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Bicyclist struck, killed in hit-and-run collision in Hesperia

Hugo Valdez, Victor Valley News

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(Google maps)

HESPERIA, Calif. (VVNG.com) — A bicyclist in Hesperia was struck and killed Tuesday in a hit-and-run collision involving a dark-colored pick-up truck, officials said.

Officers responded around 6:30 pm on December 17, 2019, and found a bicyclist identified as Armando Salinas, 50, a resident of Hesperia, laying in the southbound Seventh Avenue south of Cactus Street.

The **San Bernardino County Fire** Department Paramedics responded to the scene and pronounced Salinas deceased at the scene.

Police determined a dark color pickup truck traveling southbound struck Salinas while he was on the bicycle. The dark color pickup truck then fled the scene.

It is unknown if speed or alcohol were a contributing factor in this collision, officials said.

The northbound and southbound lanes of Seventh Avenue were closed from Cactus Street to Mesquite Street until approximately 1:00 am on Wednesday, December 18, 2019.

Investigators are seeking the assistance of the public to identify the dark color pickup truck and its driver.

Anyone who may have witnessed the collision or might have information pertinent to the case is encouraged to contact the Hesperia Police Department.

Anyone with information is asked to call 760-947-1500.

<https://www.vvng.com/bicyclist-struck-killed-in-hit-and-run-collision-in-hesperia/>

Hundreds Donate to Spark of Love at Cal Skate

Landingham Family, Grand Terrace City News

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The Academy of Champions Artistic Skate Club of Cal Skate in Grand Terrace hosted its first inaugural toy drive and holiday show to benefit Spark of Love. Craig Lynde of **San Bernardino County Fire** coordinated with the rink and skate club to bring a much needed toy drive event to the Grand Terrace area. The fire department brought their truck out to the roller skating rink to fill it full of donated toys for children in need during the holiday season and all throughout the year. Those who brought an unwrapped toy to donate were treated with free admission, free skate rental and special holiday performances by the skate team, five of which are current US National Champions. Local artisans and crafters were on hand for those who wanted to do a little holiday shopping and support local small businesses. There were gift baskets up for auction that were provided by Colton Walmart, Home Depot, AutoZone, Panda Inn, Cal Skate, and realtor Kate Kalajak, as well as a 50-inch TV that was put up for raffle courtesy of Walmart. In the true spirit of giving, the raffle winner Bonnie Hendricks, then donated her new TV to the fire department to give to someone that could perhaps need it more than her. The spirit of giving was definitely contagious.

The event, which ran from 10 am to 1 pm on Sunday December 15th, collected 9 huge boxes full of toys. Families came out to teach their children a lesson in giving back and were able to enjoy a wholesome family activity together for free. For many, this event was their first experience at skating. It was the perfect day to start a new hobby, as there were plenty of people willing to help teach all the newcomers. Between performances, the artistic skate team joined the crowd for "ALL SKATE" and helped offer pointers. They even played Redlight, Greenlight on skates and helped the little ones along. It ended with a heartwarming Grand Finale performance that included all of the Academy of Champions skaters and students currently enrolled in the rink's Cal Skate University skate lesson program. The audience lined the rink from wall to wall to smile at the littlest skaters showing off their new skills, and gasp in amazement at the advanced skaters jumping, spinning, and soaring over head.

San Bernardino County Fire, Cal Skate, and the Academy of Champions Skate Team are looking forward to expanding this now annual event.

<http://grandterrace.citynewsgroup.com/articles/hundreds-donate-to-spark-of-love-at-cal-skate>

The crew of Air Rescue 306 conducted a hoist rescue for a lost hiker on Galena Peak in Yucaipa

Staff Writer, News Mirror

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On Tuesday, Dec. 17, at approximately 5:12 p.m. Calum Brockie of Los Angeles, was hiking in the area of Galena Peak and became lost. Due to terrain and loss of daylight, he could no longer continue hiking and got off trail. At approximately 5:54 p.m. San Bernardino County Sheriff Helicopter 40King2 responded to the area and was able to locate Brockie using the coordinates provided by him. Due to high winds a hoist rescue was unable to be completed safely. Brockie was prepared for the conditions in the mountains and agreed to camp through the night knowing aviation would continue the rescue in the morning.

On Wednesday, Dec. 18, at approximately 6:35 a.m., San Bernardino County Sheriff Air Rescue 306 responded to Galena Peak to assist in rescuing Brockie. Brockie was located by the rescue crew and a hoist rescue was initiated. A **San Bernardino County Fire** Medic was hoisted down to Brockie and he was placed into a rescue harness. Brockie and the medic were hoisted to the rescue helicopter and then transported to a nearby landing zone to awaiting deputies.

https://www.newsmirror.net/news/local/the-crew-of-air-rescue-conducted-a-hoist-rescue-for/article_334034f8-21de-11ea-a83b-c74abbe544ef.html

The Latest: Spokesman: 2 students wounded were not targeted

Staff Writer, Stock Daily Dish

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The Latest: Students reunited with parents after shooting

SAN BERNARDINO, Calif. (AP) – The Latest on a shooting at an elementary school in San Bernardino (all times local):

2:30 p.m.

Some students are being reunited with their parents after a shooting at an elementary school in San Bernardino.

Video from news helicopters showed lines of young children clapping and giving high-fives as they walked to meet their parents at a nearby high school.

Parents waved and cheered as they greeted their children.

12:43 p.m.

A San Bernardino police official says two children wounded in a shooting at an elementary school were not the targets.

Police Capt. Ron Maass says, “The children we do not believe were targeted. The suspect had come to the classroom to visit. The adult female was in the classroom.”

Police did not identify the shooter or the teacher.

The weapon was a handgun, police said.

The two wounded students are in critical condition.

12:37 p.m.

A San Bernardino police spokesman says two wounded students are in critical condition after a shooting at an elementary school.

Authorities have said the suspect and another adult are dead.

The shooting took place in a classroom.

11:35 a.m.

The San Bernardino police chief says two adults are dead after a shooting at an elementary school.

San Bernardino Police Chief Jarrod Burguan says on Twitter that investigators believe “the suspect is down.” He says there is no further threat to the school.

Burguan says the shooting is believed to be a murder-suicide.

He said at least two students were taken to a hospital.

11:28 a.m.

A spokeswoman for San Bernardino City Unified school district says one of four people shot in a classroom was a teacher.

Maria Garcia says the shooting is believed to be a domestic dispute.

At least two students have been airlifted to a hospital.

11:20 a.m.

The police chief of San Bernardino says a shooting at an elementary school appears to be a murder-suicide.

San Bernardino Police Chief Jarrod Burguan said on Twitter that there four victims being treated, including at least two students who were taken to a hospital.

He says the shooting happened in a classroom.

The other students in the school were being evacuated and taken to a nearby school.

11:05 a.m.

A fire official says multiple people have been shot at an elementary school in San Bernardino.

San Bernardino County fire spokesman Eric Sherwin says the shooting happened Monday morning at the North Park School in San Bernardino.

Sherwin says numerous firefighters and police officers are headed to the scene.

No further information was immediately available.

<https://stockdailydish.com/the-latest-spokesman-2-students-wounded-were-not-targeted/>

Insurance policies on Inland homes affected by October fires get one-year protection

Sandra Emerson, The San Bernardino Sun

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State Insurance Commissioner Ricardo Lara announced a one-year moratorium on insurance nonrenewals for homes near the recent wildfires in San Bernardino and Riverside counties during a roundtable session Wednesday, Dec. 18, 2019, in San Bernardino. (Photo by Sandra Emerson/The Sun, SCNG)

Fire insurance policies for homes in San Bernardino and Riverside counties near areas that burned during October wildfires will be protected for the next year.

Homes in zip codes adjacent to the fires were added to the state's one-year moratorium on insurance nonrenewals, while state lawmakers work with the insurance industry on ensuring coverage in high fire-risk zones, Insurance Commissioner Ricardo Lara announced Wednesday, Dec. 18, during a roundtable session in San Bernardino.

State law prevents insurance companies from issuing nonrenewal notices to homeowners who suffer a total loss during a fire. A new state law, authored by Lara while he was a state senator, expands that protection to homes adjacent to wildfires that did not suffer a total loss.

This means homeowners and renters adjacent to the Hillside and Sandalwood fires in San Bernardino County and the Hill, Water, 46, Reche and Wolf fires in Riverside County can keep their insurance policies through October 2020. This includes homes in San Bernardino, Big Bear, Lake Arrowhead, Running Springs, Riverside, Rialto, Highland, Colton, Perris and Apple Valley, to name a few.

Lara announced a mandatory one-year moratorium on adjacent zip codes earlier this month. Wednesday's announcement, which also included zip codes in Contra Costa, Solano and Ventura counties, will protect more than 1 million policies statewide, Lara said.

The moratorium calls for insurance companies to rescind nonrenewal notices sent after Gov. Gavin Newsom's emergency declarations Oct. 11, 25 and 27.

Lara also called on insurance companies to voluntarily hold off on sending nonrenewal notices to other areas.

Policy holders in other parts of the Inland Empire that have been receiving nonrenewal notices, or premium increases, because of their high fire risk — but are not near any of the fires that broke out in October — are not protected under the moratorium.

FIRES AND ADJACENT ZIP CODES

46 Fire 92509, 92504, 92503, 92506, 92324, 92505, 92570, 92508, 91752, 92337, 92316 and 92501

Hill Fire 92509, 92504, 92324, 92505, 91752, 92337, 92316, 92501

Hillside Fire 92407, 92345, 92376, 92346, 92308, 92314, 92404, 92315, 92405, 92352, 92344, 92377, 92371, 92411, 92325, 92382, 92397, 92359, 92386, 92391, 92341, 92333, 92322, 92321, 92358, 91759, 92317, 92378 and 92385

Reche Fire 92324, 92509, 92376, 92557, 92507, 92373, 92410, 92354, 92316, 92501, 92313, 92408, 92401, 92318, 92350, 92521 and 92415

Sandalwood Fire 92373, 92320, 92374, 92399, 92223, 92555, 92324, 92557, 92354, 92318 and 92350

Wolf Fire 92220, 92223, 92399, 92583, 92549, 92256, 92230, 92339 and 92282

(Old) Water Fire 92404, 92346, 92407, 92410, 92405, 92325 and 92322

<https://www.sbsun.com/2019/12/19/insurance-policies-on-inland-homes-affected-by-october-fires-get-one-year-protection/>