

Wild Weather Man

Dr. Reese Halter

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Dr. Reese Halter has been referred to as “the Steve Irwin of weather.” He is a conservationist, a biologist, a professor of botany, and has written a book on global warming entitled “Wild Weather: The Truth about Global Warming.” He also hosts “Dr. Reese’s Planet” on PBS. He has addressed the United Nations. He is also a valley resident, husband and father of three. And by his own admission, he doesn’t sleep much.

Halter and his family moved to Palm Desert about five years ago from the Bay Area. “We moved here five years ago for Palm Valley,” Halter says. “It’s a great college prep school. My eldest, Fred, is through; he’s a sophomore at Northern Arizona in Flagstaff. My middle son, Ryan, is a junior at Palm Valley and my little princess, Jinji, was there but is at boarding school up in the Pacific Northwest. She’s a sophomore.”