



OC News

Owner Defrauds Employees

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Orange County – A construction company owner and his foreman were arraigned this week for defrauding employees out of \$330,000 in wages and keeping the money for themselves from two public works contract.

Mustafa Mohamed Bdaiwi, 41, Irvine, and Antonio Nara-

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IE News

Crime Dropping

RIVERSIDE SHERIFF DEPT.

Riverside - The Riverside County Sheriff's Department has released preliminary FBI Part I crime statistics for 2013 indicating a reduction in reported crimes for the period where crime data is currently known, January through October, as compared to that same period of time in 2012. The trend in crime data indicates sharp drops in reported violent crime in the Sheriff's areas

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Four Rewarded For Reporting Crime

STAFF REPORTS

Diamond Bar – Four Diamond Bar residents were recently rewarded \$500 each for reporting suspicious activity that led to the arrest of three suspected burglars.

The financial awards were approved by a committee consisted of a sworn member of the Sheriff's Department and Diamond Bar City staff under the Report

for Reward program that went into effect Nov. 15, 2013.

The Report for Reward program aims to help combat residential and vehicular crimes within city limits by providing members of the public with a monetary incentive of up to \$500 for information leading to the arrest of individuals who damage

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Photo courtesy: City of Diamond Bar
With the "Report for Reward" program in full effect, four residents were recently rewarded \$500 for reporting suspicious activity.

Winter Solstice Tells A Beautiful Story

BY SARAH ARMIJO



PHOTO BY SARAH ARMIJO
(L-R) Mayor Antonio "Tony" Cartagena, Father Tony Asduillo, Congressman Ed Royce, Royce's wife Marie, and Councilmember Bob Pacheco.

Walnut – When you hear a story through music, it creates a special meaning, and the story told through the performers in the Winter Solstice concert was a unique and passionate way of hearing the story of Christmas.

The Winter Solstice concert held at St. Lorenzo Catholic Parish Church on December 28, 2013 featured an impeccable performance from the St. Lorenzo Ruiz Choir, the Walnut

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Over 2,000 Arrested During DUI Campaign

STAFF REPORTS

LA County - Over 2,000 DUI arrests took place last month during the LA County Sheriff Department's 2013/14 Winter Holiday DUI Mobilization crackdown on drinking drivers. The arrests were made within a 20 day period from sobriety checkpoints, special saturation patrols, and

routine patrols throughout Los Angeles County.

From 12:01 a.m. Friday, Dec. 13, through midnight Wednesday, Jan. 1, 2014, officers representing 100 county law enforcement agencies have arrested 2,268 individuals for driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs, according to an LA County Sheriff news release. Sheriff officials

also reported that in the 2012/13, about 2,168 DUI arrests occurred during the 19 day holiday campaign.

Law enforcement officials say that they will be conducting more "Avoid the 100" DUI operations during Super Bowl Sunday in

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Officers Seek Suspects After Fatal Shooting

STAFF REPORTS

Chino - Officers are seeking three subjects of interest after a shooting in Chino left one victim dead and another in critical condition.

On Jan. 1 at approximately 9 p.m., Officers responded to a call of shots fired in the residential neighborhood of the 12800

block of Benson Avenue in Chino. When Officers arrived, they found two adult males lying in an alley, suffering from gunshot wounds, according to a City of Chino

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PHOTO COURTESY: CITY OF CHINO

Officers are seeking these three subjects of interest after a shooting in Chino that resulted in a victim dead and a victim in critical condition.

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BUSINESS FEATURE

Alamo Car Wash One-Stop Shop

BY SEAN C. MOORE

Walnut – You're a busy person with a lot to do. You need a car wash, an oil change, a haircut and you have to pick up a birthday card for a friend—and you haven't even had lunch yet. You could run all over town trying

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FACEBOOK

Facebook Giveaway Winner Announced

BY SARAH ARMIJO

SGV - Congratulations to CINDY TRAN-THOMPSON for winning our "Dinner and a Show" Facebook Giveaway prize, which included a gift certificate to The Whole Enchilada in Diamond Bar and two tickets

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PHOTO BY: SARAH ARMIJO

ABC Public Relations President, Michael Armijo, gave Cindy Tran-Thompson and her son Karson their Facebook Giveaway prize.

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Another Planet

MICHAEL ARMIJO

Sometimes I attribute it to the way I was brought up, other times to the way my time's been spent. Either way, deep within my spirit, there's a little piece of me that constantly whispers to my soul; "you don't belong here."

When I consistently hear the word "dysfunction" I'm reminded of my life growing up. Or the way I perceived it while growing

up. But to me it seems to go far beyond just an upbringing. It sits deep within I instinctively feel that I just don't belong.

The task at hand seems to be that it just doesn't seem to go away. The feeling seems to linger like a vulture waiting for their prey to lie still, waiting for that moment when it's time to be fed. During a moment of weakness, or a time when I'm left un-alert.

The better question, or more

like a theory, is that I just might be from another time. Or it could be that I can see a light that others cannot. Maybe I've been misled about life because no one has bothered to convince me that life is what many say it is. I don't know why I feel the way I do, but at times, I just can't seem to shake that feeling ... that I don't belong.

It's a bit difficult not understanding your existence, not knowing for sure the answers to those puzzling questions – always second guessing major decisions, always questioning success. It's not easy feeling awkward during the great times, wondering if I really deserve what I've earned, or waiting for bad news after being surprised with the good. The questions that I cannot answer about life haunt

me and I carry a heavy heart. Those questions just stay within my spirit, answerless and alone.

I know that somewhere, at some time, I'll find the answer. I'll find the reason why I feel the way I do. Today I'm left with the hope that somewhere out there I do belong to this galaxy of life. I belong to a realm that understands why I feel the way I do, and sees the things that I see. And when this day comes, when I meet these individuals, I will finally be home. And deep within my heart, I will feel as though I am no longer from a far-away land, or another time. It'll be that day that I'll know that I will no longer hear the little whispers from the emotions inside. But then again, maybe I need to come to the realization that I just may be from another planet.

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Community Events And Meetings

STAFF REPORTS

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Winter Snow Fest

When: Saturday, Jan. 18 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Where: Pantera Park, 738 Pantera Dr., Diamond Bar

Cost: Admission and access to the snow play areas are free. Sledding, Game and craft areas are subject to a minimal fee of \$5 for unlimited sledding and \$1 to participate in four games/crafts.

Contact: Diamond Bar Recreation Services Division (909) 839-7070.

LA Spay Neuter Festival

When: Saturday, Jan. 18 from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Where: Morgan Park, 4100 Baldwin Park Blvd., Baldwin Park

Cause: Fixing Pet Overpopulation

Cost: FREE spay/neuter

Details: Micro-chipping, pet vaccinations, training tips, kids activities, music, and more. Hosted by Carrie Ann Inaba and sponsored by Hope For Paws.

Sign up at: laspayneuterfest.com

FUTURE EVENTS:

DB Bridal Show Vendor Opportunity

Application Deadline: Feb. 7
Bridal Show Date: Sunday, March 23 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Bridal Show Location: Diamond Bar center, 1600 Grand Avenue in Diamond Bar

Details: Vendor spots are still

open, but space is limited. Wedding or special event vendors can promote their services by calling (909) 839-7066 or visiting diamondbarca.gov/bridalshow.

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.

Details: All books and media: any four items for \$1. \$1 minimum purchase.

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When: second Tuesdays of every month.

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City Council Meeting

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

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.

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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

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CHINO HILLS MEETINGS:

City Council Meeting

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

Where: Chino Hills City Council Chambers, 14000 City Center Drive, Chino Hills CA 91709

Planning Commission Meeting

When: 1st and 3rd Tuesdays at 7 p.m.

Where: Chino Hills City Council Chambers, 14000 City Center Drive, Chino Hills CA 91709

Public Works Commission

When: 1st Wednesdays of the month

Where: Chino Hills City Council Chambers, 14000 City Center Drive, Chino Hills CA 91709

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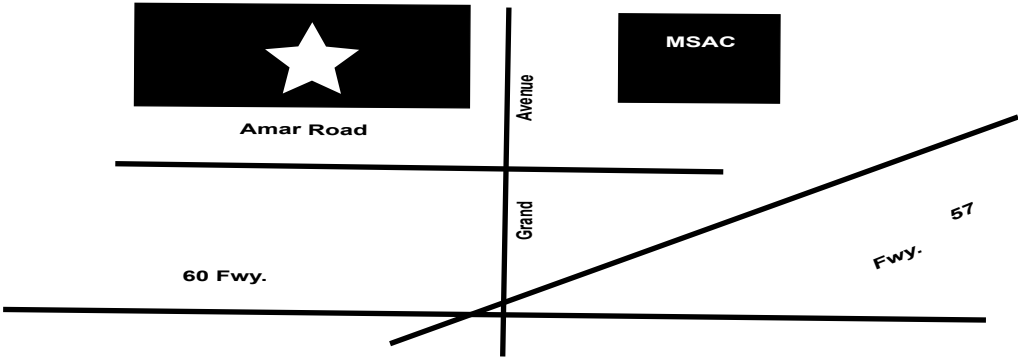
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Deputies Arrest Man Who Committed Two Carjackings

LOS ANGELES SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

Industry - At around 8:50 PM Dec, 27, 2013, a lone suspect committed two separate carjackings in Hacienda Heights and the City of Industry. The first carjacking occurred at a restaurant parking lot at 7th Avenue and the

60 Freeway, Hacienda Heights, when the suspect told the male adult victim he had a gun and demanded his vehicle (green Dodge Neon). The first victim complied and the suspect fled northbound 7th Avenue where he abandoned the vehicle in the supermarket parking lot at Turnbull Canyon Road and Gale

Avenue in the City of Industry. The suspect then confronted a second victim (female adult) in the parking lot and physically assaulted her by hitting her on the head with a glass bottle. The suspect then stole her vehicle (beige Lexus).

As Industry station deputies were responding to area of the

first carjacking, the suspect nearly collided into a patrol car. Realizing that the vehicle that nearly collided into them could possibly be related to the carjacking which had just happened, Deputies conducted a traffic stop and detained the driver without incident. Moments later they learned of the second

carjacking and confirmed the suspect they were detaining was the same person.

The first carjacking victim was uninjured and did not require any medical treatment. The second victim was medically treated at the scene by L.A. County Fire for minor injuries. No firearm was located.

Crime dropping

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of Riverside County, and smaller drops in overall property crime as well.

Although homicides were up sharply, along with an increase in the preliminary numbers of forcible rapes reported to the Sheriff, the FBI violent crime numbers (homicide, rape, robbery & aggravated assaults) were down by 16% across all of the Sheriff's areas, but down 20% in the Sheriff's unincorporated areas alone (down from 721 to 575 reported violent crimes). Robberies were down by over 12%, aggravated assaults down by over 20%, and burglaries down by over 9% in the Sheriff's areas of responsibility throughout Riv-

erside County.

The Sheriff's Department serves as the contract policing agency partner with 17 of Riverside County's 28 cities and serves the unincorporated areas of Riverside County for criminal investigations. Altogether, the Sheriff is responsible for policing nearly 1.4 million residents of the County's population of nearly 2.3 million.

The Sheriff's contract policing service provides each of its 17 community partners with a flexible menu of services and each city is able to control its police staffing levels along with their unique focus for their own community. The Sheriff's local commanders serve as city police chiefs for each city manager and are just as responsive

as any other city department head. This responsiveness encourages considerable initiative and creativity in dealing with the local threats and opportunities in dealing with local crime challenges in each of those cities.

Sheriff Stan Sniff cautioned that this information is for only the first 10 months of 2013, but that the data trend was very encouraging as the Sheriff's Department impacts the majority of the County's overall population. He attributed the downward trend in crime numbers to slow but steady increases in patrol staffing in the unincorporated areas of the County funded by the Board of Supervisors that commenced in late 2012. Additionally, the Sheriff and local

police chiefs maintain close coordination and teamwork in using regional teams, task forces, and multi-disciplinary approaches in confronting our crime problems and the impacts of AB 109 Realignment.

The county's senior law enforcement leadership meets bimonthly to assess and discuss emerging issues and trends, to share resources and information rapidly, and to minimize adverse impact to our already severely overcrowded jails in Riverside County.

In addition, the Sheriff's jail leadership has been on the cutting-edge in working closely with the District Attorney's Office, the

Probation Department and other jail systems statewide in developing both assessment tools and training programs to address inmate recidivism. Sheriff Sniff underscored that the fielding of advanced technology has been pre-eminent locally in getting the right tools into the hands of frontline deputies and police officers countywide through the CAL-ID Program, including Live Scan, Mobile ID, and emerging Biometric tools like Iris scan and facial recognition.

The Sheriff's Department cautions that the crime data released is preliminary as submitted to the FBI, and still lacks data for November and December 2013.



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Winter Solstice concert

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Valley Symphony Orchestra and Master Chorale, and Msgr. Joseph V. Brennan.

Under the direction of the talented Dr. Nové Deypalan and Collaborative Artist, Stephen Lazarus, the performers in the Winter Solstice concert were able to leave the audience speechless after each piece.

The night started off with the recently created Walnut Valley Symphony Orchestra getting the audience in the Christmas spirit with "A Christmas Festival" arranged by Leroy Anderson. Then, with it's now 100 members, the St. Lorenzo Ruiz Choir took the stage by singing "We'll Dress the House" arranged by Deypalan.

But the audience were left in awe when Cristina Pacheco, Walnut High School graduate and Executive Director of the Walnut Valley Symphony Orchestra & Master Chorale took the stage to sing "As If We Never Said Goodbye" to start off the series of amazing vocalists.

After the remarkable performances from soloist Jordan Jimenez, trio Brian, Jada and

Devon Roberts, and duet Ava Mills and Kristy Camarella, the Walnut Valley Master Chorale made their first appearance to sing a series of Christmas classics.

Following Chris Rodriguez' conduction of the last two songs in the "Welcome Home" section, vocalists Jackie Madrigal, Msgr. Joseph V. Brennan, and Anna Betancourt, along with the Walnut Valley Symphony Orchestra took over the "Yuletide" section before the intermission.

Reverend Tony P. Astudillo's speech started the second half of the concert. Then the Walnut Valley Symphony Orchestra got the audience right back in the Christmas mood, with the St. Lorenzo Ruiz Choir following.

After the variety of performances from the amazing vocalists, Paul Kintanar, JCris Ronquillo, Roberto Gomez, Bess de Guzman-Valenzuela, and Sal Malaki, the night ended in an outstanding version of the classic "Hallelujah."

The Winter Solstice performers received tremendous amount of support from the community. Eighteen letters were written to the church and director by community members, office leaders,

schools, and members of the Catholic parish community to show their appreciation.

Walnut Mayor Antonio "Tony" Cartagena and Congressman Ed Royce attended the show and had nothing but great things to say about the Winter Solstice concert and the St. Lorenzo Parish Community.

"This worthwhile musical production serves as an excellent way for a much needed Vellucci Hall renovation and Faith Formation programs to feature their amazing talents. Most importantly, it provides superb musical entertainment for our benefactors and community members not only in the City of Walnut, but in the entire San Gabriel Valley," said Mayor Cartagena in his letter to St. Lorenzo.

"My deepest appreciation to all parishioners of the St. Lorenzo Catholic Parish for their continued dedication and contributions to the St. Lorenzo community, as well as their continued support in the enhancement of the City of Walnut," Cartagena added.

"I would like to thank everyone involved in the production of "Winter Solstice" for their tireless efforts and contributions to St. Lorezno's parish. I applaud your service and unwavering commitment to your faith community,"

said Congressman Ed Royce in his letter.

Pastoral Council Leader, Ed Slingsluff, also gave a special thank you to Nové Deypalan, Arcel Punsalang, Honchee Natividad, and Espie Cabuntala for leading the faith community in the event, and he also thanked the "countless volunteers who worked hard behind the scenes to makes this endeavor a success."

Deypalan, Music Director of St. Lorenzo Ruiz, also wrote a letter to the church on the day of the concert to show his appreciation, as well.

"To serve as Music Director of St. Lorenzo Ruiz Church is a notable privilege because of the selfless volunteer singers whose dedication is immeasurable," said Dr. Nové Deypalan, who is also the Founder and Music Director of the Walnut Valley Symphony Orchestra and Master Chorale.

"I am very proud of the St. Lorenzo Ruiz Choir's accom-



Cristina Pacheco, sang "As If We Never Said Goodbye".



Dr. Nové Deypalan introducing a performer before he conducted.



The St. Lorenzo Choir sang beautifully at the Winter Solstice Concert.

plishments and very grateful for their continued support. In addition, I am thrilled and honored to lead this remarkable ensemble that has touched my heart," Deypalan added.

For more information about these groups and performers, go to www.walnutvalleysymphony.org or www.stlorenzo.org.



The Walnut Valley Orchestra and Director Deypalan put on their Santa Hats during their performance to get in the Christmas spirit.

Owner defrauds employees

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njo Jr., 40, Costa Mesa, are charged with 11 felony counts of taking and receiving a portion of a worker's wage on public works project, two felony counts of recording a false and forged instrument, and sentencing enhancements for property loss over \$200,000. If convicted on all counts, they face a maximum sentence of 12 years and four months in state prison. The defendants are each being held on \$330,000 bail and must prove the money is from a legal and legitimate source before posting bond.

At the time of the crime, Bdaiwi is accused of owning a construction company, Malcon Civils Inc. Naranjo Jr. is accused of working for Bdaiwi as his project administrator. In December 2010, Bdaiwi is accused of being awarded a project by the City of Irvine and given contracts to do work at an Irvine elementary school. Bdaiwi and Naranjo Jr. are accused of constructing a wall, which later began to lean over and subsequently needed to be removed due to faulty construction and causing a safety hazard. The defendants are


also accused of being awarded a project by the City of Hemet, and upon completion, embezzling the funds meant to be used to pay their workers for the construction.

Between Jan. 11, 2011, and Aug. 10, 2011, Bdaiwi and Naranjo Jr. are accused of requiring workers to return a portion of their wages and threatening to terminate their employment if they did not comply. Over the course of the two projects, the defendants are accused of submitting fraudulent and forged certified payroll records showing the correct amount due to his staff for proper bookkeeping. The defendants are accused of having the employees return some of their wages back to them and keeping that money for their own personal use.

The defendants are being prosecuted by the Orange County District Attorney's Office (OCDA) for embezzling funds from their workers during the construction projects in Irvine and Hemet.

In 2011, the Center for Contract Compliance started an investigation into Bdaiwi and Naranjo Jr. and shortly thereafter contacted the OCDA to further investigate the case.

Deputy District Attorney Donde McCament of the Insurance Fraud Unit is prosecuting this case.



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DEAR DR. AKIYOSHI,

In the past few years my weight has gone out of control! I need help! My husband makes it really hard for me to resist when he brings snacks to bed when we watch TV at night. He brings, pie, ice cream, popcorn, nuts, and even cocktails. I admit I have always loved this snack time, but I told him I am trying to lose weight. He sees me exercising and walking 4 days a week! He has a normal weight and eats everything! I feel like he is sabotaging me. I struggle to stay on my diet even when I'm cooking meals for my family. I do have some will power, but I need his coop-



eration so it's not so hard. How can I get through to him?

Kim from Azusa

Dear Kim,

I really feel for you. Excess weight is one of the hardest issues to deal with. In all of my years as a Naturopathic Doctor, I have found that getting a patient to change their eating habits is a very hard thing to do. Popular theory is the calories in...calories out concept. Obviously this is failing for many people. Different bodies gain weight for different reasons, and in different ways. I know a woman who ate 800 calories a day for 2 weeks eating only rice cakes and peanut butter. Her scale didn't budge. Her body couldn't manage the carbohydrates would be my guess. I know people who eat three times the amount of food I eat on a continual basis and they don't have an extra pound

on their bodies, and it's not because they're involved in vigorous exercise. I am not fortunate in this way either, so I truly do understand your struggle.

However... It is a mistake to blame your husband for your situation or for your discomfort when he eats things in front of you that are not on your eating plan. He has the right to his own choices, even when they seem insensitive to you. You have a right to your choices as well. So let's take a look at you taking a little personal responsibility for achieving your goal. It seems to me that doing the family cooking is working against your health and weight goals, so perhaps your husband can take that over for you. You wouldn't ask him to make the cocktails at a party if he were trying to cut back or quit drinking, right? You would be supportive and allow him to keep some distance until he became stable and accomplished what

he set out to do. As for the late night snacking in front of the TV, I think it would be a better idea if you spent your time doing something else until he is finished with his snack fest. Maybe read, or watch TV in a different room or step out for a bit. I'm sure you enjoy spending time with your husband, but for now, adjustments need to be made. It's not a good idea to ignore this situation, as it won't be long before you become resentful. Or perhaps he will, if he is forced to change his eating habits to suit your needs.

Sacrifice yourself, or save yourself. The choice is clear. People with certain personality types often make choices that don't serve them well personally, and or physically, in order to do what they think is best for the whole family. I hope you will try to balance this out as you work on your physical well being. Body weight issues are very complex, and can be addressed

in a variety of ways. I wish you well in finding the path that feels right for you, and I hope you work out a plan to be true to yourself and your needs.

Take care, Kim.

Sincerely,

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 straighttalk@candidcoachingservices.com. You can also visit her website at www.candid-coachingservices.com.

2014 The Magic Year

BY NANCY STOOPS

Happy New Year to all of you wonderful beings. Yes

it's a new beginning for us all. It's a chance to start fresh and finally become who you are meant to be. The New Year brings unlimited possibilities and new energy that helps us believe,



the sky is the limit. The New Year gives us hope and many new chances. I say take these chances and make this year, the best one ever!

Start this process by setting some small very obtainable daily goals. Once you're in the groove and have met the daily goals, now it's time to set a realistic goal for the year. You may or may not ever meet the year end goal but it's all about the steps or the process that we take in our attempt that cause us to

change. That's what I want you all to focus this year. So what if you never get there all the way, you're certainly moving in the right direction. Be proud of what you are able to do this year and don't beat yourself up for what you couldn't do.

I hope you will be good to yourselves this year and finally work toward who you are meant to be. I want you to remember it's all here for you and all you have to do is believe in yourself and go and get what you de-

serve. So I dedicate this to all of you in hopes that this will be a magical year. I wish for all of you that you will get out there and find all the greatness that exists in you and our very wonderful world. It all starts by believing in you and I believe in all of you and want you to be the very best you can be!

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

She also works as a motivational speaker. Nancy runs free family support groups, a group on loss for seniors, and groups for teens and can handle many court mandated needs. For more information about any of these services feel free to page her at (626) 9353818 or call her at (909) 229-0727. You may e-mail Nancy at stoopsshecter@earthlink.net You may purchase Nancy's new book Live Heal and Grow at www.RoseDogBookstore.com or at Amazon.com.

A New Calendar

BY MARK HOPPER

One of my favorite Christmas gifts each year is a new calendar. One of our daughters uses Snapfish to produce a calendar with photos of all of our grandchildren.

Each month includes two or three pictures of some of the cutest grandkids you've ever seen!

Month by month throughout the year, my wife and I enjoy seeing recent photos of our grandkids.

Calendars are helpful in several ways. For example, they help us plan for the future. We are already making travel plans to visit our grandkids later this year. The calendar helps us find the best dates to schedule our trips.

This calendar also helps remind us of important dates throughout the year. All of our family's birthdays and anniversaries are identified each month to help us remember to call or send a card.

Maybe the best part of this calendar is that it reminds us of God's blessing to our family. We marvel at the growth and development of each grandchild. We celebrate each birthday and anniversary. We feel very blessed.

Calendars also remind us of how fast time seems to go. The



weeks, months and years go by so quickly. Suddenly we are in another new year.

I hope that you will use your time well as you begin this new year. Take time to enjoy your family and friends. Find a church home where you can learn, grow and serve. Enjoy each day that

God gives you.

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Four residents rewarded \$500 for reporting crime

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or destroy property while attempting or executing a residential or vehicular burglary, according to the City newsletter. The program is open to everyone, but City and Sheriff's employees are not eligible for a reward.

Citizen Barbara DeCarbo was recognized as the first recipient of the Report for Reward program and was thanked for her services to the city at the Dec. 17 City Council meeting.

At the meeting, DeCarbo described the incident she reported to the Walnut/Diamond Bar Sheriff's Station. She said she was home one September afternoon when saw a man walking on the sidewalk in front of her neighbor's home and then walk to the side of the house to

the backyard. Knowing that her neighbors weren't home, she called the Police to give them information about the suspicious man and the suspicious vehicle that had been driving back and forth on her street. Sheriff Deputies responded quickly, which resulted in three male suspects being arrested that day.

DeCarbo then asked the community to please get to know their neighbors and get involved. The City Council agreed and Mayor Carol Herrera added that with 16,000 residential units in the city, it is impossible to have a deputy patrol each one.

The City website also states that one of the best ways to safeguard your neighborhood against burglaries is to get to know your neighbors and watch out for each other's property. "The more eyes you have looking

for suspicious or criminal activity, the better protected you and your neighbors will be against burglaries." It also says to make sure to also trust your instincts, and immediately call the Sheriff's Station if something does not look or feel right.

Suspicious activity that should always be reported includes unfamiliar persons on foot, bicycle, or vehicle driving through residential streets below the speed limit or lingering in an area, seemingly without a purpose. City officials say that when calling the Sheriff's Station (909) 595-2264 (9-1-1 if the burglary is in progress or it is an emergency), try to provide as

much as information as you can about what you are observing, such as description of the individuals, and the car color, make, model and, if pos-

sible, a license plate number.

The City also asks to consider joining or starting a Neighborhood Watch group in your area by calling Community Relations Deputy Aaron Scheller at (909) 839-7079.

The Report for Reward program was established after being approved by the Diamond Bar City Council – by way of Ordinance No. 08(2013) – during its regular meeting of October 1, 2013.

To encourage wider participation in the Report for Reward program, City staff and Sheriff's deputies in late November 2013 met with Diamond Bar employees the

United States Postal Service and the City's contract street sweeping company to inform them of the program and guide them on how to detect suspicious behavior while out in the field, according to the newsletter. Additional meetings are planned with other City vendors and area service providers in the coming weeks. Community groups who would like a presentation on the Report for Reward program may contact City Hall at 909.839.7000.

For more information about the program, including answers to frequently-asked questions, please visit the City website at diamondbarca.gov/RFR.

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Officers seek suspects

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news release. One of the vic-

tims, Robert Sanchez, 28, of Chino, was later pronounced dead after he was transported to the Chino Valley Medical

Center.

The suspects were described as three adult Hispanic males and were said to have left on

foot heading northbound on Benson Avenue.

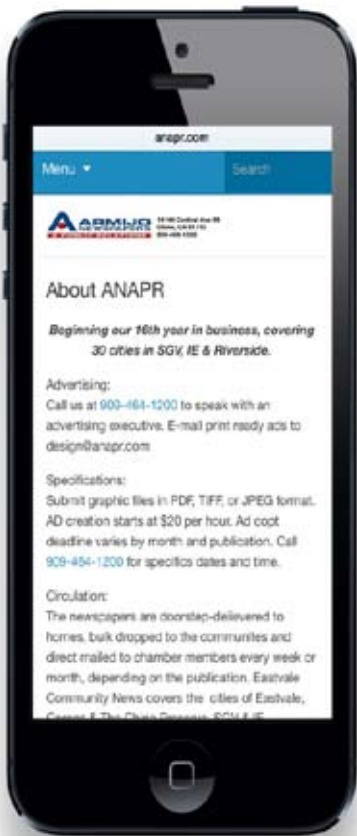
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to get all of this done, or you could get it all done at one stop: Alamo Car Wash and Detail Center.

Dan Gerstner and his wife, Sylvia, opened Alamo 18 years ago, and they have run the business with a simple philosophy ever since.

“Our philosophy is to always have satisfied customers. We want them to be satisfied with what we do here, and 99.9 percent of the time, they are,” Gerstner said.

Situated in a four-acre complex at the corner of Nogales and Francesca Drive in Walnut, Alamo features a hand car wash, a Mobil gas station and an Xpress Lube oil change center, as well as a number of shops, which the Gerstners rent mostly to automotive-related businesses, but also include restaurants, beauty salons, a dentist’s office, a locksmith and a bookkeeping service.

“We even have a shoeshine guy. It’s really a one-stop shop,” Gerstner said.

The car wash offers full-service hand car washes and detailing, which include waxing, buffing and interior cleaning, as well as an express wash for people on the go.

“We have a new service we started a year ago—the express exterior wash. It only takes five minutes and the customer stays in the car as it goes through the tunnel where it gets hand washed. It’s for people who are in a hurry,” he explained.

Asked why people should visit Alamo instead of other area car

washes, Gerstner said, “I don’t know what other car washes do, but I know what we do. We’re very picky about service and the little details. And usually, when the car comes out, it’s cleaner than it’s ever been.”

Package washes are popular, Gerstner said, especially the Silver Package Wash. It includes an air freshener, sealer wax, polish wax, rainbow wax, clear coat sealant and Armor-All on the car’s tires.

Inside the brightly-decorated car wash, you can watch your car as it goes through the tunnel; get

a massage in a leather massage chair, listen to the sound of tropical birds chirping, pick up a gift or card in the gift shop.

“If people need something at the last minute, like greeting cards, we have a wide selection they can choose from while they’re waiting for their car. We also carry just about any kind of auto accessories you might need,” Gerstner said.

Alamo’s oil change service is also extremely popular.

“Our quick lube service is very complete. We do the complete maintenance service for the car—

transmission, power steering, brake fluid, the cooling system and fuel emissions service—we do the whole maintenance package for your car, and that’s why our quick lube service is so popular,” Gerstner said. Plus, oil change customers receive a free car wash.

Gerstner admits that Alamo is not the cheapest place to have your car washed or serviced, but maintains that the services they offer make them competitive with just about anybody else.

“We offer a higher level of service than many other places,

and that’s why we’ve been so successful. People love their car—their car is like their baby, and it’s unbelievable how some of them treat their cars. We see customers who come in twice a week, and their cars look clean, but they still want them washed here,” he explained.

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