

## IE News

### 11 Gang Members Arrested

*Multiple agency investigation results in the arrest of known "Noe Luv Gangster Crips" members*

#### STAFF REPORTS

**San Bernardino County** – For the past four months, Investigators with the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Gang Intelli-

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## OC News

### West Nile Virus Active In OC

#### STAFF REPORTS

**Orange County** – The Orange County Mosquito and Vector Control District (OCM-VCD) would like to make residents aware, in portions of Northeastern Orange County, that mosquito and dead bird samples have tested positive for West Nile virus.

In 2014, Orange County reported the highest number of

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## University of California Is For Bears, Bruins And Banana Slugs, Not Cash Cows

By SENATOR BOB HUFF  
R-SAN DIMAS

**San Dimas** – The University of California should be a beacon of opportunity for California students; but in recent years, there's been a clear trend at UC campuses to turn away too many of our own California students in favor of higher paying, out-of-state students and foreign elites. This crowding out of our own high school graduates from UC schools is a trend that can't be allowed to continue.

The numbers tell the story:

UC officials claim state budget cuts have forced them to admit more and more out-of-state students. This makes some fiscal sense, because those out-of-state students pay nearly triple the tuition charged to California residents. But this year, fully one out of three freshman students admitted to UC campuses are from out-of-state. And, despite past assurances I've gotten from UC officials, some of those out-of-state students are receiving financial aid that's been paid for with California taxpayer dollars. Not only is that not fair to



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California's 29th District Senate Republican Leader, Bob Huff

California families, if this trend continues we could soon see the day when the majority of

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## Irwindale Young Citizen Of The Year

*The Irwindale Chamber of Commerce and the City of Irwindale are pleased to announce Klaudia Gallardo as the Irwindale Young Citizen of the Year for 2015.*

#### STAFF REPORTS

**Irwindale** – The 2015 Young Citizen of the Year Competition was held at the Irwindale Senior Center on Wed., Aug. 5.

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## Father Sentenced For Son's Murder



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David Paz Vasquez

#### STAFF REPORTS

**Baldwin Park** – A 34-year old man has been sentenced to 25 years to life in prison after

being convicted of murdering his 20-month old son.

According to the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office, jurors deliberated on Tues., July 21 for about an hour before finding David Paz Vasquez guilty of one count each of second-degree murder and assault on a child causing death. He was immediately sentenced to 25 years to life in state prison by Los Angeles County Superior Court Judge Bruce Marrs.

Deputy District Attorney Deborah Scott, who prosecuted the case, said Vasquez was watching his son, Joshua, on June 12, 2013 at the

family's Baldwin Park home. After the toddler's mother left for work, she received a call from a hospital saying the child had died.

Vasquez told investigators that he placed the child on a bed and told him not to move, the prosecutor added. The toddler fell onto the floor and Vasquez became upset and struck his son on the head and abdomen and then took him to the hospital. He was arrested that evening.

Injuries to the toddler included a smashed skull, broken ribs and internal bleeding in

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## Civilian Volunteers In Patrol

*Pomona Police Department seeks local residents interested in becoming CVPs*

#### STAFF REPORTS

**Pomona** – The CVP program was created by the Pomona Police Department to allow civilian volunteers to help the Department achieve its goals, while helping to serve

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## Our Featured Businesses

### The Law Offices Of Dominic Chacon

#### STAFF REPORTS

**West Covina** – More often than not, people run into some sort of legal problems in their lifetime. Sometimes it's hard to know who to turn to; you need the assurance that you're getting the right advice. The Law Offices of Dominic Chacon are here to help. Chacon graduated from Southwest

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By CLAIRE LEWIS

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## Our Life Story

### Summer Shape Up Series #3

By K.P. SANDER

Let's say that you take care of yourself. You do all the necessary things to eat right every day, exercise regularly, and work hard to have a great balance of work/play/family/personal time. Life is good, and you're feeling healthy.

But despite all your efforts, things are not so healthy. Dangers lurk all about your home in every day products that seem so innocent.

Just as important as what you put in your body, is what you put on your body and what you are exposed to. According to realfarmacy.com, the Cancer Prevention Coalition (CPC) has put together the top 12 most common products manufactured by "big business" that need to be avoided and kept out of your homes and away from your body.

- Johnson & Johnson Baby (Talcum) Powder: Talc is a carcinogenic and a risk factor for ovarian cancer, not to mention a lung irritant.

- Procter & Gamble Cover Girl Replenishing Natural Finish Foundation: Not so "natural," this make-up contains parabens, untested fragrances, lanolin, talc, and BHA – just to mention a few – all known to cause or be associated with cancer and dermatitis.

- Procter & Gamble Crest Tartar Control Toothpaste: Would you switch to a natural toothpaste if you knew you were brushing twice a day with carcinogenics FD&C #1 and Saccharin? Time to switch.

- Alberto VO5 Conditioner

(Essence of Neutral Henna): Essence of cancer, with formaldehyde, polysorbate 80, FD&C Red #4 and other undisclosed ingredients hidden in fragrance.

- Clairol Nice 'n Easy (Permanent Hair Color): There is nothing nice and easy about carcinogenics, neurotoxins, and dermatitis, but you can find these things hidden in quaternium-15, diethanolamine and phenylene-diamines. The article also notes a "causal relation to non-Hodgkin's lymphoma, multiple myeloma and other cancers.

- Colgate-Palmolive Ajax Cleanser and Reckitt & Colman Zud Heavy Duty Cleanser: Both contain the unlabeled toxic ingredient of crystalline silica, a carcinogenic and eye, skin and lung irritant.

- Reckitt & Colman Lysol Disinfectant Spray: Although the carcinogenicity is denied in their Material Safety and Data Sheet, the carcinogenic and irritant, orthophenylphenol is an ingredient.

- Sandoz Agro Zodiac Cat & Dog Flea Collar: With carcinogenic and neurotoxin, propoxur, around your pet's neck, the fleas aren't the only ones in jeopardy.

- Monsanto Ortho Weed-B-Gon Lawn Weed Killer: "Weed Killer" labels don't leave much to the imagination – something is going to die. Just make sure you wear gloves and masks when using these types of products so you aren't exposed to carcinogens and neurotoxins.

- Oscar Mayer Beef Frankfurters: Don't you just love throwing some benzene hexachloride, dacthal, dieldrin, DDT, lindane, nitrates, hormones and antibiotics on your summertime grill? In the case of a hot dog, if it isn't chemical and nitrate-free,

## To Make Smart School Lunches...

...think like a kid

By STATEPOINT

Making school lunch can feel like a thankless job, but it doesn't have to be a major chore. Here are some ways to make school lunches successful, not stressful:

**Don't Over-Pack:** Does your child come home with untouched food? For a distracted youngster, lunchtime flies by in an instant. By the time the bell rings, little Suzie has barely peeled the top off her yogurt. Keep portions kid-sized and don't include more than four or five items in the lunchbox.

**Think Food Groups:** Think of the lunchbox as a four-piece puzzle. The basic components are protein, grain, fruit/vegetable and dairy. Try making lunch kebobs with cold cut slices and chunks of cheese (your dairy and protein groups), add a handful of grapes (fruit) and a bagful of popcorn (grain). Or pack hummus, carrots and wheat pita (protein, grain and veggie), along with applesauce (fruit) and a cheese stick (dairy). Olives or pickles add extra flavor without too much extra fat or calories.

**Let Them Assemble:** Pack individual ingredients kids can assemble, which makes them feel like they're more in control of what they eat. For example, include a half bagel with a container of shredded mozzarella, tomato sauce and some sliced olives or pepperoni slices so they can make their own pizza. Add a piece of fruit to round out the meal.

**Pick Portable Foods:** Nothing's worse than a lunch-

and made up of pure, normal parts – don't go there.

- Borden or Lucerne Whole Milk: Milk does not do a body good in this particular case, with DDT, growth hormones, antibiotics and other carcinogenics mixed in. Find another option to dunk your cookies in.

- Most Brand-Name Laundry Detergents: Clemson University conducted a study which found that 2% of a fabric's

box explosion. Whenever possible, opt for dry foods and tight lids. Pack trail mix, dried fruit, granola bars or snacks in single-serve cups, such as Pearls Olives to Go! black, ripe pitted or sliced olives. Such foods usually have the added advantage of not spoiling, which means they can be saved for afternoon snacking.

**Keep Snacks in the Car:** Kids always seem to want an afterschool snack. If home is a bit of a drive, keep snacks on hand. Nuts, trail mix, single-serve olive cups and fruit are better options for a ravenous child. Keep in mind, hungry kids are more likely to try novel foods they might otherwise be reluctant to try.

**Get Input:** If your child is not eating enough, find out why. Ask your child to create a list of foods every few months, as tastes change and broaden. Add favorites to the rotation. Remember, just because your child eats a certain food at dinnertime doesn't mean it will be a popular lunch item.

**Get Cute:** If you're feeling ambitious, cut sandwiches into shapes. Sliced cherry tomatoes or olives make easy eyes, buttons and mouths. A simple post-it note with a smiley face or "love you" will go a long way to brightening your child's day.

Lunch isn't rocket science, but creating meals children will love every day can get tricky. Simple strategies can help ensure kids return from school with empty lunch boxes and satisfied tummies.

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weight comes from laundry detergent. The skin absorbs 75% of any fat soluble substance it comes into contact with within 26 seconds, and laundry detergents include anionic surfactants, petroleum distillates, phenols (and more) that are toxic, carcinogenic and can cause organ damage.

The realfarmacy.com article states that current product labeling provides no warnings for cancer and other chronic health risks. Food is labeled for cholesterol, but not for carcinogens. Frankly, high cholesterol is the least of your worries in these instances.

In the "Top 10 Most Unhealthy, Cancer Causing Foods," American political activist, Ralph Nader, says, "What is particularly galling about the 'Dirty Dozen,' is that these toxic chemicals don't have to be there. Yet these corporations continue to expose people to health hazards unnecessarily."

Do yourself and your family a favor, and read labels, educate yourself on chemical that you use on a regular basis, and begin to eliminate them all from your house and your life.

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# Walnut Aquatic Park Update

By CLAUDINE STINES

**Walnut** – As you may recall, in October of last year, Standard Pacific filed a Writ of Mandate against the City of Walnut stating, in short, the Three Oaks property could not be sold, but would revert back to the original developer if not used for the purpose intended (swimming pool and recreational facility). While the Writ was filed, they did not act upon it, preferring to negotiate; negotiations have been going on since that time.

On Wed., July 22, the Walnut City Council was scheduled to review negotiations for the sale of the property in a closed session. After their review of the Purchase and Sale Agreement, the Council was to reconvene at their Meeting and announce the closed session actions, according to page 6 of the Council agenda.

Other developers did bid on

the sale of the property for approximately \$15 to \$16 million, thus causing Standard Pacific to enter the picture. The Three Oaks property appraised at approximately \$5 to \$6 million - considerably short of the \$20 million the City would need to build the aquatic park, per the conceptual drawing previously submitted on Oct. 8, 2014.

Depending on the financial outcome, the City may have to scale back to accommodate the shortfall, building only the recreation facility, one pool and parking - and develop a strategy to add the additional pool, amphitheater, etc., as additional funds are budgeted in the coming year(s).

As of this month, the renovation of the Walnut High pool has finally started; the estimated time of completion is not known at this time. You may not be aware that the renovation will cause the City to modify their summer aquatic

program due to the configuration of the pool. They will no longer be able to support instruction for the smaller swimmers and some adult programs due to the new depth of the pool.

While Council members are in favor of the aquatic center, it appears even at this level of government the wheels of progress have been moving slowly. Council members need to hear from citizens; otherwise the momentum of this vision for the community will continue to move at an even slower pace.

Council members may be contacted, as follows: Robert Pacheco, Mayor (bpacheco@ci.walnut.ca.us); Mary Su, Mayor Pro Tem (msu@ci.walnut.ca.us); Nancy Tragarz, Council Member (ntragarz@ci.walnut.ca.us); Eric Ching, Council Member (eching@ci.walnut.ca.us); Antonio Cartagena, Council Member (cartagena@ci.walnut.ca.us).

# SGV Church Youth Leader Arrested

STAFF REPORTS

**Rowland Heights** – On Sun., July 12, just before midnight, CHP Officers conducted a welfare check on the occupants of a vehicle parked in a turn-out of Highway 330, near Fredalba Road in San Bernardino County. A 24-year old male and a 13-year old female were found in the back of the vehicle. According to the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department – in cooperation with personnel from the California Highway Patrol's Lake Arrowhead Office and the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Twin Peaks Station

– Detectives from the Crimes Against Children Detail arrested Yanhao Ren (aka Eric Ren), 24, of Fullerton, on Mon., July 13, for engaging in a sexual relationship with the victim, 13, of Rowland Heights.

Ren has been a youth leader for the Evangelical Formosan Church of Rowland Heights for the past two years, and has attended that church since 2006. The victim met Ren while attending youth programs there. They told officers they have been involved in a sexual relationship since May. Investigators have determined that during the following months they engaged in

several sexual acts in the counties of Orange, Los Angeles, and San Bernardino.

Ren was booked into the Central Detention Center on charges of Sex Crimes, Sodomy, Oral Copulation, Penetration with a Foreign Object and Kidnapping (all with a child under the age of 14). He is being held in lieu of \$500,000 bail and was arraigned on July 15 at the San Bernardino Justice Center.

The investigation is ongoing and anyone with information is encouraged to call Detective John Everman at the Crimes Against Children Detail, at (909) 387-3615.

# 11 gang members arrested

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gence Team/FBI Gang Task Force have been investigating the illicit activities of a criminal street gang known to Inland Empire Law Enforcement Authorities as the "Noe Luv Gangster Crips."

According to the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department, for the past several years, members and associates of this particular gang have been known for their violent nature toward members from other criminal street gangs; more specifically, gangs from the Inland Empire. Based on several gang related shootings that have occurred at various locations throughout the County - some in which innocent citizens have also been victimized - Investigators conducted surveillance operations to gather evidence to establish the gang's criminal conduct.

On Thurs., July 23, Investigators, Deputies and Officers from the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department,

San Bernardino Police Department, San Bernardino County Probation Department, California Highway Patrol, Rialto Police Department and FBI, served ten search warrants at various locations throughout San Bernardino County. As a result of the investigation, 22 firearms were located and seized, as well as six ounces of cocaine.

Several alleged members and associates of the Noe Luv gang – including Rahshun Turner, 30, Fox Burroughs, 30, Mark Tibbs, 33, all of Rialto; Dewitt Johnson, 55, of Fontana; and Thomonte Rander, 29, Markyse Tuggle, 23, Liza Flores, 27, David Blakely, 30, Lancaster Alexander, 21, Sharhonda Jackson, 24, and Sobriety Jackson, 20, all of San Bernardino, were also taken into custody for various criminal charges including: criminal street gang conspiracy, attempted kidnapping, assault, human trafficking/pimping, prostitution, and additional weapons and narcotics violations.

This investigation served to represent the cooperation of law enforcement authorities within San Bernardino County and their commitment to the relentless pursuit of those who engage in criminal street gang activities. In addition, through allied cooperation, authorities will continue to strive toward keeping the County's citizen's safe from criminal street gang activity through aggressive anti-gang enforcement and the application of current anti-gang legislation.

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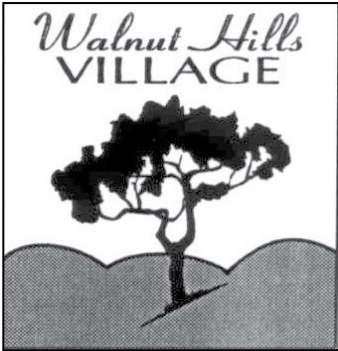


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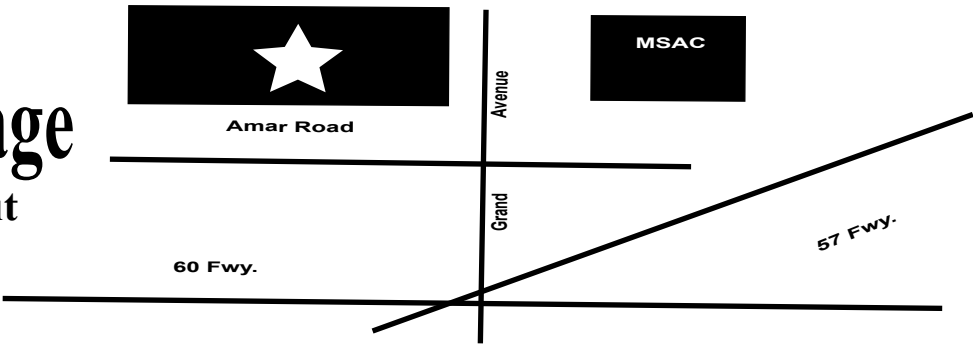
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# Helping Hands

By PASTOR MARK HOPPER



Recently I had the opportunity to travel with a team from our church to New Orleans. Many groups from around the country continue to send volunteers to help rebuild neighborhoods that were devastated by Hurricane Katrina ten years ago. Our team worked on three different building projects. One group put new exterior siding on a damaged home. A second group put new shingles on the roof of another house in the neighborhood. I was with the third group putting new flooring in another house. The home my wife and I live in is built on a concrete foundation and cement floor. The homes that we worked on in New Orleans are built up off the ground. Pillars of wood or concrete blocks elevate these older houses two to three feet off the ground. We actually saw some new homes in the area that were six to eight feet above ground! Elevating homes off the

ground probably helped prevent damage from minor flooding due to heavy rains and probably kept the bugs and critters out, too. But the flood waters from Hurricane Katrina and the broken levees brought flood waters up ten to 15 feet, and higher, in some areas. Even the newer homes were not able to withstand the devastation. I learned a lot about flooring during the week I was in New Orleans. First we had to scrape and clean the original hard wood floor. Then, we put down a cushioned, moisture barrier underlay before we put down the new wood laminate flooring. One thing I learned about flooring work is that you spend a lot of time on your knees! As volunteers, we wore cushioned knee pads. These gave us some protection and relief as we literally worked on our hands and knees all day long. I have gained a lot of respect for men and women who work in the various building trades. They work hard - very hard. We worked hard in the hot, humid summer weather in New Orleans. I can't imagine what it would be like to do this kind of

work day after day, week after week, year after year. The Bible says a lot about work. Everyone needs to be productive with their hands and mind. God intended us to work while we live on the earth. And He commands workers to do their jobs well. In Ephesians 6:6, the Apostle Paul tells workers, "Don't work just to please men, but do your work to please God." Whether you are a volunteer or an employee, each of us needs to do our work in a way that is pleasing to God. Our goal should not be to simply pass "inspection" by the county building inspector, but to please God with the work of our hands and hearts. If you are one of those in the construction trades, let me say, "Thanks," for all your hard work. And, if you have a worker fixing your plumbing or repairing your roof, I hope you will express your thanks to them for their hard work.

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# Starting This School Year Prepared

By NANCY STOOPS, M.A., M.F.T.



School starts very soon and you need to help your children prepare. This is a good time to start having them go to bed a little earlier and to help them get organized. Make sure to buy them a good notebook with subject dividers and folders in those subject dividers to organize their work. Take some time to talk with your child about what worked in the last school year for them, and what they can improve upon this year. Help them set some goals for this year to make them be better students. Every year, many parents bring their children to me to help them be better in school. I teach them time management skills and we work on not pro-

crastinating. You can help your child with this as well. You can set up a reward system when you see them making positive changes. Time management and organizational skills are essential in helping your child succeed in school, and in life in general. Also, if your child is starting at a new school, take them to the campus beforehand to help them feel more comfortable. Getting your child to eat a good breakfast and a healthy at lunch is crucial for getting them through the day with the necessary energy to do what they need to do successfully. Besides enough sleep and good nutrition, I feel a multivitamin is very important as well. Many of these ideas are taught at my Monday evening free counseling groups. We meet at the Walnut Teen Center every Monday from 6 to 8 p.m. No invitation is needed

and everybody is welcome to attend. The address is 21003 La Puente Road in Walnut. Feel free to contact me at (909) 229-0727 if you have any questions. Midnight the therapy dog is also there to help! *This article was written by Nancy Stoops M.A., M.F.T. Nancy is a licensed Marriage and Family Therapist. She has a private practice in Diamond Bar and is currently accepting new clients; she is also a motivational speaker who can inspire your employees or group members. Nancy runs free family support groups, including a group on loss for seniors, and groups on how to manage anger. For more information about any of these services feel free to contact her at (909) 229-0727, or via email at [nancyjstoops@verizon.net](mailto:nancyjstoops@verizon.net). Nancy's books, "Midnight the Therapy Dog," and "Live, Heal and Grow," are available at Amazon.com.*

# Straight Talk With Danice

A Letter From Ali

By DANICE AKIYOSHI, N.D.



**Q:** My husband was not invited to walk his daughter down the aisle at her wedding. She chose a close family friend instead. My husband and his ex-wife had a horrible relationship, which made it impossible for him to have a decent relationship with his daugh-

ter. He is very down on himself and feeling depressed. I don't know how to help him. Any suggestions would be appreciated. **A:** Maybe your husband's ex-wife was able to influence his daughter when she was a child, but most women who are getting married are adults. Certainly he had access to his young adult daughter without the influence of her mother. In my experience, no one can keep a good parent away from their child (especially an adult child). If the bride is not interested in a relationship with her father, he should do his best to find out why. Ev-

eryone is an adult now. Try for a fresh start when they return from their honeymoon. Do not add any additional stress to their lives before the wedding. *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](mailto:straighttalk@candidcoachingservices.com). You can also visit her website at [www.candidcoachingservices.com](http://www.candidcoachingservices.com).*

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## West Nile Virus active in OC

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human infections of West Nile virus in the nation with 280, including nine deaths. OCMVCD uses more than ten years of sampling data collected during routine monitoring and testing of mosquitoes, dead birds, and human infections to determine areas of greater risk throughout the county.

To date in 2015, OCMVCD confirmed West Nile virus-positive test results from the cities of Anaheim, Cypress, Fullerton, Huntington Beach, Orange, San Juan Capistrano, Santa Ana, Tustin, and Yorba Linda. So far this year, OCMVCD has reported a total of 81 positive mosquito samples and ten dead birds. There are no reported human cases at this time. A total list of all positives can be found at [www.ocvcd.org](http://www.ocvcd.org).

Mosquitoes acquire the virus when they feed on infected birds, and subsequently pass

the virus along when they bite humans. There is no cure for West Nile virus.

**Partnership to Protect Your Community:** All mosquitoes need standing water to complete their life cycle. Even though OCMVCD Inspectors are conducting investigations to find mosquito breeding in communities all over Orange County, standing water sources remain unidentified. These unidentified sources are maintaining mosquito populations and threaten your quality of life. OCMVCD is asking for your help to find and eliminate hidden sources.

**How You Can Help:** It takes just two minutes of your time to help prevent future outbreaks of West Nile virus. Simply inspect your property and dump or drain any water found, and take the necessary steps to prevent the source from refilling. In addition to common breeding sources, above and underground remnants of our

agricultural past (standpipes, well heads, irrigation channels) may be present on your property and can breed mosquitoes. This easy practice is the most effective method of controlling mosquitoes. If you observe any standing water not on your property, alert OCMVCD. An inspector will be dispatched to catalogue and treat the source with mosquito control products.

Residents can also take an active role in reducing the threat of West Nile virus by taking the following steps:

- Eliminate any standing water around your home.
- Ensure that swimming pools, spas, and ponds are properly maintained.
- Change the water in pet dishes, birdbaths, and other small containers weekly.
- Request FREE mosquito-fish for placement in ornamental ponds.
- Make sure all window and door screens on your house are in good repair.
- Wear a repellent containing DEET®, Picaridin, Oil of Lemon Eucalyptus, or IR 3535.
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# Officer Involved Shooting

STAFF REPORTS

**Pomona** – Sheriff's Homicide detectives are investigating the circumstances surrounding a Pomona Police Department Officer-Involved Shooting, which occurred near the 300 block of East Center Street in the city of Pomona on Fri., Aug. 7, at approximately 10:38 p.m.

According to the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, Detectives have learned that Pomona Police Officers assigned to a joint gang suppression team accompanied by District Attorney Investigators were on patrol in the city of Pomona when they saw a Hispanic male suspect and another individual involved in a heated argument.

After the argument, the suspect rode away on his bicycle, and Pomona Police Officers attempted to detain him. As one of the Officers exited his vehicle, he ordered the suspect to stop. Instead of stopping, the suspect rode away from the Officers westbound on Center Street. The Officer ran after the suspect while a Pomona Officer and a District Attorney Investigator paralleled the suspect in their vehicle.

At one point during the chase, the suspect stopped his bicycle, made a U-turn, and began to ride toward the Officer who was chasing him. The suspect then withdrew a .357 caliber revolver from his waistband and pointed it at the Officer who was chasing him on foot. The Officer, in fear for his life, withdrew his duty weapon, fired, and struck the suspect multiple times in the upper torso.

The suspect, a 32-year old Pomona resident, was transported to a local hospital where he is listed in stable condition.

No officers were injured during the shooting.

A loaded .357 caliber revolver was recovered at the scene.

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# Irwindale Young Citizen of the Year

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Irwindale Police Department Captain, Ty Henshaw, served as the event emcee to a packed room of local residents, family members of the contestants, and business representatives.

Three outstanding Irwindale youth competed by presenting an original essay answering a question about the three things they strive for in life, and responding to impromptu questions from the judges. Klaudia Gallardo, Caleb Cardenas and Christian Cardenas all impressed the judges with their poise, enthusiasm, thoughtfulness, and community involvement.

Marlene Carney, Irwindale Chamber CEO, said "We are so proud of these cool kids that are smart, gutsy, who care about the community and are willing to step out there and do what it takes to make a positive difference in their lives and the lives of others. This continues to be one of my favorite chamber events and I applaud the participants."

Irwindale Council members, Albert F. Ambriz, and H. Manuel Ortiz, were in attendance,



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along with Irwindale Chamber of Commerce Board Chair, Dawn DeVroom (Arrow Automotive) and board members, Victor Benavides (City of Hope), and Phyllis Ferguson (California Custom Fruits and Flavors). The judges were Ferguson, Benavides, and Gabrielle Mejia of Foothill Transit. Vocalist Loretta Corpis provided an uplifting musical interlude.

This event could not have been possible without the generous support of sponsors, committee members, judges,

and attendees, and the Irwindale Chamber of Commerce and the City of Irwindale would like to thank the following individuals and companies:

**Dinner Sponsors:** MillerCoors and Avolio's Italian Restaurant

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**Irwindale Young Citizen of the Year Committee:** Eloise Beltran (Irwindale Senior Center); Marlene Carney (Irwindale Chamber of Commerce); April

Kelcy (Earthquake Solutions); Veronica Orosco (Irwindale Chamber of Commerce); and Priscilla Zepeda (Irwindale Recreation Department).

**Irwindale Senior Center Staff, The Produce Place, Loretta Corpis, and Steve Castro of Eagle Photography. Coach/Public Speaking Coach:** April Kelcy (Earthquake Solutions, Irwindale Toastmasters Club).

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# The Law Offices of Dominic Chacon

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"It's a general law practice. We wanted to appeal to a broad range of people," said Chacon. "We wanted to be a one-stop shop."

Chacon wants to provide assistance with all facets of the law, from business legalities to divorce and everything in between; he didn't want to limit his ability to help someone.

"We want to be able to help with all of life's legal problems," he said. "By opening a general practice, we are able to establish and maintain quality and familiarity."

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Chacon feels that the diligence, energy and responsiveness of his office are not only their best assets, but they are essential to his company and the relationships with his clients.

"When you walk out of our office, you are definitely informed about your situation, or the direction your suit will go," Chacon said. "We can't predict everything, of course, but we use the words 'I don't know' effectively. And what we don't know, we find out."

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# University of California is for Bears, Bruins and Banana Slugs

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students entering the University of California aren't from California.

And while UC officials claim

## Father Sentenced for murder

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the abdomen.

During the trial, evidence was presented that when the child was five months old, he suffered a broken leg after Vasquez yanked him from the mother. After that incident, the toddler was placed in foster care for about a month, and then went to live at his grandmother's house for six months. He was then returned to his parents.

The case was investigated by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department.

that state budget cuts are forcing them to turn more and more to out-of-state students and the dollars they bring, that's not the whole story. After all, there's more to fiscal management than simply grabbing more dollars. There's also controlling costs, and that's where UC officials don't have a very good story to tell. In the past 20 years, UC has tripled its hiring of non-faculty administrators. That's a big increase in spending for some very expensive bean counters

and pencil pushers. And it's a tough increase to justify. For comparison's sake, over the same period UC was busy tripling its administrative staff, the California State University actually cut its administrative staff by a third.

We can do better. Our students deserve better. That's why I signed on this year as co-author of SCA 4, a proposed Senate Constitutional Amendment which places a ten percent cap on UC out-of-state admissions. SCA 4 also

freezes UC tuition for the next five years, and bars out-of-state students from receiving financial assistance from California families. SCA 4 protects our students while imposing a little fiscal discipline on UC's educational bureaucracy.

SCA 4 likely won't make it through the Legislature this year, and that's a shame, because now the people will be denied a chance to vote for its important student protections.

Education is the great

equalizer, because education is what turns opportunity into real world success. If we truly want to battle income inequality and increase opportunity for Californians, it's time to protect UC's educational opportunities for California students.

Senator Bob Huff serves as the Senate Minority Leader and represents the 29th Senate District covering portions of Los Angeles, Orange and San Bernardino Counties. Follow Senator Huff on Twitter @bobhuff99.

## Civilian volunteers in patrol

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and protect the local community. CVP members play a vital role in helping to identify suspicious activities, crimes in progress (or other dangerous circumstances), and notify the authorities for proper handling. Some CVP members also help enforce the City's parking regulations through the issuance of

parking citations.

According to the Pomona Police Department, in order to be considered as a volunteer candidate for the CVP program, an individual must:

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# Pomona College Is Voted The Best

By CLAIRE LEWIS

**Claremont** – Harvard, Yale, Princeton...all great schools with excellent reputations, right? Absolutely, but apparently they are not the best, at least according to Forbes magazine. The well known and respected publication released their “America’s Top Colleges 2015” listing on Wed., July 29, placing Pomona College as No. 1 in the United States.

The private liberal arts college located in Claremont – who was Forbes-ranked No. 8 in 2014, and No. 2 in 2013 – is an exclusively undergraduate four-year institution with approximately 1,600 students each semester, according to their website. The School is part of the Claremont Colleges, a conglomerate of five undergraduate and two graduate institutions in the San Gabriel

Valley.

Pomona College was founded in 1887, and the innovators that designed this beautiful school envisioned “a college of the New England type with small classes, close relationships between students and faculty, and a green jewel of a campus,” their website continues. And from that beginning, Pomona has grown to be one of the nation’s premier liberal arts colleges, well known for not only the original vision, but also a challenging curriculum, quality academic programs, and a wide variety of personal growth and intellectual development opportunities for students.

Pomona College refers to its students as “Architects of Education.” With an average class size of 15 and large-scale resources, students are easily able to cultivate a great enthusiasm for learning by collabo-



Pomona College campus in Claremont, CA

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rating with professors, who are also top scholars in their fields. Notable Pomona College alumni include Roy E. Disney, Kris Kristofferson, Richard Chamberlain, and Joel McCrea.

For the 2015 listing, Forbes ranked Williams College No. 2, followed by Stanford, Princeton, Yale, Harvard, Swarth-

more, Brown, Amherst and M.I.T., respectively, completing the Top 10 in the country. The rankings are a result of Forbes “return-on-invest” scale, which gives specific points for high graduation rates, career success, low debt, and student satisfaction.

Pomona College is located

at 333 N. College Way in Claremont, California. For admissions and more information, call (909) 621-8000.

# Baldwin Park Unified Expands STEM

*District partners with Cal Poly Pomona College of Engineering to strengthen career pathways*

STAFF REPORTS

**Baldwin Park** – Baldwin Park Unified is expanding its partnership with Project Lead The Way (PLTW) – the nation’s leading provider of science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) curriculum – to deepen student opportunities for career and college pathways.

Baldwin Park High School – which launched Project Lead The Way’s freshman-year Introduction to Engineering Design class in 2014-15 – will add Principles of Engineering for sophomores this fall. The school plans to add a grade level each year.

Holland Middle School, meanwhile, is launching PLTW Gateway, which teaches students the principles of problem solving as they design play-

grounds and furniture with specialized software.

Santa Fe School, a Grade 3 to 8 school, will provide Gateway for 8th Graders with an introduction to robotics for 5th Graders, and launch a PLTW club.

“These programs will strengthen our students’ knowledge, especially in engineering, as we begin to incorporate the Next Generation Science Standards, which emphasize more hands-on learning and more real-world application of science,” Superintendent Dr. Paul J. Seviliano said.

Baldwin Park has partnered with Cal Poly Pomona’s College of Engineering as part of the effort. Cal Poly is training and certifying teachers. Students who complete the engineering pathway will move to the front of the registration line for Cal Poly’s engineering program.

District leaders say the new curriculum complements efforts by Baldwin Park High’s STEAM Academy, Holland Middle School’s exemplary science program and Santa Fe

School’s focus on STEM, especially technology.

The STEAM Academy, which includes arts as well as STEM topics, is one of three career academies at Baldwin Park High School. The program provides interdisciplinary instruction around its STEAM theme. Signature projects include an egg drop, bridge-building and vehicle-building contests. Topics weave through math, history, English and social studies.

“Project Lead The Way adds a vital engineering component to our program,” Principal Anthony Ippolito said. “Together, these elements are really helping us to ensure students have the knowledge and skills to pursue college and career pathways.”

Baldwin Park’s efforts to strengthen college and career pathways helped earn the school a California Gold Ribbon – the state’s highest award – in 2015.

Ippolito said the programs offered at Holland and Santa Fe will work in conjunction with Baldwin Park’s engineering program and could even help prepare students for the high school’s Medical Academy, which has a sports medicine focus.

Holland Middle School,

which earned a state Gold Ribbon this spring for its effective science instruction, will offer the Gateway program’s foundational class in engineering modeling and design as an 18-week program in fall and spring, allowing up to 50 students to take part. In 2016-17, Holland will add a foundational program in automation and robotics; specialized courses may follow the next year.

“We’re building a pipeline of opportunities for our students that will continue in high school and eventually lead to college,” Principal Michael Rust said. “We’re dedicated to giving these students every opportunity under the sun to succeed.”

At Santa Fe School – a smaller campus with about 400 students - programs will be offered to more than 30 8th Grade students as an elective and incorporated into science classes taken by all 5th Graders, Principal Margie Clark said. In addition, the school is looking to launch a PLTW club to help spark student interest.

“The goal is to get students excited about these opportunities,” Clark said. “I think they’ll be amazed at all the things they can create, especially with the robotics elements.”

# Santos Sworn In As Mt. SAC Student Trustee



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New Mt. SAC Student Trustee, Elizabeth Santos

By MIKE TAYLOR

**Walnut** – Mt. San Antonio College student, Elizabeth Santos, was sworn in as the new student trustee for the 2015-16 academic year during the Mt. SAC Board of Trustees’ July meeting.

As student trustee, Santos, 18, will present the student perspective on policy issues before Mt. SAC’s governing board. She will have only an advisory vote, which does not count toward the passage or failure of a motion. The advisory vote helps the board know how the student trustee stands on issues and strengthens the student role in the college’s shared governance process.

Santos, a resident of Rowland Heights, is a political science major. She has served as a co-chair for the Mt. SAC chapter of MeCha. In the community, she serves as a volunteer with the Rowland Unified School District and for her church, Our Lady of Guadalupe in Los Angeles. After she graduates from Mt. SAC, she plans to transfer to UCLA as a political science major.

# Azusa School Earns Grant

*Students will be provided with more fruits and vegetables*

STAFF REPORTS

**Azusa** – Azusa Unified’s Clifford Murray Elementary recently received \$2,540 as one of 371 California schools sharing \$12.2 million in federal grants made available through the United States Department of Agriculture’s Fresh Fruit and

Vegetables Program.

According to the California Department of Education, in an announcement made on Thurs., July 16, the grant will provide Murray Elementary pupils with a full school year of fresh produce to be distributed three days a week during recess.

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