

Want to know more? Come to the PTA Meeting on Sept 8th at 5:30pm. Please don't be shy, we will make you feel at home, not to mention we always have food! Remember our PTA Board Members are just concerned parents like you!

**Thanks in advance for all your enthusiasm and caring!
Please don't hesitate to call me with questions.**

Karin Weiss, P.T.A. President 2005-2006 (619) 579-3951

FROM THE DESK OF THE FIRE CHIEF:

WARNING SIREN. As you may remember your fire district installed a temporary warning siren in June of 2004, which remains in place today. The District at that time applied for a Federal Emergency Management Administration (FEMA) Mitigation Grant to install a full size-warning siren in the community. That grant has finally been approved and once we receive the written authorization we will be able to order the siren.

We are assisting Kandhy Collins with her efforts to establish a Fire Safe Council and Citizens Emergency Response Team (CERT) which will assume operations of the siren and help develop a community based information distribution system along with formal guidelines of what to do during activation.

Currently should the warning siren be activated please turn to your local radio or television station for information relating to the current situation. When possible information will be posted on the blackboard at the top of the hill and at the fire station.

I want to thank the community for their efforts in keeping vegetation cut down, as of June 30th we have sent out 253 notices and only 2 properties have been abated.

If you receive a notice to abate a fire hazard please call the inspector at the number listed on the notice to make sure that all the required work has been completed. The inspector will meet with you if requested at no cost when they are in the community.

Thank you, and please contact the Fire Department if we can be of any assistance.

Darrell Jobs, Fire Chief

CCC Fire Recovery-Crest Resource Center

More and more folks are getting final and moving into their homes. As of today we may have about 97. Many are under construction and things are moving along well ahead of other communities. Although there are still many who have not started- they at least have permits or plans and will begin soon.

URGENT! If you do not have a permit or plans underway by October 30 the county will evoke the ETOP Or Emergency Temporary Occupancy Permits to live on land upon which the structure that burned is not going to be rebuilt. That means all trailers and campers who were renters and have been camping on land will have to move. If you have not received this letter yet- we have copies at the Resource Center, which explain the details.

We congratulate and celebrate with all of the Fire Folks that have moved into their homes! We are planning an OPEN HOUSE TOUR of selected new homes in October so that those building can get the names of vendors and subs who have done a great job. This will be limited to those who sign up at the center to tour homes. Look for more information coming soon.

WELCOME HOME BASKETS- AS there are so many folks moving in all at once, we are trying to deliver baskets to you. If you don't come in and tell us you have final there is no way for us to know until we get the list from the county. The Fire department has given us an updated list, and we are looking forward to delivering 50 baskets in the next month! Anyone who would like to help put them together or deliver them please call us at the Resource Center. **IF WE HAVE NOT DELIVERED ONE TO YOU AND YOU HAVE MOVED INTO YOUR HOME-PLEASE GIVE US A CALL.**

We sincerely apologize to those who have been in their homes for several months and have not received a basket. Funds and shortages of supplies affect our ability to get them done in a timely manner.

CREST RESOURCE CENTER

We have a full calendar of meetings at the CRC. This is a list of organizations using our building to date: Crest Community Association, Friends Of Crest, Sub-Regional Planning Group, Crest Alcoholics Anonymous, Kiwanis- Crest Branch, San Diego County Firestorm Recovery Team (County wide rebuilding of houses with volunteer labor) Christian Reform World Relief Committee (volunteers rebuilding burned homes), the San Diego Youth and Community Services and The Salvation Army and The Art Group. Stop in and get a calendar of events and meeting times.

We want to especially thank all of our volunteers and the San Diego Foundation, for making the Resource Center a vital community resource. We now have permission from County Parks to remain in our present location until Christmas.

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ICE for cell phones This is for emergencies when a cell phone is present so that law enforcement can contact someone in an emergency. It should be someone that you want contacted in case of an emergency. Put ICE in your phone address book, followed by a name and number and they will look at your cell and know who to call in case of an emergency.

Chivalry Today

By Scott A. Farrell

www.ChivalryToday.com

In June I visited the Crest branch of the S.D. County Library to talk to a group of children about knights and the Code of Chivalry as part of the library's summer reading program, *"Dragons, Dreams and Daring Deeds."* The kids were all intrigued by the concept of chivalry and the "warrior's code of honor" — we talked about Batman, Buffy the Vampire Slayer, Star Wars, Mulan, firefighters and police officers as well as knights, dragons and castles.

But the adults who sat in on my presentation were equally intrigued by the ideals of the Code of Chivalry. They discovered that chivalry is not a "fairy tale" concept, but rather a relevant and useful approach to leadership and ethical behavior in nearly any aspect of modern life — from business and politics to parenting and personal relationships.

For those who couldn't attend this presentation at the library, I'd like to share the basics of "living by the Code of Chivalry" in the modern world.

First of all, forget anything you've heard about chivalry being dead. Chivalry was a code of behavior created by medieval knights (the greatest warriors of the time) to emphasize the realization that strength and authority go hand-in-hand with respect and responsibility. Chivalry is the basis for a variety of modern concepts, including the Geneva Convention, the American legal system, the principle of athletic "fair play," and nearly every code of ethics in the corporate or financial world. As you can see, chivalry is alive and well.

Also, don't think of chivalry as a "boys only" concept. There are many examples of "lady knights" from the Middle Ages, and today a woman can be just as brave, strong, generous and responsible as a man. Being a "knight in shining armor" isn't a gender-specific title in the 21st century.

Finally, how do we define "chivalrous behavior?" Being chivalrous doesn't mean having good manners — chivalry is about honor, duty and commitment. The Code of Chivalry is exemplified by the "seven knightly virtues": courage, justice, generosity, mercy, faith, nobility and hope. Each of those virtues plays an important role in a sense of ethics, responsibility and personal values that guide all of us through times of uncertainty, temptation and difficulty. More importantly, however, is how the various combinations of these virtues allow us to see what's really important in a confusing situation — for example, realizing when justice must give way to mercy.

To live by the Code of Chivalry simply means to be strong, trustworthy, kind, compassionate and cheerful. This timeless code of honor has been the hallmark of leaders, heroes and role-models for hundreds of years; it is still a wonderful and effective guide for leadership, responsibility and honor in every aspect of life. Everyone today should do their best to be a "knight in shining armor."

Scott Farrell gives presentations regarding the values and ideals of the Code of Chivalry throughout Southern California. His seminars are available for corporate meetings, sports teams and classrooms. To learn more about leadership, ethics, honor and the Code of Chivalry, visit the website of the Chivalry Today educational program: www.ChivalryToday.com

Crest Critical Hours Program

San Diego Youth & Community Services (SDYCS) is excited to provide a Youth Program in the Crest community. Recently, SDYCS was awarded a Critical Hours grant from the Health and Human Services Agency with the County of San Diego. Objectives of the program focus on delivering academic support, recreational activities and social skills to youth in the community.

The proposed site for this program is the Crest Community Center presently under construction and it's slated to be complete near the end of the year. In the meantime staff will be facilitating activities at Nancy Jane Park for the youth, and SDYCS is working with the Crest Coordinating Council to hold certain projects in their modular building.

Our scheduled hours and days of operation will be from 3:00 pm to 7:00 pm every Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. The target age range of youth is 11 to 14 years of age, however children near the surrounding age restrictions are welcome to utilize the program. A balance of structured and age-appropriate activities will be created to address the interests and needs of participating youth. They will be encouraged to voice their concerns on the program and provide input on activities and event planning.

Enrollment in the program requires the parent/guardian to meet with a program staff member and sign some forms regarding confidentiality, transportation coverage and answer a screening questionnaire. Youth will be required to fill out some of these forms and also answer an evaluation survey. Simply come by during our open hours and sign up!

We are also in the works of hiring a part-time Program Assistant position to help run the youth programs in Crest and Harbison Canyon. Contact me if you're interested!

San Diego Youth & Community Services is an established non-profit organization that has been providing support services to youth throughout San Diego County since 1970.

Feel free to contact me for any questions or comments!

Derek Monteblanco

The volunteers from Christian Reform World Relief Committee, based in Grand Rapids, Mich., will be building 12 to 16 homes for fire victims in Crest, Harbison Canyon, Lakeside and Ramona. The fire victims receiving the volunteer labor were selected because they are uninsured or severely under insured. Each group stays for three weeks. Four groups have been here.

Volunteers are from all of the USA and Canada. Most are retired and still have energy to help others. Not all of them have building experience but have the heart to do the work. There is one construction manager per stint who tracks the work and tells everyone what to do. You do not have to be a member of Christian Reform Church to volunteer. Many of them are working

in Florida and Sri Lanka right now helping rebuild and repair homes destroyed by the last big hurricanes, earthquake and tsunami.

The SD Salvation Army and the Red Cross are paying for their living expenses while they are here. Rescue Task Force (a San Diego based world relief group) also gave funds to prepare a site for the RV's. They stay in donated RV's or bring their own. The Crest Community Church is providing them a kitchen and dining space so they can all eat together. CRWRC has a very long history of helping in disasters all over the world. When a home is finished they have a lovely ceremony called " The Last Nail Ceremony" in which the community gathers and blesses the home when it is completed. They are currently working on homes in Crest, Harbison Canyon, Lakeside and Romona. They are committed to stay and work until May 2006.

"And now our good times have come to an end; we met here as strangers, but now we are friends.

Sad as it is that goodbye we must say; we'll hope to again work together some day.

We wish pleasant memories to each and everyone; memories of fellowship, good food and fun.

As we all reflect on serving our Lord, following Christ's example as found in his Word."

Written by Lynn DeBoer, director of the last groups

Random Thoughts
by Millie Colburn Walker

I know I talk too much. Many people know I talk too much and most of them who do have managed to let me know that they know I talk too much. You see that sentence alone could have probably been said or written in fewer words, but I seem to have to explain it all down to the last detail.

So the other day I was in the bank (I used to do the daily deposit at work three or four days a week), and I was chatting away while the teller, Michael, was entering my data. I realized I was going on and apologized for it. He said it was okay, that he tends to do that also. So when I said that is very unusual for a man to be too talkative he laughed and said his roommate in college pointed out to him that he has no internal dialogue. That is me exactly. I have the feeling when I learn something new that everyone I come in contact with needs to know that also. I see something written and I have to share it.

I read something in the paper and have to cut out the article and share it. I get an idea and for some reason I need to tell someone about it. I used to tell people at work, when I worked in Imperial Beach and lived in Crest, things that I noticed on my six- freeway and six-regular street

commute. That was always a lot of things, but for a talker like me it's easy. Some say I'm nosey about what's going on around me but I say I'm observant. Some think I say things that should not be shared, but I say I actually have nothing to hide that way and am less likely to lie.

One time a man I barely knew got upset with me for some reason, and he threatened to

tell a friend of ours some of the things he thought I had told him in confidence. When he confronted me I just laughed and said she already knows those things about me. I have no secrets and I seem to be happy that way, or I am sure I'd keep my mouth shut.

Some times I have walked away from a conversation and wished I'd not said the things I did, but they are all about me and what I think anyway so hopefully they weren't too offensive to the listener. Perhaps I bore some with all I know or at least think I know but one of the nicest compliments I have ever gotten was on the vacation I went on in June. My son, Paul, his family and I went to Arizona, New Mexico and Oklahoma to visit relatives. My daughter-in-law, Tamra, whose grandmother recently passed away, told my daughter, Michelle, who lives in New Mexico, she is glad I tell family stories to her two daughters and that they will always remember me for the information I share. There have been days when I just want to put a piece of tape on my mouth because I seem to have no control but to share everything I know with everyone I meet. So far I've not tried it cause I probably would have it ripped off in just a few seconds for fear that the top of my head would just blow from the pressure of it all.

My husband was a man of very few words. He didn't even waste an "uh-huh" or a "really?" while I was chatting away. I got used to his lack of response because the first few times I asked if he was listening he was able to repeat almost everything I had said. I envied him for the energy and time he saved by not saying more than was absolutely necessary. Now that I think about it this desire to tell all must be something I have always had because I just used the word chatting for the second time and I remember that my parents called me a chatterbox. I always thought that was a compliment, the way they said it was like it was a good thing and very important that someone was keeping the family informed of current events.

So I have called myself a story teller but back in the day that meant a liar, and I'm not a good one of those. I should write this stuff all down so when I am gone my descendants will be able to share what I shared with them, but I am such a procrastinator I will probably not get it done until I have forgotten all I have ever known. I just wish someone would interview me with a tape recorder or a video recorder and I could just spill my guts. No inner dialogue indeed, who needs it. I wonder how many of us there are in the world who feel the need to share all they know. I can't possibly be the only one.

From Our Readers

I would like to address a few issues that I feel are important for our community. It has been over a year and a half now since the Cedar fire swept through out community, displacing many of us. Some residents have rebuilt, and many are in the process of rebuilding, I would just like to continue community discussions on how we can better prepare for wild fires in the future.

First, I would like to thank firefighters for their bravery and hard work during the terrible fire. We as a community should look into ways to increase funding to our firefighters and increase their effectiveness by giving them better access to fires before they reach Crest. There should be an effort to widen the egress through the old grade on the south side of town. Improved access roads out of town would also be desirable for easier evacuation.

I would like to take this opportunity to also call/ask for an end to the illegal off-roading that takes place on the south side of town. The noise of the ATV and motorcycle motors is quite a nuisance, More importantly as the vegetation dries up during the summer, the heat and backfire coming from their exhaust could cause another fire.

Finally, this community desperately needs a sheriff substation within our limits. One sheriff patrolling Alpine and Crest is very inadequate. We need better policing to prevent dangerous activities like illegal off-roading, dumping and other illegal activities that go on when the gate to the old grade is open.

I love Crest and would not want to live anywhere else. With a few improvements in access and public services, I believe Crest could be an even safer and more peaceful place to live.

T White

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HUFFING

Dust Off (or a variant of the product) is available everywhere there's a computer. Using Dust Off is being done mostly by kids ages 9 through 15. They even have a name for it. It's called dusting. A take off from the Dust Off name. It gives them a slight high for about 10 seconds. It makes them dizzy.

It's not just compressed air. It also contains a propellant called R2. It's a refrigerant like what is used in your refrigerator. It is a heavy gas. Heavier than air. When you inhale it, it fills your lungs and keeps the good air, with oxygen, out. That's why you feel dizzy, buzzed. It decreases the oxygen to your brain, to your heart. It can't hurt you. IT KILLS YOU.

The horrible part about this is there is no warning. There is no level that kills you. It's not cumulative or an overdose; it can just go randomly, terribly wrong. Roll the dice and if your number comes up you die. IT'S NOT AN OVERDOSE. It's Russian Roulette. You don't die later.

We need to get this out of our homes and school computer labs. Using Dust Off isn't new and some "professionals" do know about it. It just isn't talked about much, except by the kids. They all seem to know about it.

If you have children or grandchildren, PLEASE read this officer's story about his son's death carefully. You can find the story at: <http://www.snopes.com/toxins/dustoff.asp>

CREST RIDGE ECOLOGICAL RESERVE

Mark Your Calendar!

Join us November 5, 2005 for the grand opening of our rebuilt visitor kiosk. This event will also include walking tours and our first (and hopefully annual) native plant sale. In addition to the plants for sale, we will have native plant landscaping experts on hand to help you with any related questions.

Volunteers are needed to help with completion of the Hubbell/Bolles visitor kiosk at the Reserve. The original kiosk burned in the Cedar Fire. Work remaining on this earth-friendly strawbale structure includes plastering, tiling, window and door installation, slate patio installation, and landscaping. In anticipation of the November 5th 'grand opening' we need volunteers for the following dates:

September 10th
September 17th
September 25th

October 1st
October 8th
October 15th
October 22nd
October 29th

All the dates are Saturdays, with the exception of September 25th, a Sunday.
Please RSVP. It's really helpful in planning.

For more information contact Cathy Chadwick at 619-749-5767 or chadgroup@aol.com

Crest Weather
by Richard Fiedor

We thought some of you might be interested in some weather statistics from our previous weather year since it was so unusual. The system used to record the local weather is somewhat sophisticated and keeps detailed statistics such as mean, maximum, minimum temperatures for each month, wind speed, humidity, etc. The weather is recorded from a Davis wireless station located in the Gibson Highlands area of Crest.

The following statistics are from the "weather year" according to our local weather stations-- July 1, 2004 (actually, in this case late September, 2004 since this is when the system became operational) through June 30, 2005.

For that time period, the high temperature was 93.4 on September 23, 2004; the low in the same time frame was 38.3 on January 19, 2005. The total rainfall was 24.27 inches between September, 2004 and June 30, 2005 !!!



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Here are the high and low temperatures and the rainfall for each month:

Month	High	Low	Rainfall in inches
September 04	93.4	50.8	.55
October 04	93.4	48.0	6.32
November 04	73.2	39.6	.89
December 04	78.8	41.3	2.61

January 05	80.7	38.3	5.08
February 05	71.5	43.9	5.25
March 05	75.1	44.1	2.24
April 05	83.2	43.3	.88
May 05	89.9	47.6	.39
June 05	88.0	51.6	.06

September 04 to June 05 total 24.27 inches

Be sure to visit the weather station at www.thcrestsun.com to check the daily weather in Crest