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# What You Need to Know



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#### SACRAMENTO REGION (MPG) -

While women are earning bigger paychecks and many consider themselves their family's Chief Financial Officer, nearly half fear they'll end up broke and homeless. Fifty-four percent also claim to feel alienated by a financial industry they say is male oriented.

The Great Recession prompted more women to get involved in financial matters, but more than 40 percent of them say they don't feel any smarter about managing their money, according to the 2013 Allianz Women, Money & Power Survey by Larson Research + Strategy.

"The number of financially savvy women who feel confident about their spending, saving and investing strategies is also

growing, which is wonderful news, but they still represent only 20 percent of all women," says Certified Financial Planner<sup>TM</sup> Luna Jaffe (www.lunajaffe.com), citing the survey.

Jaffe, the author of "Wild Money: A Creative Journey to Financial Wisdom" and its companion workbook, "Wild Money: A Financial Field Guide and Journal," takes a different approach to managing finances.

"While we are focused on family, career and business, often the last place we pay attention is to our own financial future," she says. "There are many reasons for that. One is that, as the women in the survey recognized, financial advising tends to be male oriented; it's geared toward how men think. Another is that we don't think about our relationship with money as just that a relationship."

Jaffe offers five tips for women who want to feel more confident about managing their finances.

1. Start small. Mastering the little things can boost your confidence and give you the ability to tackle bigger issues. If you're daunted by debt, for example, start by simply writing down where you are right now. Write down each company or person to whom you owe money and the interest rate. Numbers can be soothing (even if the story they tell is not) because they're concrete and tangible. Once you know exactly where you stand, you can begin planning your next

2. Do something every day to tend to your finances. Money, like a garden, needs attention. Get into the habit of doing something daily, even if you spend just five minutes. You might check on your accounts, organize your paperwork, or find out what interest rate you are paying on your credit card debt. Give your relationship just a few minutes each day and you'll watch it come alive. An excellent resource is www.youneedabudget.com.

3. Ask questions – even (especially) if you think they're "dumb." When you're at the bank, with your advisor or talking to your CPA, ask all the questions that lurk in the back of

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## San Juan High School to Hold Centennial Day Celebration

CITRUS HEIGHTS, CA (MPG) - San Juan High School will host a Centennial Day Celebration on Saturday, October 26 for the community. The event will be held at from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the school, 7551 Greenback Lane in Citrus Heights. The celebration will be a chance for attendees to learn about the school's rich 100-year history, what San Juan High is doing now to prepare students for college and career, and an opportunity to tour the new and improved campus. Other activities during the Centennial Day Celebration will include:

- Student demonstrations from the current culinary arts program
- The Legacy Exhibit, showcasing memorabilia, photos, documents, and yearbooks from the past 100 years
- Classic car show, welcoming cars from the last 100 years and featuring
- several from 1913 ·Student-run booths offering Centennial and other San Juan High
- School memorabilia for sale · Student, alumni, and faculty art

exhibition



- Student-led tours of the new and improved facilities
- Exhibit of old farm machinery and tractors celebrating the agricultural roots of the Citrus Heights
- Food prepared by award-winning San Juan High
- School Culinary Arts students
- Elementary grade costume competition

San Juan High School is one of the oldest schools in the Sacramento area. The first class met on September 22, 1913 in classrooms loaned by Fair Oaks Elementary School. Less than two years later the school moved to the Greenback location where it currently stands. The centennial year celebration will close with graduation in June, 100 years after the first school year was completed at San Juan High School.

Source: San Juan Unified School District

San Juan High School is 100 years old. Twenty-two eye-catching banners honoring this milestone hang from street poles along Greenback Lane from Sunrise Boulevard to San Juan Avenue until June 30, 2014. Individuals, local businesses, neighborhood associations, and former San Juan classes sponsored each banner for \$350 each. Banners were designed by the San Juan Alumni Association, and manufactured by the Sunrise Marketplace. Funds raised will be used to provide for a new sound system for graduation ceremonies and other special events at San Juan. Photo by Jack Mintz

## **Community** Connections **Expo Coming to Sunrise Mall**

CITRUS HEIGHTS. CA (MPG) -The Citrus Heights Regional Chamber of Commerce presents its Community Connections Expo at Sunrise Mall on Saturday, October 26, 2013 from 10:00 am to 7:00 pm. Attendance and parking are free to the public.

This family event provides a unique opportunity for attendees to be introduced to the products and services offered by featured Expo exhibitors such as Discovery Tree Schools, Curves, Carrington College, Nationwide Insurance and Reichert's Funeral Services. It also affords participants an opportunity for enjoying shopping, grabbing a bite to eat at one of the restaurants or eateries and perhaps even catching a movie at the UA Theatre.

For more information on available exhibitor space, or for general information, call Renee Larscheid at the Citrus Heights Regional Chamber office at (916) 722-4545 ext 24.

Source: Citrus Heights Regional Chamber of Commerce

#### **Second Segment of** Citrus Heights Street **Improvement Nearing Completion**

CITRUS HEIGHTS, CA (MPG) - The Auburn Boulevard Complete Streets Revitalization Project is half way complete with Segment II from Rusch Park to Sycamore Drive, nearing completion. The work includes undergrounding of utilities from Rusch Park to Sylvan Corners and street improvements (sidewalks, landscaping, pedestrian lighting, roadway improvements and amenities).

Segment III street improvements, from Sycamore Drive/ Pratt Avenue to Sylvan Corners, will commence shortly. Activity, such as potholing and water and storm drain work should be visible by the end of October.

Throughout construction of the project, the City will continue to host its weekly Coffee Meet-Ups at Rusch Park. Anyone with questions regarding the project is encouraged to attend. Coffee Meet-ups are held:

Every Wednesday 9:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. Rusch Park (7801 Auburn Boulevard) Conference Room #4

Source: City of Citrus Heights



## **Arcade Creek Park Preserve:** From Labor to Legacy



Mesa Verde students provided over half of the labor to clean up the future site of the Arcade Creek Park Preserve scheduled to be completed in 2014. (Left to right) Jennifer Melvin, Luisa Ayala, Ajinae Walker, Ashley Littlejohn, Serena Blanco, Preona St. Mary, Graciela Zepeda, and Mikayla Hatala. Photo by Elise Spleiss

#### By Elise Spleiss

They began arriving at 8:00 a.m.: the young and the older, 77 Mesa Verde students, Boy Scout Troop 635, local church members, members of REACH Neighborhood Association, and others from the community gathered on Saturday, October 12 ready to become part of the legacy of a new park concept in Citrus Heights.

The Sunrise Recreation and Plans also include the area's

Park District was awarded \$3.6 million from the Statewide Park Development Program to transform the more than ten acres natural park area near the Sunrise Marketplace into a full family park preserve. Included in the plan for the new Arcade Creek Park Preserve is a trail system, children's adventure play area, fitness equipment, a shaded picnic area, pathway

first public zip line course!

Sponsored by Neighborhood Association #10 (SOAR), park staff helped volunteers clean up and dispose of hundreds of pounds of dead trees, underbrush and other debris from the area. Construction of the preserve is scheduled to begin early 2014 with completion expected by midyear 2014. For more information visit sunriseparks.com/ arcade-creek-park-preserve. ★

## Marching Band Holds "Howl-O-Ween" Pet Fair

seating and an interpretive walk.

CITRUS HEIGHTS, CA (MPG) - The Citrus Heights Community Marching Band (CHCMB) invites the community to their 2nd Annual "Howl-O-Ween" Pet Fair and Costume Contest, on Saturday, October 26th at 10:30 a.m. at Rusch Park. All funds raised from this fun event will directly benefit the Citrus Heights Community Marching Band, a FREE all ages show band that performs 20 times year round in the Greater Sacramento

The event features a Canine Costume Contest that costs only

\$5 to enter a dog in the Funniest, Scariest, or Most Original categories. There will be free activities including face painting by the Citrus Heights Beauty Pageant winners, a demonstration by the Citrus Heights Police K9 Squad, Doggie Play Zone, craft contests and vendors from around the region, informative pet seminars, and exciting entertainment including the band "The Brasstronauts" and DJ Dennis "Bad Dog" Keating.

CHCMB will be hosting a silent raffle and will be serving a variety of concessions including Chili Dogs, all for low prices. There will be a special tribute to Ellie the Blind Pug, who on February 17th, alerted her family to a house fire which saved their lives.

Event sponsors include Atlas Disposal, Douglas Ranch Supply, the Sunrise Recreation and Park District, the City of Citrus Heights, the Hearts for Parks Foundation, and Summer Hills Veterinary Clinic who will be providing low-cost micro chipping for pets as well as nutrition consulting.



## **CHPD Awarded Traffic Safety Grants**

Heights Police Department impaired driving. has been awarded two traffic safety grants. The first provides \$163,300 from the California Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) for a year-long program aimed at preventing deaths and injuries on our roadways through special enforcement and public awareness efforts.

"This grant will allow us to continue our enforcement efforts related to driving under the influence and, thereby, improve traffic safety and the quality of life in Citrus Heights," said Police Chief Christopher Boyd.

The grant will assist in efforts to deal with traffic safety problems and to reduce the number of persons killed and injured in traffic collisions. While traffic deaths from all causes declined by nearly 39 percent between 2006 and 2010 in California, they rose by 2.6 percent in 2011. State and federal officials anticipate that figures will show another rise for 2012. DUI deaths remain the largest sector, at nearly 30 percent of traffic fatalities. Recent trends show increases in two new categories

Activities the grant will fund

- Specialized DUI and drugged driving training such as Standardized Field Sobriety Testing (SFST), Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement (ARIDE), and Drug Recognition Evaluator (DRE)
- DUI Saturation Patrols
- Motorcycle safety enforcement
- · Distracted driving enforcement
- Seat belt and child safety seat enforcement
- Speed, red light and stop sign enforcement
- Warrant service operations targeting multiple DUI offenders
- Compilation of DUI "Hot Sheets," identifying worst-of-
- the-worst DUI offenders • Stakeout operations to observe the "worst of the worst" repeat DUI offender probationers with suspended or revoked driver licenses

The second grant of \$61,875,

CITRUS HEIGHTS, CA (MPG) - Citrus - distracted driving and drug- also awarded by the California Office of Traffic Safety, will specifically target impaired driving offenders as well as educate the public on the dangers of impaired driving. When possible, specially trained officers will be available to evaluate those suspected of drug-impaired driving.

Drunk and drugged driving is among America's deadliest crimes. In 2011, 774 people were killed and over 24,000 injured in alcohol and drug-impaired crashes in California. In 2012, Citrus Heights did not experience any deaths but 35 people were injured in these tragic crashes.

Crashes involving alcohol have been shown to drop by up to 20 percent when well-publicized checkpoints are conducted often enough. Checkpoints have proven to be the most effective of any of the DUI enforcement strategies, while yielding considerable cost savings of \$6 for every \$1 spent and are supported by nearly 90 percent of California drivers.

Source: Citrus Heights Police Department

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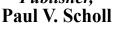
So my family woke up one morning cold, and smelling a burning smell coming through the air ducts. Something was obviously wrong with the heater, I crawled around in the attic and pulled the panels off the heater and discovered the furnace was igniting and the burners were burning, but the blower wasn't blowing the hot air out. So, when I got to work, a coworker referred me to Capitol Mechanical. She is friends with the owners and said they do honest work, so I took a chance.

A tech came out and within ten minutes had the problem diagnosed. It was simply a burned up capacitor, a simple \$20 part, Talk about honest work, he could of told me it was the blower motor and charged me a bunch and I wouldn't have doubted it. I'll be calling Capitol Mechanical in the future if I need service or even a new system. Thank you guys! - Jeremy M., Fair Oaks, CA





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your mind. You'll discover that 1) They're not dumb, 2) You'll get different answers to the same question, and 3) People will respect you for wanting to learn and having the courage to ask.

4. Listen to your body when you're consulting with financial professionals. We are so skilled at masking the intelligence of our bodies, it can be hard to recognize when they're trying to tell us something. If your stomach knots up every time you meet with your accountant, financial advisor or attorney, you should bring it up and talk it out. Are you uncomfortable with the relationship? The topic? Is something else altogether bothering you?

Remember – you do not need a reason to change or end a financial relationship.

5. When in doubt, talk it out – with your money. You have the wisdom within yourself to make great decisions. The question is: Will you listen? The next time you feel uncertain about whose advice to follow, or you find yourself returning to old habits that leave you feeling less than happy, sit down with a pen and paper and have a heart-to-heart talk with your money. Dialogue. Ask a question, then write an answer and trust that these answers come from the deepest place within you. You'll be surprised by what you learn.

Your relationship with money is one you have from birth until

death. Jaffe points out. It's important to make sure it's a good one.

"You can't prevent bad things from happening, but you can prepare for them," she says. "Being able to respond to a crisis with resilience has to do with having the resources to make decisions

you feel good about."

Luna Jaffe is a Certified Financial Planner<sup>TM</sup> and CEO of Lunaria Financial, Ltd. . She holds a master's degree in Depth Psychology and a bachelor's in Bilingual Education. Jaffe is a popular speaker whose creative compassionate approach to financial guidance differs sharply from male-oriented approaches.

Source: NewsandExperts.com

## Fire Chief Honored

Special Metro Fire Report

#### **SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG)**

It is with great pride that we announce Fire Chief Kurt P. Henke has earned the Fire Chief of the Year Award. Earning this prestigious award from the California Fire Chiefs Association is truly remarkable considering the accomplishments achieved during the unprecedented economic downturn we faced over the last four years. Since joining Metro Fire in 2009, Chief Henke has tirelessly worked to improve our District's efficiency, reduce unfunded liability, and explore ways to reform pension and medical costs.

Having a balanced fiscal approach and reducing unfunded liability has been especially crucial. Under Chief Henke's lead, Metro Fire has taken the



Fire Chief Kurt P. Henke Photo courtesy Sac Metro Fire District

region's most aggressive stance on cost-sharing for unfunded liabilities. With collaborative Labor/Management relations, he was able to negotiate a comprehensive reform including the prefunding of retiree healthcare. Leading by example in

the reduction of Management compensation assisted with negotiating employee compensation concessions. Prior to Governor Brown's pension reform, Metro Firefighters were contributing 12% of their salary towards pension costs and pension accounts were funded above recommended levels.

Earning the Fire Chief of the Year Award is a testament to Chief Henke's forward thinking and focus on improving efficiency. His leadership has allowed us at Metro Fire to avoid further service reductions and improve our service to the public.

This award was last received by a Sacramento Metropolitan Fire Chief in 2003 by then Fire Chief Rick Martinez.

Source: PIO Jon Rudnicki



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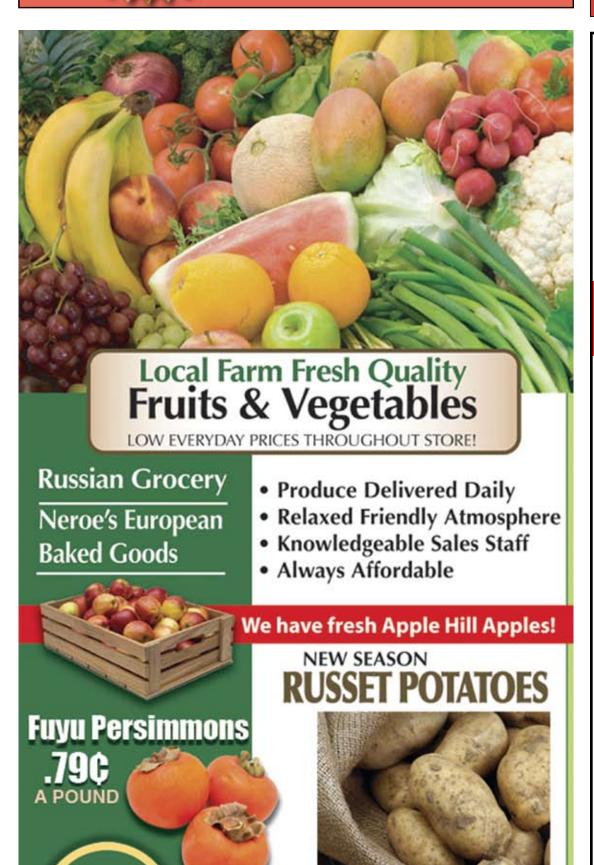
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## **Halloween and Harvest-Related Events Happening in October**

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#### Ghost Tours at the Sacramento History Museum October 25 & 26

Visitors to Old Sacramento can journey back in time to hear ghostly tales and spooky stories as they walk through the history-rich streets and re-live 19th century lore. Entertaining yet knowledgeable tour guides will take daring and inquisitive guests through Old Sacramento's infamous locales to experience a bit of the dark side of California's history. For more, go to www.historicoldsac.org.

#### Spookomotive Train Rides at the Railroad Museum -October 19, 20, 26 & 27

All aboard for some Halloween fun Old Sacramento style! The California State Railroad powered "Spookomotive" train rides aboard a whimsically decorated train crawling with spiders, cobwebs and cornstalks while staffed with an entertaining "skeleton crew." Also, don't miss a special "Moonlight" train ride one-night-only on October 19. For more, visit www.csrmf.org

#### The Hobbit at Fairytale Town – October 25, 26 & 27

To get everyone in a magical mood, Fairytale Town will be transformed into Middle Earth for this year's Safe and Super Halloween event at the storybook park! The imaginative world of J.R.R. Tolkien's The Hobbit will come to life for three nights of family fun. For more, visit www. fairytaletown.org

Halloween Fun with Worm, Compost & Pumpkin Guts at the Roseville Utility Exploration Center -- October 26

During a special -- and very hands on -- Children's Workshop, participants will have fun and take home their own ghoulish creation. They're sure to have a spooky good time inspecting slimy, creepy crawlers who help make garbage disappear! For more, visit http:// www.roseville.ca.us/explore/

#### Hallozeum 2: The Sequel (Bigger & Battier!) at the Discovery Museum Science & Space Center – October 26

Looking for a safe, fun place to haunt this Halloween with your little goblins? During this one evening in October, the Discovery Museum will be inhabited by a bunch of spooky characters after dark - all with a real sense of fun! Families are invited to bring their youngsters in costume to visit trickor-treat stations, participated in fun games or activities, and make a Halloween craft to take home. For more, visit www.thediscovery.org

#### Boo at the Zoo at the Sacramento Zoo – October 30 & 31

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## East Lawn Pet Loss Center Announces New Counselor

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - East Lawn Pet Loss Center and Sierra Hills Pet Cemetery announced the appointment of Tiffany Stout as the new Pet Loss Counselor beginning October 1, 2013.

Ms. Stout has been employed at East Lawn since October 2012 as part of the Mortuary Support Staff and a part-time Pet Loss Counselor. Her new full-time position as Pet Loss Counselor will allow her to focus even more on creating meaningful tributes and celebrations to honor pets and assisting pet "parents" through the grief process.

A graduate of Casa Roble Fundamental High School, Ms. Stout currently attends American River College and is taking introductory funeral directing classes.



Tiffany Stout

East Lawn Pet Loss Center and Sierra Hills Pet Cemetery is located at 6700 Verner Avenue in Sacramento, and is part of the

70-acre East Lawn Sierra Hills Memorial Park. An East Lawn representative said, "Because we understand the bond that develops between pets and their owners, we provide cherished remembrances and memorials that will last forever. East Lawn Pet Loss Center offers full pet burial service as well as private pet cremation.

"We consider it a privilege to serve pet families; therefore, we maintain high standards of performance, integrity and compassion. We seek to fulfill the wishes, respond to the needs and exceed the expectations of each pet family. We believe Tiffany Stout will be a significant addition to East Lawn's Pet Loss Center."



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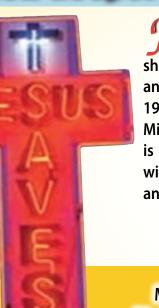
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CASE: David Savala & Pebbles Savala (10/18/13)

PROSECUTOR: Deputy District Attorney Morgan Gire, Gangs & Hate Crimes Unit District Attorney Jan Scully announced today that the Honorable Michael Savage sentenced David Savala to

23 years to life in prison and Pebbles Savala to 11 years to life in prison. On August 8, 2013, a jury convicted the defendants of aggravated kidnapping for the purpose of financial gain and felony assault.

On July 4, 2012, the defendants lured the 14-year-old victim to Pebbles Savala's home for a party. Once there, all three defendants and others at the house beat the victim and then threw her out of the house. As she was walking home, the defendants followed her down the street and threw her into David Savala's van. They then drove her to the Watt Avenue and Longview Drive area and threatened to make her work as a prostitute. The defendants then returned to the house and kept the victim there for another 26 hours until she was finally allowed to leave.

CASE: Amoura Dawson & Adrienne Boulware (10/19/13)

PROSECUTOR: Deputy District Attorney Kevin Greene, Homicide Unit

District Attorney Jan Scully announced today that the Honorable Michael Savage sentenced Amoura Dawson and Adrienne Boulware to 15 years to life in prison. On September 24, 2013, two separate juries convicted the defendants of second degree murder and torture.

On September 14, 2011, Sacramento police officers responded to the 3600 block of Marysville Boulevard and found Audie Hogue deceased in the parking lot of an abandoned car wash.

Hogue had been physically assaulted and died from upper body trauma.

CASE: Robert Vasquez (10/10/13)

PROSECUTOR: Deputy District Attorney Kevin Greene, Homicide Unit

District Attorney Jan Scully announced today that Robert Vasquez was convicted by jury of first degree murder with the special circumstance of shooting from a vehicle and gun enhancements.

Early in the morning on September 12, 2010, sheriff's deputies responded to a report of a shooting near the

intersection of Explorer Drive and Greensboro Circle in Rancho Cordova. When deputies arrived, they found Madalene Thomas inside her vehicle in the parking lot of a business complex with a gunshot wound to her upper body. She was pronounced dead at the scene a short time later.

Vasquez faces a sentence of life in prison without the possibility of parole. Sentencing is set for November 22, 2013 in Department 16 before the Honorable Marjorie Koller.

CASE: William Russell (10/15/13)

PROSECUTOR: Deputy District Attorney Allison Dunham, Adult Sexual Assault Prosecution

District Attorney Jan Scully announced today that William Russell pled no contest to two counts of first degree burglary, one count of sexual battery and one count of attempted sexual battery. The burglary offenses are strikes Russell, who did not know the victims, took interest in the victims' toes and feet. He complimented both

victims on their feet and asked if he could touch them. Both victims declined and tried to ignore him. Russell then followed both victims to their apartments and forced his way inside. He sexually assaulted one victim and tried to sexually assault the other victim, but she was able to push him out of her apartment.

Deputy District Attorney Allison Dunham states, "The defendant's sexual perversion led to acts of violence that terrified these innocent women. He will now face significant consequences for these crimes and will have to register as a convicted sex offender for the rest of his life."

Under the plea agreement, Russell will be sentenced to a stipulated 6 years and 10 months in prison. Once he is released on parole, he will be required to register as a convicted sex offender. Sentencing is scheduled for November 12, 2013 at 8:30 a.m. in Department 61 of the Sacramento Superior Court.

CASE: Winzer Deandre Hayden (10/18/13)

PROSECUTOR: Deputy District Attorney William Satchell, Gangs & Hate Crimes Unit

District Attorney Jan Scully announced that the Honorable Patrick Marlette sentenced 29-year-old Winzer Deandre Hayden to 50 years to life in prison. On September 20, 2013, a jury convicted Hayden of first degree murder and also found true that he personally used a firearm causing death.

On July 10, 2012, Hayden shot 18-year-old Wesley Wheeler in the back following an argument between Mr. Wheeler and Hayden's cousin.

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By Ronnie McBrayer

Last year Paramount Pictures brought to the big screen the remarkable movie Flight, starring Denzel Washington. Denzel played the role of Captain Whip Whitaker, a pilot with the fictional South Jet Airlines.

When we first meet Captain Whitaker he is in an Orlando hotel room with a flight attendant, suffering from a terrible hangover, a hangover he remedies by snorting a line of cocaine, just before climbing aboard to guide Flight 227 to Atlanta. The flight never arrives. It crashed, not because Whitaker is drunk or jacked up on coke – though he is. The aircraft crashed because of mechanical failure, and the Captain's efforts are regarded as nothing less than heroic, as there are but a few casualties in the crash. The incident, however, pulls back the veil on Whitaker's addiction, forming the plotline for the movie.

While it could be said that the producers of the film took creative license with the flight and crash scenes of the movie (check it out for yourself), what the producers perfectly nailed is the nature of addiction. It devours. It gobbles up a person's physical, spiritual, and emotional well-

Addiction consumes a person's capacities and rationality,

## Replacement, not Revolution

sense of responsibility. That is the nature of addiction, if not its very definition: Addiction uses up a person's identity. And, of course, the condition is not limited to alcohol and cocaine. Sex, food, video games, smoking, religion, gambling, shopping, pain killers, the Internet, relationships, your iPhone, or work: The list is exhaustive. Anything that initially empowers us, in the end, can enslave us.

So what do we do? In those moments of clarity, when we realize that life is a mess and we can't keep doing unhealthy things or living in these destructive cycles, we decide that we want something better. We want transformation; to turn over a new leaf; to get on the straight and narrow; we want change. But our attempts to revolutionize our lives almost always fail. Yes, we improve for a while, but we can't seem to stay that way.

A person gets sober and we all cheer. Then, he falls off the wagon, and when he falls, his condition is worse than ever. A friend finally came to her senses and ditches that loser she's been living with, recognizing that he is a controlling son of a gun who was robbing her of herself. Life is grand until tragically and inexplicably, she gets into a new relationship with a chump who is

even worse than the first one! On and on the endless examples could be catalogued. So many legitimate attempts at life-changing revolution wind up being exchanges of one tyranny for another; a swapping of one set of chains for another;

all his or her better angels, and trading one evil task master for another one. The recognition that life must change is simply not enough. Transformation is not accomplished by giving up what is bad for you. No, the bad has to be replaced with what is good and healthy.

I think this is what Blaise Pascal meant when he said, "There is a God-shaped vacuum in the heart of every man and woman which cannot be filled by any created thing, but only by God." I think this is the highest expression of the Apostle Paul's mysticism when he wrote, "I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but it is Christ who now lives in me."

And I think that this is exactly what Bill Wilson, co-founder of Alcoholics Anonymous, was talking about when he articulated those necessary steps toward sobriety, where one must acknowledge his or her powerlessness and turn life over to a Higher Power who is the only source of health and sanity.

This isn't mere self-help. This is Spirituality 101. This is the essence of the Christian life: Our desires, impulses, and very lives have to be crucified, as it were, so that the life God has for us can be born and lived in its place. It is replacement, not simply revo-

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## Is It a Fragrance or a Stench?

By Rev. James L. Snyder

This past week I had to go to the mall. I know, I should know better but I thought I could sneak in, get what I needed and sneak out again. So much for my thoughts.

I wanted to purchase several tie chains for my neckties and searched every jewelry store and nobody had them. Finally, I ordered three online, which would be shipped free, (which always gets my attention) to the nearest store, which happened to be in the mall.

I do not like the mall and choose not to go there if I can help it. When in the mall I am usually very nervous and get confused and do not know which way I am going. Once I get in, I am not quite sure how to get out again. Everything seems to be contrived to confuse a person like myself.

Looking down at the ground while walking I became rather confused and I happen to turn into an open door.

My mall savvy is not sophisticated in the lease. The door I turned into happened to be for the store Victoria's Secret. I do not know who Victoria is, I did not know what the store was all about but when I got in the store I discovered Victoria's Secret much to my great embarrassment.

That is exactly the reason I do not like going into the malls. They have places like this that a gentleman, such as Yours Truly, should never enter.

I am not sure how I got out of that store; all I can remember was a great deal of hilarious laughter thrown in my direction from inside. I just hope they did not recognize me. They probably did not, because I had all my

It has been a long time since that incident and now I had to go and pick up my order. I put together a plan to sneak in very quietly, pick up my order and tiptoe out as quietly as I came in.

You know what they say about well-laid plans! Whether mine was well laid or not, it blew up in my face.

I did slip into the mall and found the store where my order was. I picked them up and quietly turned around and started for the door. How I got turned around is any man's guess. Actually, I think it turned around too many times. For the next 15 minutes, I tried to find the way I came in so I could go out.

The trouble started when I hesitated. I stopped to try to get my bearings and in stopping a young woman approached me.

"How do you do today, sir," she said most cheerfully.

I nodded and tried to get away as graciously as possible.

She would have none of it. "And how do you smell today, sir?"

Had I been in my right sense of mind I would have told her I smelled with my nose. Being in a confused state of affairs. I had no quick comeback for her. It was then that she introduced me to her product.

I must confess I am not up-todate with all of the body lotions and perfumes that are available today. I shave in the morning, splash some aftershave on my face, rub some deodorant under my armpits and that is as far as I go.

This young woman took me for a potential customer of her body lotions and ointments and perfumes. I suppose many people are concerned with how they smell. I am not one of them.

My basic philosophy along this line is simply, if I cannot stand my own smell, I take a shower. I know when it is time to take a shower when I can smell

She wanted to introduce me to some body lotions and ointments and perfumes that would make me smell alluring to anybody I met during the day.

Personally, I do not have a "Bucket List" but if I did this would not be one of the items on

Trying to be polite, I informed the young woman I was late for an appointment and needed to get on right away.

"Oh," she said very cheerfully, "this will not take long at all."

With that said, and before I could process what she said, she began rubbing my face with body ointment or lotion of some sort. I froze and for a few moments, I could not even move. Even the little grey cells upstairs were shocked into a rare state of stillness.

"Now, you smell wonderful." It was at that time I retired with honor my gentlemanly manners and started running as fast as I could run without drawing too much attention to myself.

I smelled that "fragrance" for three days in spite of the fact that I took 17 showers in the meantime.

Sometimes our focus is always on the outside. I like what Jesus said, "Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye make clean the outside of the cup and of the platter, but within they are full of extortion and excess" (Matthew 23:25).

It does not matter how good I smell on the outside if there is stench on the inside. I want to focus on my inside and make it as fresh as possible. That is the fragrance God smells.

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By Karen Anderson

"You Can't Do That" is an awful phrase to hear your whole life. It can devastate your selfesteem and can mark you as a loser, forever. That was my life! I know that my parents didn't mean for it come out that way. It almost ruined me, because I truly began to believe it. I found myself believing the lie, that I was so weak because of the anemia. I talked in my previous article, "Garbage Out-New Life In" about my anemia, and how weak I was. It was believed that I wouldn't be able to handle the strain or that others would not understand what was happening to me. I know my parents were only trying to protect me but it did cause me to look at everything through clouded glasses. I could see the opportunities and experiences I was missing. I was sad at first, but as the years rolled by, I was filled with regret,

disappointment, and anger. Remember God's Word says: "So, my very dear friends, don't get thrown off course. Every desirable and beneficial gift comes out of heaven. The gifts

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are rivers of light cascading down from the Father of Light. There is nothing deceitful in God, nothing two-faced, nothing fickle. He brought us to life using the true Word, showing us off as the crown of all his creatures. Post this at all the intersections, dear friends: Lead with your ears, follow up with your tongue. and let anger straggle along in the rear. God's righteousness doesn't grow from human anger. So throw all spoiled virtue and cancerous evil in the garbage. In simple humility, let our gardener, God, landscape you with the Word, making a salvation-

garden of your life." Understand that this anemia was serious enough that for my first year of life, I was isolated from others and had to receive iron shots every week. They didn't even think I would survive my first year. What I realized in my later years was the fear my parents dealt with, but it didn't help with my regrets. As I grew up, it seemed that something was changing but we couldn't trust that I really was getting better. I kept being told I was border-line, but what did that really mean? I don't think anyone really knew so my parents concern and fear

continued. I missed out on being a foreign exchange student, which I thought would have been a great experience. They were afraid that others would not understand what was happening to me, if the weakness raised its ugly head once again in some kind of flare up. Also, I had a chance

to attend the Julliard School of Music with a scholarship, but again they were afraid that it would be too much for me. These constant NO's created great fear in me. I found myself afraid of everything. This was no way to live! But I did survive my parents over-protectiveness. I knew God was with me.

During all those years, in that weakened body, God was slowly working a miracle. He was healing the weakness. He was helping me to bloom and grow from a wimpy lifeless rose to a beautiful rose bush. Praise God, this problem no longer exists. God has completely healed me from anemia. No matter what the weakness may be in your life, God can heal you too. The miracle for me was that I didn't even have to ask. But God knew, and He had a plan for me and still does. I will always be His loving and grateful daughter. He saved me from a life of wretchedness. You need to praise God for your weaknesses, and then

watch Him work. PASSAGE: James 1:16-21 (The Message)

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By Marlys Johnsen Norris, **Christian Author** 

It is natural to think about the first love we had as a teenager but that is not what we are talking about today. God who created us desires to be our "first love". When we made a decision to walk with God, and accepted His Beloved Son as our Savior and Lord He gave us new life. A new kind of supernatural love filled our being. This is called being "born again," not of the flesh but of the spirit. It is much like beginning a brand new life and going in a new direction. We are soon to learn and really "know God and experience His love, grace and mercy" that blesses our lives.

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By Pastor Ray Dare

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hanging from a ledge today and you see no way out of your present difficult circumstances. God says, "Let go... Trust Me." See, our real problem is what we do with our circumstances. We get under our circumstances when we try to solve them on our own power and our own strength. How do you know when you're trying to solve your problems in your own strength? You start to worry. Worry is a form of control. You get stressed out and

don't have problems are over at you get sick and tired. Then you get sick and tired of being sick and tired! You begin to suffocate under the circumstances.

Many feel that when they have problems, God is upset with them. "God must be mad at me!" But that's not true. "Friends, when life gets really difficult, don't jump to the conclusion that God isn't on the job..." 1 Peter 4:12-13 (Msg) The truth is God doesn't cause your problems (we do a good enough job of that ourselves). He wants to help you conquer your circumstances as you trust in His love.

"Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall trouble or hardship...? No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us." Romans 8:35-36(NIV) This verse says "We are more than conquerors." Are you conquering your circumstances? As you put your life in God's hands and rely upon His love and power, as you let go and trust Him to care for you, nothing can devastate your life. No matter how dark the situation is, God can turn it around.

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"We had a wonderful turnout for our 'Coffee for K-9s' event," said local owner-operators Steve and Nikol Grubbs. "Thank you to the greater Sacramento community for your generous donations and support."

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Commentary By Lee H. Hamilton

The American public has lost patience with Washington. The question is, now what?

Congress is unable to do its job. It displays neither competence nor responsibility. It lurches — reeling from crisis to crisis, each one self-manufactured in an effort to postpone the reckoning from some earlier crisis. It shut the government down over a temporary budget. Now it's threatening the financial credibility of the U.S. government and the security and safety of the American people. Three years of last-minute spending decisions have culminated in a television standoff

with no actual negotiations. Too many members of Congress reject the notion that accommodation and time-honored procedures allow them to fulfill their responsibilities to the American people. They use their legislative skill to engage in brinksmanship rather than address the country's fundamental problems. Growing the economy? Creating jobs? Putting the federal budget on a sustainable path? Don't look to Congress. They're too busy coming up with the next shortterm tactic to confront the other side. Every day they dither, they keep the government from addressing the nation's real

Even worse, they've managed to raise real questions in this country and abroad about whether our system of government can work. Are we saddled with a national legislature paralyzed by unending conflict? Are we capable of tackling our major problems? We are on the road to a government that cannot plan, a country shackled by perpetual uncertainty, and a loss of faith in our institutions both at home and abroad.

We do not have to continue down that road, but we do have to confront a core problem. The political center in Congress has weakened to the point of ineffectiveness, if not nearirrelevance.

That's fine with some people in Washington, who are comfortable with gridlock and don't think its consequences will be dire. Our government's inability to deal with problems, they argue, is good — a government that's able to act, they believe, creates more problems than it solves.

Likewise, some people acknowledge polarization as a problem, but blame it on an electorate that prefers a divided government, split between the parties. All I can say is that divided government in the past — think Ronald Reagan and Tip O'Neill — didn't keep Congress from creatively addressing national challenges. Divided government is not easy, but it is not unusual and it can work.

Politicians don't deserve all the blame. Voters share responsibility: more people have to turn out to vote. The more people who vote, the better the chances to strengthen the political center — that is, moderates and pragmatists. That's because low turnout brings out the most ideologically intense voters, who in turn reward the most polarizing candidates. A Congress more representative

of the American people rests on expanding efforts to convince people to vote, and beating back the barriers to voting.

The second solution lies with members of Congress. Contemplating a government shutdown, a Kentucky congressman recently explained his stance by saying, "All that really matters is what my district wants." This is not an uncommon view, but it's a distressingly limited one. Our system depends on members who believe it's also their responsibility to lead and inform voters, who are willing to weigh the national interest as well as parochial concerns and who have confidence in our system to resolve political differences.

In other words, we need members of Congress devoted to making the system work. We need men and women in office who understand that when the voters give us a divided government, they have no choice but to accept the distribution of power and work with it, regardless of what they wish were the case. We need legislators who realize that those on the other side feel just as passionately and deserve their respect, and who are committed to finding a solution to our problems.

We change laws in our democracy and solve our most difficult issues in this country not by bringing government to a halt, but by fighting out the issues before the voters in an election. At the end of the day, we have to move the country forward — and we need to elect members of Congress who are willing and able to do that.

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## **Obamacare's Unnecessary Navigators**

OpEd By Sally C. Pipes

The Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) recently gifted Obamacare's "navigator" program an additional \$13 million in funding. Navigators are supposed to help Americans purchase health coverage through the new, state-level insurance exchanges.

This \$13 million is on top of \$54 million already allocated to the program. But both eight-figure expenditures represent colossal wastes of taxpayer money. The publicly funded navigator program is entirely unnecessary -- and ripe for fraud and abuse.

The Congressional Budget Office estimates that about seven million people will shop for coverage in Obamacare's insurance exchanges in 2014.

But they may not know it yet. According to a recent poll from the Kaiser Family Foundation, fully 55 percent of uninsured Americans have never heard of the exchanges.

The law envisions that navigators will help fill that information gap -- and guide consumers through the process of purchasing health insurance. Qualified individuals, non-profits, and community groups have claimed millions in HHS grants to spread the word -- and eventually help people pick the plan that best suits their needs.

California is planning to use a whopping \$673 million in federal money to deploy 21,000 navigators to sign people up for its

exchange, Covered California. The navigators get a bounty of \$58 for every person they sign up — and \$25 for every annual renewal.

Health insurance is complicated, and many Americans shopping in the exchanges would surely benefit from some expert advice. But there's a group that already does exactly what Obamacare has in mind for navigators. And that's the private insurance agent and broker community.

It makes little sense to spend millions of taxpayer dollars to furnish a service that the private sector already provides.

And those millions in new expenses could put scores of agents and brokers out of work, as navigators amount to government-funded competition for insurance agents. Federal law bars agents and brokers from serving as navigators.

Not exactly the sort of job-creating strategy America's anemic economy needs.

Then there's the risk of fraud the navigator program portends.

Navigators will be tasked with entering patients' private data, such as their Social Security number, into insurance applications. The government claims that personal data handed over to navigators will be properly protected. But regulators haven't spelled out data privacy rules. Navigators are likely to operate with little to no government oversight.

Technically, navigators who use consumers' personal information

for nefarious purposes could face fines, but there's no clear statute holding them personally liable.

HHS insists that navigators will be well-trained and certified. But the official navigator training course is a mere 20 hours. That's 10 hours fewer than Obamacare's framers initially said would be necessary -- and substantially less time than the standard certification process for an insurance broker.

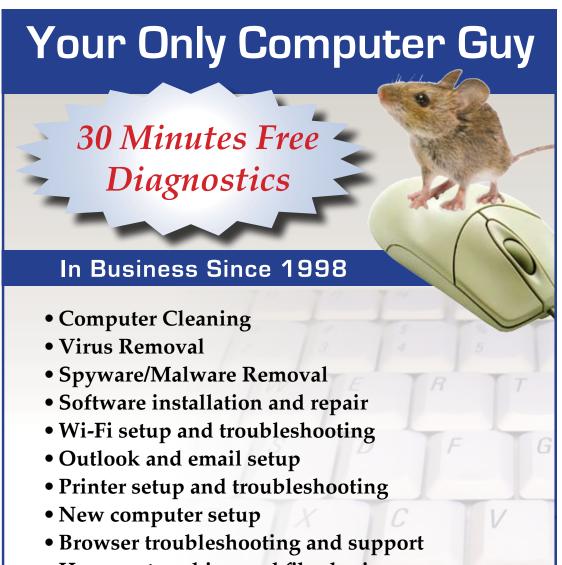
Applicants for navigator positions are not required to undergo even basic background and fingerprint checks. And the agency's rules are silent on whether prior criminal acts disqualify someone from becoming a navigator. Even census workers face more stringent privacy requirements than do navigators.

It's no wonder, then, that attorneys general in 13 states concluded in a letter to HHS Secretary Kathleen Sebelius last month that her "agency's current guidance regarding [navigators] suffers numerous deficiencies."

Obamacare's navigator program is costly and unnecessary. It could destroy the jobs of private insurance agents and brokers -- and put millions of Americans at risk of fraud and identity theft. Congress should scrap it.

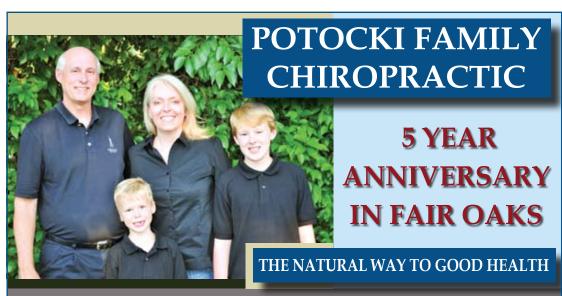
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## **Health Technology No Substitute for Compassion**

Commentary from Eric Nelson/Hi-Tech Health

The folks at Google are both smart and wise: Smart enough to invent Google Maps and wise enough to warn everyone who relies on this technology for driving directions that their maps are to be used "for planning purposes only." There is simply no telling what kind of traffic, detours, weather, or other unforeseen setbacks you might run into on your way to Grandma's.

Ideally those who rely on technology for diagnosing and treating disease are cautioned to exercise a similar wisdom. As good as we think we are at maintaining the body by way of scans, apps, and sophisticated computer programs, there remains a significant wild-card within the mind of the individual involved.

"There are many facets of the patient that tend not to shine through if the electronic medical record is all we have to go on," writes Richard Gunderman, M.D. in a recent column in The Atlantic. "A robot can collect and process data, but good medicine requires more than information management. It takes effective communication, deep insight, and genuine compassion."

Taking the time to learn where a patient is coming from, what they're thinking, even saying a word or two to calm their fears,

As Gunderman notes, it's good medicine

Some years ago a man who severely cut his hand while using a table saw ran screaming into the emergency room of a local hospital. The attending doctor asked that he be given a dose of morphine to calm him down. When he continued screaming, he was given a second dose. And then another. And then another. Realizing that the drug was having absolutely no effect, the doctor put his hands on the man's shoulders, looked him straight in the eye and said, "You're going to be just fine." Very quickly the man relaxed and fell asleep.

"We have been seduced by our technologies," said Dr. Neal Slatkin, chief medical officer for Hospice of the Valley, in a recent article in the San Jose Mercury News, implying that the hi-tech approach is not always the best approach.

This is not to suggest that anyone who sees technology as important is devoid of compassion. There is danger, however, that the state of one's thought gets marginalized as we become more and more dependent on something that takes only one aspect of the patient – some might even say the lesser aspect – into consideration.

"The tender word and Christian encouragement of an invalid,"

is not just good bedside manner. writes Mary Baker Eddy in her seminal work on health and healing, "pitiful patience with his fears and the removal of them, are better than hecatombs of gushing theories, stereotyped borrowed speeches, and the doling of arguments, which are but so many parodies on legitimate Christian Science, aflame with divine Love."

> Although written almost a century before the term "high tech" came into vogue, an analogy can be drawn between Eddy's "gushing theories" and Dr. Slatkin's "seductive technologies". In either case, a ready remedy can be found in the simple willingness to be compassionate, to love, and by doing so, to remove the fear that lies at the root of so much suffering.

"The secret of the care of the patient," said famed physician, Francis Peabody, at the close of a lecture he gave at Harvard Medical School in 1925, "is in caring for the patient."

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SPOOOOOOKY DAY

Those little ghosts and goblins will be at your door before you know it to celebrate the time of Halloween. Believe it or not, the preferred costume this year by kids is the "Duck Dynasty" theme complete with flack vest and beard. Weird I know. Whatever happened to princesses and Casper, the friendly ghost? Anyway, we all know what they are there for. It's all about the candy and treats! I am right there with you with bags and bags of candy so we don't get egged or toilet papered or.... well, you never know. But all these traditions go back a lot

longer than you can imagine. Halloween straddles fall and winter...plenty and paucity... life and death. It is a time of celebration and superstition. It's thought to have originated with the ancient Celtic festival of Samhain, when people would light bonfires and wear costumes to ward off roaming ghosts. Like, they were so stupid they wouldn't recognize you all decked out in some crazy getup? Wouldn't you stand out even more? Oh well, I digress! The Celts, who lived some 2,000 years ago in the area that is now Ireland, the United Kingdom, and Northern France, celebrated the New Year on November 1. This day marked the end of summer and the harvest, and the beginning of the dark, cold winter, a time of year that was often associated with

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human death. Celts believed that on the night before the New Year, the boundary between the worlds of the living and the dead became blurred. That's why on October 31, they celebrated Samhain. They thought these roaming ghosts would cause trouble and damage crops. They also thought the presence of the other worldly spirits made it easier for the Druids, or Celtic priests, to make predictions about the future. Since this was a culture entirely dependent upon the volatile natural world, these prophecies were an important source of comfort and direction during the long, dark winter. Many cultures, including the Roman Empire that conquered the majority of the Celtic territory in 43 A.D. combined festivals with the Celtics.

Then Halloween came to America, but it was extremely limited in colonial England because of the rigid Protestants. It was much more common in Maryland and the southern colonies. Merging different ethnic groups and the Native American Indians gave America a distinct version of Halloween. The first celebrations included "play parties," public events held to celebrate the harvest, where neighbors would share stories of the dead, tell each other's fortunes, dance, and sing. Colonial Halloween festivities also included the telling of ghost stories and mischief making of all kinds. In the second half of the 19th century, America was flooded with new immigrants and especially the millions of Irish fleeing Ireland's potato famine of 1846. That helped to popularize the celebration of Halloween nationally. Taking from Irish and English traditions, Americans began to dress up in costumes and go house to house asking for food money. That's when the "trick or treat" tradition came to be. Young women believed that, on Halloween, they could divine the name or appearance of their future husband by doing tricks with yarn, apple parings or mirrors. By the late 1800s, there was a move to mold Halloween into a holiday more about community and neighborly get togethers than about ghosts, pranks, and witchcraft.

Today's Halloween tradition probably dates back to the early All Soul's Day parades in England. During the festivities, poor citizens would beg for food and families would give them pastries called "soul cakes" in return for their promise to pray for the family's dead relatives. The soul cake was encouraged by the church as a way to replace the ancient practice of leaving wine and food for roaming spirits.

That's the historical story I gathered from history.com, but then comes the retail world. In my opinion, it's just a little early to put out all the Halloween gear in July. It happens, and we enjoy all the little ghost and goblin toys that attempt to scare us along with the spooky movies that hit about Halloween time...and in 3-D of course. Don't want to miss a single spatter of blood gushing gashes! But never fear, they will all come-acalling on that special night with their smiling faces and the call of "trick or treat." Save a few pieces of that precious stuff for yourself too. Chocolate please!!! HAPPY HALLOWEEN !!! ★

## Chili Cook Off Planned by Citrus Heights Women's Club

Citrus Heights Women's Club is again sponsoring, for its third year, a Chili Cook Off to benefit the families in the Citrus Heights Holiday Program. The cook off is planned from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00

CITRUS HEIGHTS, CA (MPG) - The p.m. on Saturday, November 2nd at the Sylvan Community Center, 7521 Community Drive.

> The cost for tasting is \$5 per person. The cost to enter the competition is \$10. Contact Darla, 412-2601 for more information.

A concurrent vendor and craft fair will be held in the parking lot from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Contact Jill Burg to reserve a spot, 916-747-3345.

Source: Elise Spleiss



## **JetBlue at SMF Moving from Terminal B to Terminal A**

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) -JetBlue Airways is changing terminals at Sacramento International Airport (SMF).

The last flight out of Terminal B, a nonstop to Long Beach, will leave at 8 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 15. Effective Tuesday, Oct. 16, the airline will operate out of Gate A13 at Terminal A.

daily nonstop to New York City.

The move from Terminal B will not impact parking options for passengers. However, after Oct. 16, the closest parking for people meeting JetBlue passengers will be the garage, not the Hourly B lot.

The Sacramento County Airport System, a depart-JetBlue offers two daily non- ment of Sacramento County, stop flights to Long Beach and one is responsible for planning, visit www.smf.aero.

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In addition to an outstanding track record of coaching success, Gary is also a Master Trainer for new and existing business coaches all over the world. His training methodology provides an effective formula for an individual to realize high levels of success as a business coach. BusinessCoach.com trains people on how to get started as business coaches and equips them with the right tools to become very skilled in the field of business coaching. When certified by BusinessCoach. com, you will be confident in your abilities and well prepared to attract and coach business leaders.



As a thought leader in the coaching industry, Gary is considered an expert in developing professional criteria for business coaching certification, having served on numerous expert panels for global coaching organizations. His professional background encompasses diverse and real world experience in corporate business settings along with experience as a business owner and leader.

As co-founder of The Make a Difference Project, a non-profit organization committed to ending domestic violence, Gary has dedicated his life to assisting others. With a life goal to donate 90% of his earnings to charity, he also volunteers his time to many charitable and spiritual organizations.

Jenene and is a proud father of five daughters. He considers his family his most successful achievement in life.

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