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OC News

Murder Suspects Arraigned

By Emily Lundberg

Santa Ana - Suspects in Orange County's serial homicides were arraigned on March 15 according to a press release from the Anaheim Police Department. The arraignment came a little more than a month after their arrests on March 11.

The suspects, Franco Cano, 27, and Steven Dean Gordon, 45, were arrested for murdering four women, three

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IE News

Eastvale Resident Seeks A Kidney

By Jennifer Madrigal

Eastvale - Local Eastvale residents, Diana and Darryle Minor, have been quietly enduring a struggle that no family should have to face. Darryle was diagnosed with Polycystic Kidney Disease (PKD), which is

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Walnut Council Swears In Pacheco And Su

By Raymond Mendoza

Walnut - Walnut City Hall was the site of much celebrating, with council members Bob Pacheco and Mary Su being sworn into office in front of more than 100 City Council attendees, after months of campaigning.

"To Walnut residents, I would like to express my sincere gratitude for your tireless encouragement," Su said. "I knew this race was going to be nasty and ugly, but in the end most Walnut residents voted and cared about the important issues."

Pacheco thanked the Walnut residents for their support and thanked his wife, Gayle, and his daughter, Cristina, for all of their help during the election.

Both Pacheco and Su said that

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PHOTO COURTESY: RAYMOND MENDOZA

Bob Pacheco sworn in after months of campaigning.

Brutal Arson Death Investigation

STAFF REPORTS

Industry - Somewhere there are answers to the questions surrounding the heartbreaking events that led to a man, naked, reportedly beaten, bound and set on fire; a man who had the fortitude to somehow crawl up an embankment trail to the 605 freeway.

In a news release issued by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Homicide Bureau and Arson Explosive Detail, an adult male was found on the northbound 605 Freeway, just north of the 60 Freeway at about 1:49 p.m. on Tues, April 15. Multiple motorists called in the incident.

Reports say that detectives

believe the victim appears to have come from the wash area below the freeway. His arms and legs were partially bound, and he had severe burns to his face and body. Detectives are looking for evidence of a fire in the vicinity.

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DB Resident Allegedly Steals Mother's Memories



PHOTO COURTESY: MURRIETA POLICE DEPT

Photo released shows a couple using Norris' stolen

STAFF REPORTS

Murrieta - On March 31 Ashley Norris' purse was taken from a locker at a Murrieta LA Fitness. The purse contained some of the toys belonging to Norris' infant

son, who died last year.

According to Murrieta Police, two people were suspected of stealing Norris' purse and they were able to pull surveillance images of a couple who were allegedly using the victim's stolen credit cards. Norris, who was

see Stolen Page 5

Chino's Planes Of Fame Air Show

STAFF REPORTS

Chino – Look to the skies on the weekend of May 3 and 4 for "A Salute to the Mighty Eighth" as the exciting Planes of Fame soar at the Chino Airport.

Mooney International Corporation will present this year's air show featuring over 40 historic

aircraft celebrating the history and contributions of the men, women and aircraft of the 8th Air Force. Performers include U.S.A.F. F-22 Raptor Demo Team and Heritage Flight, Sean D. Tucker-Team Oracle Aerobatics, The Bremont Horsemen, Sea Fury Aerobatics by Sanders Aeronautics, Clay Lacy's Learjet Demonstration,

Rob Harrison and the Tumbling Bear, John Collver's AT-6 Aerobatics, and over 40 WWII aircraft including B-17, P-47s, and P-

These incredible planes are exciting to behold. Exclusive access

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Walnut/DB **Chino Hills** Weather

Sat Apr 26 **Mostly Sunny** High 67°

Low 49°



Sun Apr 27 Sunny High 72X° Low 52°



Mon Apr 28 Sunny High 83°

Low 58°

Low 60°



Tue Apr 29 **Partly Cloudy** High 90°



Wed Apr 30

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Thu May 1

Sunny High 91° Low 60°



Fri May 2

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Business Feature

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STAFF REPORTS

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BUSINESS FEATURE

Alamo Car Wash One-Stop Shop

By SEAN C. MOORE

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When I Go To Church, I Feel Peace

By Michael Armijo

One element that filled my childhood was the element of God. My father made us, and I do mean made us, go to church every Sunday; sometimes on Wednesdays, too. Come to think of it, sometimes Friday's as well. And once a month we also had to go on Mondays.

I remember countless hours of praying, praying, and praying. You can't claim your fame to praying unless you know the Rosary. For a while we did it every night. All of this praying and going to church, what did it do for us? I believe this excessiveness of "God" created a few major influences in my life.

I Believe I Can Fly: The Element of Faith. In every aspect of life you can sense a source of faith. If you ask people like Michael Jordan, his faith was in his father, and then himself. For Evander Holyfield, the Almighty God is his inspiration and faith. Almost every successful person has some source of faith in someone or something. Without this element, many people have said they wouldn't be where they are today.

I Believe and I'm Not Worrying About It: The Element of a Worry-Free Life. If there is a God, then everything is beyond your control. You still have responsibilities, but the stress level is lower. And the

best thing about a life without worry is everything happens for a reason. There are only two concerns at this level of life: things you can control, and things you can't. If you can control them, then you don't have to worry about it; and if you can't control them, it's in God's hands so you don't have to worry about it. Either way, you don't have to worry about it.

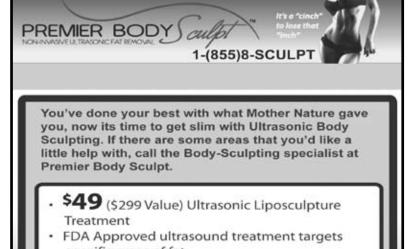
I Believe in Lettuce: The Foundation of Recovery. Acceptance, rationalizing, everything happens for a reason, keep the faith, don't worry be happy, it's beyond our control, etc. If you study the Alcoholics Anonymous, Narcotics Anonymous, Overeaters Anonymous, or any other support group, the first thing they promote is the element of faith. They tout that the reason you're in trouble with excessive behavior of alcohol or drugs or food is the fact that you've let go of your beliefs.

At some point in your life you've developed an absence of faith and decided to take the world's worry upon yourself. Some people have told me that since they've lost so much trust in the world, they've ceased to believe there is a God. For those people, support groups have asked them to try to develop a sense of faith even if it means having faith in a head of lettuce. Sounds ridiculous? I've been told it works, this playing along. People get the feel of faith again and it starts to get restored. Soon afterward, they develop a trust in God again, and it's at that point their life starts to turn around.

I Believe I'll Rest in Peace: I'm not saying if you don't believe in God your life is worthless, but I am saying there's more to this life than we can explain. God has told us to have faith and we will survive in a peaceful and loving world. Man has told us we came from

monkeys and you have the right to bear arms and kill each other because we're free. At this point, I think God's version of life is easier and more acceptable. And dad, if you're listening up there from heaven, thanks for drilling into us over and over again about prayer. Because when I go into a church, regardless of how I feel about the world, I always feel peace.





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Community Events

STAFF REPORTS

UPCOMING EVENTS: National Child Abuse Prevention Month

When: Month of April Where: Walnut Fire Station 61 (Lemon Avenue and La Puente Road)

Details: In support of National Child Abuse Prevention Month, the Walnut Valley Women's Club facilitated the planting of a garden of pinwheels at Fire Station 61. The pinwheels will remain throughout the month of April. "Pinwheels for Prevention" is a Prevent Child Abuse America program which promotes the message that, "All children deserve an equal chance to thrive and grow.'

DBHS Spring Musical "The Pirates of Penzance"

When: April 24, 25, 26 and May 1, 2, 3 at 7 p.m.

Where: DBHS Theatre, 21400 E. Pathfinder Road in Diamond Bar

Details: Tickets sales are available at www.seatyourself. biz/dbhsdrama. Sections B, C, D: Adults are \$18, Students w/ID are \$15. Sections A, E: Adults are \$15, Students w/ID are \$12.

Contact: Beatrice Casagran at (909) 594-1405, ext. 33276

Diamond Bar AYSO: Registration ages 4 to 18 years of age.

When: April 24, May, May 15, and June 3, 2014 from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Where: Pantera Park

Details: Please visit DBAYSO. ORG for registration procedures for both volunteers and players ages 4 to 18.

Contact: Greg M. Busch, R31_Safety@dbayso.org

An Evening to Honor Walnut Military and their Families

When: April 25, 6:30 p.m. to Midnight

Where: Diamond Bar Com-

munity Center

Details: Join the Walnut Military Support Group for an evening to honor and recognize military men, women and their families. Proceeds will be used to fund the various support systems that are being developed to extend to military members and their families. This newly formed committee is in direct partnership with the City of Walnut. The goal is to increase awareness and membership from residents in order to make a difference. The evening includes a buffet

and a silent auction. Cost: \$30

Contact: The Walnut Military Support Group, Kris Aguilar, (909) 519-6465.

dinner, entertainment, dancing

27th Annual St. Luke Parish Fiesta, Boutique and Car **Show**

When: April 25-27 Where: Temple City

Details: This year's fiesta is set to be one of the most diverse and expansive events, with a car show, exhibitor and boutique area; Mega 50/50 raffle, Laser Tag area, photo booth, food court, entertainment, games and rides.

Contact: Mary Broomfield, Publicity Chair, (626) 201-4560.

Great Strides (Taking Steps to Cure Cystic Fibrosis)

When: April 26, 10 a.m. (Check-In 8:30 a.m.)

Where: Frank G. Bonelli Regional Park

Details: Faith Lutheran Church will once again be participating in the annual "Great Strides" 5K walk to raise funds for the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. Their team goal is to raise \$3,000 and have 33 walkers.

Cost: \$10 for the Faith Lutheran team shirts (with lunch served after the race). There is no fee for the walk; teams are raising money through sponsorships.

Contact: Elizabeth Crowther, (909) 592-7523 or ercrowther@ yahoo.com to join Faith Lutheran Church. Sign up for the race at www.cff.org/greatstrides.

21th Annual Diamond Bar Library Wine Soirée

When: Sunday, April 27

Where: Diamond Bar Center, 1600 Grand Avenue in Diamond Bar

Details: An afternoon of delicious food from local restaurants, great wine from the Jerry Mead New World International Wine Competition, music, and exciting book, silent and live auctions. A unique souvenir wine glass and program are included with each ticket. All of the proceeds go directly to your local community library.

Cost: Tickets are \$50 per person in advance and \$60 at the door.

Contact: (909) 861-2002

FUTURE EVENTS: Music at the Point

When: Saturday, May 3, from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Where: South Pointe Middle School, 20671 Larkstone Drive, Diamond Bar

Details:

Walnut Senior Center Peddler's Market

When: May 3 from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Where: Walnut Senior Cen-

Details: Residents are encouraged to clean out those cupboards, closets, garages and become a vendor at the annual Peddler's Market. Vendors may purchase two full parking spaces for \$35 or three full parking spaces for \$50.

Contact: Kim Watts at the Walnut Senior Center at (909) 598-6200.

Fire Service Day

When: Saturday, May 17 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Where: City of Industry Fire Station 118; 17056 Gale Avenue, City of Industry

Details: Join the Los Angeles County Fire Station as they celebrate Fire Service Day with Fire Engines, Pool Safety, Jaws of Life Demonstration, and Equipment Displays.

OPARC's Heart and Sole: Fun Run 1K/5K and Health

When: June 14, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Where: Ruben S. Ayala Park, 5575 Edison Ave., Chino CA 91710

Cost: Entry fee for runners/ walkers is \$20, inspiration signs are \$50, vendor booths are \$150 and additional sponsorship opportunities are available. Free parking.

Details: OPARC, a 501(c)(3) organization that trains, employs and serves the mentally disabled community. Food vendors, vendor booths, participant awards, music, guest appearances, and more. Walk-ins are welcome.

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.

Contact: (909) 595-0757 or email the.walnut.library@mac.

Resources for the Classroom Days at Basically **BOOKS**

When: Second Tuesday of every month.

Where: Basically BOOKS locations: at 23447 Golden Springs Road, Diamond Bar and at the Diamond Bar Library: 21800 Copley Drive, Diamond

Details: Books and education videos will be offered at special discounts for teachers at all levels. Teachers can sign up at either Basically BOOKS locations or email BasicallyBOOKS@aol. com to join these special teacher appreciation afternoons.

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Cost: Free

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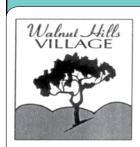
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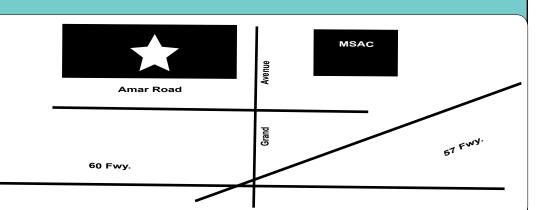
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Kidney sought by Eastvale resident

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a condition that causes the kidneys to become enlarged with multiple cysts. In Darryle's case, the PKD progressed to the level where his kidneys were five times the normal size and were completely taken over by cysts. The condition has worsened drastically over the last two years. In December 2011, he started dialysis treatments because his kidney function was reduced to less than 15 percent. The disease

further attacked his system to the point that his kidneys had to be removed on Aug. 29, 2013. He continues on dialysis.

The dialysis process is currently three visits each week, four hours each visit. The procedure leaves him weak and unable to work, and each visit usually takes the rest of the day to recover from. With two young children, a 10 -year old son, Darrian, and an 8-year old daughter, Dakota, Darryle is forced to watch life from the sidelines.

But Darryle's wife, Diana, is on

a quest to find a kidney for her husband. Although he has been on the waiting list for a kidney from a deceased donor for about two years, the wait is usually about eight to ten years. Darryle's best chance for survival is a kidney from a living donor.

Most people are unaware that you can live a healthy, normal life with only one kidney. And that donating a kidney has nothing to do with ethnicity as in incidents of bone marrow. The Live Donor process has more to do with blood type and overall health of the donor.

The Minors are sharing their story hoping that someone out there would consider being tested in consideration as a possible donor for a kidney transplant. A kidney from a living donor has the potential of lasting almost twice as long as a kidney from a deceased donor, and would enable Darryle to hopefully live a healthy and normal life. This act of extreme kindness would help Darryle give his family back the father and husband that he longs to be once again.

If you or someone you know would be interested in the Living Donor process to help Darryle, please contact Louisa K. Machain, the Living Donor Coordinator at Loma Linda University. She can be reached at (909) 558-3636, Extension 368002, or via email at Imachain@llu.edu. You can also contact her assistant, Lorena Aparicio, at Extension 36803. Diana Minor would also be happy to respond to any questions you might have. Please contact her at (951) 847-0178, or dyminor@ csupomona.edu.

id You Know?

STAFF REPORTS

SGV - The Tongva, part of the Uto-Aztecan Native Americans originally occupied and land along the Rio Hondo River, which is a branch of the San Gabriel

River. Long before the Spaniards explored the area, they made their homes in a large part of the Los Angeles basin, including Santa Catalina and other local islands. And, the Hahanogna Tribe, a division of the Tongva, occupied the northern part of the valley down toward Pasadena.

The Tongva were a beautiful people, who tattooed their bodies, and men and women alike wore long hair. They lived in dome-like buildings with thatched

plank-type canoes, for water

With a language referred to as "Gabrielino" by the Spaniards, the Tongva are responsible for many of the city names we cur-

exteriors and used ti'ats, or rently use today: Pomona was called Piwongna; Pasadena was Pasakeg-na, and Cucamonga was referred to as Cucomogna. Today, several groups of the Tongva people still live in the area.

Pacheco and Su are sworn in

COUNCIL from page 1

while the election campaign was an arduous task, they were both ready to serve the residents of Walnut for another four year term on the Walnut City Council.

"I'm going to keep my toes to the fire and do all the things I said I would do during my campaign," Pacheco said. "Walnut will be the shining star of the San Gabriel Valley.

After a brief recess, the City Council members then approved the minutes of the joint meeting of the City Council and Sheriff on March 5, and a special City Council election on March 10.

Council members then approved Item 4 on the agenda, concerning the community development block grant three year cooperation agreement between the City and the County of Los Angeles from 2015-2017.

The Council then approved Items 5 and 8 regarding the resolution of the City of Walnut allowing certain claims and demands in the amount of \$1,058,090.76 and a ratification of various commission appointments for the City's parks and recreation and senior commissions.

Council member Nancy Tragarz pulled Items 6 and 7 on the consent calendar, concerning a salary adjustment to include a cost of living adjustment retroactive to Jan. 1 and the signing of a contract amendment for the City Manager's agreement. Tragarz stated that the two items felt "incomplete" and City Council members did not have all the information available to make an accurate decision, and asked to move the items to a different City Council meeting. Following a slew of comments from City Council members, the two items were then moved to be



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Mary Su being sworn into office in front of more than 100 attendees

discussed at a later date.

After the Council's meeting items were completed, the Housing Authority approved a resolution concerning the Wal-

ing a negotiation of real property for Richard and Nancy McDonald. The meeting was adjourned with the

nut Housing Author-

ity allowing certain

in the amount of

next City Council meeting scheduled for Wed., May 7 at 7 p.m. in the Council Chambers at 21201 La Puente Road.

Mother's memories stolen

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devastated by the loss of these precious toys, reached out to various media outlets and handed out flyers at the gym in an effort to find any information.

On April 18, Murrieta Police announced that through several anonymous tips and leads, the suspects were identified as

Amanda Sander, a Diamond Bar resident, and Romulo Castaneda. Sander was taken into custody early last week and booked into the Los Angeles County Jail on an unrelated charge.

According to local reports, Sander was interviewed but refused to cooperate. Sander was linked to the case after she gave the stolen purse to a friend who did cooperate with the investigation.

When the purse was recovered by detectives, the toys were not in the bag and as of now have not been located.

Castaneda had been unknown, but last week he was tracked down to a Chino Hills motel and arrested without incident. He was transported back to Murrieta for questioning. Castaneda gave a statement, but was unable to give a location of the toys, according to Murrieta Police.

Castaneda was arrested and booked into Murrieta Jail on charges of fraud, burglary and identity theft. He posted \$5,000 bail and was released Friday, according to jail records. Sander remains in jail in Los Angeles County.

At this time Ashley Norris remains without the toys that are a precious memory of her late son. According to a Patch interview, she is hoping that Sander will eventually cooperate and at least tell her if they were thrown away so she can have some peace.

Arson death investigation

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The man, who was reportidentified. He succumbed to his

Medical Center. No arrests have been made.

Anyone with information about the case is asked to call the Hoedly in his 30s, has not yet been micide Bureau at (323) 890-5500. Anonymous tipsters may call

8477, text "TIPLA" plus the tip to 274637, or use the website at http://lacrimestoppers.org.



Planes of Fame

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to their many charms is available through a special photographer's Sunrise Photo Access pass so you can capture their beauty before the gates open.

In addition to many other fantastic airplanes performing, there will be a panel discussion with honored veterans of the 8th Air Force, including Clarence "Bud" Anderson, Jack Croul, Jim White, Wilbur Richardson, and George Thomas. This is an incredible event whether you are an aircraft

enthusiast, or just looking to enjoy an amazing day.

The gates will open at 8 a.m. on both Saturday and Sunday, with the flying show running from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Static displays and vendors will be open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., with special merchandise and delicious food and beverages offerings available.

Adult General Admission tickets for ages 12 and above are \$25. Children ages 11 and under are free, and must be accompanied by a ticketed adult. Tickets can be purchased online or at the gate. Sunrise Photo Access passes are \$75 (available online). There are also special reserved bleacher seats available. For more information on this event, visit the website at www.planesoffame.org.



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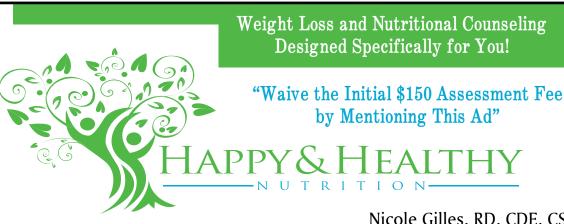


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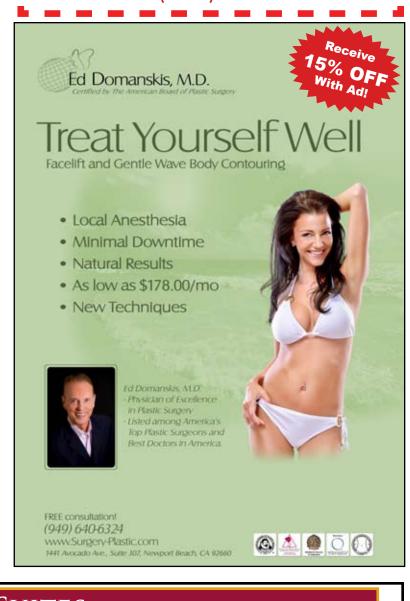


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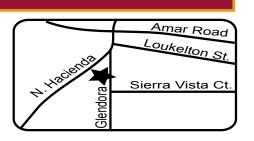
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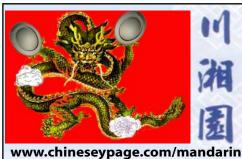
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Alamo Car Wash

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"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

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 quy. 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 ao.

"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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Straight Talk With Danice

By Danice Akiyoshi, ND

Dear Dr. Akiyoshi:

I recently had back surgery. I attend physical therapy three times a week. The



facility is near my home and I am making progress. My wife wants me to change to a new facility because the therapist who works with me is an attractive red head. She knows I like red heads, and she is jealous. I don't feel I should have to do this just because she is insecure.

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Dear Al:

I agree that your wife is insecure, but I'd like to know why? If you've ever given her a reason to doubt you, then this is the result. If her insecurities are unfounded, then that's a different type of difficulty. Either way, you need to address the problem; it won't disappear on its own. Seek a coach or therapist to assist you.

When trust issues arise, there is usually an issue that has never been dealt with properly, and I'll bet you know exactly what that is. If you don't, I'm almost certain you can get your wife to fill you in. Good luck.

Thanks for writing, Danice Akiyoshi, ND Danice Akiyoshi is a Naturopathic Doctor and the head of Candid Coaching Service. She 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.candidcoachingservices.com.

Don't Forget

By Pastor Mark Hopper

One of my most embarrassing moments occurred about a year ago. I was asked to do



the invocation at the City Council meeting in Diamond Bar. But, I forgot

I am thankful that our City Council asks different religious leaders in the community to give an invocation before each meeting. I

usually do this two or three times a year. But one day last year, I got busy and completely forgot it was my day to be at the council meeting. The City Clerk had sent me a reminder, and I even had it written on my own calendar.

My name was printed on the agenda. I'm sure it was an awkward moment of silence when they called my name and I wasn't there. People probably wondered what happened to that absent-minded pastor

Since that time, I have taken steps to make sure I don't forget

again. I have asked the City Clerk to call and remind me on the day of the meeting. I also ask our church secretary to do the same. I even post sticky notes on my desk and in my car. So far, so good; I'm thankful they were willing to forgive me and give me another chance.

There are many passages in the Bible that exhort us not to forget. Many of the holidays and festivals in the Bible are designed to help people not forget. The Jewish Passover is celebrated every year so that parents and children will not forget the night when the Angel of Death swept over the land of Egypt. The first born in every home died, but the first born in the homes that had the blood of the Passover Lamb on the door posts were saved. In a similar way, Christians celebrate Easter Sunday every year so they will never forget Jesus' death on the cross, and His resurrection three days later.

As we enjoy this spring season, I hope you are reminded of the importance of holidays like Passover and the Easter we just celebrated. It's not about Easter Egg Hunts and family dinners. It's not about spring break and time off from school. This beautiful season is about events and miracles recorded in the Bible. We celebrate so that we will never forget what God has done for us. I hope you won't forget!

Pastor Mark Hopper is from the Evangelical Free Church of Diamond Bar, 3255 South Diamond Bar Ave. Sunday services are 9 a.m. and 10:45 a.m. For more information, call (909) 594-7604 or visit www.efreedb.org.

It's Our Stories That Make Us Who We Are

BY NANCY STOOPS

Every human being comes attached to his or her story. Some of our stories are



about the joys of our life, others are about the horror. Some of us grew up in families that made life safe, while others had horrible things done to them that stole their safety. We seem to liter-

ally be creations based on the pieces of our stories that have stuck with us. All of us wish we could be born into a family that was healthy and whole, but many times that is not the case. I treat so many people that were damaged as children and spend their adult years acting out the dysfunction.

Let me try and explain what I mean. Let's say when you grew up one of your parents was an alcoholic and your role was to always take care of your younger

siblings and deal with the trauma that went with all of the drinking. Let's also say that you felt bad for the parent that didn't drink, and you always took care of and tried to prevent any harm to the family when your parent would drink. It always seemed like no matter what you did things would still go badly. Now let's look at present day. You most likely have anxiety or panic when you see things start to fall apart and you feel like there's nothing you can do. This is now amplified

because that's exactly how you felt when you were growing up.

In order to stop this vicious cycle one must learn to differentiate the past from the present and what the truth is. The truth is you did your best as that child, but circumstances were beyond your control. The truth is as an adult, you are now in control and you have the power to manage your life and your emotions differently. Set yourself free from those lies that haunt you.

This article was written by

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Murder suspects

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of which were last seen in Santa Ana. The victims are as follows: Kiana Jackson, 20, a resident of Las Vegas who was last seen in Santa Ana on Oct. 6, 2013; Josephine Vargas, 34, a resident of Santa Ana who was last seen there on Oct. 24, 2013; Martha Anaya, 28, a resident of Santa Ana who was last seen there on Nov. 12, 2013; and Jarrae Nykkole Estepp, 21, an Oklahoma resident whose body was found on March 14 at an Anaheim recycling center. Estepp's is the only body that has been found.

Detectives from the Anaheim and Santa Ana Police Departments are currently trying to

identify a fifth victim who was last seen between February 14 and 16 near Katella Avenue. The victim is believed to be a petite African American woman in her early 20s.

Both Cano and Gordon have been previously convicted of committing "lewd or lascivious acts with a child under fourteen years of age," according to California's Sex Offender Registry. At the time of the crimes, both men were wearing GPS bracelets to track them because of these prior offenses. A Los Angeles County press release reported that both men had previously cut off their bracelets and fled to Nevada before being arrested again in 2012. Los Angeles County

Supervisor, Michael Antonovoich, said, "This illustrates the fact that the ankle bracelets and GPS monitoring do not prevent crime." Indeed this incident does provoke questions regarding the true effectiveness of bracelets including the extent to which they should be trusted to control and monitor criminals.

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Pruners landscaping

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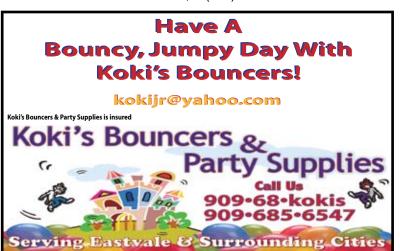
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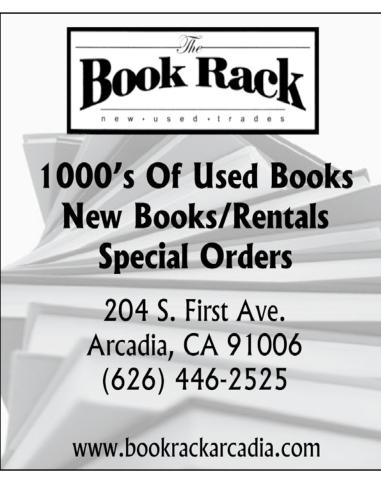
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Nogales High – The March Of A Lifetime



PHOTO COURTESY: MURRIETA POLICE DEPT. Nogales High School Band Director Brad Pollock with students after learning in a surprise announcement they are one of only ten bands in the U.S. to perform in the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade in 2015. The Nogales High School Noble Band will represent California and the West Coast in the legendary parade.

STAFF REPORTS

La Puente - On April 14 in a surprise announcement, the Nogales High School Noble Regiment received the news that they have been selected to once again perform in the 2015 Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade. The Noble Regiment will join the line of march and begin their performance to the sound of, "Let's Have a Parade," the iconic phrase that has signaled

the start of every Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade since 1924. They will join nine other marching bands from across the country as well as fantastic floats, sky high giant character balloons, wacky clowns and superstar performers on Thanksgiving Day 2015. With more than 3.5 million live spectators and 50 million at-home viewers, Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade is considered the beginning of the holiday season and the ultimate Thanksgiving Day treat for fans of all ages.

Brad Pollock, band director of the Nogales High School

Noble Regiment said, "Amazing, stunned, excited are just a few words that can barely explain the honor that has been bestowed upon the Noble Regiment to represent California in the Macy's Parade in 2015. The students should get all of the credit. The memory of the event will last a lifetime. The opportunity to perform in the Parade once was incredible, but to be invited back really is something special. It is a true indication of consistent hard work, dedication, and a love to perform, paying off. We look forward to this event and can't wait to get our groove on, down Broadway. Go Nobles!"

Dr. Sergio A. Canal, principal of Nogales High School added, "I am proud of the dedicated effort of our students, parents and staff of the Noble Regiment. They have all invested valuable time into making our band a nationally recognized band; this honor of being invited back to the Macy's Parade is indicative of this recognition. The Noble Regiment will represent Nogales High School and the Rowland Unified School District, not to mention the West Coast, with great pride."

DRHS Alum Wins CUI Academic Showcase

STAFF REPORTS

Diamond Bar - Thomas Moreno, a 2012 graduate of Diamond Ranch High School, won first place in the tier-two category of Concordia University's 11th Annual Academic Showcase. Moreno, along with partner Cy

Perkins, made his presentation on "Insights into the role of interactions between VDAC1, Bcl-2, and mutant Sod1 in familial Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS), commonly called Lou Gehrig's disease." His faculty mentor was Dr. Lindsay Kane-Barnese.

The Academic Showcase is

a campus-wide research competition that challenges students to conceive and investigate a research topic and present their findings. Students compete across disciplines and are required to complete a research paper, an academic poster and an oral presentation.

The competition provides a chance for students to work oneon-one with a faculty mentor to complete a full-scale undergraduate research project selected from any discipline. A panel of faculty, selected from across Concordia's disciplines, serves as judges for the showcase and evaluates projects on use of literature, choice of methodology, and discussion of results and implications.

Winners receive a cash award, and some will be invited to represent Concordia by presenting their research at an inter-collegiate undergraduate research conference in this fall.

Big Wins For Mt. SAC

STAFF REPORTS

Walnut - For the second straight year and the third time in the last four years, the Mt. San Antonio College Forensics Team won the Phi Rho Pi national speech title at the national tournament, held April 7-12, at Casper and Northwest colleges in Denver, Colorado.

This championship victory marks the ninth time Mt. SAC has won the Phi Rho Pi national title. Combined with four wins as the top community college at the four-year college national tournament, the championship marks the 13th time in the last 20 years that Mt. SAC has been recognized as the top community college in the nation.

The Mt. Sac Jazz Ensemble and vocal jazz group, Frontline, each won first place in their respective divisions at the 52nd Annual Reno Jazz Festival, held April 10-12, at the University of

This year's win marks the first time that Frontline has taken first place at the festival, while the

Jazz Ensemble has won the college division at the festival four of the last five years. Frontline competed against 12 ensembles from community colleges and universities, including Cal State Fullerton and Cal State Sacramento. The jazz band competed against 16 university and twoyear college bands.

The festival provides a platform for college competition as well as participation in music workshops and concerts highlighted by performances by the some of the legends of jazz.

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Mustang Coaches Of The Year Honored

By Kelli Gile

Walnut - The Walnut Valley Unified School District Board of Trustees recognized two outstanding Walnut High School varsity coaches on April 16. Golf Coach Cecil Woods and Basketball Coach Josh Cameron have received the coveted San Gabriel Valley Coach of the Year Award.

Principal Jeff Jordan introduced the Mustang coaches along with the Girls' Golf Team during the Board Meeting "Both of these coaches have really come a long way in terms of growing and developing some amazing programs. They've both had highly successful programs this year," said Jordan. "But above the wins and losses, they're both quality people who work really well with our student athletes; they have high expectations, and have really helped developed these athletes into being high-performers," he added.

In just the third year of the Girls' Golf Program at Walnut High School, the team earned its second Hacienda League Championship, Runner-Up at the 2013 CIF Championship, top team at the Regional Finals for CIF Sectionals State Qualification, third place in the Southern



PHOTO COURTESY: KELLI GILE

Walnut High School Girl's Golf Coach. Cecil Woods. who has been named the San Gabriel Valley Coach of the Year (shown with Board President Cindy Ruiz).

California State Qualification, and tied for Runner-Up in the CIF State Championships.

Josh Cameron has been the head varsity basketball coach for the past eight seasons. His team has a record this year of 22 and 6, and finished the regular season will 11 straight



PHOTO COURTESY: KELLI GILE

Walnut High Varsity Basketball Coach, Josh Cameron, was recognized by the WVUSD Board of Trustees, (shown with Athletic Director, Jerry Person, Board President, Cindy Ruiz, and Principal Jeff Jordan).

wins while earning the undefeated Hacienda League Championship. Cameron was also honored as Coach of the Year for the San Gabriel Valley All-Stars.

Both Diamond Bar and Walnut were in the top three teams in the State of California.





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Wine Soiree And Benefit Auction

By DB FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

Diamond Bar - The Diamond Bar Friends of the Library will be hosting their 21st Annual Wine Soiree and Benefit Auction on Sun., April 27, from 4 to 7 p.m., at the Diamond Bar Center (1600 Grand Avenue, Diamond Bar).

This annual event regularly draws over 350 guests who get to enjoy a pleasant afternoon tasting a wide variety of wines, including many that have won gold, silver, and bronze medals in The Los Angeles Wine Competition. Guests will also be sampling the offerings of well over a dozen restaurants, bidding on enticing auction items, enjoying the music and the hilltop views of the San Gabriel Valley from the beautiful Diamond Bar Center - and raising money for the Diamond Bar Library.

This will be the event's 21st year and it promises to be bigger and better than ever. This year they are partnering with the City of Diamond Bar to help celebrate the City's 25th Anniversary – Diamond Bar Friends of the Library and the City of Diamond Bar: Growing up Together. There is much they have accomplished over the years, including the 2012 opening of Diamond Bar's new Library.

The Soiree is a fun event! All are welcome (as long as they are at least 21 years or older)

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Bed: 4

Bath(F,T,H,Q): 2,0,0,0

Sqft (Src): 1,771

Ac/LotSqft (Src): 0.23/10,195 Sold Price: \$485,000



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Bed: 3

Bath(F,T,H,Q): 2,0,0,0

Sqft (Src): 1,440

Ac/LotSqft (Src); 0.48/20,691

Sold Price: \$463,000



4% Total Commission!



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