



OC News

Newport Beach Fugitive Pleads Guilty In \$13M Scheme

STAFF REPORTS

Santa Ana - A former Newport Beach resident who fled the country 15 years ago after federal agents executed search warrants relating to his fraudulent Internet company pleaded guilty on Mon., Sept. 22 to federal fraud charges, admitting his role in

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IE News

SBSD Arrest 2 In Prostitution Enforcement Op

STAFF REPORTS

San Bernardino - On Thurs., Sept. 18, deputies from the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Narcotics Division along with San Bernardino Police, Pomona Police, Chino Hills Police, and Homeland Security conducted a prostitution enforcement operation in the Montclair, Rancho Cucamonga, and Ontario areas. The war on human trafficking is a widespread effort, and these operations are conduct-

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Diamond Bar Freeway Construction Projects A Go

STAFF REPORTS

Diamond Bar - The City of Diamond Bar was recently notified that a Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery grant (TIGER) was awarded by the federal government in the amount of \$10 million for the 57/60 freeway confluence construction project.

According to City staff, the program was created by the

2009 Economic Stimulus Bill, which allows states and cities to apply for funding for transportation projects that have a significant impact on the nation, a metropolitan area or a region.

The confluence project is designed to improve traffic operation on Grand Avenue from Golden Springs Drive to the

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Chino Hills Gets A Dog Park

STAFF REPORTS

Chino Hills - Chino Hills' dog-lovers have long desired a community dog park, and it looks like their wish will be coming true.

The Kramer family - long time owner/operators of the Los Ser-

ranos Golf Course and Country Club - has donated a parcel of land at the southeast corner of Los Serranos Country Club Drive and Los Serranos Road. This land was originally intended to house a tennis club, but times have changed and the land has

been vacant for some time.

Local attorney and City Council candidate, Rossana Mitchell, who is the dog park committee president, said they are working

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Suspect Arrested For Murder Attempt In Chino

STAFF REPORTS

Chino - On Sept. 23, at approximately 6:50 a.m., Chino Police Officers responded to a call regarding a stabbing in the 6800 block of Cosmos Street. Upon arrival, the responding officers witnessed a male sus-

pect, later identified as Aaron Hernandez a 19-year old Chino resident, walking down the street with a knife.

According to the City of Chino, Officers attempted to make contact with Hernandez, who was fleeing the scene of an attempted murder. He became

uncooperative and Officers used a Taser to safely take him into custody.

The investigation revealed that Hernandez stabbed two family members. The victims

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Walnut Council Recap



PHOTO COURTESY: RAYMOND MENDOZA

Members of the City Council commended Lou and Joanie Simonelli and named them the "Walnut Community Heroes" for their extensive volunteer work at Walnut High School and throughout the Community.

BY RAYMOND MENDOZA

Walnut - The Walnut City Council held its final meeting of the month on Sept. 24, and it included more complaints about

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Walnut/DB Chino Hills Weather

Sun Sept. 28

Sunny
High 80°
Low 59°



Mon Sept 29

Sunny
High 84°
Low 61°



Tue Sept 30

Sunny
High 86°
Low 61°



Wed Oct 1

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High 84°
Low 60°



Thu Oct 2

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Fri Oct 3

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FEATURED BUSINESS

Strategic Alliance: Free Networking

STAFF REPORTS

Walnut - If you are looking for an effective way to market your business and network with local businesses at the same time, Strategic Alliance



Join the Strategic Alliance Networking Group at (909) 268-9470, or visit www.strategicnetworking.org for more information.

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Delicious, Authentic Cuisine At Mandarin Taste

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Diamond Bar - If you are searching for a wonderful dining experience with delicious, authentic food and great service, then look no further than Mandarin Taste. A staple in the City



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It's The Little Things

By JENNIFER MADRIGAL

It's the little things in life that really define you, and leave an impression on others.
The way the one you love comes across the room to throw their arms around you at the end of a long day; the glass of ice tea that is lovingly set out on a table for you by someone who cares; the way your son walked behind the little boy who wet his pants so that no one would make fun of him; and the friend that drove all day and across two states to hold your hand at your mom's funeral. It's those little things that make a life, define a relationship, and show you the depths of a person's

love.
When you truly love a person, you have their heart. Their happiness is your happiness. Their smile makes you smile. Their pain wounds you, too.
It's the little things, like the way their eyes crinkle in the corner when they really smile, or the connection that you have with them with just a look across the room. It's the comfort in knowing that that one person truly has your back and is truly your protector.
Fancy gifts and bouquets of flowers are nice, but they are nothing compared with the gift of doing something special for someone that only you know will make their day.

While Love is a choice that one must make every day, it is also something that takes work and effort - and a whole bunch of little things - to build and maintain. The most beautiful garden, planted with all the best soil, seeds and care, will rot and die away without continued tending and water from the gardener. Relationships require tending and consistently choosing that person over yourself and making their happiness your happiness. It may be as simple as making lemon brownies because you know he loves lemons, or going to that Kings Ducks fan, but what remains is the little things that make the

ordinary grand.
Someday when your life is ending or the one whom you have loved has passed away, you won't remember the flowers he bought you from Von's, or the pearl necklace he spent all his money on. What will warm your heart in the quiet times when you are all alone, is the way she laughed so hard telling a joke that she couldn't even finish the punch line, or the way he lip-synched and danced to the goofy song in your car to make you laugh.
These are the little things that make a relationship work and blossom and make you feel loved. It's always been, and will always be, the little things.

Run The World 2K15

By ANDREW RODRIGUEZ

In December of 2012, after flying home to California for winter break and concluding my sophomore year at Rutgers University, my father sat my brother and me down in our kitchen and turned off the television. My mom had an unusual look on her face, which I had never seen before. Then he said three words that nobody should ever have to hear, "I have cancer."
The City of Hope National Medical Center treated my dad in February of 2013 for his prostate cancer diagnosis. He had his prostate surgically removed, and was in recovery for several months afterward. I am very lucky to have my dad around today because of this hospital, but some of my friends have not been as fortunate.
Run the World 2K15 will take

place in March of 2015. This month long philanthropic event will be held to raise money for The City of Hope, one of Southern California's largest research hospitals for Cancer and HIV research. My teammates and I will be running five half-marathons in five weeks, circling the planet and running in countries that have a high cancer rate.
The five-week event will begin and conclude at Rutgers University, signifying a journey around the world to promote cancer awareness. We would like to raise \$30,000, or about a dollar for every mile travelled around the world. Each race will be dedicated to a close family member or friend who has suffered or passed away from cancer. A loved one will also be running the race in memory or honor of their dedicated individual. Here is our race schedule:

- Sun., March 8: Semi-Marathon De Paris, Paris, France. In Memory of Terry Cardoza.
 - Fri., March 13: Jerusalem Marathon and Half-Marathon, Jerusalem, Israel. In Memory of John Perez.
 - Sun., March 22: Twilight Run for Cancer, Brisbane, Australia. In Memory of Michael Miyamoto.
 - Sat., March 28: Pacific Half-Marathon, Agoura Hills, California. In Honor of Frank Rodriguez.
 - Sun., April 12: Rutgers Unite Half Marathon, Rutgers University, New Jersey. In Memory of Sandy Wang Chiang.
- I have five teammates who will be traveling to specific races to run in memory of their loved one. Addam Rodriguez, Jaclyn Miyamoto, Emerald Chiang and I are all graduates of Walnut High School. Addam and Emerald are both running for their moms

who passed away from cancer. Jaclyn is running for her brother, Michael, who lost his battle in 2012.
If you would like to donate to this worthwhile cause or find out more information on Run The World 2K15, you can email Team Leader Andrew Rodriguez at andrewedrod@verizon.net, or visit his personal page at: http://nationalevents.cityofhope.org/site/TR/HopeSweatampCures/General?px=2008425&pg=personal&fr_id=2370
Andrew's team can be emailed at runtheworld2k15@gmail.com, or visit their web page at: http://nationalevents.cityofhope.org/site/TR/HopeSweatampCures/General?pg=team&fr_id=2370&team_id=44472
The team's Project Manager, Danielle Sapia, can be emailed at dsapia@coh.org.

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Community Events

STAFF REPORTS

UPCOMING EVENTS:
**Maternity & Kids Clothing/
Gear Swap**

When: Sunday, Sept. 28
Where: Da Hula Studio, 968 N. Diamond Bar Blvd (at Highland Valley Road). Drop off items 10 to 11:15 a.m.; swapping begins at noon and ends at 3 p.m.

Details: Local families can exchange children’s outgrown clothing and gear. Admission is \$7, and you must bring items to exchange. There are no price tags on anything. Families can fill their bags with “new to them” items. All remaining items will be donated to charities for free distribution. There will be a kid’s station, goodie bags, and a free door prize raffle.

Contact: Visit <http://socalswap.jimdo.com/events/> for local information.

**Walnut High Presents,
“The Understudy,” by Eddie
McPherson**

When: October 1 – 4, 7 p.m., with a 2 p.m. matinee on October 4.

Where: Walnut High School Performing Arts Center, 400 N. Pierre Road, Walnut

Details: Acting can be murder! The Walnut High School Drama Department is bringing this charming murder-mystery comedy to theatre-in-the-round. Tickets are \$10 in advance; \$12 at the door.

Contact: Tickets may be purchased online at www.seatyourself.biz/walnutdrama, or at the door. For more information, call (909) 594-1333, extension 34212.

Wheel Food Fest

When: Fri., October 3; 5 to 8:30 p.m.

Where: Walnut Valley Unified School District, 880 S. Lemon Avenue, in Walnut.

Details: The Walnut Valley Educational Foundation is sponsoring a family fun night with a variety of gourmet food trucks. This is a delicious way to support your students, schools and community. There are no entry fees, and there is plenty of free parking. Bring a blanket or chair and enjoy! Food trucks may include: The Slummin’ Gourmet, Macho Nacho, Rolling Sushi, Cup Cakery, Crepes Bonaparte, White Rabbit, and Dos Chinos. Please leave your pets at home, and do not bring alcohol, outside food or drinks.

**Friends of the Taylor House
Artist on the Porch Summer/
Fall Series**

When: October 12; 1 to 4 p.m.

Where: Heritage Gardens Park, 3510 East Cameron Avenue, West Covina

Details: September event will feature craftsman period stained glass with Renn Hjellum-Lim.

Contact: For this and future events, visit facebook.com/taylorhousecraftsmanhome

**The Chino Hills Historical
Society Presentation**

When: Monday, October 13

Where: Chino Hills Community Center, 14250 Peyton Drive

Details: Local historian, Allen P. McCombs will give a presentation on, “Chino Valley’s Role in How the West Was Won.” This event was previously scheduled on Sept. 15.

Contact: Call (909) 597-2051, or email chhistory@aol.com

City of Hope Blood Drive

When: Thurs., Oct. 16, 12:45 to 7 p.m.

Where: Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church and School, Gymnasium, 23300 Golden Springs Drive, Diamond Bar.

Contact: Call (909) 861-2740 for appointments, and be sure to bring your ID to the event.

**World Famous Glenn Miller
Orchestra Concert and Dinner**

When: Saturday, Oct. 19; 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. Dinner at 5 p.m.

Where: Walnut High School Performing Arts Center, 400 N. Pierre Road, Walnut

Details: The Walnut High School Jazz Orchestra will share the stage with the legendary Glenn Miller Orchestra for an evening of musical memories. There will also be a BBQ dinner in between shows. Proceeds from this very special event will benefit the Walnut High School Instrumental Music Department. All seats \$30; BBQ Dinner \$15

Contact: For more information call, (909) 594-BAND; for tickets visit www.seatyourself.biz/walnutmusic.

Bark For Life 5K

When: Saturday, October 18, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Where: Boys Republic High School, 1907 Boys Republic Drive, Chino Hills

Details: The American Cancer Society Bark For Life honors the care-giving qualities of canine companions. Bring your best Canine Friend and join the non-competitive walk around the track, followed by demos, games, contests, awards and dog adoptions. \$25 per dog; \$5 per person. Raise funds and awareness in the fight against cancer.

Contact: Visit www.relayforlife.org/barkchinoca, or email Jennifer Rudin at bflchinoeventchair@gmail.com.

Free Intervention Information Sessions

When: Third Tuesday of each month, 6 p.m.

Where: Charter Oak Hospital, 1161 E. Covina Blvd., Covina

Details: Free information sessions about the intervention process, a powerful tool to combat alcoholism and addiction. Open to the public, space is limited and reservations are recommended.

Contact: Aurora Charter Oak

Hospital, (626) 859-5269, or visit www.charteroakhospital.com.

**Free ESL and Citizenship
Classes**

When: Monday through Thursday, 9 to 11 a.m.; or Monday through Thursday, 6 to 9 p.m.

Where: 2100 Lerona Avenue, Rowland Heights

Details: Rowland Adult & Community Education is now offering free English as a Second Language and Citizenship courses to adult students this summer due to a grant received from the Majestic Reality Foundation in the City of Industry.

Contact: Call (626) 965-5975, or visit <http://race.rowland.k12.ca.us>.

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.com.

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 Bar.

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.

com to join these special teacher appreciation afternoons.

Free Acupuncture for Veterans, Active Military, First Responders

When: Every Tuesday at 5 p.m.

Where: 12598 Central Avenue, Unit 113, Chino, CA 91710.

Cost: Free

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Jack Newe’s Farmers Market sponsored by SGV Regional Chamber of Commerce

When: Every Saturday from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Where: Mt. San Antonio College Campus, Parking Lot B, 1100 N. Grand Avenue, Walnut CA 91789

Cost: Free Admission/Parking

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Contact: (909) 869-0701

DB Community Garden Space

When: Ongoing; daylight hours.

Where: United Church of Christ, 2335 S. Diamond Bar Blvd., Diamond Bar

Details: The Diamond Bar United Church of Christ is progressing on their Community Garden space, located behind the church. Residents interested in developing their own garden space, or helping with this project, are encouraged to visit the Labyrinth on the hilltop. This is also a wonderful location for reflection, and enjoying some peaceful moments in your day.

Contact: Susanne Potter, (909) 861-4735, or visit www.diamondbarucc.org.

Did You Know?

Human Trafficking is a \$150 billion industry that forces approximately 20.9 million people to live in modern day slavery, many of whom are being held captive in Southern California, with Los Angeles County being a hot spot.

L.A. County Board of Supervisors Chairman, Don Knabe, recently stated that L.A. County has partnered with the Polaris Project, the Coalition Against Slavery and Trafficking, and Clear Channel Outdoors to launch a new awareness campaign about the horrors of human trafficking. Clear Channel has donated 65 billboards and bus shelters around the County to help carry the anti-trafficking message.

Says Knabe, “We simply cannot do it alone. We need the help of community-based organizations and the private sector to help get the message out to the public. I encourage all Los Angeles County residents to learn to recognize the signs of human trafficking and do their part to report and combat this awful crime.”

Polaris – a leader in the global



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fight to eradicate modern slavery – says there are red flags that may help identify someone who is living in this horror. If you suspect that someone is being held against their will, and see any of these indicators, contact the National Human Trafficking Resource Center Hotline at (888) 373-7888, or text information to BeFree (233733).

Signs of Human Trafficking

The individual in question:

- Is not free to leave or come and go as he/she wishes
- Is under 18 and is providing commercial sex acts
- Works excessively long and/or unusual hours
- Owes a large debt and is unable to pay it off

- Is fearful, anxious, depressed, submissive, tense or paranoid
 - Exhibits unusually fearful behavior after bringing up law enforcement
 - Avoids eye contact
 - Lacks health care
 - Appears malnourished
 - Shows signs of physical abuse, restraint, confinement or torture
 - Has few or no personal possessions
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 - Is unable to clarify a residence or address, or is unsure of their whereabouts
- To learn more, visit www.polarisproject.org.



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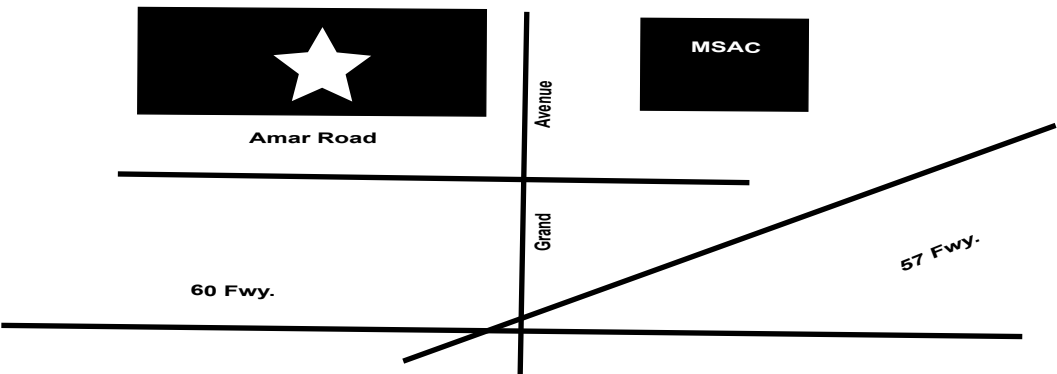
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Chino Alerts Of Jury Duty Scam

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Chino – The Chino Police Department is warning citizens about a Jury Duty Scam that has brought about a recent increase in calls from victims and concerned

citizens who have been targeted by a telephone swindle. Scammers are contacting victims by phone, claiming that they are from the San Bernardino County Court. They are telling victims that they have missed jury

duty and a warrant has been issued. They are then told that they can clear the warrant if they pay a fine – usually in the amount of \$495 – by sending a money order. Most of the victims being targeted are Senior Citizens.

Citizens are urged to not provide any personal information or send money to anyone attempting to collect fees over the phone. Also make sure to ask specific questions as to the identity of the caller anytime someone tries to solicit

information or money from you. The County does not use this process for dealing with jury duty summons. If you think you have been the victim of a scam, please report it to your local police department.

Newport Beach fugitive pleads guilty in \$13M scheme

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a scheme that raised nearly \$13 million from investors around the country in the late 1990s. According to the United States Attorney’s Office, James Eberhart, 73, pleaded guilty to two counts of mail fraud before United States District Judge, Cormac J. Carney. Eberhart has been in custody since he was arrested in Malaysia in 2012 after living as a fugitive abroad for more than 12 years. Eberhart and his co-schemer, Eugene M. Carriere, operated a fraudulent Newport Beach company that used dozens of “boiler room” telemarketing firms and an unwitting celebrity spokesman

- the late Tom Bosley - to raise investor funds. YES Entertainment Network, Inc. raised nearly \$13 million from victims who were falsely told that the company was creating an 18-channel, multimedia, family-oriented entertainment website and that YES would generate profits through the sale of advertising on the website. Eberhart and Carriere told investors that the company planned an initial public offering of its stock for the fall of 1999, which would potentially make early investments worth millions of dollars. Eberhart and Carriere used only 1 percent of the investors’ fund to build the YES website, and that was little more than a façade to reassure investors. Approximately 45 percent of

the funds were used to pay sales commissions to the telemarketers. Most of the rest of the money was wired to bank accounts in Hong Kong and Singapore in the names of offshore corporations, all of which Eberhart had formed with the help of an attorney. In November 1999, while Eberhart was under investigation by the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission for an earlier investment fraud scheme, and shortly after FBI agents had executed search warrants at the offices of telemarketing companies affiliated with YES, Eberhart, Carriere, and another employee destroyed company documents and fled the country. Eberhart remained a fugitive until May 2012, when the FBI Legal

Attaché in Kuala Lumpur, acting on a tip that Eberhart was residing in Malaysia, coordinated with Malaysian authorities to arrest him. Malaysia deported Eberhart to the United States because his U.S. passport had expired. At the time of his arrest, Eberhart was living on a custom-built, 58-foot yacht. Eberhart faces up to ten years in custody when he is sentenced by Judge Carney on December 8. Carriere was a fugitive for six years before being arrested in Thailand in April 2005. Carriere pleaded guilty in 2007 to two counts of mail fraud and was sentenced to three years in federal prison and ordered to pay \$12,838,045 in restitution.

“Today’s announcement delivers justice to many victims who waited years while Mr. Eberhart remained a fugitive, living life abroad after stealing their money,” said Bill Lewis, the Assistant Director in Charge of the FBI’s Los Angeles Field Office. “This case, which culminated in Mr. Eberhart’s arrest overseas more than a decade after he was charged, is a perfect example of the global and persistent arm of the law.” In addition to Eberhart and Carriere, five other defendants – including the owners of telemarketing operations used by YES – were indicted, pleaded guilty, and were sentenced to as much as 142 months in federal prison.

Strategic Alliance: Free Networking

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Delicious, authentic cuisine at Mandarin Taste

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presentation. The champagne is all-you-can-drink, too! The Mandarin Taste owners and staff want everyone who comes to their establishment to relax and enjoy themselves over the delicious food in their pleasant ambiance. If you don’t have time to linger, you can call in a delicious order to go. For more information, call Mandarin Taste at (909) 861-1819, or just stop by their location at 23391 E. Golden Springs Drive, in Diamond Bar.

SBSD Arrest 2 In Prostitution Enforcement Op

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ed to rescue female victims from a life of forced prostitution. According to the SBSD, this

particular operation resulted in nine arrests for prostitution related offenses, including human trafficking and the recovery of a juvenile victim. The SBSD arrested suspect

Darren Reliford, 19, of Apple Valley, in the 5300 block of Holt Blvd. in Montclair for human trafficking; along with Adrian Sanders, 19, of Washington, who was arrested for pimping.



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Walnut Family Festival

STAFF REPORTS

Walnut – Mark your calendars, because the popular City of Walnut Family Festival is coming to town on Sat., Oct 11. This is definitely an event not to be missed.

The Festival highlights a variety of businesses, service clubs, youth organizations, art, products and technology, all aimed at improving the quality of living

in the City of Walnut. Part of the fun includes an Arts & Crafts Alley, Business Expo, Community Awareness booths, and a special Food Court featuring samples of cuisine from around the world.

Schedule of Events

- 8 to 10 a.m. – Pancake Breakfast at Suzanne Park (sponsored by the Lions Club)
- 10 a.m. to Noon – Parade along La Puente Road from Lemon Avenue to Suzanne Road

- 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. – Kid's Kamp at Suzanne Park
- 11:30 a.m. to Noon – Opening Ceremonies at Suzanne Park
- Noon to 6 p.m. – Entertainment at Suzanne Park

If you would like to participate as a vendor for products or services, or show your Walnut pride in the parade, applications and additional information are available online at the City of Walnut's website at <http://ci.walnut.ca.us>.

Walnut Council recap

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Mt. San Antonio College's proposed parking structure, as well as a proclamation for this year's Community Heroes.

After the invocation, Mayor Nancy Tragarz and the other council members congratulated Lou and Joanie Simonelli, and named them "Walnut Community Heroes" for their extensive volunteer work for Walnut High School and throughout the community.

"Lou and Joanie Simonelli are well known in the Walnut community as dedicated volunteers," Tragarz said.

Tragarz also said the Simonellis were chosen after more than 130 Walnut High School students signed a petition to have them named this year's community heroes- showing that their years of work continues to touch the lives of many.

Council Member, Tony Cartagena, thanked them for all their civic work over the years and said the Simonelli's volunteerism is what makes Walnut great.

Following the proclamation, the City opened its public comment section and was once again met with concerns about Mt. San Antonio College's proposed parking structure and concerns with Michael Montgomery being a less than affective City Attorney.

The council then went on to approve the City Council and Housing Authority minutes for the Aug. 27 meeting before discussing one of the items on the council's consent calendar.

Tragarz pulled Resolution No. 14-48 for claims and demands in the amount of \$923,023.81, citing that part of the payment to Montgomery was worded incorrectly and therefore should not be ap-


proved. Her motion failed and the item was approved for its entire amount.

The council then approved two additional consent calendar items to support the "War on Child Sex Trafficking" legislation, and the appointment of five individuals to the Youth Advisory Commission.

The council also approved all of its items concerning the claims and demands for the Successor Agency, in the amount of \$3,000, adopting the Recognized Obligation Payment schedule for the period of Jan. 1, 2015 to June 30, 2015, and an approval for the administrative budget for the Walnut Improvement Agency for January to June 2015.

The City Council then adjourned with plans to meet at 7 p.m., Oct. 8, at the City Council chambers at 21201 La Puente Road.

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Suspect arrested for attempted murder

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were transported to a hospital with multiple stab wounds and

are expected to survive. Hernandez was also transported to the hospital with minor self-inflicted wounds and has been arrested for attempted murder. He has a history of mental health issues

and drug use.

This is an ongoing investigation, anyone with information is asked to contact the Chino Police Department at (909) 628-1234.

Chino Hills gets a dog park

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with a budget of approximately \$42,000 to bring this park to life.

"The construction should take approximately four to six months, depending on the processes with the City," said Mitchell. "We will start clearing and cleaning up the land right away, and then there will be the site review and the environmental review. The land is already zoned for commercial/recreational purposes, so the hard part is done."

Mitchell says that the design

will be very straightforward and simplistic. The park will be divided into two areas, for large and small dogs, and will include a safety release gate with two openings, iron rod fencing, grass areas (irrigated with reclaimed water), and regular drinking water for the dogs and their humans.

"We may even invite some student involvement with architectural designs from Cal Poly, and choose from one of their ideas," says Mitchell.

One of the most time consuming parts of construction will be the parking facilities and making sure they are in compliance with

City standards.

Mitchell said that they have waited two years for this project to come to fruition, and everyone is really excited about it.

"The Kramer family has really stepped up and they have been so gracious. They are great animal advocates and are really excited about the project. And the best part, they will be able to name the park after their parents, Jack and Gloria Kramer, who have passed away."

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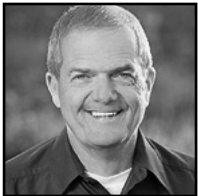
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Lost In Love

By PASTOR MARK HOPPER

We are continuing our one year journey through the Bible at our church on Sunday mornings. I have enjoyed studying and teaching about each book along with the other pastors at our church. There are five poetical books in the Old Testament: Job, Psalms, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes and the



Song of Solomon. You are probably familiar with some of these books. Many people turn to the Psalms to find help and hope in times of difficulties. Psalm 23 is one of the best known writings in the world, as David wrote, "The Lord is my shepherd." The book of Job records the suffering and tragedy experienced by a remarkable man named Job. Proverbs is filled with helpful lessons and insights for daily living. And, Ecclesiastes records King Solomon's interesting perspective on work, family, life and death. The one poetical book that peo-

ple are probably most unfamiliar with is the Song of Songs, or also known as the Song of Solomon. This is the story of King Solomon's love for a beautiful young woman. It contains some remarkable descriptions of their courtship and marriage. The author uses vivid word pictures to describe their romantic relationship. They were lost in love. But the book also includes some of the problems and difficulties that the King and his new bride experienced. There were seasons where indifference and selfishness began to take root in their

relationship. There were times when they did not communicate effectively. These same problems can weaken married couples today. Couples that are engaged or newly wed are lost in love. But, they can not foresee that there will be challenges and difficulties in the future. Marriage is more than love and romance. Marriage also involves a commitment between a husband and wife to stick together through the good times and the bad. If you have not read the Song of Solomon before, let me encour-

age you to dust off your Bible, use the table of contents and find this short book in the middle of the Old Testament. You may not understand all of the imagery and figures of speech, but I think you will be surprised at how the Bible tastefully addresses romance and marriage. You, too, may find yourself "Lost in Love." *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.*

The Lovely Country of Ecuador

By NANCY STOOPS

Every year I go on a spiritual journey. As a psychotherapist I give all of me, and this is my way of filling my mind, body and spirit back up. This year, I decided to go to Ecuador and the Galapagos Islands and I'm so very glad I did. I must start by telling you how wonderful and warm the people of Ecuador are. My guide, Chris, couldn't do enough for me. She was fabulous and I know some-



day I will see her again. I was fascinated when I was taken to the middle of the earth, which is about an hour out of Quito. I stood with one foot in the north equator and one foot in the south equator, and heard a wonderful talk when I was there. I was then taken to the community of Otavalo, where many Shamans and Curanderos live. I received a cleansing and a blessing from this wonderful woman that has worked as a Curandero for years. She and her husband are pretty well known for their work. I also had the opportunity to take a yacht to the Galapagos

Islands. There were six other passengers besides myself. How do I begin to describe all that I saw? I was on this yacht for almost a week and each day we would travel to a new island for hiking and snorkeling. I have never seen so many sea lions in my life. I was fascinated by them and got as close as I could without touching them (it is against the law to touch the wildlife or to take anything out of the Galapagos Islands). During the next few weeks I will continue writing about my journey. One thing I can say with certainty: everyone should

go visit these spectacular Islands and be forever changed! *This article was written by Nancy Stoops, M.A., M.F.T. Nancy is a licensed Marriage and Family Therapist with a private practice in Diamond Bar, and is currently accepting new clients. Nancy also*

runs free family support groups, anger management groups, and special groups for seniors and teens. She is also available for motivational speaking engagements. For more information on any of these services, contact Nancy at (909) 229-0727.

Straight Talk With Danice

By DANICE AKIYOSHI, N.D.

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Dear S. P.: Let me guess...you've helped people solve the same problem over and over again and it doesn't stay solved? Or you invest your time and resources to help those who make poor decisions, and they call you repeatedly for help, right? My guess is that you are suffering from compassion exhaustion. You need a break from being on duty. If you start spending time with people who function in a successful and efficient way, your feelings of love and concern will probably return. If that's not

the case, consider speaking with a professional coach or counselor. -Be well, Danice Akiyoshi, N.D. *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.*

Diamond Bar freeway projects a go

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interchange at SR-60 in Pomona, increase the capacity at the Grand Avenue Interchange, improve traffic operation on the freeway mainline, reduce traffic weaving and increase weaving distance, and improve safety. David Liu, Public Works Director for the City, said the application process was an incredibly competitive process. This is the sixth year of the grant program, and the City's second try in pursuing this grant. \$600 million in grant dollars were appropriated in the current grant cycle. 72 projects were selected from the U.S. Department of Transportation, with grants awarded from applications in

49 states. Liu added that the award validates the project as a national priority. The grant will be matched with \$4.5 million in Los Angeles County MTA funds, \$10.6 million in City of Industry funds, and \$9.4 million in federal funds - for a total of \$34.5 million - to be used for the ongoing project. The funds will be used to implement the first three phases of the project to accelerate the congestion relief, starting in early 2016. "The folks that travel that every day probably would attest to the fact that it is the seventh most congested interchange in the United States," said Mayor Pro Tem Steve Tye. "It will get worse before it gets better, but now we know that the funding is

there and it's on the horizon to get better." Along with this confluence comes the agreement between Diamond Bar and the City of Industry to move ahead with new interchange on the 60 Freeway, at Lemon Avenue, helping to alleviate the traffic on Brea Canyon Road. The interchange will include a westbound on-ramp, eastbound on-ramp, and an eastbound off-ramp. This Lemon Interchange construction project will match Diamond Bar's Metro Prop C funds in the amount of \$405,430, with \$80,725 from the City of Industry, and \$1,751,045 in federal right-of-way funds. The right-of-way phase should begin in June of 2015, with completion scheduled for January 2017.

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Vejar Elementary Star Student and Community Partners Honored

By KELLI GILE

Walnut - The Walnut Valley Unified Board of Trustees recognized the Vejar Elementary Super Star Student and Community Partners on Sept. 17.

“Andrew Osorio was selected as our Super Star Student for his bravery, his hard work, and his positive attitude that exemplified not just the Vejar Values, but a strong human spirit,” said Principal Jennifer De Anda during the Board Meeting.

During the presentation, she showed slides from a visit with Andrew at the Children’s Hospital of Los Angeles earlier this month. Andrew had been on a

transplant list due to a congenital heart problem.

“I had the honor of presenting him with Super Star recognition,” De Anda said.

She then recalled some memories of the special Vejar student.

“There were times when Andrew would come into the office due to his condition because he couldn’t participate in physical education,” De Anda explained. “And so during that time he would come in and rest. When other students came in because they were injured or weren’t feeling well, Andrew would console them, he would joke with them, and read them stories. He was

very sweet and caring,” she said.

Andrew sadly passed away on September 3.

De Anda shared that Andrew’s unending smile and his brave “thumbs up” were inspirational to the Vejar community.

Last spring, teacher Jamie Highstreet, Office Manager Yadirra Gostel, student leaders, and the community club rallied around Andrew to help raise money for his medical expenses. Kelli Gile, Public Information Liaison, and Rich Irwin, San Gabriel Valley Tribune reporter, received the Partner in Education Award for their help with the fundraiser.

“Thanks to them, our Have a Heart campaign made the newspapers and brought in even more money,” the Vejar principal explained. “They both went out of their way to publicize our fundraiser to help Andrew’s family. They spoke with him and with the family with the kindness and empathy that helped them feel at ease,” she said.

As a result, the school was able to give the family nearly \$3,000 from the Walnut community.

The Osorio family has invited students, staff, and community members to share their favorite memories of Andrew at www.AndrewOsorio.Foundation.



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Andrew Osorio – giving his trademark “thumbs-up” during a summertime visit to the school - was named the Super Star Student at Vejar Elementary and was honored during the September 19 board meeting. The 8-year old sadly passed away on Sept. 3 due to a congenital heart condition.

Collegewood Celebrates Creativity

By KELLI GILE

Walnut - Everybody loves a parade! Hundreds of parents lined up to watch a kaleidoscope of colors and designs during the Collegewood Elementary Dot Day Parade on Sept. 18.

Students brought in boxes, paper and supplies from home and then let their creative juices flow.

One group stretched their imaginations making puppies from simple cardboard boxes. Another group of youngsters decorated a fluffy arctic polar bear float.

“It was 100% on their own,” 2nd Grade teacher, Diane Zell,

explained.

Students were encouraged to make their mark using critical thinking and collaboration. Classes marched through the campus showing off creative floats banners, displays, posters, and decorated boxes.

One clever 5th Grader carried a bright blue bird painted on a square box complete with feathers and golden wings. Another artsy group designed and built a 5-foot long horse covered in black tissue paper and tape, with a mane of black felt and red felt bridle.

A group of fourth graders in Scott Jones’ class proudly wheeled

a white block-shaped Minecraft wolf float made from cardboard boxes, tape, and paint. Transitional kindergarten students wore adorable decorated crepe paper hats. Second grade groups marched through with a Tinkerbell float and a time machine.

The idea for the creativity parade began with a letter written to the principal by 3rd Grader, Sophia Hill. She asked her principal for a reward if the class filled its gold coin incentive jar. Collectively students earn gold coins for demonstrating ways they exceed expectations with the 4Rs: Ready-to-Learn, Responsibility, Resourcefulness,

and Respectfulness.

“I thought it would be fun to have a parade with floats and invite the president!” the courageous 8-year old said.

When Principal Joan Perez gave the green light for a school-wide parade, the 3rd Grader wrote a letter to President Obama. But, because he was busy running the country, our Superintendent, Dr. Robert Taylor, rode through the parade as the official Grand Marshall. Watch out, Rose Parade!

“When our students learned of Sophia’s idea, they were so excited! They were inspired to innovate and create parade floats all

while practicing our 4Rs. Our entire school community was amazed how rigorous and relevant the entire process was. I can’t think of a better way to model for students that hard work and determination yields great rewards!” Perez said.

Perez combined the school parade with the international Dot Day, an event that celebrates courage, creativity, courage, and collaboration. And it all begins with a dot.

“The Dot is the story of a caring teacher who fosters students to trust in their abilities to be creative and being brave enough to make their mark in the world,” Perez added.

PUSD Celebrates 2014-15 Teacher of the Year

By JULIETTE FUNES

Pomona - The Pomona Unified School District has recognized Madison Elementary School teacher, Monica Whisenhunt, as the 2014-15 Teacher of the Year for PUSD.

Whisenhunt - who has taught Grades 3 to 6 throughout her 12-year teaching career at Madison Elementary – was honored for the achievement at the Los Angeles County Teachers of the Year Announcement and Awards Luncheon on Fri., Sept. 19.

“Monica grew up surrounded by educators, following in her mother’s footsteps, so it’s no surprise that she has come to be one of the best

teachers we have in the District,” said Board of Education President, Frank Guzman. “I want to congratulate Monica for the excellent work she has done to make a difference in the lives of our students in the Pomona Unified community.”

Whisenhunt was nominated by her colleagues at the school and other teachers in the District. She was selected for the accolade by the Associated Pomona Teachers and the Pomona Unified School District.

“While I’m surprised that I was selected out of the hundreds of talented teachers we have in the district, it’s really nice to be acknowledged and recognized for working hard and being a dedicated



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Madison Elementary School teacher, Monica Whisenhunt, was named the 2014-15 Teacher of the Year for PUSD.

Whisenhunt said she was inspired to become an educator after seeing her mother, a teacher at a continuation school, get stopped by former students to express their gratitude for what a positive influence she had been in their lives.

“It was obvious that my mother had made an impact on their lives through her kindness and dedication as a teacher,” she said. “Growing up with teachers, I would see the constant sacrifice and endless hard work they did to ensure success for their students.”

Last year, Whisenhunt partnered with Cambridge Education and immersed herself in the Common Core and best practices, and has served on several committees

to learn and prepare for the changing dynamics of education.

“Although being a teacher has many challenges, I believe in my students’ potential, and it is always my goal to provide learning opportunities that will motivate and encourage them to be high achievers,” Whisenhunt continued.

In addition to her teaching responsibilities, Whisenhunt also serves as an executive board member with APT.

“Monica is a prime example of the committed teachers we have at Pomona Unified,” said Superintendent Richard Martinez. “Just like her mother, I know Monica will have a positive influence on her students’ lives.”

New Mt. SAC Child Development Center

By KELLI GILE

Walnut – The New Mt. SAC Child Development Center plays a dual role in education. Imagine a service that allows people to return to school, provides quality childcare, and serves as a hands-on training facility. That’s exactly what Mt. San Antonio College’s new Child Development Center will offer the college community’s children, students, and families.

“Moving into a larger, modern facility allows us serve more children and more students,” said Mt. SAC Child Development Center Director, Tamika Addison, about the new center that opened to students last spring and open for childcare a month ago.

The 33,800-square foot, four-building complex houses child development classrooms, labs, observation spaces, and other required facilities to provide quality education and childcare for up to 162 children, infants to five years of age.

Mt. SAC celebrated the grand opening of the Child Development Center’s new complex (Building 70) with a ribbon-cutting ceremony on Fri., Sept. 26. Assemblyman Curt Hagman, Senator Bob Huff, and college administrators were on hand for the ceremony.

“Childcare is sometimes the biggest barrier for people who want to return to college and continue their education,” said Addison, who added that over 200 families will use the

childcare services they offer each semester.

But the center’s services are much more than babysitting or just watching the children.

“We are concerned with their early education as well. We work with the whole child,” said Addison. “We prepare the children to do well later in school in kindergarten and elementary school.”

The childcare program at Mt. SAC has received national accreditation from the National Association for the Education of Young Children, which serves as the program’s seal of approval as a quality childcare center. Each semester, there is a waiting list of about 150 for people who want to get their children into the program.

The center is also one of very few childcare centers that offer subsidized programs for families that qualify. Between 18 and 25 percent of most families’ income is spent on childcare. For some families, that subsidy, offered through three sources including the Department of Education, is a lifesaver. A subsidized food program offered through the U.S. Department of Agriculture is also available for children.

In another role, the center also serves as a training facility for more than 50 child development students every semester who serve as assistant teachers and received practical, hands-on training.

Once they finish the program, the students will fill childcare positions with programs like Head Start, and

will be in demand because of the training they have received.

“The childcare field is constantly growing, and because of the need for trained childcare workers, childcare centers and programs like this are in demand,” said Addison.

According to Employment Development Department statistics, new job growth in the area of childcare is up 46 percent in California, and the childcare field is ranked in the top 50 fastest growing job fields in the state.

The grand opening for the complex comes more than four years after its groundbreaking in June 2010. The \$18.5-million complex was the first of the campus construction projects funded under the college’s \$353 million Measure RR bond.



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