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OC News

Salmonella Outbreak

STAFF REPORTS

Orange County - A recent outbreak of salmonella poisoning has sent seven Orange County residents to the hospital with severe diarrhea, fever and cramping. Eight more Orange County residents have reported the same symptoms. These residents are part of the hundreds who have been sickened in the salmonella outbreak tied to Foster Farms

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IE News

Pot House Ordinance

BY RAYMOND MENDOZA

Eastvale - In an effort to combat the growing epidemic of "pot houses" in Eastvale, City Council members held a first reading of Ordinance number 2013-13, which would allow the city to inspect Eastvale rental properties to ensure the properties are not being used for illegal activity.

According to the City Council agenda, Ordinance number 2013-13, titled the "Single-Family Residential Rental Registration, Inspec-

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Seal Oil Smuggling By Walnut Residents

STAFF REPORTS

Walnut - The Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972 (MMPA) prohibits the hunting, killing, capture or harassment of any marine mammal, or the attempt at such, and enacts a moratorium on the import, export and sale of any marine mammal, part or product in the United States. But this protection didn't keep a Walnut couple

from allegedly selling millions of capsules of seal oil and other illegal products from 2007 until 2010.

According to Harpseals.org, Lin Liang and Denian Fu, a married couple from Walnut, were indicted by a Federal Grand Jury on Thursday, October 3, with eight counts of smuggling seal oil

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Oil from seals like this one were being sold by a Walnut couple.

Walnut Family Festival Street Closures

STAFF REPORTS

Walnut - Several streets will be closed in the City of Walnut on Sat., Oct. 12, 2013, due to the 37th Annual Walnut Family Festival, a very well-known community event that you don't want to miss out on.

The closures start off on Pierre Road from La Puente Road to Meadowpass Road, which will

be closed from 6:30 a.m. to approximately 8:30 a.m. for the 5K and 1K runs. City of Walnut officials stated that adjoining streets will be closed by Sheriff cars as runners pass by, and re-opened when safe. The closures should be relatively short, but you will be directed to go south to La Puente Road during the races. The northbound lane on Meadowpass Road will also be closed

from 6:30 a.m. to approximately 8:30 a.m., due to the races.

The Family Festival Parade will begin at 10 a.m. on La Puente Road and will proceed east from Lemon Avenue to the end of the route at Suzanne Road. The following roads will be closed from 8:30 a.m. to noon, due to

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Walnut/DB Chino Hills Weather

Sat Oct 12

Sunny
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Sun Oct 13

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Mon Oct 14

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Council Corner: WHS Athletes Honored



PHOTO BY RAYMOND MENDOZA

Council member Mary Su, Mayor Pro Tem Nancy Tragard and Mayor Antonio Cartagena presents an award to Coach Michael Hsiao, Captain Mindy Huang and the WHS Dragon boat team.

BY RAYMOND MENDOZA

Walnut - Walnut's City Council met Wed., Oct. 9 for the first regular meeting for October, where members honored Walnut High School student athletes, voted on a multitude of items and gave their appreciation to the Los Angeles County Fire Department for its swift reaction

to a recent fire.

The Walnut High School Dragon Boat team, known as Asterisk, filled the City Council chambers to accept their award, given to Coach Michael Hsiao, and congratulated the team on their success.

"You've represented Walnut

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More 60 Freeway Closures This Weekend

BY K.P. SANDER

Pomona - The Pomona Freeway is a well-traveled link between Riverside and San Bernardino counties, and as such, the road experiences heavy wear and tear. In an effort to provide a smoother and safer surface

for drivers, as well as improved traffic flow, Caltrans has implemented the \$121.5 million Pavement Resurfacing Project. The construction began in 2012 and is expected to be completed in the fall of 2014.

As expected, this project requires partial closures for com-

pletion, and more are happening this weekend. To help plan your travel and keep you safe, Caltrans has provided this information for Fri., Oct. 11 through Sun., Oct. 13, for portions of SR-60,

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Keep Your Pool Cool With Spa Care Repair Specialists

BY K.P. SANDER

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OUR LIFE

The Light At The End Of The Tunnel

BY MICHAEL ARMijo

While at the ATM drive-through, a woman straddled both lanes in a two-lane isle. I've been there a thousand times and not one person I've seen straddled these lanes, they just pick one. Sometimes the line moves quickly, other times you have to wait while the cars next to you move right through. It's a gamble, but we make a decision and we accept it.

Maybe it was the long day or maybe I just felt short-tempered, but while the woman straddled the lanes, I went around her car, and I picked the left lane. She got out of her vehicle and told me; "I've been waiting, you can't go around me." I explained the unwritten policy of the drive-through ATM machine. She angrily got back into her car and waited again. As I drove up to the machine, I felt so uncomfortable. I knew she never should've sat there and straddled both lanes, but who am I to react to her misdirection? The uncomfortable feeling made me sick inside, I knew that I never should've gone around her. So I backed up, allowed her to go first, calling out to her; "I'm sorry, go ahead of me." She pulled up to the machine, finished her transaction, and her last words were; "Thank you for being fair."

I believe the true essence of being a complete individual begins with the ability to communicate. The ability to express yourself and present issues, views, and concerns in a digni-

fied, fair, and an understandable manner. To simply be a simple person.

Simple people do not get caught up in the unfairness in life. They do not listen with anger and respond with vengeance. They see light and are drawn to it. They're clear individuals that can respond with solutions and not just complain. They respond instead of react. And it's their simplicity that keeps them humble and dignified. Simple people see or experience tragedy and work through it and not around it. This keeps them complete and understanding.

I also believe in responsibility. Not to just go to work, pay the mortgage, and get the kids to school, but also to enforce responsibility inside, not just on the surface. To not just promote a good life but to actually live it from the inside outward. In a person's life, responsibility also includes our jobs, our actions towards society, towards our fellow man. Not to act like a good person, but to actually think, feel, and believe in the goodness of being a good person.

When I pulled in front of the woman at the ATM machine, I knew she was misdirected, and yet I reacted to her misdirection instead of responding to it. If it meant that much to me to not wait behind someone who couldn't make a decision, I should've communicated with her. And if it didn't mean that much to me, then I just should've waited behind her and not given it another thought. Instead, I almost ruined

her entire day, and who knows what that could've done to her family and friends.

I believe that we, as a society, need to remember how important and how powerful we really are. We need to understand the true meaning of sharing experiences, applying yourself, being honest, open, and sincere. It will bring you peace when you remember that you have so much to contribute to life, let's not waste it on bitterness, anger, frustration, or unfairness. Instead, let's focus

on the good things.

The power we hold within ourselves is worthless when we misdirect our hearts by allowing our minds to take over. I believe the truest form of life is not just having the power to get your way, but having the power to help others find their way. And when we see this powerful light that shines from within, we can capture it and allow those rays of sunshine to help our heart glow with a magnificent gleam that reminds us that there really is a light at the end of life's tunnel.



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Diamond Bar

Community Events And Meetings

STAFF REPORTS

UPCOMING EVENTS: 32nd Annual Walnut Family Festival

When: Oct. 12, 2013
Time: 1K/5L Run at 7 a.m., Diamond Bar Lions Club Pancake Breakfast at 8 a.m., Parade at 10 a.m., Kid's Kamp from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Entertainment begins at 12 p.m.
Where: Suzanne Park located at 625 Suzanne Road, Walnut, CA 91789
Cost: Free
Contact: www.ci.walnut.ca.us

DBHS Gourmet Food Trucks Fundraiser

When: Oct. 12, 2013 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Where: Diamond Bar High School located at 21400 E. Pathfinder Rd., Diamond Bar CA 91765
Cost: Admission is \$2 for adults, \$1 for students, and children under 5 years old are admitted free.

Details: No outside food or beverages. No pets. Trucks featured: Bool Korean BBQ, Paradise Cookies & Ice Cream, Slummin' Gourmet, My Delight Cupcakes, Jogaasaki Sushi Burrito and Rancho A GoGo BBQ.
Contact: www.dbhs.wvusd.k12.ca.us or follow them on twitter at @DBHSGoFoodFest.

3rd Annual Chino Hills Wine Walk

When: Oct. 12, 2013 from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.
Where: The Shoppes at Chino Hills
Cost: \$40 per person in advance, \$50 per person at the door.
Details: This event benefits

the Chino Hills Community Foundation. You must be at least 21 years of age to participate. Check-in is from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Contact: (909) 364-2736 or go to www.chinohillsfoundation.org

Fall/Halloween Mixer

Sponsored by: SGV Chamber of Commerce

When: Oct. 17, 2013 from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Where: Puente Hills Hyundai, 17621 Gale Ave., City of Industry, CA 91748

Cost: FREE for members, \$10 for prospective members.

Details: Will feature food, refreshments, entertainment, raffles and a Photo Booth.

RVSP: melaniec@regional-chambersgv.com

DB Library October Sidewalk Sale

When: Oct. 19, 2013 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Where: Diamond Bar Library's BasicallyBOOKS, located at 23447 Golden Springs Rd., Diamond Bar CA 91765.

Details: Last outdoor book sale of 2013. Always great bargains! All proceeds will benefit the Diamond Bar Library

Contact: Bookstore manager Mary Hackett at 909 396-9954 or email BasicallyBOOKS@aol.com

FUTURE EVENTS: DB Library Halloween Treats

When: Oct. 31, 2013 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Where: Diamond Bar Library's BasicallyBOOKS, located at 23447 Golden Springs Rd., Diamond Bar CA 91765

Details: Treats will be given out to kids, while supplies last!

Contact: Bookstore manager

Mary Hackett at 909 396-9954 or email BasicallyBOOKS@aol.com

Senior Expo & Free Flu Shot Clinic

When: Nov. 5, 2013 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Where: Walnut Senior Center, 21215 La Puente Rd. Walnut, CA 91789

Contact: Walnut Senior Center (909) 598-6200

Emergency Preparedness Seminar

When: Nov. 18, 2013 from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Where: Walnut Senior Center, 21215 La Puente Rd. Walnut, CA 91789

Cost: FREE to attend

Contact: Walnut City Hall (909) 595-7543 x304

Walnut Valley Symphony Orchestra and Master Chorale Concert

When: Dec. 18 and 19, 2013 at 7 p.m.

Where: Mt. San Antonio Community College Performing Arts Center

Contact: www.walnutvalley-symphony.org/

WEEKLY EVENTS: Bookstore Blowout

Where: Twice Sold Tale Bookstore located at the Walnut Library, La Puente Road, Walnut CA 91789

When: Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays from 1 p.m. to 8 p.m., Fridays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturdays 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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When: 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month 7 p.m.

Where: Walnut Council Chambers in the new City Hall: 21201 La Puente Road, Walnut CA 91789

Planning Commission Meeting

When: 1st Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m.

Where: Walnut Council Chambers in the new City Hall: 21201 La Puente Road, Walnut CA 91789

Parks & Recreation Commission

When: 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m.

Where: Walnut Council Chambers in the new City Hall: 21201 La Puente Road, Walnut CA 91789

Contact info: (714) 421-3701.

Senior Commission Meeting

When: 1st Wednesday of each month at 10 a.m.

Where: Walnut Council Chambers in the new City Hall: 21201 La Puente Road, Walnut CA 91789

Youth Advisory Commission Meeting

When: 2nd Monday of each month at 5 p.m.

Where: Walnut Council Chambers in the new City Hall: 21201 La Puente Road, Walnut CA 91789

DIAMOND BAR MEETINGS:

City Council Meeting

When: 1st and 3rd Tuesday of every month at 6:30 p.m.

Where: Temporary relocation in the City Hall Windmill Community Room: 21810 Copley Drive, Diamond Bar CA 91765.

Planning Commission Meeting

When: 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of every month at 7 p.m.

Where: Diamond Bar City Hall, Windmill Community Room: 21810 Copley Drive, Diamond Bar CA 91765

Diamond Bar Lions Club Breakfast Meeting

When: 1st and 3rd Monday of every month from 7 a.m. to 8 a.m.

Where: Diamond Bar Golf Course: 22751 E. Golden Springs Drive, Diamond Bar CA 91765.

Contact info: (909) 861-0142.

Toastmaster Club Meeting

When: Every Monday from 12 p.m. to 12:45 p.m.

Where: Caltrans – Office of Bridge Design South 2, Conference Room: 21073 Pathfinder Road Suite 200, Diamond Bar CA 91765

Contact info: (714) 421-3701.

October Is Adopt-A-Shelter Dog Month

LA COUNTY NEWS RELEASE

LA County - The month of October is nationally recognized as Adopt-a-Shelter-Dog month. This month, consider adopting an abandoned, homeless dog from one of your local County of Los Angeles Department of Animal Care and Control's (DACC) animal care centers.

"Shelter dogs make great pets. Most of them know what is like to be a part of a family, have basic training, and are often times already housebroken," said DACC Director, Marcia Mayeda. "When you adopt a

dog from an animal shelter, you are not only saving a life—you are also receiving a wonderful companion," Mayeda said.

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- Carson Animal Care Center: 216 W. Victoria St., Gardena
- Baldwin Park Animal Care Center: 4275 N. Elton St., Baldwin Park

Castaic Animal Care Center: 31044 N. Charlie Canyon Road, Castaic

Lancaster Animal Care Center: 5210 West Avenue I, Lancaster, 93536

Agoura Animal Care Center: 29525 Agoura Road, Agoura, 91301

If you love dogs, but are presently unable to adopt one, please consider making a tax-deductible donation to the Los Angeles County Animal Care Foundation (www.lacounty-animals.org) to help homeless animals find new homes.

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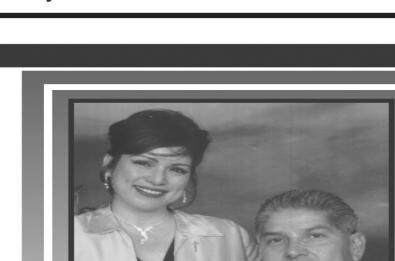
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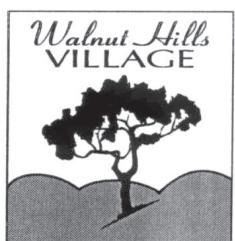
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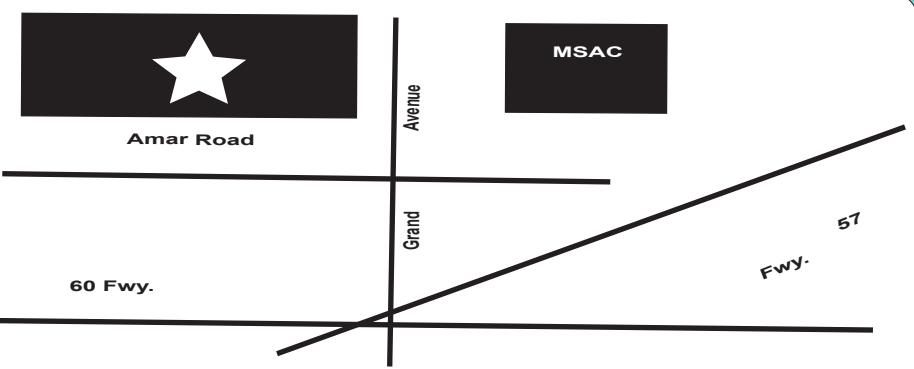
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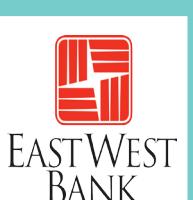
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Crime Recap

STAFF REPORTS

Walnut - This week in crime includes a missing La Puente woman, a fire in Walnut, a couple importing illegal seal oil, and an update on a former Diamond Bar teacher's trial.

On Oct. 2, a young La Puente woman by the name of Gale Ann Williams, 22, was reported missing. However, on Oct. 4, authorities issued a press release asking for media and citizen help in finding the missing woman.

Pot house ordinance

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tion and Crime-Free Rental Housing Program" is meant to crack down on the number of homes being used to illegal marijuana grow house activity by allowing the city to inspect their rented properties to ensure a crime-free environment.

Mayor Ike Bootsma stated that the idea behind the registration and inspection act was to ensure the safety of all Eastvale residents, as well as the illegal bypassing of electric meters to obtain stolen electricity.

"It'll bring in better renters and make a safer neighborhood because when (criminals) bypass the Edison meters and things like that, we have fire hazards," said Bootsma. "One of these days we're going to have a major problem with a house burning down."

While the safety of Eastvale citizens is a major concern to all members of the council, Council Member Jeff DeGrandpre noted a bit in hesitancy of adopting the ordinance due to the possibility of infringing on the privacy of Eastvale residents who rent their homes.

"I want to make sure if we're doing something like (Ordinance 2013-13), it's going to have an impact and not break any laws either," DeGrandpre said.

DeGrandpre stated his belief that the Eastvale police are handling the situation with great success and that Ordinance 2013-13 would not be as effective as other City Council members might think.

"At this point I'm not convinced that will happen," said DeGrandpre. "I think our police department is doing a great job of closing (the pot houses) down. I think the word is out that Eastvale is not a place to go (for criminals)."

City Manager Carol Jacobs was adamant that the ordinance would not allow city officials to obstruct anyone's privacy and that inspection requests can be denied by both the renter and landlord. Jacob's noted that there needs to be a reasonable amount of evidence in order to enforce an inspection and that the process for enforcing an inspection would be similar to a police officer getting a court ordered warrant to search a home.

"People have a right to say 'no,'" said Jacobs. "We're not

Williams was last heard from on Sept. 25 while on her way to class at Pasadena City College. Williams is described as a black woman, 5' 9", 130 pounds with brown eyes and medium-length brown hair. She also has no vehicle or cell phone. If anyone has any information on Williams, they are urged to call Crime Stoppers at (800) 222-TIPS or their local law enforcement agency.

On Oct. 4, firefighters responded to a bush fire in Walnut. The fire was reported at around 5 p.m. and at the time, was rav-

aging the hillside. However at 6 P.M. firefighters gave word that the bush fire came into the mop up phase as firefighters contained the blaze and canceled other air support and engines that were on the way.

On Oct. 6, a Walnut couple was indicted for the illegal sale and distribution of seal oil. Lin Liang and husband Denian Fu were indicted Thursday on eight counts and face five years in prison with more than \$1 million in fines. The couple ran their business out of a warehouse on

Currier Rd and acquired the seal oil by smuggling it from China. The oil was then shipped by mail labeled as fish oil. For more information about this incident, see the full story on page 1.

On Oct. 8, the jury selection process began for the trial of

former Lorbeer teacher, Steven Andrews. However on Oct. 9, the trial was again postponed to a later date. The reason for the postponement was due to pretrial matters that had not been addressed. The new trial is due to begin on Oct 29.

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Local Boy Saves His Uncle's Life

BY JENNIFER MADRIGAL

West Covina - On the afternoon of Sun., Sept. 1, 2013 with the temperature above 100 degrees, Joseph Lee and his Uncle Tom Chow were swimming in their community pool in West Covina. Joseph's mother was taking a nap at the time. It was only the two of them in the pool and they were swimming and

having a great time.

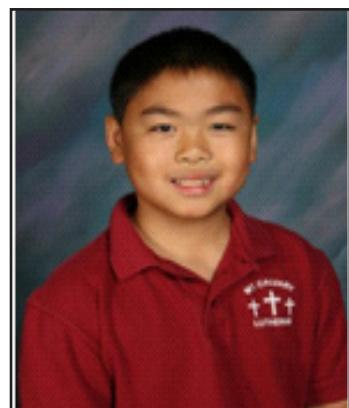
While Joseph was swimming at one end of the pool, he noticed that his uncle had disappeared and he became worried. After swimming to the end of the pool, he noticed that his uncle was not swimming up to the surface. His Uncle Tom seemed to be struggling in the deepest part of the pool. Joseph immediately swam to where his uncle was located

and using just his own strength, he was able to pull his uncle up to the surface and help him to the side of the pool. His uncle apparently was drowning in the deep water and Joseph saved his life. After resting and getting all the water out, Tom was able to recover.

This experience is a reminder to always swim in pairs, even if both people are good swimmers,

because accidents can happen at any time. Joseph's immediate life-saving thoughts and his heroic actions saved his Uncle Tom's life!

Joseph Lee, currently in 5th grade, attends Mt. Calvary Lutheran School in Diamond Bar and is a recipient for the Lifesaving Action Award by Boy Scouts of America. Joseph also passed the highest level swimming class this past summer.



Joseph Lee

Seal oil smuggling brings indictment to Walnut couple

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from China, and selling it as a nutritional supplement via mail order in the U.S., China and Vietnam. They face fines of more than \$1 million and five years in prison.

The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), a federal agency focused on the conditions of the oceans and atmosphere, and

helping to improve our stewardship of the environment, was responsible for bringing an end to the illegal import and export transactions of the Walnut-based Nu-Health Products, after a lengthy investigation. Liang and Fu are also reportedly charged with falsifying documents, labels, and customs declarations, and the importation and falsification of lamb placenta, honey bee royal jelly

and propolis products. Harp seals, indigenous to the eastern Canadian seaboard, are the victims of the largest slaughter of marine mammals in the world. Mainly killed for their pelts, their oil is also used as a supplement with deceptively marketed health benefits. Due to the high levels of toxins in their blubber coming from the food they ingest (which can be high in heavy metal, PCB, and

DDT), their oil benefits are often falsified as omega-3 supplements. There are as many marketing lures for the oil as there are warnings of toxicity.

More than 90,000 harp seal pups were killed this year in

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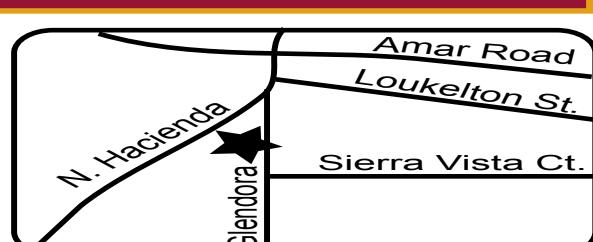
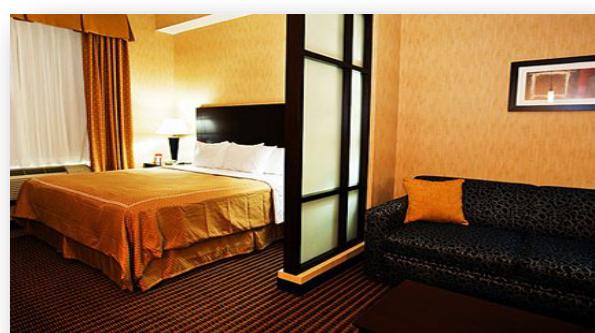
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Students residing in the Rowland Unified School District are ineligible to apply for the District of Choice Program.

Applications will be available

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You may turn in your applica-

tion to the District Office from November 1, 2013 - December 20, 2013. Please note that the District Office closes at noon on December 20, 2013 for Winter Break.

If you wish to submit an ap-

plication after December 20, you will need to mail in your application to our District Office at the address listed on the top of the application and it must be postmarked no later than December 31, 2013.

First Look at New Rowland High School

RUSD

Rowland Heights - Thanks to our community, the Rowland Unified School District is working on plans for a modernized Rowland High School to be built with Measure R 2012 funds. The proposed renovations will mark a major shift in the outward appearance, student life, educational offerings, community interface and the 21st century readiness of the Rowland High School campus.

At the September 10, 2013 Board of Education Meeting, the following initial conceptual designs from the architect was presented. The District Facilities Team, Rowland High School Principal Mitch Brunyer, and a school team have been working closely with the architects to provide input and feedback on initial designs for the Rowland High School Project. Below are highlights at this initial stage of the plans:

NEW BUILDINGS: A number of new additions are planned.

More than 120,000 square feet of new buildings are proposed.

New Classroom Building: The first phase of construction will be a new two story, 22 classroom building situated in the northeast corner of the campus. This building will replace the vast majority of the portable classrooms that currently populate the campus.

New Administration/Library Building: This two story addition will take the place of the current office and library buildings both of which are severely outdated for a modern high school. The new office space will be located on the ground floor and allow the entire administrative staff to once again be located under one roof. The new office will have a prominent front door, adding to both the visual presence and security of the campus.

The new library features the career center, a computer lab and three dividable classroom spaces to accommodate testing, guest lecturers and general instruction.

New Multipurpose Room/ "Hideout": Located across the breezeway and just to the east of the new office building, the new multi-purpose room/ "Hideout" has entries from the outside. The new building and parking lot make it ideal for both daytime and after school events. The new area will provide significantly more space for the District's nutrition program and offer a variety of service styles for students and faculty. The new faculty dining room adjoins the "Hideout" and includes restrooms and a private outdoor patio.

New Performing Arts Center: A major new addition to the campus that will be utilized by the community is a new performing arts center. This building includes instructional space in theater arts and music. The performing arts facility itself is envisioned as both a performance and a teaching area with state-of-the-art stage rigging/lighting with two control booths and an above-house catwalk lighting grid. The new

band and choir rooms replace the existing facilities and still offer access to the drop-off lane and stadium, as well as direct access into the auditorium.

Community Meeting: A Community Meeting will be held on October 22, 2013 at 6 p.m. at the Rowland High School Hideout to discuss the design and features for the planned Performing Arts Center.

Initial Architectural Concept Designs – Interior of Auditorium

NEXT STEPS: The Rowland High School Concept Designs will go through a series of evolutions as details are finalized by the Rowland High School team and the Board of Education. The next steps in the project are to align the scope and budget with the programs, site and community needs. A proposed timeline will be presented in the upcoming weeks and updated as the project specifications are finalized and approvals are secured.



PHOTO COURTESY: RUSD
Rowland High School is expected to be renovated with Measure R 2012 funds. This is the courtyard view model of the Initial Architectural Concept Design.

Children's "Dinosaur" Series Author Visits Walnut Elementary

BY KELLI GILE

Walnut -- Children's author Bob Shea visited Walnut Elementary School on October 1. About 200 excited 1st and 2nd graders gathered in the multi-



PHOTO COURTESY: KELLI GILE

Second grader Stephanie Lim got to assist Shea as he drew the character from his new book, *Unicorn Thinks He's Pretty Great*.

purpose room ready to hear his funny stories.

The youngsters wiggled and giggled as he read two of his popular children's books *Dinosaur vs.*

Bedtime and Dinosaur vs. the Potty.

"I came here because I heard you guys roared better than anyone in the entire country," Shea said.

"Here's the thing, roaring gets really loud so we'll do a medium-sized roar." So the kids proudly demonstrated their roaring skills for the author.

Their first attempt was a bit loud, so they roared a little softer the second time and got it just right.

Then they loved roaring on cue as Shea animatedly told the story of the rambunctious little red dinosaur who takes on different challenges during the day like a big slide, spaghetti and the dreading talking to grown ups.

He wins each with the "ROAR!" and a booming "D I N O S A U R WINS"! Until his biggest challenge BEDTIME!

The children were familiar with Shea's books that librarian Debbie Palmer read to them.

And just like the dinosaur, they tried to keep their enthusiasm to a mild roar too.

Shea even showed them a new secret book. "Don't tell anybody I showed you this book. Do you want to see it?" he said. "Yes!" they cheered.

And he made them promise they wouldn't tell anyone they'd seen it before it hits the shelves.

"This book is a mystery. If you figure it out, don't yell it out because I want other people to

enjoy the mystery at the end," Shea said.

"When I make a book it's not done the first time. I do sketches as I figure out the story and drawings to see if they work. This is a sloppy copy," he explained.

"Do you think it was the monster?" Shea asked when he finished the story titled *A Delicious Mystery*. "Yes!" the children answered.

"You guys are all really good detectives," he applauded.

Shea went to a drawing board to demonstrate how he turns simple jellybean shape into a dinosaur.

"You tell me because you know a lot about dinosaurs!" he said.

"And he needs some teeth. Does he have shark teeth?" Shea asked the group. "Yeah!" the children answered.

"And do I put the legs up here?" he asked pointed to the comical head. "No!" the kids replied.

Second grader Stephanie Lim got to assist as Shea drew the unicorn from his new book *Unicorn Thinks He's Pretty Great*.

She chose the colors from a bag of giant-sized markers for the talented illustrator.

Student Reed Bevens shared that his favorite part of the assembly was seeing see how Shea used his creativity to draw on the big paper.

The special author's visit was courtesy of Mrs. Nelson's Toy & Book Store in La Verne. Bob



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Visit My Booth At The Walnut Family Festival

By NANCY STOOPS

Can you believe Fall is here and we are getting ready for Halloween? One of my favorite things about this time of year is the Walnut Family Festival. This year, I will not only have a booth but Midnight, the therapy dog, and myself will



be in the parade. The date of the parade and festival is Saturday, October 12th. The festival is located at Suzanne Park and there are all kinds of wonderful things to do, buy, eat and it's a great opportunity to just see some old friends. The parade starts at 10 am until noon and the festival continues on until 6 pm.

I always run into people that I haven't seen for years. I will have flyers regarding my free support groups and copies of my self-help entitled, Live Heal and Grow (a

common sense guide to life), for sale. I will be happy to sign each book purchased. It's a great opportunity to come on by and just chat about what's going on in your life and get some support. If you prefer the support of a furry friend, Midnight, the certified therapy dog, will be at the booth part of the day as well.

The festival is lots of fun and has tons of free information for you and your family. Over the years, many of you have e-mailed, called or left messages

for me about my column, I hope you'll stop by my booth and introduce yourselves. I'm always amazed about how many nice people I meet at this event. It makes me feel proud to be part of such a wonderful community. I love seeing all the families and all the dogs that come out to this event. I hope you'll come out and join the celebration!!!!

This article was written by Nancy Stoops M.A., M.F.T. Nancy is a licensed Marriage and Family Therapist. Nancy is now accept-

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Serve Our City

By MARK HOPPER

We are continuing to study Jeremiah at our church on Sunday mornings. There are many interesting chapters and lessons in this Old Testament book.



Jeremiah recorded his messages around 600 BC. Many of the leading people of Israel had recently been taken away into exile in Babylon. False prophets predicted that they would be returning home soon,

but Jeremiah had a different message.

In a letter to the Exiles, Jeremiah tells them that they need to settle down in their foreign land. They need to plant gardens, raise families and expect to be far from home for a long time.

He also tells them in Jeremiah 29:7, "Seek the welfare of the cities where I have sent you...and pray on behalf of your city". In other words, Jeremiah told these Israelites in exile to work and pray for the benefit of the cities where they now live.

Our church is planning a day of practical application of this

simple principle. We are looking for ways that we can help serve the cities and schools in the communities where we live.

On Sunday, November 10th, we are planning to do a variety of service projects in the communities near our church. If you need help with a project at your home, we would love to hear from you. If you know of a local school or park that needs clean up or repairs, we would like to know.

We know we cannot build a house in one afternoon. We are looking for smaller projects like cleaning, painting and other repair projects that we can do in

a few hours.

We know that many other churches and service organizations do similar things throughout the year. We just want to do our part.

If you would like to help us help, please feel welcome to join us on Sunday morning, November 10th for our combined worship service at 10:00 AM and then join us as we go out to serve our cities at around 11:30 AM.

I hope you will take Jeremiah's words to heart. Take time

to pray for the welfare of your community and look for ways you can help make it a better place to live and enjoy

For more information on our "Serve Our City" Sunday, please call our church office. We would love to hear from you!

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Straight Talk With Danice

DEAR DANICE,

I told my younger brother that I would help him with his bills for a month or two when he lost his job due to cutbacks. I take him out to dinner twice a week, because he is so depressed, but now he is taking advantage of me. He started ordering steak and alcohol drinks and desserts, and really driving up the bill. I'm not cheap, but I think he is inconsiderate. He also bought new clothes lately. I haven't said anything to him yet, because I don't want him to be depressed again. Help.

R. L.

Dear R. L.

So he's feeling better, and now you're ill at ease... This is not a great trade off. Stop having such an open ended agreement. If you want to assist your brother, (who now seems quite comfortable turning you into his mother) you should direct your help in very specific ways. Help with food, auto insurance, utilities, and whatever else is a top priority. Steer clear of just handing over money, and instead, write the checks directly to pay the bills of your choosing. Remember, you want to help your



brother, not carry him. Too much help has a tendency to do more harm than good in some cases. This is one of those cases, because your brother seems to be immature. Pull back a little so he can grow.

Good luck.
Danice Akiyoshi ND
Danice Akiyoshi is a Naturopathic Doctor and the head of Candid Coaching Service. She has a great passion for alternative healing and has over 20 years of experience in this field.

She provides a form of energy psychology called The Emotion Code, where she helps people literally get rid of their emotional baggage. She also offers personal coaching services relating to all types of issues and concerns. This is a letter she received from an anonymous reader. To send a question to Danice, email her at straight-talk@candidcoachingservices.com. You can also visit her website at www.candidcoachingservices.com.

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Council corner: WHS athletes honored

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and made us very proud," said Council Member Nancy Tragarz. "So I congratulate all of you, wish you many more years of success and want to just continue to see you grow."

During the public comment section, Glenda Ferguson, director of development at Pomona Valley Medical Center, welcomed Walnut residents to attend an upcoming Walnut family wellness fair Sat., March 1 from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. at the Walnut Senior Center.

The wellness fair, which is a partnership between the Pomona Valley Medical Center and the City of Walnut, will provide attendants with health screenings for mammograms, hearing and eyesight, as well as informative discussions on important health issues and family activities.

More 60 freeway closures this weekend

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11:00 p.m. to 11: a.m. – North and southbound I-605 Connector to eastbound SR-60: CLOSED

Westbound SR-60:

12:00 a.m. to 4:00 a.m. – Up to three lanes between southbound SR-57 and Azusa Avenue

10:00 p.m. to 11:00 a.m. – Fairway Drive and Old Brea Canyon Road Onramps: CLOSED

12:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. – HOV Lane between southbound SR-57 and Nogales Street: CLOSED

11:00 p.m. to 10:00 a.m. – North and southbound SR-57 Connector to westbound SR-60: CLOSED

Friday, 11:59 p.m. to Saturday, 5:00 a.m. – All lanes between southbound SR-57 and Azusa Avenue: FULL FREEWAY CLO-

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And don't forget Caltrans' "Slow for the Cone Zone" initiative to help you get home safely to your family. Obey all posted speed limits, stay alert and avoid distractions, drive with caution and watch out for workers, allow extra time for delays, anticipate lane shifts and safely merge as directed, and allow plenty of space between you and the car in front of you. Remember to be patient and courteous as motorists get through these areas together.

Mandarin Taste serves authentic cuisine

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service that has been open in the City of Diamond Bar for over 26 years.

The restaurant has thrived because of the many delicious dishes it serves and the family-friendly atmosphere that keeps people coming back for more.

"We're like a family restaurant," said restaurant manager Chi Young, when describing the feeling that customers get when visiting the long lasting eatery.

"People are always smiling [here]," said Young.

The restaurant's owners and staff want everyone who comes to their establishment to relax and enjoy themselves over the delectable food.

Mandarin Taste has many

specialties including seafood dishes and spicy food. Crispy shrimp, fried dumplings and walnut shrimp are just some of the many customer favorites, and they are also well known for their wonton soup.

The restaurant holds a very popular champagne brunch on Sundays and has all-you-can-eat buffets, as well.

Mandarin Taste also serves cocktails and if customers can't

come in to enjoy the pleasant ambience, they have the option to order food for carryout.

For more information, please call (909) 861-1819, or just stop by their location at 23391 E. Golden Springs Drive, Diamond Bar.

the City of Walnut as successor agency allowing certain claims and demands in the amount of \$40,000.00 and demands no. 100515 through 100515 both inclusive."

After brief announcements from the City Council members, the meeting officially adjourned at 7:55 p.m. with plans to hold the next City Council meeting on Oct. 23.

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Walnut street closures for family festival

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the parade: La Puente Road east from Lemon Avenue to Morningside Drive; Lemon Avenue northbound from Vejar Road to Meadowpass Road; and Meadowpass Road will be closed for the safety of the children, adults and horses that are participating in the parade. All four lanes of Meadowpass Road will be closed from the driveway of St. Lorenzo Ruiz Church to Lemon Avenue. Vehicles must travel east on Meadowpass Road from Pierre Road to Amar Road to exit the area. Please exercise caution when driving on Meadowpass between 8 a.m. and 11 a.m., as there may be school buses and children moving about on that road.

In addition to major road closures at La Puente, Lemon and Suzanne, there will be no (non-emergency) vehicular traffic allowed to enter La Puente from San Vincente, Old Post Road, Citadel Road or Southcoast Drive during the parade. If you think you may need to leave the area between 8:30 a.m. and noon, the City of Walnut asks to please make arrangements to move your vehicle prior to 8:30 a.m. that morning.

Suzanne Road will also be closed from La Puente Road

north to Fuerte from 4 p.m. on Fri., Oct. 11 through midnight on Sat., Oct. 12. Marcon Drive will be closed Sat., Oct. 12 from 6 a.m. to midnight.

Please use caution when driving in Walnut during these hours. There will be children, adults, horses, carriages and other vehicles participating in the parade and runs.

The City of Walnut hopes you will join the community in attending the Family Festival, which will include a pancake breakfast, live entertainment, a variety of food, crafts, business, game and community awareness booths, and an amusement area for children.

The pancake breakfast is sponsored by the Walnut/Diamond Bar Lions Club, and they will be at Suzanne Park from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. serving pancakes, sausage and juice.

The Walnut Family Festival main event will be held at Suzanne Park, 625 Suzanne Road in Walnut, with the grand opening at 10 a.m. and festivities concluding at 6 p.m. The theme this year is "Cruzin' Around the World", which focuses on all the wonderful places residents of Walnut lived before.

In addition to the traditional Family Festival favorites like the jump booths, dunk tank, and a variety of game booths, committees added a petting zoo and horse rides by Walnut Valley

Riders.

There will also be a large variety of foods to satisfy all of your taste buds. There will be Italian ice, pizza, hot dogs, chili-dogs, tri-tip sandwiches, nachos, churros, snow cones, funnel cakes and more.

Over 30 booths were secured for this year's Family Festival, including the Arts & Crafts booths, Community Awareness booths, and a Business Expo that allows you to get acquainted with many of the local businesses available in Walnut. Make sure you stop by this awesome event this Saturday!

For more information regarding the Walnut Family Festival or the road closures, please call (909) 598-5605.

Salmonella outbreak

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chicken processed in California. So far, 278 cases have been reported throughout 18 states since March 2013, but no one

has died.

The first case was reported in March and the most recent in late August. Cases involve both patients young and old from all over the county. The situation has gotten severe enough that

the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention have called some furloughed workers back to work to help track the outbreak. This decision was made after the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Food Safety and Inspection

Service issued a public health alert late Monday connecting the outbreak to three Foster Farms processing plants in the Central Valley. The chicken was sold mostly in California, Oregon and Washington State.

There are seven strains of Salmonella Heidelberg that have sickened consumers. Several of these strands are antibiotic resistant. Symptoms of Salmonella Poisoning are diarrhea, fever and abdominal cramps that develop within 12-72 hours after exposure. Most people are able to recover without treatment, but

if the infection spreads through the intestines to the bloodstream or if they are young or have compromised immune systems, then they may need to be hospitalized.

According to health officials, proper food handling is essential for preventing salmonella. Raw poultry should be kept away from other foods. Food thermometers should be used to ensure that meat is properly cooked at 165 degrees. Also, remember to wash your hands and surfaces thoroughly after handling raw chicken.



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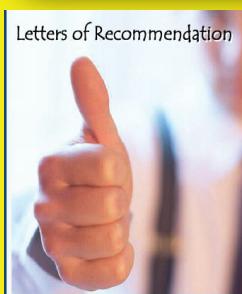
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