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Redlands Bicycle Classic Returns



The Redlands Bicycle Classic will return to its host cities of Redlands, Highland and Yucaipa on March 12 through March 17. As the longest continuous running stage race in American bicycle racing, the event has earned the title of "Where Legends Are Born." With its combination of time trials, circuit races and para-cycling events, future Olympic and Tour de France athletes have been drawn to the annual competition for decades.

This year, we invite you to come cheer on these incredible athletes who have traveled from all over the world to participate. Cyclists will be in our neck of the woods on March 14 at the San Manuel Village for the City of Highland Circuit Race. The women's circuit race will begin at 8:45 a.m. and the men's race will follow at 11 a.m.

If this will be your first race attendance, here are a few terms to know:

Stage race: A multi-day race comprised of daily "stage" races (time trial, road race and criterium) in which the cumulative time at the end of the stages determines the winner

Mass start: When all participants in the race start at the same time

Time trials: Athletes race against the clock to make it to the finish line in the fastest time

Circuit races: A mass-start road cycle race that is a minimum of three miles in length where riders race multiple laps on the same course

Crowds especially enjoy watching BMX stunt performances and the school dual where local students challenge their peers to a bike race on the race course. For more information on the Redlands Bicycle Classic and to view the full schedule visit www.redlandsclassic.com.

Calendar of Events:

March 12-March 17:

2019 Redlands Bicycle Classic

March 14:

City of Highland Circuit Races (2019 Redlands Bicycle Classic) at San Manuel Village

March 25:

Spring break begins for Belvedere Elementary and Serrano Middle schools

March 30:

Highland Citrus Harvest Festival in Historic Highland

April 4:

Inland Empire 66ers first home game at San Manuel Stadium, 7:05 p.m.

April 8:

Belvedere Elementary and Serrano Middle schools return from spring break



Local Hidden Treasure: Patton State Hospital Museum

What happens behind the gates of Patton State Hospital has been a mystery that has sparked curiosity in the minds of neighboring residents for generations.

In the late 1800s, before homes sprung up and Highland Avenue filled with cars and businesses, our neighborhood consisted only of the San Manuel Indian Reservation, farm land and the Southern California State Asylum for the Insane and Inebriates, now known as Patton State Hospital. Established in 1890, Patton serves as the second oldest forensic state hospital in California.



"There are people who've lived around here for 30 to 40 years and they still wonder who and what we are," said Anthony Ortega, founder and curator of the Patton State Hospital Museum. "A few years ago, many of us recognized we needed to preserve the history of this institution and help the public understand what we are all about."

The Patton State Hospital Museum opened in April 2015 and is the first official museum in the state forensic hospital system. The museum sits near the Highland Avenue entrance, just past the senior center in a renovated 1924 bungalow.

Ortega has worked for the Hospital since 1999 and is now the Chief of Social Work Service. In 2007, he began to uncover artifacts on Patton grounds that give insight to the history of the facility, its patients and staff. After eight years of pulling together letters, medicine bottles, tools, old nurse uniforms, appliances and machinery, he worked with students from California State University, San Bernardino and the University of California, Riverside to turn the collection into a full-fledged museum.

Visitors entering the museum are greeted by a large photograph of the original Patton facility. The hospital's architecture resembled a palace situated in the middle of a large green pasture below the foothills, without a gate in sight. Much of the building was torn down in the mid-20th century due to major damage caused by an earthquake.



A walk through the 1200-square-foot space includes items from a time capsule buried in December 1964. Another display encases artifacts dug up after rain storms, such as old glass prescription bottles, lipstick cases from the early 1900s, and various trinkets.

In its early days, occupational therapy adopted a Quaker concept that work gave one purpose. A classic Singer Featherweight sewing machine, shoe stretcher, loom and a toaster that made up to 720 pieces of toast at a time are among the items on display that were once used by patients and staff.



Tours of the Patton State Hospital Museum are approximately one hour and are scheduled by appointment only. Since Patton is still an active psychiatric hospital with 3,000 employees, tours of the grounds and exterior photos are not permitted. Schedule your tour by emailing PSHMuseum@dsh.ca.gov or call (909) 425-7301.

Thank you for Keeping the Neighborhood Clean!

We take pride in doing our part to make sure the Reservation and surrounding areas are well-maintained. Since 2008, our Colton-based friends at Classic Landscape have worked with us to help make this possible.

Last year, Classic Landscape crews did the maintenance work along Highland Avenue, from the freeway off ramp west of Arden to Orange avenues, including the perimeter of Patton State Hospital. We can also thank the team at Classic for keeping the landscaping in the median and along the perimeter of Victoria Avenue looking great.

"We are proud of our longtime relationship with San Manuel to help take good care of the streets of our community through our beautification work," said Mike Medlin, owner of Classic Landscape.

Traditional service provided by Classic Landscape includes planting and grooming vegetation, clearing debris, trash removal and repairing irrigation to make our public street look their best.

Nextdoor

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We value your comments and questions. Call the neighborhood hotline number:

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