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#### DIAMOND BAR

## Full STEAM Ahead!

South Pointe students learn coding from 'scratch'

By Kelli Gile

**Diamond Bar-** South Pointe Middle School 7th graders are immersed in learning coding concepts in a STEAM 2 course.

This week, students have been busy designing interactive stories and games with Scratch, an online programming community.

"All students, some having no experience with coding, are given an opportunity to be creative with the smallest of details about their game or story and it is amazing to see what they can do," said technology

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## Fatal Traffic Collision In Diamond Bar



STAFF REPORTS

**Diamond Bar -** Detectives of the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Walnut/Diamond Bar Station are investigating the circumstances of a single vehicle fatal traffic accident that occurred in the 23000 block of Golden Springs

On Tuesday, September 11, at approximately 11:41 p.m.,

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deputies were dispatched to the location of a reported single car collision. The vehicle was traveling southwest on Golden Springs Drive apparently at excessive speeds when it seems the driver lost control of the vehicle. The vehicle slammed into the west curb and caused it to roll and strike sev-

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## Vejar Elementary 4th Grade Celebrates the Golden State

By Kelli Gile

**Walnut** - Vejar Elementary fourth graders are becoming map masters while learning about California's unique coastal beaches, mountains, central valley, and desert regions.

To wrap up the recent geography studies, an entire day was devoted to paying tribute to the Golden State on Monday.

"California history is the heart of fourth grade and we wanted to celebrate the day it became a state in 1850!" said teacher Janine De Vera

About 100 students kicked off the morning by making Califor-

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#### **INLAND EMPIRE**

## Eastvale Holds Elections November 6, 2018

By Michael Armijo

**Eastvale** – Its election time again so you'll see many candidate signs, flyers, mailers and people knocking at your door. But it'll only be in certain areas as the City of Eastvale had converted to the "district" option of voting instead of their traditional "at large" option of voting. This means a few things:

1. The city will have representation by all parts of the city. So as the city is cut up into 5 areas. There can only be a candidate who lives in those district areas

that are up for election.

Drive in Diamond Bar.

2. The marketing costs will be more affordable. So if a "rich" candidate, or someone who has the ability to raise more money than the others, dominated past elections they can no longer do so. It levels out the political playing field financially.

What has also changed is the election cycle. State law now requires all elections to be held in November, with the exception of Primary elections, which are historically held in June. This

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#### LOCAL NEWS

## Chino Hills Photo, Essay, Poster Contest

Deadline October 5th

STAFF REPORTS

Chino Hills – The twenty first annual family poster, essay, and photo contest is going on now and your entries must be submitted by October 5th. Young artists from kindergarten through high school are invited to submit entries to the 21st Annual Celebrate the Family Poster, Essay, and Photo Contest. Entries are due by Friday, October 5. Participants must be a Chino Hills resident

or be a student at a school in Chino Hills to be eligible. Visit http://www.chinohills.org/CelebrateTheFamily for more information and to print the entry form.

Entries may be returned to the school office at participating Chino Hills schools by the end of the school day, on October 5. Entries can also be returned by 4:00 p.m. to the Recreation office at Chino Hills City Hall, 14000 City Center Drive, CA 91709. Two categories are available for entries, based on the child's grade level: • Students in kindergarten through grade 4 can create a poster sized 9" x

12" using hand applied mediums, such as crayons, paint, pencils, or pens. • Students in grades 5-8 may submit either an essay (one page, typed, and double spaced) or a 9" x 12" poster using hand-applied mediums such as crayons, paint, pencils, or pens. Winners will be acknowledged and prizes awarded at the City Council Meeting on Tuesday, November 13. Winning entries will be displayed at City Hall or the Chino Hills Community Center during National Family Week, November 18-24. For more information, call the City of Chino Hills Recreation Department at (909) 364-2700. ■

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## Make Your Backyard Extreme

BY MICHAEL ARMIJO

Ontario - Companies come and go, so longevity is key when you're modifying your home, both inside and out. Extreme Backyard Designs is a testimony of longevity as their family run business has been designing outdoor entertainment centers with name brand components for over 20 years. See their ad on page 6 to see all of the great deals

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## Californians Urged to Get Vaccinated Against Whooping Cough

**BY CDPH** 

Sacramento— The California Department of Public Health (CDPH) announced today Pertussis, better known as whooping cough, claimed the life of a San Bernardino County infant. This is the first confirmed infant death from the disease since 2016, when two deaths occurred.

"This baby's death is a tragedy for the family and for California as a community, as this is a preventable disease," said Dr. Karen Smith, CDPH Director and State Public Health Officer. "This serves as a grim reminder that whooping cough is always present in our communities, and immunizations are the first line of defense."

Each year, 50-200 California infants are hospitalized with pertussis. CDPH and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommend that expectant mothers receive the whooping cough booster shot (also called Tdap, or tetanus, diphtheria and acellular pertussis vaccine) at the earliest opportunity between 27 and 36 weeks of every pregnancy, even if previously immunized. Getting immunized during pregnancy boosts a mother's immunity and passes on protective antibodies directly to their babies before birth. This helps protect newborns until they are old enough to begin receiving their own whooping cough immunizations at 6 to 8 weeks of age.

"No baby should have to be hospitalized due to a vaccine-preventable disease, and certainly no baby should die," said Dr. Smith. "To give babies the best protection, I urge all pregnant women to get vaccinated against whooping cough as early as possible during the third trimester of every pregnancy."

To avoid the spread of whooping cough, CDPH also recommends that:

- Parents immunize their babies against whooping cough as soon as possible. The first dose is recommended at two months of age, but can be given as early as six weeks of age.
- California 7th grade students receive the whooping cough booster, Tdap.
- Adults receive a whooping cough booster once in their lives.

The symptoms of whooping cough vary by age. For children, whooping cough typically starts with a runny nose and cough for one to two weeks. The cough then worsens and often results in rapid coughing spells that end with a whooping sound. Young infants may not have typical whooping cough symptoms and may have no apparent cough. Parents may describe episodes in which breathing briefly stops and the infant's face turns red or purple. For adults, whooping cough may be a cough illness that lasts for several weeks.

Most health plans cover Tdap immunizations, and many pharmacies offer it. Medi-Cal members may be able to get their Tdap shots at the pharmacy where they usually pick up their prescriptions. Call your health plan to learn more. If you do not have health insurance, call your local health department to find a low- or no-cost location.

More information about pertussis is available on CDPH's website. ■

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#### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

#### Hispanic Heritage Month-Dia Del Ritmo

*When:* Saturday, September 15, 12:00 pm

*Where:* Chino Library, 13180 Central Ave., Chino

**Details:** Bailamos! Join us for a fun day of dancing and rhythms as we celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month. Wear your dancing shoes as this family-friendly event will include an interactive Salsa dancing session, as well as ballet Folklorico, and Danza Azteca performers!

**Cost:** FREE **Contact:** (909) 465-5280

Toddler Boot Camp (Ages 1-3)

When: Monday, September 17, 11:30 am

Where: James S. Thalman

14020 City Center Dr., Chino Hills **Details:** For the more ac-

Chino Hills Branch Library,

**Details:** For the more active toddler we have selected high energy songs with lots of movement to inspire a health model of physical exercise in a fun and engaging way. The purpose of this Course is to inspire healthy physical activity from the get go, in a fun and exciting way your toddler will love. This Course will be focused on the development of gross motor skills, listening skills, following directions, stretching and being active. **Contact:** (909) 590-5380

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When: Saturday, October 6, 12:00 pm to 9:00 pm Where: Silver Lakes, 5555 Hamner Ave., Norco

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Details: Activated Events, the

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**Contact:** www.bootsinthepark. com

2018 Chino Hills Wine Walk

When: Saturday, October 13, 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm

Where: The Shoppes, 13920 City Center Dr., Chino Hills

Details: Presented by the Chino Hills Community Foundation. Please join the Chino Hills Community Foundation at the Shoppes at Chino Hills as they swirl, sip, and shop while raising money for a great cause. Destination for food and wine lovers with more than 20 pour-

**Contact:** http://chinohillsfoundation.com/wine-walk/

ing locations.

## Did You Know?

Concerned About Rising Mortgage Rates? Borrowers Have Options

#### BY STATEPOINT

While mortgage interest rates remain near historic lows, they have been slowly rising over the last year, increasing the cost of 30-year loans for borrowers.

Home buyers concerned about higher rates have other options to consider: an adjustable rate mortgage (ARM), which provides an initial lower monthly payment, or a 15-year fixed rate mortgage, which has a higher monthly payment but reduces the amount of interest paid over the course of the loan.

A Shot in the ARM

An ARM typically starts out at a lower interest rate than the classic, 30-year fixed rate. After an initial period, typically five, seven or 10 years, the interest rate adjusts over the life of the loan.

There are several different types of ARMs, but one of the most popular is the 7/1, which stays at the same rate for the first seven years and then adjusts yearly thereafter.

"After the fixed period, the rate can increase each year, but the good news is that there are caps on how high that rate can go," says Peter Boomer, head of mortgage distribution for PNC Bank. "The opposite may also be true: it's possible the rate will decline if market forces are pointing that way. The best advice is to check with your lender for the details."

What You Need to Consider Boomer said it's important to know how long you expect to be in your home.

"The national average is seven years before homeowners sell or refinance, which is why the 7/1 ARM is so popular," he said. "If you expect to be in a home for fewer than 10 years, then you may want to consider an ARM."

Boomer suggests talking with a mortgage loan officer about whether an adjustable rate may save you money. Many people like the idea of that lower rate to start, while others prefer the peace of mind of a stable rate.

For traditional mortgages, refinancing remains a viable option if interest rates fall in subsequent years.

"It's important to remember that mortgage rates rise and fall over time. It may be worth considering an ARM because over time there may be savings, as opposed to the cost of refinancing," Boomer says.

Look at your family, job, future and goals to decide whether this option makes sense. Your family may grow, you may get a new job and relocate, you may downsize for retirement or face other changing financial conditions.

15-Year Mortgage

Another alternative is a shorter term fixed-rate loan, the most popular being 15 years.

According to Boomer, while a 15-year mortgage will have a higher monthly payment than a 30-year fixed, the interest rate is typically lower and you pay back the principle faster, which means you can save money on interest over the length of the loan.

"The good news for consumers is that there are many financing options available. Talk to your loan officer to discuss which best fits your situation," he says.

To learn more about borrowing options, visit pnc.com.

Owning a home is on the path to keeping your American dream alive, and exploring your options can help you more easily achieve it.

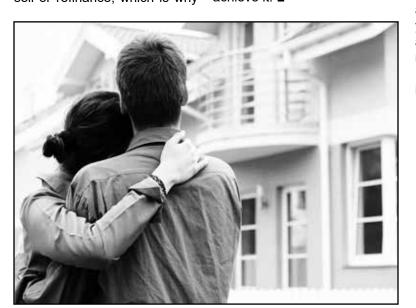


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## History 101



September 15, 1978: Ali Defeats Spinks to Win World Heavyweight Championship

#### By History.com

On this day in 1978, boxer Muhammad Ali defeats Leon Spinks at the Louisiana Superdome in New Orleans to win the world heavyweight boxing title for the third time in his career, the first fighter ever to do so. Following his victory, Ali retired from boxing, only to make a brief comeback two years later. Ali, who once claimed he could "float like a butterfly, sting like a bee," left the sport permanently in 1981.

Born Cassius Marcellus Clay Jr. in Louisville, Kentucky, on January 14, 1942, the future world champ changed his name to Muhammad Ali in 1964 after converting to Islam. He earned a gold medal at the 1960 Olympic Games in Rome and made his professional boxing debut against Tunney Husaker in October 1960, winning the bout in six rounds. On February 25, 1964, Ali defeated the heavily favored Sonny Liston in six rounds to become heavyweight champ, after which he famously declared, "I am the greatest!"

During the Vietnam War, Ali refused to be inducted into the U.S. armed forces and in 1967 was convicted of draft evasion and banned from boxing for three years. He stayed out of prison as his case was appealed and returned to the ring in October 1970, knocking out Jerry Quarry in Atlanta in the third round.

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On March 8, 1971, Ali fought Joe Frazier in the "Fight of the Century" and lost after 15 rounds, the first loss of his professional boxing career. In June 1971, the U.S. Supreme Court overturned Ali's conviction for evading the draft.

At a January 1974 rematch at New York City's Madison Square Garden, Ali defeated Frazier in 12 rounds. In October of that same year, an underdog Ali bested George Foreman and reclaimed his heavyweight champion belt at the heavily hyped "Rumble in the Jungle" in Kinshasa, Zaire, with a knockout in the eighth round. On February 15, 1978, in Las Vegas, an aging Ali lost the title to Leon Spinks in a 15-round split decision. For Spinks, who was born in 1953 and won a gold medal in boxing at the 1976 Summer Olympics in Montreal, the fight was just the eighth of his professional career. However, seven months later, on September 15, Ali won the title back, in a unanimous 15-round decision.

In June 1979, Ali announced he was retiring from boxing. On October 2, 1980, he returned to the ring and fought heavyweight champ Larry Holmes, who knocked him out in the 11th round. After losing to Trevor Berbick on December 11, 1981, Ali left the ring for the last time, with a record of 56 wins, five losses and 37 knockouts. In 1984, he was revealed to have Parkinson's disease. Spinks retired from boxing in 1995 with a record of 26 wins, 17 losses and 14 knockouts. ■

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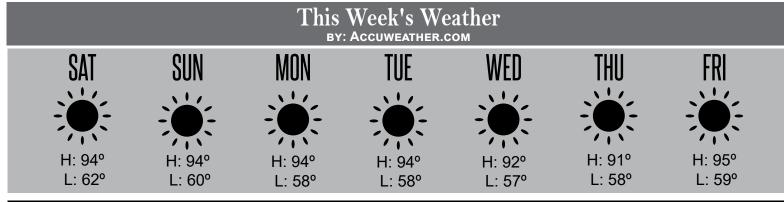
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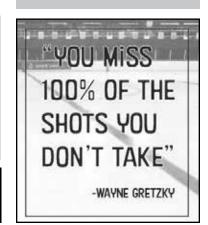
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### **Nef Cortez**

**BY NEF CORTEZ** 



Whether or not you are a homeowner, get familiarized with California's Proposition 5 regarding property

taxes. In one form or another, this measure will affect you or your family members. As usual, during the elections, you will be hearing about the pros and cons from interested parties as to how they recommend you place your ballot vote.

In a nutshell, as per California Association of Realtors (C.A.R.): A YES vote on Proposition 5 "will allow seniors (55+), the disabled, and victims of natural disasters to move to a home suited to their needs without facing drastically higher property taxes".

In more detail, this proposed Proposition 5 has to do with the transfer of taxes when seniors have to downsize, move, and sell their property. When seniors face these life situations, they do not want to be penalized as a result of having to make such moves. Due to health needs or personal desires, seniors are having to move closer to their children who may reside in other counties within the state. Currently, if the senior wants to or has to move to another county, there is difficulty finding another county that does accept the transfer tax base rate. It is therefore difficult

to make moves because of the high cost of the new tax rate that exists because only about 8 out of the 58 counties in the state accept a transfer of the tax base of the seller's previous home. The ability of a homeowner needing to make this kind of move is restricted, and the move is financially "penalized".

Proposition 5 expands the benefits of transferring tax base within the State of California. According to C.A.R., this would provide appropriate relief by allowing those eligible the ability to transfer their current property tax base to the purchase of another home in any of California's 58 counties. C.A.R. believes that this would help boost the housing inventory, facilitating more transactions throughout all counties in the State of California.

As always, before you make your next move, should you sell your home, consult with your tax/certified public accountant as to how current legislation would affect you and your property taxes. Also, you may find more detailed information from legislative analytical agencies on the internet on the topic of Proposition 5.

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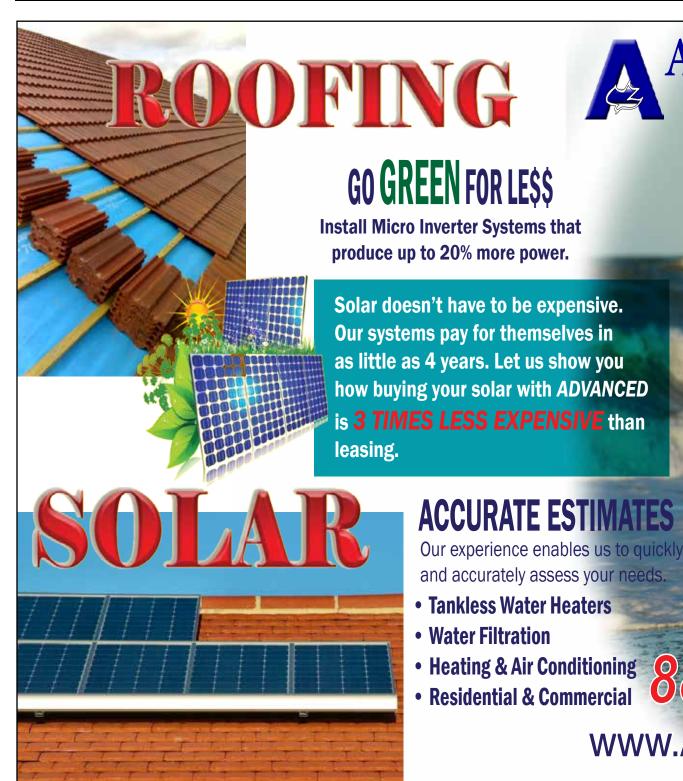
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## Recipe:

## Double Decker Cheddar Burgers

with Sriracha Lime Mayo and Sweet Potatoes

#### BY HELLO FRESH

Cooking Time: 35 mins Servings: 4 Nutrition: 930 Calories Ingredients:

- Dill Pickle- 1
- Garlic- 1 Clove
- Red Onion- 1
- · Beefsteak Tomato- 1
- Sweet Potatoes- 18 oz
- Fry Seasoning- 2 tbsp
- Lime- 1
- · Heinz Real Mayonnaise- 4 tbsp Sour Cream- 6 tbsp
- · Sriracha- 2 tsp
- Ground Beef- 20 oz
- Cheddar Cheese- 4 slices
- Brioche Buns- 4

1 PREHEAT AND PREP Wash and dry all produce. Adjust rack to center position and preheat oven to 425 degrees. Thinly slice pickle; mince a few slices until you have 1 TBSP. Finely grate 1 clove garlic (use the other as you like). Halve and peel onion. Thinly slice one half; grate other half until you have 2 TBSP (save the rest for another use). Slice tomato into rounds.

2 ROAST SWEET POTATOES sweet potatoes into 3-inch long and 1/2-inchthick wedges. Toss on a baking sheet with a large drizzle of olive oil, 1 TBSP fry seasoning (save the rest for step 4), and a few large pinches of salt and pepper. Roast in oven until tender and browned, about 20 minutes



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3 MAKE SAUCE Meanwhile, zest ½ tsp zest from lime and place in a small bowl. Halve lime and squeeze 1 tsp juice into same bowl, then add Heinz mayonnaise, sour cream, minced pickle, and 1/2 tsp sugar. Stir to combine. Add sriracha to taste (it's spicy). Season with salt and set aside.

4 SHAPE PATTIES In a large bowl, mix together beef, grated garlic, grated onion, remaining fry seasoning, and a few large pinches of salt and pepper. Divide into 8 pieces and shape each into a thin, flat patty that's 21/2- to 3-inches wide.

5 COOK BURGERS Heat a larg e drizzle of olive oil in grated garlic, grated onion, remaining fry seasoning, and a few large pinches of salt and pepper. Divide into 8 pieces and shape each into a thin, flat patty that's 21/2- to 3-inches wide.

6 ASSEMBLE AND SERVE Split buns in half. (TIP: If you'd like toast them in a toaster or in the oven.) Spread a little bit of sauce onto top halves of buns. Place stacked patties on bottom halves of buns, then top with tomato, sliced onion, and sliced pickle. Serve with sweet potatoes on the side and remaining sauce for dipping.

## What Parents Should Know About Their Child's Eye Health



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#### BY STATEPOINT

important for their kid's success in the to the Centers for Disease Control classroom, but many are not taking their and Prevention. An easy way to help child to get annual eye exams. This is a detect early signs of diabetes in kids problem because many kids don't know what seeing clearly looks like.

According to a recent study by VSP Vision Care, the largest not-for-profit vision benefits provider in the U.S., importance of eye exams. Yearly trips and market research agency YouGov, to the eye doctor are as important eight-in-10 parents (83 percent) agree as annual visits to pediatricians or that a regular eye exam helps kids do their best in school, but four-in-10 (41 percent) wait until their child complains or complaining about his or her about their vision to schedule an eye eyes. Because vision may change

Clear vision is not only important regular eye and vision care becomes for academic performance, but also even more important. Your child for sports and everyday tasks. That's should receive a comprehensive eye why a comprehensive eye exam is so important for children. Early detection if specific problems or risk factors and treatment provide the opportunity exist or if recommended by your eye to correct vision problems.

Here are some guidelines to ensure you're taking care of your child's eyes properly.

• Watch for signs that indicate a vision problem. Common signals include covering one eye, holding reading materials close to the face, a short which could be prevented by using attention span and complaining of the proper protective eyewear. That headaches or other discomfort. Parents is why it is essential that all children need to look for these signs, as many wear appropriate, protective eyewear kids, not knowing what seeing clearly whenever playing sports or when looks like, won't complain.

• First eye exam should be done at six months of age. Most parents don't know that children should have their first eye exam when they're only six months old! This is particularly important, as experts while they are young will help them say as much as 80 percent of learning perform their best in and out of the is done visually.

• An eye exam can detect early signs lifetime of success. ■

of health issues like diabetes. More kids than ever before are developing Parents know that seeing clearly is type 2 diabetes in the U.S, according and better manage the condition is through annual comprehensive eye exams.

> · Don't underestimate the dentists. Don't just assume all is well if your child is not squinting frequently during childhood years, exam every year, or more frequently doctor.

> • Eye protection during sports and outdoor activities. Playing sports is important for your child's overall development, however, thousands of children suffer sports-related eye injuries each year, nearly all of performing any outdoor activities, such as lawn mowing and trimming.

To find an eye doctor near you, visit VSP.com.

Taking care of your child's eyes classroom and will set them up for a





## Love and Work

By Mark Hopper



0 n e of our daughters and her husband bought a house in

Orange County about a year ago. They were thankful to be able to purchase a house to raise their two young daughters.

Our son-in-law and daughter worked hard to get settled and make their house into their home. They purchased new furniture, new curtains and attractive decorations to hang to the walls. Their house looks very nice.

However, the garage was cluttered with a variety of things that needed to find a place in their new house. I helped them hook up their clothes dryer in the garage and worked with my son-inlaw to hang drywall in unfinished areas of the garage.

One thing that my daughter wanted was a shelf over the washer and dryer to hold laundry soap and other things. It seemed simple enough. I actually had some left over shelving material in my garage and some sturdy metal brackets to hold it up.

As I was gathering tools and materials to work on their project, I realized that my wife might want a shelf over our washer and dryer

in our garage too. When I asked her about it, she was thrilled with the idea. I'm sure she wondered why it took so long to suggest this. We've only lived in our house for 30 years. That is a long time to wait for a small shelf in the ga-

I already had the material. It didn't take very long to cut the wood and attach the brackets to the wall. It took less than an hour to measure, cut, drill and mount the shelf. It looked pretty nice. I was impressed with my work. My wife was too.

She was really excited to have a new shelf.

A friend used to say, "To a wife...a house means love. To a husband...a house means work"! The longer I have been married

the more I agree with that statement. Women love it when their husband works on the house. Wives always have a wish list with more projects in mind. Men often avoid working on the house because they know that after one project is completed there are ten more waiting to be done.

There is a passage in the Bible that says, "Husbands love your wives, just as Christ loves His church" (Ephesians 5:25). Jesus modeled love by serving and helping others and laying down His life for us. You can read more about this in New Testament books like Mark, John and Romans.

The Apostle Paul instructed husbands to love their wife. You can express your love with your

words and by your works. You can purchase expensive gifts and give her thoughtful cards. But, when you work on projects around your house, you send a clear message that you love your wife. Even the simple act of putting up a small shelf is a reminder that you love her.

Let me encourage you to send a message to your wife this week. Fix something around your house. She will get the message! She will be glad you did and you will too!

This article was written by Pastor Mark Hopper, Efree Church of Diamond Bar, 3255 South Diamond Bar Blvd, 909-594-7604, Sunday Services: 9:00 & 10:45 AM, Efreedb.org ■

## Be Grateful if You Know How to Love Well

**BY NANCY STOOPS** 



B e lieve it or not, not everybody raised with knowing how to love well.

My patients sometimes wish they had a different kind of heart that wouldn't cause them so much pain. I always tell them how lucky they are to have the capacity to love with such depth and compassion. They tell me that their hearts can cause them so much pain. I tell them how lucky they are to have loved so fully and yes that such deep loving can cause us pain. Pain can be caused when we love that fully and we lose people to death, divorce or anything that causes that person to leave us. I always remind them how lucky they were to have experienced that kind of love even for one second. I remind them not everybody gets that.

The trick is to be grateful for every second you have with the people you love and create lots of memories. Those wonderful memories will be with you even when the person or people are no longer here with you. Please don't close your heart off because you have been hurt because you have experienced some type of loss. Keep your heart opened because you never know what you might find. Don't put up barriers and become cold and distant instead smile and feel the warmth of those memories. Also be grateful for all that you have left. This idea is also very important in successful grieving.

Now close your eyes and find the best memory of a loved one that is gone. Don't you find it impossible not to smile and maybe even cry some happy tears? In order to keep experiencing this keep you heart opened to love and to all that is wonderful about this amazing thing we call life!!!!

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## **Autism Mom**

Choices

By Melody Kraemer



We all have choices. We all have options. When we wake up in

the morning, we can decide to be happy, sad, frustrated even angry or whatever emotion we choose.

We can plan our day and make the choice of how we want it to go. It may not always go the way we want, but at least we have that choice in hopes, it goes the way we planned.

There are a few things that we can't and don't have

didn't have a choice when we were born, or the family we were born into. We also are not to choose when we die. Everything in between is an option or a choice for the most part. My boys were born with autism that was not my choice or an option I would have chosen. I do though have the option and the choices to do what is the very best for them. What school I put them in, the classes they have even the extra help they get after school.

The worst thing one can say is I don't have an option. According to Merriam Dictionary, an option is "the power or right to choose." I hope the choices I make for my boys are the right ones. I always have their best choices for. One thing is we interest at heart. Yes, it can get

tiresome from appointments to IEP meetings but I choose all of that because of the love I have for my boys and always want the best for them. I would never do anything in my life that made myself or my boys miserable and say, I have no other option but to do this. Life is about choices and options. Why choose something to make one miserable. Make the choices in life that bring joy, happiness and what is best for oneself and for the family. Remember there's always an option.

Melody Kraemer is the Editor and Publisher Macaroni Kid Jurupa Valley- Eastvale and Macaroni Kid Riverside. For any information or general encouragement feel free to email me at: autismmomofboys@ gmail.com. ■



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eral trees. When the vehicle came to a stop it had hit an apartment complex and caused property damage and minor injuries to a passenger. The passenger was treated at the scene by the Los Angeles County Fire Department.

Two of the three adult male occupants in the vehicle were pronounced dead at the scene. The

third occupant was transported to a local hospital via ambulance in an unknown condition.

Fatal traffic collision in Diamond Bar

The investigation is ongoing and there is no further information available.

Investigators are asking that anyone who may have witnessed this collision to contact the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Walnut/Diamond Bar Sheriff's Station at 909-595-2264. If you prefer to provide information

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Walnut / Diamond Bar Sheriff's Station protects and patrol the City of Walnut, the City of Diamond Bar, and the unincorporated communities of Rowland Heights, Covina and West Covina ■

## Vejar Elementary 4th grade celebrates the Golden State: California Day!

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nia-shaped cookies and marking each region with colored sugar.

"We're singing songs and making cookies today!" Nathan Chavez shared after creating his confection.

"We shaped the dough with our hands," he added.

"And we painted the coastal areas green, the central valley yellow, the mountain areas purple, and the desert region orange" explained Caden Sakai.

Then the children dotted the different mountain ranges with chocolate chips.

They admitted that a few of the

delicious morsels may not have made it onto the cookie dough.

"We got to eat a couple!" shared Jaxson Highstreet.

"They smell so good!" chimed in Colete Drake as parent volunteers took dozens and dozens of the sweet treats out of the oven.

In preparation for California Day, students researched and prepared state landmark projects.

They also searched for information about national parks, colleges, museums, and popular vacation destinations.

While the cookies baked, students presented their landmark reports in classrooms.

They ended California Day by inviting parents to see the projects

on display in the multipurpose room at 2 n m

The children performed "I Love You, California", "Oh California" sung to the tune of "Oh Susanna" the traditional Gold Rush song, "Latitude and Longitude" that helped them learn geography and map skills, and "California Regions" sung to the tune of a popular Katy Perry song.

"You can travel the world," the group sang on the amphitheater stage.

"But nothing comes close to the Golden Coast. Once you vacation here, you'll be falling in love!"

And, of course, they gobbled up the freshly-baked cookies! ■

## Eastvale holds elections November 6, 2018

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has been a great cost saver to cities who ran their elections outside of the county election cycles. Now cities who paid for elections in odd months can now streamline their costs.

In Eastvale there are 3 districts up for election: District 1, 3, and 4. In District 1 the current council representative is Todd Rigby. He was unchallenged by the deadline last month so he will retain his seat. In District 3, Howard feng, Chris Hook and incumbent Councilman Clint Lorimore square off. In the final District, 4, Bart Moreno and Jocelyn Yow will compete. The elections are set for this November.

A little history on the decision to divide the city into districts: The City Council previously took action at the April 27, 2016 City Council meeting to initiate the process of converting to by-district voting beginning with the November, 2016 election. The Council approved Resolution No. 16- 09 initiating the by-district process.

The City Clerk is the local elections administrator and coordinates with the County of Riverside in the conduct of Municipal elections. This includes, but is not limited to, the preparation of necessary resolutions calling for

General and Special Municipal Elections and declaring the result of the election, the coordination of the candidate nomination process and the receipt and processing of initiative, referendum and recall petitions. Regular elections are consolidated with statewide elections, scheduled on the first Tuesday of November of even numbered years to fill expired City Council terms. All election services are provided according the California Elections Code, according to the city of Eastvale's website.

Council Members receive \$400 per month stipend as compensation for their service.

Qualifications for Candidacy; to qualify as a candidate for member of the City Council, you must reside and be registered to vote within the jurisdiction at the time nomination papers are issued. More specifically, you must be:

Be registered voters at their current residence in the City of Eastvale

Residing in the district in which they are running

A citizen of the United States 18 years of age or older

Not disqualified from holding office by the Constitution or laws of the State of California.

To become a candidate, you must first be issued a Nomination Paper which specifies the office you are seeking. You must ob-

tain the signatures of at least 20 and not more than 30 registered voters within the City of Eastvale. A number of additional forms are required to be filed.

The nomination period ran from July, 2018 through early August, 2018. Write-in candidates must file a statement of write-in candidacy, a nomination paper and a Statement of Economic Interests, as well as other forms, during the period of early September through late October. Signatures and voter registration information on the nomination paper are verified in the same manner as a regular nomination paper. Write-in candidates' names do not appear on the ballot or in the sample ballot pamphlet.

Voter registration forms are available at all public libraries, post offices and City Hall. To receive a registration form by mail, please call the Riverside County Registrar of Voters office at (951) 486-7200 or the City Clerk's office at (951) 703-4420. Completed registration forms can be hand-delivered to the Registrar's office located at 2724 Gateway Drive, Riverside, CA 92507 or Eastvale City Hall located at 12363 Limonite Avenue. Eastvale, CA 91752 or dropped off in any U.S. mailbox. No postage is necessary. For additional voter registration information visit www.voteinfo.net.

## Make your backyard

#### extreme

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they're offering at their "End of Summer Sale".

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"We believe what makes a business thrive is to provide the best quality components, a superior level of customer service, while providing an affordable price," Deeley said.

Serving all of Southern California, Extreme Backyard Designs is located at 2330 S. Vineyard Ave in our neighboring city of Ontario. They can be reached at 909.930.6111, or you can view their website at www. extremebackyarddesigns. com.

### **Full STEAM ahead!**

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teacher Crystal Dira.

Students have been experimenting with ideas as they drag and drop programming blocks to create movement and animation effects.

"Our project is like a Flappy Bird game," Trey Rosales and Jas Singh explained on Wednesday.

"There's a bat that's traveling across these trees while trying to get to the end of the level," Rosales said.

Another design team, Helena Tran and Aayati Sangal, collaborated to create a catching game with balls and meow sound-effects.

"You can't catch the orange ball!" Sangal exclaimed.

Throughout the year, students will participate in numerous hands-on activities and projects that integrate the areas of Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math.

STEAM 2 students will also be coding robots along with stop-motion animation, music, and short story videos.

The class has been designed to expose students to both to Engineering/Computer Science and Video Production which are two different paths in Technology available for 8th grade students.

"They really are using technology to create their future," Dira said. ■



"Doing business without advertising is like winking at a girl in the dark. You know what you are doing, but nobody else does."

-Stuart Henderson Britt

## Advanced Improvements provides comfort for your home

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saving home and office comfort solutions for Riverside, Orange, San Bernardino, San Diego and Los Angeles counties.

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