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**Ready to build**  
Riverside's early preparations for a federal economic stimulus package are paying off. Major San Juan construction is

## Norco firefighters face layoffs

**CONTRACT** The city says it will cut six of the 12 unions the union agrees to \$750,000 in concessions.

**BY ALVIN LARSON**  
The Norco firefighters will be laid off unless their union agrees to about \$750,000 in concessions. The city says it will cut six of the 12 unions the union agrees to \$750,000 in concessions. The city has been negotiating

with firefighters for about two months and has previously laid off about nine workers in other departments in an attempt to eliminate an ongoing deficit. The fiscal year begins July 1. Preliminary layoff notices were mailed to firefighters on Tuesday and Wednesday, city Human Resources Director Andy Olvera said.

The Fire Department employs 23 full-time workers, including 12 firefighters as well as several captains and battalion chiefs. The salary, benefits and pro-

vided overtime from the six jobs that could be cut total about \$700,000, which is "a substantial portion of the deficit that we're addressing," Olvera said. City Council President, president of the firefighters' association, said "The reality of it is that in a city that is already under stress, they're looking at cutting 50 percent of our suppression capability." He said one of the two sections with fire engine would be among the cuts.

"It's a big hit," said Norco Fire Chief Jack Tyson. Negotiations are ongoing, and the two sides could meet as soon as June, Olvera said, adding that proposed layoffs are subject to annual City Council confirmation. "The irony is that it's a city that has been difficult to reach a deal but added that firefighters already made concessions in January. "In some city officials say that the Fire Department has not

## City shows off new water plant

**RIVERSIDE:** The facility allows the recycling of four 1980s-era wells that produce about 10 million gallons per day.

**BY GABRIEL STUELLY**  
The \$15 million treatment plant, which was completed last summer and began producing drinkable water last fall, has allowed the city to rehabilitate four 1980s-era wells that produce about 10 million gallons of water per day.

Those wells had been deemed unreliable because of their proximity to the Santa Ana River, which is considered contaminated due to storm runoff, Jorgensen said. "The water from these wells is very good water," he said. "But in the case where we have something in there, we're protected by the treatment plant."

The treatment plant, showed off by the city at an open house on Wednesday, uses cutting-edge technology called "ultrafiltration membrane system" to remove contaminants.

The system sends the water through the membranes — which resemble anguill hair pasta — where pathogens are removed.

The 4,000-square-foot building sits on a 1.5-acre parcel on Grand Terrace Road that the city purchased from the Riverside Water Company, which provided water via a canal to local citrus farmers dating back to the late 1800s.

Planning for the water treatment plant began in 1988 as part of a state project, water from Northern California bid \$100 million an acre-foot.

An acre-foot is equal to 325,853 gallons or roughly what a family of four would use in a year.

In January 1990, city officials got word that their application for funds from Prop 18, which provides



Roosevelt High School's varsity Eagles and teamers Jeff Arita, 17, and Brian Bower School in Norco, took to the field during Wednesday's competition.

## TIME OUT FOR TOGETHERNESS

Roosevelt High football players team up with disabled students

**BY MIMI CHANLEY**  
The Eagles won, but the game wasn't important as Victoria Bower School's players played football Wednesday with the varsity Mustangs from Roosevelt High School. "You know it's a fun game when the coaches and referees don't know what the score was," said John Aldrin, the principal of Bower, the school for severely disabled students open to 22 in Norco.



At right, John Aldrin getting a drink before during a game Wednesday at Victoria Bower School in Norco. Varsity football players from Roosevelt High School in Norco take a break during the game.

"We're making up the rules as we go along," to keep the game fun and not the least bit serious, Aldrin said. At one point, he blew a whistle when a player called a penalty for "illegal equipment" because a wheel chair's back wasn't fast. A small toy football was used.

Aldrin dubbed the two teams the Mustangs and Eagles, a combination of the two schools' mascots.

It was also a morale and team-building in the second week of spring football practice for the Bower high school. During the potluck party, varsity players promised coaches they would do more exercise after school and work off their snacks and lunches. The game, which Bower played last year, was created by

## Work honors fallen sailor

**NEW NAVY LAB:** The building in Norco will be dedicated to a man killed by an explosive device.

**BY ALVIN LARSON**  
The work that takes place inside a new building to be dedicated today at Norco Navy Base could help prevent future military deaths like that of Steven P. Daugherty, the man for whom the building will be named.

Daugherty, a Navy cryptanalyst from Norco with the rank of petty officer first class, was killed in an explosion near Baghdad in 1981.

His officials today will christen it in his honor as the Daugherty Memorial Awareness Center.

The military hopes that research and analysis at Norco's Naval Surface Warfare Center will help create explosive devices such as roadside bombs.

Experts from the base evaluate systems that give the signals of remote-controlled explosives.

Daugherty, who was 26 when he was killed, was a Navy SEAL. He was awarded the Bronze Star, Purple Heart, and National Intelligence Medal of Valor and other decorations.

"Steven was proud to serve his country," his mother, Lydia Daugherty, said by phone. "She took pride in his work and always did the best he could."

Steven had graduated from Roosevelt High School and Riverside Community College and was working on a bachelor's degree, Lydia Daugherty said. The 1981 classic movie, *Runaway Train*, and taught himself to play guitar with the service. He left behind a son who is now 1.

Daugherty said she and her husband, Tom, who will attend today's dedication with one of Steven's brothers, were amazed on the night when they learned of the Navy's tribute to their son. "He would have been very humbled by it," she said. "He would have said it was just doing his job."

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**RIVERSIDE:** Amber Carney, of Chawwa Middle School, is one of the three finalists of the Year named by the Riverside County Office of Education. **PHOTO**

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