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Dedicated to Civic Accountability

President's Message

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Next Meetings

August 2, 2015

SUNDAY:

Election/Membership
Renewal

August 27, 2015

Its Rodeo time again!!
No meeting!!

It is with sadness that I write this month's message, as I just learned of Doc Coplen's passing. Our deepest sympathy goes out to Carol and family. Our Newsletter Editor, Dana Coplen Adams is Doc & Carol's daughter. This long time Norconian family has a rich history of protection and promotion of our RURAL life-style. By the time we go to print, RURAL would have had its Annual Election Meeting/Pot-luck/BBQ. Results...next issue!

The Town Hall Meeting, RURAL was privileged to host, was well received. Hopefully, accurate information will reach a larger audience, concerning civic concerns and issues. Day of the American Cowboy.....with the Australian Mounted Unit was a great day of celebration, fun, patriotism and horsemanship. See you all at the Norco Mounted Posse Rodeo ...and....a Huge THANKS TO THE VOLUNTEERS ...in advance.

Pat Overstreet, President. 951-734-5081

August 2015

Celebrating the Amazing Life of Doc Coplen



Rolland (Doc) Coplen was born in Colorado. He married Carol (Thompson) Coplen on December 2, 1946. They moved to Norco in 1955. Doc worked for the North West Mosquito Abatement District. He served as field technician, acting manager and field supervisor from 1964 until 1988 when he retired.

Although Doc ran a, for profit, Roping Arena since the early 1980s, his original arena was complete BEFORE their house was in November of 1962 with the house completion in January of 1963. Dad was a true Cowboy and was never happier than when he was a horseback. In fact, the morning before his passing he was at Queen of Hearts Therapeutic Riding Center riding one last time.

Doc was active in Norco politics in the early years. He was on Streets and Trails for 3 years and was active when both Nellie Weaver and Naomi Fagan were serving. He was also part of the founding members of RURAL.

He was the patriarch and anchor to our family; with 3 children Chris Coplen, Debby (Coplen) Hunt and Dana (Coplen) Adams, 2 grandsons, Clayton Sandell & Ross Adams and 3 granddaughters, Rosanna (Sandell) Salvador, Stephanie (Coplen) DeGraffenreid & Jefri Adams. He also has 4 great-grandchildren Kathryn Sandell, Ruby Salvador, Grey Salvador & Alex Sandell.

He loved Norco and the lifestyle he could have here. There was never a time in the 60 years he lived here that there were not horses & cattle in the back yard; with the occasional goat, pig, chicken, duck and many, many beloved dogs and even a few cats along the way.

On August 15th at 3pm we are having an old fashion yard party at 1580 Corona Ave, Norco.

We will provide the meat. You bring a salad, side dish, or dessert for 20 people and drinks!

And don't forget all your Doc stories!!

RSVP by **August 8** so we know how much meat to fix!!

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Saturday, August 8th, at 9 a.m. at the George A. Ingalls Veteran's Memorial Plaza one of our National Hero's, USMC First Sergeant (Ret) Nate Gomez, from Valencia, CA. will receive a specifically trained K-9 from **Rebuilding Warriors**, a non-profit charitable organization. Nate Gomez is a two time Purple Heart Recipient and was awarded two Bronze Stars for Valor and suffers from Post-Traumatic Stress. Lux, a trained K-9 specifically trained for obedience, anxiety recognition, as well as assisting Nate with his night terrors and lasting effects from his sacrifice in Iraq and Afghanistan. Lux is provided at no cost to Nate by the **Rebuilding Warriors**.
<http://www.rebuildingwarriors.com/>



The American Cancer Society Bark for Life event will be held at Pikes Peak Park Saturday, August 8th from 5:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. The Grand Marshal will be Cameron Hemmings. In Memoriam of Chuck Hemmings.

Norco Rocks! Summer Concert in the Park

Join us on Friday, August 14, 2015 at Pikes Peak Park in Norco, for the final awesome concert in the park for 2015 featuring *Rockstars of Tomorrow*. Admission is free and concert is from 6:30pm-8pm.

Bring your family and friends, chairs and blankets! It's going to be a fun summer night in Norco! Food and refreshments will be available for purchase. **No alcohol is permitted.** Free parking is available in Parking Lot 2. Please enter at Gate 4.

Concerts in the Park Sponsored by: AYSO Region 37; Norco Lions Club; Riverside County District 2 Supervisor Tavaglione; Waste Management For more information, please call 951.270.5635 or visit www.norco.ca.us.

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Housing Assistance Programs Return to Norco

Specific programs include:

- Emergency Repair Grant
- Home Improvement Grant
- Deferred Payment Loan
- First-Time Homebuyer Program
- Utility Bill Assistance Program

For more information contact:

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RURAL-Norco.com
for election results from
August 2nd Annual
Election Meeting
Results will also be in
next month's newsletter

Get Ready Rodeo Fans for our 31st Annual
Norco Mounted Posse PRCA Rodeo
August 21, 22, 23, 2015

Visit our the website at www.norcomountedposseprcarodeo.com
Tickets are available on-line through our Rodeo website

George Ingalls Equestrian Event Center, 6th Street, Norco California



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**Do not forget Elections / BBQ / Pot-luck
Sunday, August 2nd, 2 o'clock p.m.
At the AZEVEDO residence 3627 Temescal Avenue.**

August is Rodeo time!



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