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Torito Rocha of Santa Ana smacks the ball at the courts at El Camino Real Park.

# ORANGE PARK: HOT SPOT FOR HANDBALL PLAYERS

Hundreds play at El Camino Real's courts.

On the court, Jose Gallardo's nickname is "The Samurai."

He earned the title playing handball – not the version played by elementary school kids, but the competitive sport played with a ball less than an inch in diameter and in a court with three 20-foot tall walls.

If you watch Gallardo, 55, you can see why friends gave him that name. He doesn't dress in active wear and isn't of a particularly athletic build – he is in jeans and a T-shirt that's seen better days. But when he gets on the court, he's



The six handball courts at El Camino Real Park are home to hundreds of handball games a day.



Waldo Franco laughs as he jokes around with his friends at the handball courts at El Camino Real Park.

## Catholic saint's relics to visit city

St. John Maron will celebrate St. Sharbel Makhlouf with prayers, services.

By BROOKE E. SEIPEL  
STAFF WRITER

The relics of St. Sharbel Makhlouf, a pious hermit who lived in the 19th century, will visit St. John Maron Maronite Catholic Church in Orange this weekend.

St. John Maron is the only Maronite church in Orange County, a part of the Catholic church practicing Eastern traditions. While the Orthodox part of the church draws from Latin or Roman traditions, many traditions in Maronite churches come from Lebanon, where the church patriarch resides.

The Rev. Antoine Bakh said this is the first time the church has hosted the relics of a saint.

The remains of Sharbel's body will enter the church at 11:30 a.m. Saturday during a processional and will remain the subject of events throughout the day – including an overnight adoration that will last into Sunday.

The relics will leave the church at 6 p.m. Sunday.

Sharbel, sometimes spelled Charbel, was a Maronite monk and priest in Lebanon who lived from 1828 to 1898.

Months after his death, people claimed to see a light coming from Sharbel's tomb. When it was reopened to investigate, they found his body had not decayed at all.

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COURTESY ST. JOHN MARON MARONITE CATHOLIC CHURCH

An image of St. Sharbel Makhlouf, the Maronite monk whose relics will visit Orange this weekend.

### If you go

**When:** 11:30 a.m. Saturday to 6 p.m. Sunday  
**Where:** St. John Maron Maronite Catholic Church, 300 S. Flower St., Orange  
**Cost:** Free  
**More info:** 714-940-0009

# Villa Park enacts stricter rules banning marijuana

Pot shops, delivery services and the growing of weed are all prohibited under the new law.

Villa Park recently joined a handful of cities across Orange County choosing to add stricter regulations on marijuana activities.

On Jan. 1, an amendment to the Villa Park Municipal Code went into effect, prohibiting commercial cannabis activities from entering the city. Pot shops, delivery services and the



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growing of weed are all banned under the new law, which passed 5-0 at the city's December council meeting.

The law is in reaction to recent state legislation that, effective March 1, would give the state the power to license growers and dispensary owners. Cities are allowed to pass their own prohibitions, if they are

done by March 1.

In 2010, the City Council prohibited medical marijuana dispensaries in all zones of the city.

City officials decided to update the code, to clarify that all activities – specifically the growth and delivery of marijuana – would also be illegal in Villa Park.

During the December council meeting, the city attorney said people with a prescription for medical

marijuana will still be allowed to purchase medical marijuana outside of the city and bring it into their homes for use. Anything else is prohibited.

Other Orange County cities, including Brea, Huntington Beach, Irvine, Fountain Valley and Orange, have enacted anti-marijuana laws.

Orange spokesman Paul Sitkoff said that in order to make sure Orange was still

completely covered on this question, the council approved a new chapter of the municipal code at its Dec. 8 meeting ensuring all activities were banned.

Sitkoff said the city attorney believes Orange now fully prohibits any growing, distribution or delivery of marijuana.

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LADY ORANGE



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Contact Lady Orange at 714-704-3793 or at bseipel@ocregister.com.  
Selected questions will be answered here and at ocregister.com/orange.

# Lady Orange tackles traffic question at full speed

**Q.** Each morning my wife and I walk our dogs along North Batavia Street between Lincoln Avenue and Taft Avenue/Ball Road. Both trucks and passenger cars are flying down the street while other vehicles are obviously holding to the speed limit. How do you get the Orange Police Department to hold a traffic patrol and issue tickets?

**- Arnie Pitts, Orange**

**A.** Lady Orange has noticed that each city has a few streets known for attracting speed demons. This can be especially frustrating when you're just trying to get from point A to point B in one piece.

Lady Orange called the Orange Police Department to ask how they choose where to patrol and how residents can put a stop to reckless driving.

"We oftentimes rely on the public to determine what streets we're going to patrol," said a spokesman for the department. "The public is the eyes and ears of the PD, because unfortunately we can't be everywhere at once. We have a special enforcement line the public can call and report to. We see and utilize that information to form strategies to send officers to those areas."

So if you notice an area with a lot of speeding, the department invites you to



JEBB HARRIS, FILE PHOTO

Several Villa Park streets will soon be under construction to get them back into good shape.

call the enforcement line: 714-744-7472.

The calls are logged and when people keep calling about specific problem areas, the department is able to see trends in where it needs to step up traffic enforcement.

**LADY ORANGE RETURNS TO AN OLD QUESTION**

Earl's Home Cookin' – once known for being open 24 hours a day – has been closed for some time now and the empty space has prompted a few questions about what would come

next.

Lady Orange wrote in July that the building at 807 N. Tustin St. had been sold to a new restaurateur and would become the home of a Las Playas Family Restaurant.

Since her last article, Lady Orange has received a handful of calls and emails about the building and why it was under construction. She figured it was worth touching on again.

**John Tseheridis**, a member of the family that owns the Las Playas restaurants, said construction

started soon after escrow closed in April. The building is being transformed into a fun, family restaurant.

He said they were hoping to open sometime early this year.

Tseheridis said Las Playas serves Mexican food but also specializes in seafood. Las Playas will be open for breakfast, lunch and dinner with signature menu items such as breakfast burritos, carne asada and shrimp cocktails.

The portions, Tseheridis said, are second to none.

**STREET TALK IN VILLA PARK**

Late this month, Villa Park peeps can plan on seeing a little extra construction on their streets.

Villa Park City Council members recently approved a contract with Hardy & Harper Inc. for the street-rehabilitation project.

The \$647,700 project aims to fix 23 streets throughout the city. Each year, the city identifies roads in need of a little extra love and works to add them to its annual street-rehabilitation project list.

Some streets will have pavement entirely reconstructed, while others will have an overlay or be slurry sealed.

# Placentia traffic signal getting fixed after faulty camera was discovered

**Q.** The traffic signal at Van Buren Street and Orangethorpe Avenue in Placentia seems to be set to promote traffic along the secondary road of Van Buren, and not

on Orangethorpe, which is the main road. This light will be red and prevent vehicles from proceeding along Orangethorpe, even when there are no vehicles on Van Buren.

It seems that the traffic signal is not programmed properly. Can you help?

**- D. Stewart, Placentia**

**A.** It turns out that the problem is pretty well

**ON THE ROAD**

known in Placentia, said **Rusty Beardsley**, the city's traffic engineer.

The culprit is a malfunctioning camera that is supposed to detect vehicles approaching Van Buren. When the camera doesn't work, the traffic defaults to always "thinking" that a car is coming to Van Buren, even if there aren't any vehicles in the area, Beardsley said.

The faulty equipment was sent to the manufacturer for repairs and should be back in service later this month.

**Transportation study:** Orange County motorists are being encouraged to



ART MARROQUIN  
STAFF WRITER

sign up for the California Road Charge Pilot program, which will allow state officials to study whether to tax drivers based on the miles they drive, rather than by the amount of fuel consumed.

For now, highway and road repairs are funded by the state's gasoline tax, but that's become a declining source of revenue as vehicles become increasingly fuel-efficient. As a result, the state has less money to spend on

needed road repairs and projects aimed at reducing traffic.

The state is looking for at least 5,000 volunteers statewide to participate in the nine-month study, set to begin this summer.

The **Orange County Transportation Authority** encouraged locals to sign up for the study so the county has a voice in the issue.

Information: [dot.ca.gov/road\\_charge](http://dot.ca.gov/road_charge).

On the Road takes transportation questions from north Orange County readers. You can email questions to [ontheroad@ocregister.com](mailto:ontheroad@ocregister.com). Only questions in the column are answered.

**Attention Orange County Residents Suffering With Low-Back Pain...**

**“Announcing The New “Back Pain And Sciatica Workshop”, Saturday January 23rd, That’ll Show You Precisely What To Do, To Put An End To Low Back Pain And Sciatica, FOR GOOD...”**

*- By Leading USA Back Pain Expert, Andrew Vertson*



**Orange County (OC)** - If you or a loved one suffer from chronic back pain - so bad that it can even stop you from walking - then attending this Workshop may be the most important thing you do this year. It may unlock the agonizing mystery of your back pain and show you a way to get back to the life you deserve...

- A life where you can **sleep at night** without tossing and turning, hoping to find one position where the pain stops.
- A life where you can **wake up in the morning** and not take 20 minutes to get out of bed... and then another 20 minutes to put on your socks and shoes always restricted by a back so stiff and tight.
- A life where you can **pick up and play with your kids** without worrying when your back is going to “go out” and leave you crippled on the floor.
- A life where you can do and enjoy all the things you see so many others doing and enjoying but your bad back has **kept you watching from the side-lines**.

...Basically, a life without the **curse of back pain**.

**If You Feel Let Down, Disappointed, And Even Skeptical About What Can Be Done To Help You, Then Read On...**

My name is Andrew Vertson, the nations leading low-back pain specialist, and I have been helping people live with much less back pain for more than two decades now – all across the county.

And what we know now is that so many people are confused by the advice they've previously been given, unsure about why it didn't work out... perhaps even skeptical about their best chances of living with less back pain in the future... and that's why I created this one hour Workshop entitled: **“The Best Kept Secrets Of Easing Low-Back Pain And Staying Pain Free”** – and decided to make it **FREE** to residents of Orange County.

When you attend, first you'll discover just how many other options that there are available to you – and how safe and simple they are – then we think you'll agree with the many attendees who've already gone before you who now say it truly is possible to get relief from chronic low-back pain, even if you've suffered for 20 years or more.

**Here's What You'll Learn At This New Workshop:**

- The 7 urgent coping strategies every back-pain sufferer must never forget when back pain strikes!!
- Why 50-53% of people **make their own**

**back pain WORSE** by doing just this one thing wrong!

- The 7 things you can do if you're hoping to avoid surgery that'll cost you nothing...
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- How to get a free “injury severity” low-back pain examination and where to go for it...

**If you're currently seeing a doctor, thinking about it, or just don't want to face the hassle of talking to your insurance**, but still want to get some real help, then you need to consider attending this Free Workshop which reveals **“The Best Kept Secrets For Living With Less Back Pain and Staying Pain Free!”**

**You Should only Attend this Workshop if:**

- 1.) You or a loved one suffer from back pain
- 2.) You are aged 40+ and have suffered with low-back pain for longer than you feel you should have
- 3.) You are currently seeing a doctor or thinking about it
- 4.) You have an open mind and willing to act upon new advice

**You Should NOT attend this Workshop if:**

- 1.) You are just a “curiosity” seeker. We only have a limited number of seats available, please don't take one from somebody who really needs the help.
- 2.) You have a closed mind and won't listen to any new advice no matter what.

If you meet the qualification above, here's

**What To Do Next:**

Pick up the telephone. **Take action in your own self-interest and protect your future independence and mobility.** Save yourself from a lifetime of suffering more back pain than you need to.

**Lines opened today at 8am...** and we only have a limited number of seats available for this amazing Workshop for people who want to attend the next one in Orange County. To find out more about the date and time please request your free information pack to be sent to you today, by calling free (714) 262-4529... you can leave a **message, 24 hrs.**

■ *Sincerely, Andrew Vertson.*

**PS** This workshop is available for you to attend at Orange clinic, **Saturday January 23!** Spaces are limited... so please call NOW and state your nearest clinic to get yours and when you attend, **you will breathe a sigh of relief** once you realize how easy (and cost free) it is to finally start living life on your terms again – with much less back pain.

**P.P.S** To confirm - no one will ask you for money for anything else when you call (714) 262-4529 to collect your free information pack and express your interest in attending this magnificent Workshop.

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## Social media contests will continue in Orange

If you're a pro at Facebook and know your way around Orange, the city is offering chances for you to win fun prizes. In late 2015, the first social media contest was launched on the City of Orange Facebook page. City spokesman Paul Sitkoff said the contest was a success, and the city plans to hold more in the new year.

In the contest, the city posts a photo taken somewhere in Orange. Contestants are asked to figure out where the photo was taken, go there and send the city a photo of themselves in the "mystery" spot. The first 10 people to send in a photo at the accurate location win a small prize.

The city is inviting local businesses to participate as the future "mystery locations." Interested businesses should email [askorange@cityoforange.org](mailto:askorange@cityoforange.org) by Jan. 12. Future contests will be posted on the city's Facebook page.



BRUCE CHAMBERS, FILE PHOTO  
**The Orange Fire Department will purchase two emergency vehicles.**

## Orange Fire Department to get new ambulances

The \$571,512 purchase of two new ambulances by the Orange Fire Department was recently authorized by the City Council.

The new ambulances will replace two older emergency vehicles originally purchased in 2009.

Ambulances undergo a lot of wear and tear and need to be replaced regularly to meet health and safety standards, city officials said.

Funding for the purchase was set aside during the creation of the 2015-16 budget, with the knowledge that the department would need to purchase two ambulances.

# THE FIVE

## → THINGS TO KNOW



COURTESY OF THE ORANGE PUBLIC LIBRARY AND HISTORY CENTER  
**Irvine Park Lake in Orange was dusted with snow in the winter of 1949.**

A white winter in Orange may seem like the stuff of dreams, but in 1949 it actually happened.

This photo, taken by John Taylor and currently in the Orange Library and History Center archives, shows snow at

Irvine Lake.

A fresh coat of snow is seen covering the ground.

Snow has dusted Orange several times over the course of its history, including 1947, 1948 and 1949.

## Orange library will show documentary films for adults

Looking for something to do on your Saturday afternoons this winter? The Orange Public Library and History Center has you covered.

The library recently announced a winter documentary film series for Feb. 20, March 19 and April 16 in the library's community room.

The selections will be intended for adult audiences, so the library encourages parents to leave children at home. The documentaries to be screened will be announced early this year.

Admission to the events is free, and refreshments will be available. The library requests that people do not bring outside food or drink.

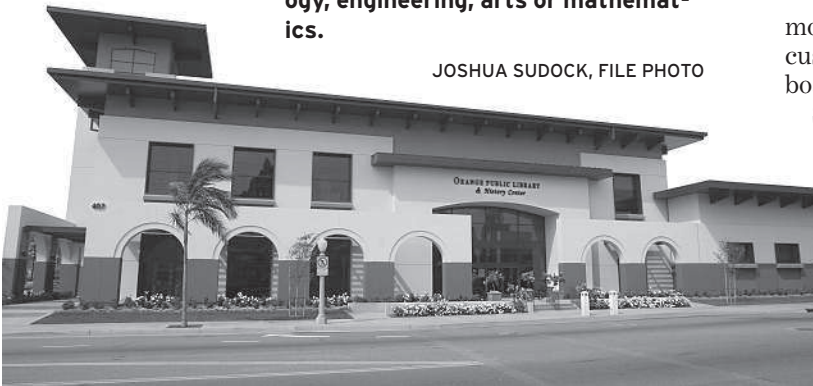
For more information and to check for updates on what films will be shown, visit the library's page on [cityoforange.org](http://cityoforange.org) or call 714-288-2470.



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### The Orange Public Library & History Center, hosts a monthly event for teens focused on science, technology, engineering, arts or mathematics.

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## Teen event explores food science

The Orange Public Library and History Center will hold its monthly STEAM for Teens program on Saturday, this time focused on the science and creation of the food in your fridge, cupboards and pantries.

STEAM, which stands for science, technology, engineering, arts and math, is the focus of a monthly program at the library.

This month, the program is titled "Phantasmagorias of Food Science" and will be presented by Sara Bowie.

The free event is for teens in seventh through 12th grade and runs from 2 to 3:30 p.m. at 407 E. Chapman Ave.

Teens who attend will also be entered into a drawing to win a laptop. A winner will be announced in February. For more information, call 714-288-2418.

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## Learn to draw wildlife

Teens and adults can learn “the essentials” of drawing wildlife during a workshop Saturday at the Fullerton Museum Center.

The workshop is part of the museum’s exhibit “Treasured Lands: The 59 U.S. National Parks in Focus.” The taxidermy specimens in the exhibit will be the models for the class.

Participants will learn about capturing form and gesture with a variety of media. Bring your own sketching materials or use the museum’s. Reservations are recommended.

The “Treasured Lands” exhibit will be on display through Jan. 17. It is the work of QT Luong, who traveled across the country photographing all the national parks.

– Heather McRea

**If you go**

**When:** 2-4 p.m. Saturday

**Where:** Fullerton Museum Center, 301N. Pomona Ave.

**Cost:** Free with admission, which is \$4 general

**Information:** 714-738-6545

## Get answers about finding ancestors

The Genealogical Society of North Orange County California offers “Ancestor Answers” twice a month at the Yorba Linda Public Library. On the second and fourth Mondays of each month, volunteers with the group who are skilled in searching family trees are on hand to help answer questions from 7 to 8:30 p.m.

The North County group, a member of the California State Geoological Alliance and the Federation of Genealogical Societies, meets monthly, usually with a speaker. Find out more: [gsnocc.org](#).

– Heather McRea

**If you go**

**When:** 7-8:30 p.m. on the second and fourth Monday of each month

**Where:** Community room of the Yorba Linda Public Library, 18181 Imperial Highway

**Cost:** Free

**Information:** [ylpl.net](#)



KEVIN SULLIVAN, FILE PHOTO

Flowers and plants will be sold during the annual Flower Festival at the Asian Garden Mall.

## Flower Festival ready to bloom

The Asian Garden Mall’s 11th annual Flower Festival begins Jan. 15. The festival, which attracts 3,000 to 4,000 people each year, is open from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. each day in the mall’s parking lot, 9200 Bolsa Ave. It will run through Feb. 6, which is two days before the Lunar New Year. In the Vietnamese culture, having flowers in your house for Tet is a way to bring good luck for the new year.

Shoppers will be surrounded by varieties of fresh mai flowers, cherry blossoms, orchids and exotic fruits. There will be several varieties of orchids for sale, from white, symbolizing positivity and purity, to yellow, meaning joy and happiness. There will also be traditional arts and crafts sold, new year cuisine and the mall is open.

– Chris Haire

**If you go**

**When:** 10 a.m.-10 p.m. Jan. 15 to Feb. 6

**Where:** Asian Garden Mall, 9200 Bolsa Ave., Westminster

**Cost:** Free

**Information:** [asiangardenmall.com](#)

## Karl Rove will speak at Nixon birthday celebration

The Nixon Presidential Library & Museum will commemorate Richard Nixon’s birthday Saturday with a ceremony and free admission all day.

A wreath sent by President Barack Obama will be placed at the memorial site of Nixon and his wife, Pat, and there will be a formal presentation of colors. Rear Adm. Mark Rich, commander of the Navy’s southwest region, will speak, and the Navy Band Southwest will perform.

At 10:30 a.m., Nixon’s brother, Edward, will officially kick off the \$15 million overhaul of the museum’s

galleries. The wreath-laying ceremony will follow.

At 1 p.m., Karl Rove, a former senior adviser to President George W. Bush, will lecture on Nixon’s legacy as well as talk about his new book on William McKinley and his outlook of the 2016 elections. Rove will also sign copies of his book.

Nixon was born in a small farmhouse in Yorba Linda – his birthplace is part of the library’s 9-acre campus and can be toured. The home was built in 1910 by Nixon’s father and features original furnishings.

– Heather McRea

**If you go**

**When:** Event starts at 10:30 a.m. Saturday; the library is open 10 a.m.-5 p.m. on Saturdays

**Where:** Nixon Presidential Library & Musum, 18001 Yorba Linda Blvd., Yorba Linda

**Cost:** Free

**Information:** [nixonfoundation.org](#)

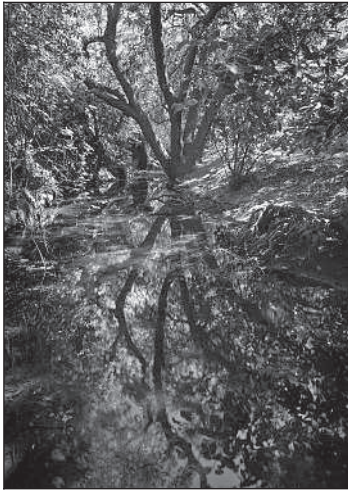
## Oak Canyon offers guided hikes, demos

Hourlong, guided hikes and animal demonstrations are held at 10:30 a.m. every Saturday and Sunday at the Oak Canyon Nature Center in Anaheim Hills. The family-friendly activities are led by the center’s staff, who are at the nature park from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on weekends.

We’ve all heard that El Niño is coming, and staffers said light rains won’t close the park but torrential rains could make trails unsafe for the hikes. Closed-toe shoes and comfortable clothes are recommended. The program is free, but a \$5 donation is recommended per family.

The Oak Canyon Nature Center’s 58 acres stretch over three adjoining canyons with four miles of hiking trails and a stream. The John J. Collier Interpretive Center is a small museum showcasing the animals and history of the region.

– Staff



BRUCE CHAMBERS, FILE PHOTO

A coast live oak tree is reflected in a shallow creek at the Oak Canyon Nature Center.

MORE ONLINE: FOR A COMPLETE LIST OF EVENTS HAPPENING IN ORANGE COUNTY VISIT [OCREGISTER.COM/EVENTS](#).

## MIRACLES: Church believes St. Sharbel Makhlouf healed people

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Documents from the Vatican library record that the tomb was reopened several times throughout the years, each time revealing the body had not decayed. The bo-

dy also oozed blood and liquid while still remaining perfectly intact.

Church documents state that Sharbel’s body did not start showing signs of decay until it was looked at in 1965 – 67 years after his

death.

Many Catholics considered these events miraculous.

“The tomb became a place people would pilgrimage to,” Bakh explained. “People would pray to Shar-

bel for intercession, and they would receive answers to their prayers, and a lot of them would be healed.”

“By their lives, saints testify to Christ,” Bakh said. “Christ, in turn, honors them by working through

them. Often this means performing miracles through their bones or things they touched or through their prayers in heaven.”

Bakh said Sharbel’s tomb is covered with hundreds of letters and testimonies of his healing power.

For these reasons, Sharbel was made a saint in 1977 by Pope Paul VI.

Bakh said being able to have the body of the saint in

the church will be a spiritual experience and offer many a chance to pray in Sharbel’s presence.

“(This) is a way of being physically close and feeling spiritually close to the saint,” Bakh said. “It brings people closer to God through the saint. It’s an opportunity to share in his presence.”

“It’s very sacramental,” he said.

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**Becoming a saint**

Someone is usually considered for sainthood after their death, for having lived a holy and pious life.

- The case for sainthood of a specific person is presented to a bishop.
- If someone is accepted for consideration of sainthood, he or she is first called a Servant of God.
- The Vatican Congregation for the Causes of Saints determines whether the life of the Servant of God was of heroic virtues. If so, the person is granted the title of Venerable.
- The church must then establish that the person performed one miracle. Once the case for a miracle is established, the Venerable is presented to the pope. The pope then evaluates whether the person is worthy of being called blessed. This is the beatification step.
- A second miracle of the blessed person and the case for their sainthood is presented to the pope. At this time, the pope can begin the canonization process to officially recognize the person as a saint.

### Sharbel’s miracles recognized by Vatican

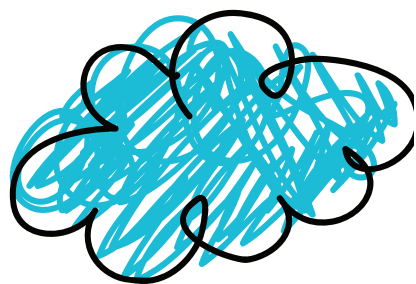
- Healing of sister Mary Apple Kamary, a nun of the Sacred Heart
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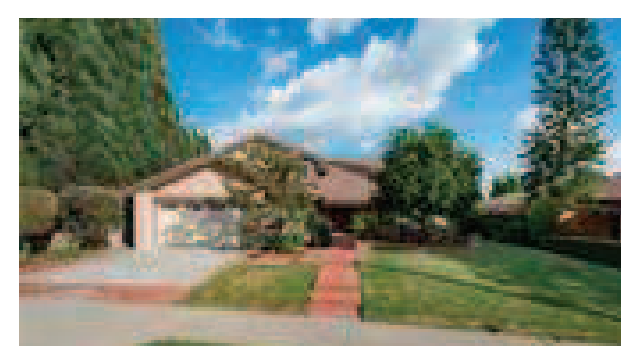
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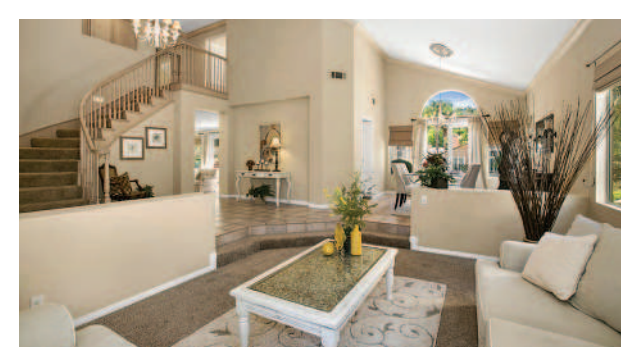
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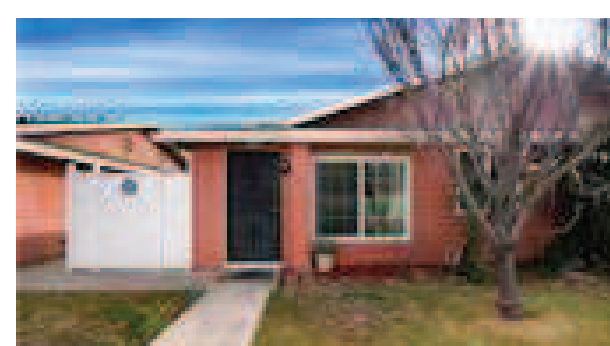
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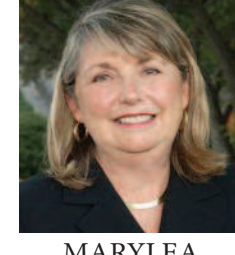
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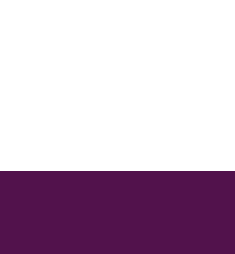
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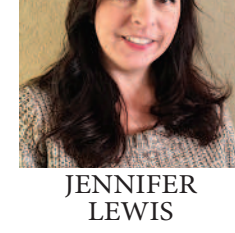
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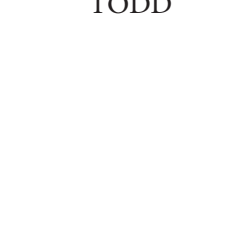
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IN OUR SCHOOLS



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**Prospect Elementary School sixth-graders Lydia Fosado and Annellee Garcia are mentored by El Modena High senior Anastasia Foster during a recent Hour of Code event.**

Students share computer knowledge

Computers and devices are everywhere, and it is critical that today’s students have the opportunity to learn computer science.



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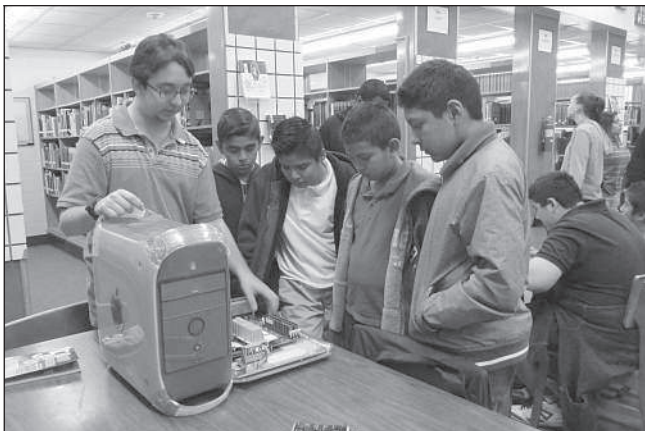
In conjunction with Computer Science Education Week, El Modena High School sponsored the Hour of Code. All

2,089 ElMo students participated in the large learning event, organized by Code.org, a nonprofit dedicated to expanding participation to include girls and minorities and supported by more than 100 sponsors, including Microsoft, Apple, Amazon, Disney and Boys & Girls Clubs of America.

Students from El Modena’s Exploring Computer Science class shared an Hour of Code with 55 sixth-graders and a special day class from Prospect Elementary, introducing them to the principles of the computer.

The Prospect students were provided Chromebooks with which to have fun – and learn block coding – while participating in a “Star Wars” activity. The El Modena students assisted, answered questions and helped the younger students feel comfortable with the program.

The elementary students were shown the boards and circuitry inside a computer, and they asked questions. They gathered in small



**El Modena High School senior Michael Figueras displays the inner workings of a computer to Prospect Elementary sixth-graders Hector Sanchez, Javier Morales, David Carrillo and Aaron Cornelio.**

groups and took turns manipulating a Bluetooth-controlled robot ball, called a “Sphero,” that changed colors and rolled about, responding to the remote control.

The El Modena-Prospect Hour of Code was coordinated by Maureen Fechter, college and career instructional specialist, and directed by instructor Christopher Warrior, both of whom teach computer technology at the school.

El Modena offers Communication Technology Career Pathways, including IT, robotics and business technology courses. Students may become Microsoft Office Specialist-certified and acquire work experience via professional internships at local companies such as Selman Chevrolet, Toyota, CVS and others. Other students work with the Clockwork Oranges Robotics Team, which is challenged to build, design, program and compete in district and re-

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# MAKING A SIZABLE IMPACT

Villa Park junior Evan Battey transferred from Los Angeles Center for Enriched Studies this summer, and in his fifth game with the Spartans he nearly broke the school's scoring record with 44 points.

BRIAN WHITEHEAD, STAFF

At 6-foot-7, 235 pounds, Villa Park High's Evan Battey possesses the skills of a guard.

There aren't many spots on the basketball court from which Evan Battey hasn't scored. Last month, in just his fifth game at Villa Park High, Battey nearly broke the school's scoring record. His 44 points – accrued in a 101-95 win over Victorville's Adelanto High – were two off the mark set by former four-year letter winners Drew Viney, an erstwhile Oregon and Loyola Marymount hooper, and Corey Miller.



BRIAN WHITEHEAD  
STAFF WRITER

Battey is neither unfamiliar with the limelight nor uncomfortable in it. His game is equal parts childlike wonder and veteran savvy. He can do it all.

Villa Park's basketball program is one of Orange County's finest, and longtime Spartans coach Kevin Reynolds appears to have his latest prep phenom. "In two years," Reynolds said, "he'll be as good as anyone who's come through here."

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At 6-foot-7, 235 pounds, Battey towers over reporters, coaches and classmates. His smile can be seen from across campus, and if he can be serious for a moment, he refuses to take himself too seriously. Battey is 17 going on 21, with the understanding of his limits and the work ethic to push through them.

Few high school juniors have potential so vast, a ceiling so high.

But Battey still has plenty to learn, and Reynolds has plenty more to teach.

"With his skill set," Reynolds said, "I mean, he's 6-foot-7 playing like a 6-foot-1 guy, and the combination the kid has already as a junior, he has a great work ethic and attitude toward work. He'll make money someday doing this. He's a pro somewhere."

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It's hard to imagine now, but once upon a time, Battey didn't care much for basketball.

His mother told him the first time he set foot on the court he cried. Battey doesn't remember crying and sure can't fathom being so terrified. Son to a 6-foot-3 father and a 6-foot mother, Battey outgrew his peers at an early age, the bulky third-grader



MELINA PIZANO, FILE PHOTO

Battey, left, pictured in 2013 in his freshman year at LACES, is one of Orange County's top scorers.

standing taller than most high school freshmen.

Raised in Los Angeles, Battey played a mean center mid on the soccer field, but he belonged in the gym, where he could use his size advantageously.

Unlike many children gifted with great height, Battey wasn't banished from handling the ball, shooting threes or any of the other fun things shorter players do without repercussion. He played all five positions enough to grasp their idiosyncrasies, all the while developing a knack for getting buckets in a variety of ways.

"I fell in love with basketball," he said.

Battey continued growing through grade school, and joined his first Amateur Athletic Union team as a 9-year-old.

"Every day was a grind," he said. "You go through ups and downs. But it was always better to go through them with teammates."

Battey met Myles Franklin that first club season, and they've been inseparable since.

Complementary in position and similarly selfless, Battey and Franklin turned club teams into club juggernauts, their thirst for competition and friendly gamesmanship the reason they jelled

so quickly and later remained friends despite attending high schools 40 miles apart.

"He's my brother," said Franklin, now a third-year Villa Park guard. "We've always had on-court chemistry."

Said Battey: "Me and Myles eat together off the court, and we eat together on the court."

Battey made varsity as a freshman at Los Angeles Center for Enriched Studies, averaging 11 points and 11 rebounds for a Unicorns team that captured the program's third CIF Los Angeles City Section championship in six years.

The lone freshman named first-team All-Western League in 2014, Battey said playing regularly against upperclassmen from area monoliths Westchester High and Fairfax High set him on a path to greatness.

"I knew that if I could play against those guys," he said, "I could play against anybody."

Battey averaged 20 points and 14 rebounds as a sophomore, becoming the best player, an All-City forward, on LACES' second consecutive Division IV titlist. This past summer, as a 16-year-old, he started alongside NCAA Division I recruits Vance Jackson (St. John Bosco High) and

Brendan Bailey (Santa Margarita High) on Dream Vision AAU's Under-17 team.

"Eye-opening," he called his promotion.

In August, Battey's family moved to Villa Park, where he teamed with Franklin on the 2015-16 Spartans.

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What Battey remembers of his 44-point December explosion are the shots he missed.

"A couple layups here," he says, "some free throws there, and I'd have the school record."

This is how scorers think.

It's not hyperbolic to call Battey unstoppable, because he can do things with the ball few others his size can. Reynolds doesn't plant Battey on the block – where most high school big men live – and grants him the freedom to begin the break after grabbing defensive rebounds.

Battey touches the ball on every possession, Reynolds said. He is the fulcrum of Villa Park's offense in a way his predecessors weren't.

"You look at his body, and you see a post guy," Reynolds said. "He's a strong kid, but he's a unique talent. He's big, but he can

put the ball on the floor, and he's a willing passer. ... He's someone you build a team around."

The first time Reynolds saw Battey play, Battey hit all seven of his 3-point shot attempts in a sixth-period scrimmage.

*No big man should be able to shoot like that,* Reynolds thought.

And that's what separates Battey from others.

Even at his size, he's agile enough to dart around screens on the perimeter, and can stop on a dime to launch from deep. His release is quick if not textbook, and his accuracy requires attention; opposing centers must leave the paint to guard Battey or risk standing flat-footed in a torrential downpour. Teams lose valuable shot blocking in those instances, and yet have no alternatives.

Put a guard on Battey, and watch Battey use his bulk to bully him in the post.

Bring help, and watch Battey zip passes to open shooters dotting sweet spots beyond the arc.

Zones are futile, because Battey can facilitate the offense from the free-throw line.

There really is no right way to guard him.

"He's probably a nightmare to prepare for," Reynolds said.

Though he racks up huge rebounding numbers (he grabbed 20 boards against Adelanto), Battey tires, Reynolds said. And when he tires, he tends to stand still. Battey's a big kid, so even if he's a beat slow rotating into position, he's still long enough to challenge shots at the rim. But crafty big men with his size and chops will make him work defensively.

Foul trouble is often a concern, Reynolds said. And when Battey is on the bench, Villa Park loses its muscle around the hoop.

Battey knows he must remain active on defense, and is learning the importance of exerting as much energy there as he does on the other end.

Again, he's a junior. Some things come only with experience.

"The most important thing I can do," Battey said, "is help my team get a win."

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## CAMINO

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fast and coordinated and quickly racks up points against those he's playing.

Gallardo said that he and many of his friends are laborers, and the sport is a fun way to de-stress and stay in shape for work.

"I've come here almost every day for 25 years," Gallardo said from the side-

lines of a game at El Camino Real Park in Orange. "It's a very big sport for Hispanics. Hundreds of people come here on the weekend."

The park at 400 N. Main St. opened in 1978 and is the only park in Orange with

handball courts. So, it's become the hottest place for the sport in the city.

The handball courts had a family feel on a recent Tuesday afternoon during the holidays. An older man offered his friends water

bottles and danced to Nor-teno music blaring from speakers. People lined up their fold-out camping chairs and took turns watching, cheering, jeering and playing the game.

"Me and my friends just

meet up here," said Jose Leal, 19. "We used to play in middle school and high school.

"Every day after classes me and like 10 kids, we'd walk here together and play."



# OCrossword

**Across**  
1. Broadcast  
6. Rebel Guevara  
9. Mr. Clean competitor  
13. Rouse from sleep  
14. Not at home  
15. Very strong wind  
16. Misty May-Treanor's beach volleyball partner  
18. Lena of "Chocolat"  
19. Dog collar dangler  
20. Hypothesize  
22. Blood-typing syst.  
23. Born, in a bio  
24. "Cat's in the Cradle" folk rocker  
27. \_\_\_\_\_.com (major carrier's Web site)  
28. Put in a doggie bag, say  
29. San Francisco 49er who wore #80  
35. Lowish opera voice  
38. Any thing  
39. Photographer Adams  
41. Texting while driving, for one  
42. City dubbed "the Las Vegas of Asia"  
44. "The Buddy Holly Story" star  
46. "\_\_\_\_ bitten, twice shy"  
48. Regret  
49. She played Lois Lane on "Lois & Clark"  
54. Egg layer  
57. The "O" in G.O.P.  
58. Gawk  
59. Bit of baseball gear  
61. Scrabble piece  
63. Lamb Chop's puppetmaster  
65. Heaps and heaps  
66. Particle such as Na+ or Cl-  
67. Volkswagen model  
68. Rather raunchy  
69. Football kicker's gadget  
70. Bad lighting?

**Down**  
1. One may call Stockholm home  
2. Poker Flat chronicler Bret  
3. Creole vegetable  
4. Serious, as a subject  
5. Irvine-to-Los Angeles dir.  
6. Paint shop specification  
7. Saucy young lady  
8. Moral standards  
9. "A long time \_\_\_\_ in a galaxy far, far away . . ."  
10. Natural heat sources?  
11. Accused's excuse  
12. Last noble gas alphabetically  
13. Similar  
17. Car financing initials  
21. "\_\_\_\_ does it!" ("I've had enough!")  
25. Gillette razor name  
26. Park or Pennsylvania  
27. Giorgio of fashion  
29. \_\_\_\_ Beam bourbon whiskey  
30. In-flight info, briefly  
31. Colder than the previous coldest  
32. Letters at the end of a gerund  
33. Jefferson Davis's org.  
34. Suffix with mountain  
36. Number of gods in monotheism  
37. Rob \_\_\_\_ (cocktail)  
40. Harp-like instrument  
43. "I Ain't Marching Anymore" singer Phil  
45. Unwanted house visitor  
47. Absorbs a big loss  
49. Add up  
50. A-list  
51. California border lake  
52. Construction site sight  
53. 2013 film with a computer voiced by Scarlett Johansson  
54. "In what way?"  
55. French water brand  
56. Avian abode  
60. More or \_\_\_\_  
62. Terminate  
64. Hoppy pub quaff, for short

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>> We hope your holiday season was very merry! This puzzle's difficulty level is EASY, so few of the clues should be contrary.

## Solution to last week's puzzle

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## Today's puzzle constructor

Kevin Christian lives in Burlingame. He is the husband of Helen and father of Tim the baseball player and Kate the thespian. His day job is working for a Silicon Valley software company. He believes "Let the Right One In" is the finest horror movie ever made and King's X is the finest heavy metal band that ever existed.

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Order To Show Cause For Change of Name Case No. 30-2015-00821429 To All Interested Persons: Rocio Ureno Saldivar, filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

**PRESENT NAME**  
Rocio Ureno Saldivar

**PROPOSED NAME**  
Rocio Saldivar-Ureno

**The Court Orders** that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.

Notice Of Hearing Date: 3/16/16 Time: 8:30am Dept. D100, Window #44. The address of the court is Central Justice Center 700 Civic Center Drive West Santa Ana, CA 92701 A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Orange City News

Date: Nov 19, 2015.

Judge Richard Luesebrink to show the Superior Court Publish: Orange City News Dec 16, 23, 30, 2015, Jan. 6, 2016 10119299

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Torito Rocha of Santa Ana smacks the ball at the courts at El Camino Real Park.

# ORANGE PARK: HOT SPOT FOR HANDBALL PLAYERS

Hundreds play at El Camino Real's courts.

By BROOKE E. SEIPEL  
STAFF WRITER

On the court, Jose Gallardo's nickname is "The Samurai."

He earned the title playing handball – not the version played by elementary school kids, but the competitive sport played with a ball less than an inch in diameter and in a court with three 20-foot tall walls.

If you watch Gallardo, 55, you can see why friends gave him that name. He doesn't dress in active wear and isn't of a particularly athletic build – he is in jeans and a T-shirt that's seen better days. But when he gets on the court, he's

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The six handball courts at El Camino Real Park are home to hundreds of handball games a day.



Waldo Franco laughs as he jokes around with his friends at the handball courts at El Camino Real Park.

## Catholic saint's relics to visit city

St. John Maron will celebrate St. Sharbel Makhlouf with prayers, services.

By BROOKE E. SEIPEL  
STAFF WRITER

The relics of St. Sharbel Makhlouf, a pious hermit who lived in the 19th century, will visit St. John Maron Maronite Catholic Church in Orange this weekend.

St. John Maron is the only Maronite church in Orange County, a part of the Catholic church practicing Eastern traditions. While the Orthodox part of the church draws from Latin or Roman traditions, many traditions in Maronite churches come from Lebanon, where the church patriarch resides.

The Rev. Antoine Bakh said this is the first time the church has hosted the relics of a saint.

The remains of Sharbel's body will enter the church at 11:30 a.m. Saturday during a processional and will remain the subject of events throughout the day – including an overnight adoration that will last into Sunday.

The relics will leave the church at 6 p.m. Sunday.

Sharbel, sometimes spelled Charbel, was a Maronite monk and priest in Lebanon who lived from 1828 to 1898.

Months after his death, people claimed to see a light coming from Sharbel's tomb. When it was reopened to investigate, they found his body had not decayed at all.

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COURTESY ST. JOHN MARON MARONITE CATHOLIC CHURCH

An image of St. Sharbel Makhlouf, the Maronite monk whose relics will visit Orange this weekend.

If you go

**When:** 11:30 a.m. Saturday to 6 p.m. Sunday

**Where:** St. John Maron Maronite Catholic Church, 300 S. Flower St., Orange

**Cost:** Free

**More info:** 714-940-0009

## Villa Park enacts stricter rules banning marijuana

Pot shops, delivery services and the growing of weed are all prohibited under the new law.

Villa Park recently joined a handful of cities across Orange County choosing to add stricter regulations on marijuana activities.

On Jan. 1, an amendment to the Villa Park Municipal Code went into effect, prohibiting commercial cannabis activities from entering the city. Pot shops, delivery services and the



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growing of weed are all banned under the new law, which passed 5-0 at the city's December council meeting.

The law is in reaction to recent state legislation that, effective March 1, would give the state the power to license growers and dispensary owners. Cities are allowed to pass their own prohibitions, if they are

done by March 1.

In 2010, the City Council prohibited medical marijuana dispensaries in all zones of the city.

City officials decided to update the code, to clarify that all activities – specifically the growth and delivery of marijuana – would also be illegal in Villa Park.

During the December council meeting, the city attorney said people with a prescription for medical

marijuana will still be allowed to purchase medical marijuana outside of the city and bring it into their homes for use. Anything else is prohibited.

Other Orange County cities, including Brea, Huntington Beach, Irvine, Fountain Valley and Orange, have enacted anti-marijuana laws.

Orange spokesman Paul Sitkoff said that in order to make sure Orange was still

completely covered on this question, the council approved a new chapter of the municipal code at its Dec. 8 meeting ensuring all activities were banned.

Sitkoff said the city attorney believes Orange now fully prohibits any growing, distribution or delivery of marijuana.

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LADY ORANGE



BROOKE E. SEIPEL >>

Contact Lady Orange at 714-704-3793 or at bseipel@ocregister.com.  
Selected questions will be answered here and at ocregister.com/orange.

# Lady Orange tackles traffic question at full speed

**Q.** Each morning my wife and I walk our dogs along North Batavia Street between Lincoln Avenue and Taft Avenue/Ball Road. Both trucks and passenger cars are flying down the street while other vehicles are obviously holding to the speed limit. How do you get the Orange Police Department to hold a traffic patrol and issue tickets?

- Arnie Pitts, Orange

**A.** Lady Orange has noticed that each city has a few streets known for attracting speed demons. This can be especially frustrating when you're just trying to get from point A to point B in one piece.

Lady Orange called the Orange Police Department to ask how they choose where to patrol and how residents can put a stop to reckless driving.

"We oftentimes rely on the public to determine what streets we're going to patrol," said a spokesman for the department. "The public is the eyes and ears of the PD, because unfortunately we can't be everywhere at once. We have a special enforcement line the public can call and report to. We see and utilize that information to form strategies to send officers to those areas."

So if you notice an area with a lot of speeding, the department invites you to



JEBB HARRIS, FILE PHOTO

Several Villa Park streets will soon be under construction to get them back into good shape.

call the enforcement line: 714-744-7472.

The calls are logged and when people keep calling about specific problem areas, the department is able to see trends in where it needs to step up traffic enforcement.

## LADY ORANGE RETURNS TO AN OLD QUESTION

Earl's Home Cookin' - once known for being open 24 hours a day - has been closed for some time now and the empty space has prompted a few questions about what would come

next.

Lady Orange wrote in July that the building at 807 N. Tustin St. had been sold to a new restaurateur and would become the home of a Las Playas Family Restaurant.

Since her last article, Lady Orange has received

a handful of calls and emails about the building and why it was under construction. She figured it was worth touching on again.

**John Tseheridis**, a member of the family that owns the Las Playas restaurants, said construction

started soon after escrow closed in April. The building is being transformed into a fun, family restaurant.

He said they were hoping to open sometime early this year.

Tseheridis said Las Playas serves Mexican food but also specializes in seafood. Las Playas will be open for breakfast, lunch and dinner with signature menu items such as breakfast burritos, carne asada and shrimp cocktails.

The portions, Tseheridis said, are second to none.

## STREET TALK IN VILLA PARK

Late this month, Villa Park peeps can plan on seeing a little extra construction on their streets.

Villa Park City Council members recently approved a contract with Hardy & Harper Inc. for the street-rehabilitation project.

The \$647,700 project aims to fix 23 streets throughout the city. Each year, the city identifies roads in need of a little extra love and works to add them to its annual street-rehabilitation project list.

Some streets will have pavement entirely reconstructed, while others will have an overlay or be slurry sealed.

# Placentia traffic signal getting fixed after faulty camera was discovered

**Q.** The traffic signal at Van Buren Street and Orangethorpe Avenue in Placentia seems to be set to promote traffic along the secondary road of Van Buren, and not

on Orangethorpe, which is the main road. This light will be red and prevent vehicles from proceeding along Orangethorpe, even when there are no vehicles on Van Buren.

It seems that the traffic signal is not programmed properly. Can you help?

- D. Stewart, Placentia

**A.** It turns out that the problem is pretty well

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known in Placentia, said **Rusty Beardsley**, the city's traffic engineer.

The culprit is a malfunctioning camera that is supposed to detect vehicles approaching Van Buren. When the camera doesn't work, the traffic defaults to always "thinking" that a car is coming to Van Buren, even if there aren't any vehicles in the area, Beardsley said.

The faulty equipment was sent to the manufacturer for repairs and should be back in service later this month.

**Transportation study:** Orange County motorists are being encouraged to



ART MARROQUIN  
STAFF WRITER

sign up for the California Road Charge Pilot program, which will allow state officials to study whether to

tax drivers based on the miles they drive, rather than by the amount of fuel consumed.

For now, highway and road repairs are funded by the state's gasoline tax, but that's become a declining source of revenue as vehicles become increasingly fuel-efficient. As a result, the state has less money to spend on

needed road repairs and projects aimed at reducing traffic.

The state is looking for at least 5,000 volunteers statewide to participate in the nine-month study, set to begin this summer. The **Orange County Transportation Authority** encouraged locals to sign up for the study so the county has a voice in the issue.

Information: [dot.ca.gov/road\\_charge](http://dot.ca.gov/road_charge).

On the Road takes transportation questions from north Orange County readers. You can email questions to [ontheroad@ocregister.com](mailto:ontheroad@ocregister.com). Only questions in the column are answered.

**Attention Orange County Residents Suffering With Low-Back Pain...**

**“Announcing The New “Back Pain And Sciatica Workshop”, Saturday January 23rd, That’ll Show You Precisely What To Do, To Put An End To Low Back Pain And Sciatica, FOR GOOD...”**

*- By Leading USA Back Pain Expert, Andrew Vertson*



**Orange County (OC)** - If you or a loved one suffer from chronic back pain - so bad that it can even stop you from walking - then attending this Workshop may be the most important thing you do this

year. It may unlock the agonizing mystery of your back pain and show you a way to get back to the life you deserve...

- A life where you can **sleep at night** without tossing and turning, hoping to find one position where the pain stops.
  - A life where you can **wake up in the morning** and not take 20 minutes to get out of bed... and then another 20 minutes to put on your socks and shoes always restricted by a back so stiff and tight.
  - A life where you can **pick up and play with your kids** without worrying when your back is going to “go out” and leave you crippled on the floor.
  - A life where you can do and enjoy all the things you see so many others doing and enjoying but your bad back has **kept you watching from the side-lines**.
- ...Basically, a life without the **curse of back pain**.

**If You Feel Let Down, Disappointed, And Even Skeptical About What Can Be Done To Help You, Then Read On...**

My name is Andrew Vertson, the nations leading low-back pain specialist, and I have been helping people live with much less back pain for more than two decades now - all across the county.

And what we know now is that so many people are confused by the advice they've previously been given, unsure about why it didn't work out... perhaps even skeptical about their best chances of living with less back pain in the future... and that's why I created this one hour Workshop entitled: **“The Best Kept Secrets Of Easing Low-Back Pain And Staying Pain Free”** - and decided to make it **FREE** to residents of Orange County.

When you attend, first you'll discover just how many other options that there are available to you - and how safe and simple they are - then we think you'll agree with the many attendees who've already gone before you who now say it truly is possible to get relief from chronic low-back pain, even if you've suffered for 20 years or more.

**Here's What You'll Learn At This New Workshop:**

- The 7 urgent coping strategies every back-pain sufferer must never forget when back pain strikes!!
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- How to get a free “injury severity” low-back pain examination and where to go for it...

**If you're currently seeing a doctor, thinking about it, or just don't want to face the hassle of talking to your insurance**, but still want to get some real help, then you need to consider attending this Free Workshop which reveals **“The Best Kept Secrets For Living With Less Back Pain and Staying Pain Free!”**

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- 3.) You are currently seeing a doctor or thinking about it
- 4.) You have an open mind and willing to act upon new advice

**You Should NOT attend this Workshop if:**

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If you meet the qualification above, here's

## What To Do Next:

Pick up the telephone. **Take action in your own self-interest and protect your future independence and mobility.** Save yourself from a lifetime of suffering more back pain than you need to.

**Lines opened today at 8am...** and we only have a limited number of seats available for this amazing Workshop for people who want to attend the next one in Orange County. To find out more about the date and time please request your free information pack to be sent to you today, by calling free (714) 262-4529... you can leave a **message, 24 hrs.**

■ *Sincerely, Andrew Vertson.*

**PS** This workshop is available for you to attend at Orange clinic, **Saturday January 23!** Spaces are limited... so please call NOW and state your nearest clinic to get yours and when you attend, **you will breathe a sigh of relief** once you realize how easy (and cost free) it is to finally start living life on your terms again - with much less back pain. **P.P.S** To confirm - no one will ask you for money for anything else when you call (714) 262-4529 to collect your free information pack and express your interest in attending this magnificent Workshop.

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## Social media contests will continue in Orange

If you're a pro at Facebook and know your way around Orange, the city is offering chances for you to win fun prizes. In late 2015, the first social media contest was launched on the City of Orange Facebook page. City spokesman Paul Sitkoff said the contest was a success, and the city plans to hold more in the new year.

In the contest, the city posts a photo taken somewhere in Orange. Contestants are asked to figure out where the photo was taken, go there and send the city a photo of themselves in the "mystery" spot. The first 10 people to send in a photo at the accurate location win a small prize.

The city is inviting local businesses to participate as the future "mystery locations." Interested businesses should email [askorange@cityoforange.org](mailto:askorange@cityoforange.org) by Jan. 12. Future contests will be posted on the city's Facebook page.



BRUCE CHAMBERS, FILE PHOTO  
**The Orange Fire Department will purchase two emergency vehicles.**

## Orange Fire Department to get new ambulances

The \$571,512 purchase of two new ambulances by the Orange Fire Department was recently authorized by the City Council.

The new ambulances will replace two older emergency vehicles originally purchased in 2009.

Ambulances undergo a lot of wear and tear and need to be replaced regularly to meet health and safety standards, city officials said.

Funding for the purchase was set aside during the creation of the 2015-16 budget, with the knowledge that the department would need to purchase two ambulances.

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## → THINGS TO KNOW



COURTESY OF THE ORANGE PUBLIC LIBRARY AND HISTORY CENTER  
**Irvine Park Lake in Orange was dusted with snow in the winter of 1949.**

A white winter in Orange may seem like the stuff of dreams, but in 1949 it actually happened.

This photo, taken by John Taylor and currently in the Orange Library and History Center archives, shows snow at

Irvine Lake.

A fresh coat of snow is seen covering the ground.

Snow has dusted Orange several times over the course of its history, including 1947, 1948 and 1949.

## Orange library will show documentary films for adults

Looking for something to do on your Saturday afternoons this winter? The Orange Public Library and History Center has you covered.

The library recently announced a winter documentary film series for Feb. 20, March 19 and April 16 in the library's community room.

The selections will be intended for adult audiences, so the library encourages parents to leave children at home. The documentaries to be screened will be announced early this year.

Admission to the events is free, and refreshments will be available. The library requests that people do not bring outside food or drink.

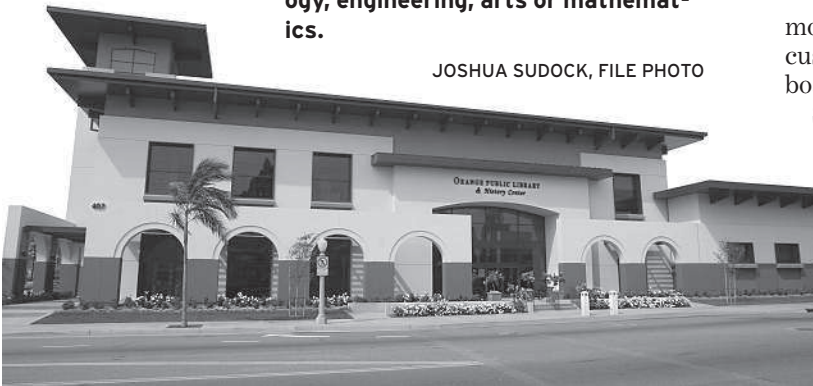
For more information and to check for updates on what films will be shown, visit the library's page on [cityoforange.org](http://cityoforange.org) or call 714-288-2470.



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### The Orange Public Library & History Center, hosts a monthly event for teens focused on science, technology, engineering, arts or mathematics.

JOSHUA SUDOCK, FILE PHOTO



## Teen event explores food science

The Orange Public Library and History Center will hold its monthly STEAM for Teens program on Saturday, this time focused on the science and creation of the food in your fridge, cupboards and pantries.

STEAM, which stands for science, technology, engineering, arts and math, is the focus of a monthly program at the library.

This month, the program is titled "Phantasmagorias of Food Science" and will be presented by Sara Bowie.

The free event is for teens in seventh through 12th grade and runs from 2 to 3:30 p.m. at 407 E. Chapman Ave.

Teens who attend will also be entered into a drawing to win a laptop. A winner will be announced in February. For more information, call 714-288-2418.

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## Learn to draw wildlife

Teens and adults can learn “the essentials” of drawing wildlife during a workshop Saturday at the Fullerton Museum Center.

The workshop is part of the museum’s exhibit “Treasured Lands: The 59 U.S. National Parks in Focus.” The taxidermy specimens in the exhibit will be the models for the class.

Participants will learn about capturing form and gesture with a variety of media. Bring your own sketching materials or use the museum’s. Reservations are recommended.

The “Treasured Lands” exhibit will be on display through Jan. 17. It is the work of QT Luong, who traveled across the country photographing all the national parks.

– Heather McRea

## If you go

**When:** 2-4 p.m. Saturday  
**Where:** Fullerton Museum Center, 301N. Pomona Ave.  
**Cost:** Free with admission, which is \$4 general  
**Information:** 714-738-6545

## Get answers about finding ancestors

The Genealogical Society of North Orange County California offers “Ancestor Answers” twice a month at the Yorba Linda Public Library. On the second and fourth Mondays of each month, volunteers with the group who are skilled in searching family trees are on hand to help answer questions from 7 to 8:30 p.m.

The North County group, a member of the California State Geoological Alliance and the Federation of Genealogical Societies, meets monthly, usually with a speaker. Find out more: [gsnocc.org](#).

– Heather McRea

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# MIRACLES: Church believes St. Sharbel Makhlouf healed people

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Documents from the Vatican library record that the tomb was reopened several times throughout the years, each time revealing the body had not decayed. The body

also oozed blood and liquid while still remaining perfectly intact.

Church documents state that Sharbel’s body did not start showing signs of decay until it was looked at in 1965 – 67 years after his

death.

Many Catholics considered these events miraculous.

“The tomb became a place people would pilgrimage to,” Bakh explained. “People would pray to Shar-

bel for intercession, and they would receive answers to their prayers, and a lot of them would be healed.”

“By their lives, saints testify to Christ,” Bakh said. “Christ, in turn, honors them by working through

them. Often this means performing miracles through their bones or things they touched or through their prayers in heaven.”

Bakh said Sharbel’s tomb is covered with hundreds of letters and testimonies of his healing power.

For these reasons, Sharbel was made a saint in 1977 by Pope Paul VI.

Bakh said being able to have the body of the saint in

the church will be a spiritual experience and offer many a chance to pray in Sharbel’s presence.

“(This) is a way of being physically close and feeling spiritually close to the saint,” Bakh said. “It brings people closer to God through the saint. It’s an opportunity to share in his presence.”

“It’s very sacramental,” he said.

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### Becoming a saint

Someone is usually considered for sainthood after their death, for having lived a holy and pious life.

- The case for sainthood of a specific person is presented to a bishop.
- If someone is accepted for consideration of sainthood, he or she is first called a Servant of God.
- The Vatican Congregation for the Causes of Saints determines whether the life of the Servant of God was of heroic virtues. If so, the person is granted the title of Venerable.
- The church must then establish that the person performed one miracle. Once the case for a miracle is established, the Venerable is presented to the pope. The pope then evaluates whether the person is worthy of being called blessed. This is the beatification step.
- A second miracle of the blessed person and the case for their sainthood is presented to the pope. At this time, the pope can begin the canonization process to officially recognize the person as a saint.

### Sharbel’s miracles recognized by Vatican

- Healing of sister Mary Apple Kamary, a nun of the Sacred Heart
- Healing of Iskandar Naoum Obeid from Baabdat
- Healing of Mariam Awad from Hammana



FRANK D'AMATO, FILE PHOTO

The Rev. Antoine Bakh says this is the first time St. John Maron has hosted the relics of a saint.



KEVIN SULLIVAN, FILE PHOTO

Flowers and plants will be sold during the annual Flower Festival at the Asian Garden Mall.

## Flower Festival ready to bloom

The Asian Garden Mall’s 11th annual Flower Festival begins Jan. 15. The festival, which attracts 3,000 to 4,000 people each year, is open from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. each day in the mall’s parking lot, 9200 Bolsa Ave. It will run through Feb. 6, which is two days before the Lunar New Year. In the Vietnamese culture, having flowers in your house for Tet is a way to bring good luck for the new year.

Shoppers will be surrounded by varieties of fresh mai flowers, cherry blossoms, orchids and exotic fruits. There will be several varieties of orchids for sale, from white, symbolizing positivity and purity, to yellow, meaning joy and happiness. There will also be traditional arts and crafts sold, new year cuisine and the mall is open.

– Chris Haire

### If you go

**When:** 10 a.m.-10 p.m. Jan. 15 to Feb. 6  
**Where:** Asian Garden Mall, 9200 Bolsa Ave., Westminster  
**Cost:** Free  
**Information:** [asiangardenmall.com](#)

## Karl Rove will speak at Nixon birthday celebration

The Nixon Presidential Library & Museum will commemorate Richard Nixon’s birthday Saturday with a ceremony and free admission all day.

A wreath sent by President Barack Obama will be placed at the memorial site of Nixon and his wife, Pat, and there will be a formal presentation of colors. Rear Adm. Mark Rich, commander of the Navy’s southwest region, will speak, and the Navy Band Southwest will perform.

At 10:30 a.m., Nixon’s brother, Edward, will officially kick off the \$15 million overhaul of the museum’s

galleries. The wreath-laying ceremony will follow.

At 1 p.m., Karl Rove, a former senior adviser to President George W. Bush, will lecture on Nixon’s legacy as well as talk about his new book on William McKinley and his outlook of the 2016 elections. Rove will also sign copies of his book.

Nixon was born in a small farmhouse in Yorba Linda – his birthplace is part of the library’s 9-acre campus and can be toured. The home was built in 1910 by Nixon’s father and features original furnishings.

– Heather McRea

### If you go

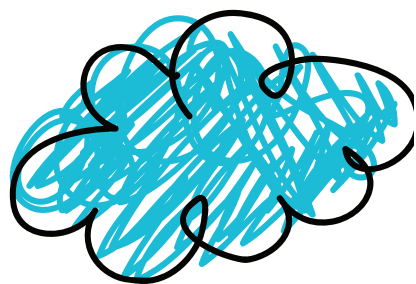
**When:** Event starts at 10:30 a.m. Saturday; the library is open 10 a.m.-5 p.m. on Saturdays  
**Where:** Nixon Presidential Library & Musum, 18001 Yorba Linda Blvd., Yorba Linda  
**Cost:** Free  
**Information:** [nixonfoundation.org](#)



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A coast live oak tree is reflected in a shallow creek at the Oak Canyon Nature Center.





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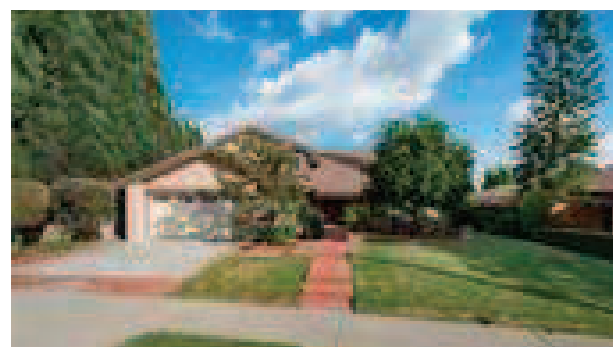
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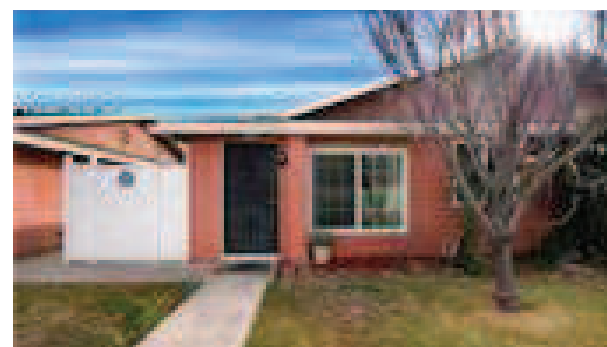
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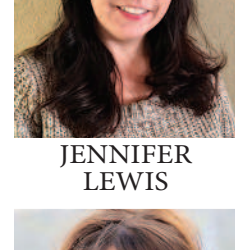
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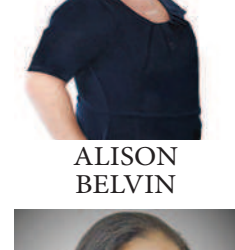
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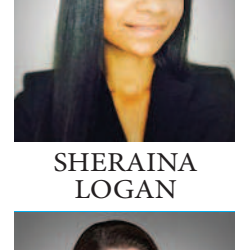
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**Academic honors: Han-nah Tardie** of Orange, a member of the volleyball team at Bates College in Lewiston, Maine, received a New England Small College Athletic Conference All-Academic distinction for the fall season.

To receive the award, the student-athlete must have a cumulative GPA of at least 3.35.

Tardie is a 2013 graduate of Canyon High School in Anaheim.

She majors in English and visual culture at Bates.

**Ad-vanced degree: Colin Bennett** of Yorba Linda was among 100 students receiving degrees at the South Dakota School of Mines & Technology's 172nd commencement ceremony recently.

Bennett earned a Master

of Science in mechanical engineering.

**Grant recipient: Camie Walker**, a teacher at John Murdy Elementary School in Garden Grove, recently received a \$2,000 Learning & Leadership Grant from the NEA Foundation.

Also, Walker will present a workshop on integrating engineering into Common Core at the California Science Education Conference in October.

The NEA Foundation announced it was awarding a total of \$144,000 in grants to 39 educators in 22 states.

**Wrapped gifts:** All 435 students at **Maple Elementary School** in Fullerton received wrapped Christmas gifts and food items donated by **Albertsons**.

The Fullerton-based grocery chain adopted Maple, a Title 1 Academic Achieving School, in 2013 and has made sponsoring the Christmas wishes of the students a yearly tradition.

The gifts were delivered by Santa Claus.

**Doing their part: Aaron's Plumbing and Home Repair** in Orange, owned by **Aaron Check**, recently be-

came an official drop-off location for Soles4Souls, a global enterprise that collects shoes for people in need.

Donated shoes can be dropped off at Aaron's Plumbing's headquarters at 655 S. Main St., Suite 200, Orange.

Aaron's will also pick up donated shoes on any plumbing house call.

For more information about Soles4Souls or to become an official drop-off location, go to **soles4souls.org/get-involved**.

**For special kids: Fuller-ton Elks Lodge No. 1993** donated gifts, including wooden toys crafted by the **Orange County Woodworkers Association**, to 37 children with special needs at the lodge's holiday party held before Christmas.

Santa and Mrs. Claus presented the gifts to the children and their families. The lodge also provided a free lunch to everyone in attendance.

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IN OUR SCHOOLS

# El Modena students share computer knowledge

Computers and devices are everywhere, and it is critical that today's students have the opportunity to learn computer science.

In conjunction with Computer Science Education Week, El Modena High School sponsored the Hour of Code. All 2,089 ElMo students participated in the large learning event, organized by Code.org, a nonprofit dedicated to expanding participation to include girls and minorities and supported by more than 100 sponsors, including Microsoft, Apple, Amazon, Disney and Boys & Girls Clubs of America.

Students from El Modena's Exploring Computer Science class shared an Hour of Code with 55 sixth-graders and a special day class from Prospect Elementary, introducing them to the principles of the computer.

The Prospect students were provided Chromebooks with which to have fun – and learn block coding – while participating in a “Star Wars” activity. The El Modena students assisted, answered questions and helped the younger students feel comfortable with the program.

The elementary students were shown the boards and circuitry inside a computer, and they asked questions. They gathered in small



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**Prospect school sixth-graders Lydia Fosado and Annellee Garcia are mentored by El Modena High senior Anastasia Foster during an Hour of Code.**

groups and took turns manipulating a Bluetooth-controlled robot ball, called a “Sphero,” that changed colors and rolled about, responding to the remote control.

The El Modena-Prospect Hour of Code was coordinated by Maureen Fechter, college and career instructional specialist, and directed by instructor Christopher Warrior, both of whom teach computer technology at the school.

El Modena offers Communication Technology Career Pathways, including

IT, robotics and business technology courses. Students may become Microsoft Office Specialist-certified and acquire work experience via professional internships at local companies such as Selman Chevrolet, Toyota, CVS and others. Other students work with the Clockwork Oranges Robotics Team, which is challenged to build, design, program and compete in district and regional events with a new robot each year.

For more information, contact [mfechter@orangeusd.org](mailto:mfechter@orangeusd.org).

## LEARN MORE ABOUT TRANSITIONAL KINDERGARTEN

Children who were born between Sept. 2 and Dec. 2, 2011, are eligible to attend transitional kindergarten during the next school year, beginning in August. Students born between July 1 and Sept. 1, 2011, may attend kindergarten in the fall or opt for transitional kindergarten.

Parents of eligible students are invited to attend



**El Modena High School senior Michael Figueras displays the inner workings of a computer to Prospect Elementary sixth-graders Hector Sanchez, Javier Morales, David Carrillo and Aaron Cornelio.**

an informational meeting from 5 to 6 p.m. Jan. 14 at the Orange Unified School District office, 1401 N. Handy St., Building H.

## MANDARIN DUAL-LANGUAGE IMMERSION PROGRAM

Fletcher Elementary

School is the site of a Mandarin Dual Language program for students in kindergarten through fifth grade, with 30-student classes taught in equal parts English and Mandarin Chinese. Parents who are interested in the program for their students

should contact Fletcher Elementary to visit the classrooms and begin the enrollment process; the phone number is 714-997-6181.

An orientation for parents considering the program will be held from 5 to 6 p.m. Jan. 26 at the OUSD Office, Board Room 3, 1401 N. Handy St., Building H. For more information, see [orangeusd.org/mandarin](http://orangeusd.org/mandarin).

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St. Paul's Lutheran Church will offer a kindergarten information night for new families from 6 to 7 p.m. Jan. 21. Contact Kim Howard at [kim.howard@stplsorange.org](mailto:kim.howard@stplsorange.org) or call 714-923-3188 for more information.

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# MAKING A SIZABLE IMPACT

Villa Park junior Evan Battey transferred from Los Angeles Center for Enriched Studies this summer, and in his fifth game with the Spartans he nearly broke the school's scoring record with 44 points.

BRIAN WHITEHEAD, STAFF

At 6-foot-7, 235 pounds, Villa Park High's Evan Battey possesses the skills of a guard.

There aren't many spots on the basketball court from which Evan Battey hasn't scored. Last month, in just his fifth game at Villa Park High, Battey nearly broke the school's scoring record. His 44 points – accrued in a 101-95 win over Victorville's Adelanto High – were two off the mark set by former four-year letter winners Drew Viney, an erstwhile Oregon and Loyola Marymount hooper, and Corey Miller.



BRIAN WHITEHEAD  
STAFF WRITER

Battey is neither unfamiliar with the limelight nor uncomfortable in it. His game is equal parts childlike wonder and veteran savvy. He can do it all.

Villa Park's basketball program is one of Orange County's finest, and longtime Spartans coach Kevin Reynolds appears to have his latest prep phenom. "In two years," Reynolds said, "he'll be as good as anyone who's come through here."

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At 6-foot-7, 235 pounds, Battey towers over reporters, coaches and classmates. His smile can be seen from across campus, and if he can be serious for a moment, he refuses to take himself too seriously. Battey is 17 going on 21, with the understanding of his limits and the work ethic to push through them.

Few high school juniors have potential so vast, a ceiling so high.

But Battey still has plenty to learn, and Reynolds has plenty more to teach.

"With his skill set," Reynolds said, "I mean, he's 6-foot-7 playing like a 6-foot-1 guy, and the combination the kid has already as a junior, he has a great work ethic and attitude toward work. He'll make money someday doing this. He's a pro somewhere."

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It's hard to imagine now, but once upon a time, Battey didn't care much for basketball.

His mother told him the first time he set foot on the court he cried. Battey doesn't remember crying and sure can't fathom being so terrified. Son to a 6-foot-3 father and a 6-foot mother, Battey outgrew his peers at an early age, the bulky third-grader



MELINA PIZANO, FILE PHOTO

Battey, left, pictured in 2013 in his freshman year at LACES, is one of Orange County's top scorers.

standing taller than most high school freshmen.

Raised in Los Angeles, Battey played a mean center mid on the soccer field, but he belonged in the gym, where he could use his size advantageously.

Unlike many children gifted with great height, Battey wasn't banished from handling the ball, shooting threes or any of the other fun things shorter players do without repercussion. He played all five positions enough to grasp their idiosyncrasies, all the while developing a knack for getting buckets in a variety of ways.

"I fell in love with basketball," he said.

Battey continued growing through grade school, and joined his first Amateur Athletic Union team as a 9-year-old.

"Every day was a grind," he said. "You go through ups and downs. But it was always better to go through them with teammates."

Battey met Myles Franklin that first club season, and they've been inseparable since.

Complementary in position and similarly selfless, Battey and Franklin turned club teams into club juggernauts, their thirst for competition and friendly gamesmanship the reason they jelled

so quickly and later remained friends despite attending high schools 40 miles apart.

"He's my brother," said Franklin, now a third-year Villa Park guard. "We've always had on-court chemistry."

Said Battey: "Me and Myles eat together off the court, and we eat together on the court."

Battey made varsity as a freshman at Los Angeles Center for Enriched Studies, averaging 11 points and 11 rebounds for a Unicorns team that captured the program's third CIF Los Angeles City Section championship in six years.

The lone freshman named first-team All-Western League in 2014, Battey said playing regularly against upperclassmen from area monoliths Westchester High and Fairfax High set him on a path to greatness.

"I knew that if I could play against those guys," he said, "I could play against anybody."

Battey averaged 20 points and 14 rebounds as a sophomore, becoming the best player, an All-City forward, on LACES' second consecutive Division IV titlist. This past summer, as a 16-year-old, he started alongside NCAA Division I recruits Vance Jackson (St. John Bosco High) and

Brendan Bailey (Santa Margarita High) on Dream Vision AAU's Under-17 team.

"Eye-opening," he called his promotion.

In August, Battey's family moved to Villa Park, where he teamed with Franklin on the 2015-16 Spartans.

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What Battey remembers of his 44-point December explosion are the shots he missed.

"A couple layups here," he says, "some free throws there, and I'd have the school record."

This is how scorers think.

It's not hyperbolic to call Battey unstoppable, because he can do things with the ball few others his size can. Reynolds doesn't plant Battey on the block – where most high school big men live – and grants him the freedom to begin the break after grabbing defensive rebounds.

Battey touches the ball on every possession, Reynolds said. He is the fulcrum of Villa Park's offense in a way his predecessors weren't.

"You look at his body, and you see a post guy," Reynolds said. "He's a strong kid, but he's a unique talent. He's big, but he can

put the ball on the floor, and he's a willing passer. ... He's someone you build a team around."

The first time Reynolds saw Battey play, Battey hit all seven of his 3-point shot attempts in a sixth-period scrimmage.

*No big man should be able to shoot like that,* Reynolds thought.

And that's what separates Battey from others.

Even at his size, he's agile enough to dart around screens on the perimeter, and can stop on a dime to launch from deep. His release is quick if not textbook, and his accuracy requires attention; opposing centers must leave the paint to guard Battey or risk standing flat-footed in a torrential downpour. Teams lose valuable shot blocking in those instances, and yet have no alternatives.

Put a guard on Battey, and watch Battey use his bulk to bully him in the post.

Bring help, and watch Battey zip passes to open shooters dotting sweet spots beyond the arc.

Zones are futile, because Battey can facilitate the offense from the free-throw line.

There really is no right way to guard him.

"He's probably a nightmare to prepare for," Reynolds said.

Though he racks up huge rebounding numbers (he grabbed 20 boards against Adelanto), Battey tires, Reynolds said. And when he tires, he tends to stand still. Battey's a big kid, so even if he's a beat slow rotating into position, he's still long enough to challenge shots at the rim. But crafty big men with his size and chops will make him work defensively.

Foul trouble is often a concern, Reynolds said. And when Battey is on the bench, Villa Park loses its muscle around the hoop.

Battey knows he must remain active on defense, and is learning the importance of exerting as much energy there as he does on the other end.

Again, he's a junior. Some things come only with experience.

"The most important thing I can do," Battey said, "is help my team get a win."

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## CAMINO

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fast and coordinated and quickly racks up points against those he's playing.

Gallardo said that he and many of his friends are laborers, and the sport is a fun way to de-stress and stay in shape for work.

"I've come here almost every day for 25 years," Gallardo said from the side-

lines of a game at El Camino Real Park in Orange. "It's a very big sport for Hispanics. Hundreds of people come here on the weekend."

The park at 400 N. Main St. opened in 1978 and is the only park in Orange with

handball courts. So, it's become the hottest place for the sport in the city.

The handball courts had a family feel on a recent Tuesday afternoon during the holidays. An older man offered his friends water

bottles and danced to Nor-teno music blaring from speakers. People lined up their fold-out camping chairs and took turns watching, cheering, jeering and playing the game.

"Me and my friends just

meet up here," said Jose Leal, 19. "We used to play in middle school and high school.

"Every day after classes me and like 10 kids, we'd walk here together and play."

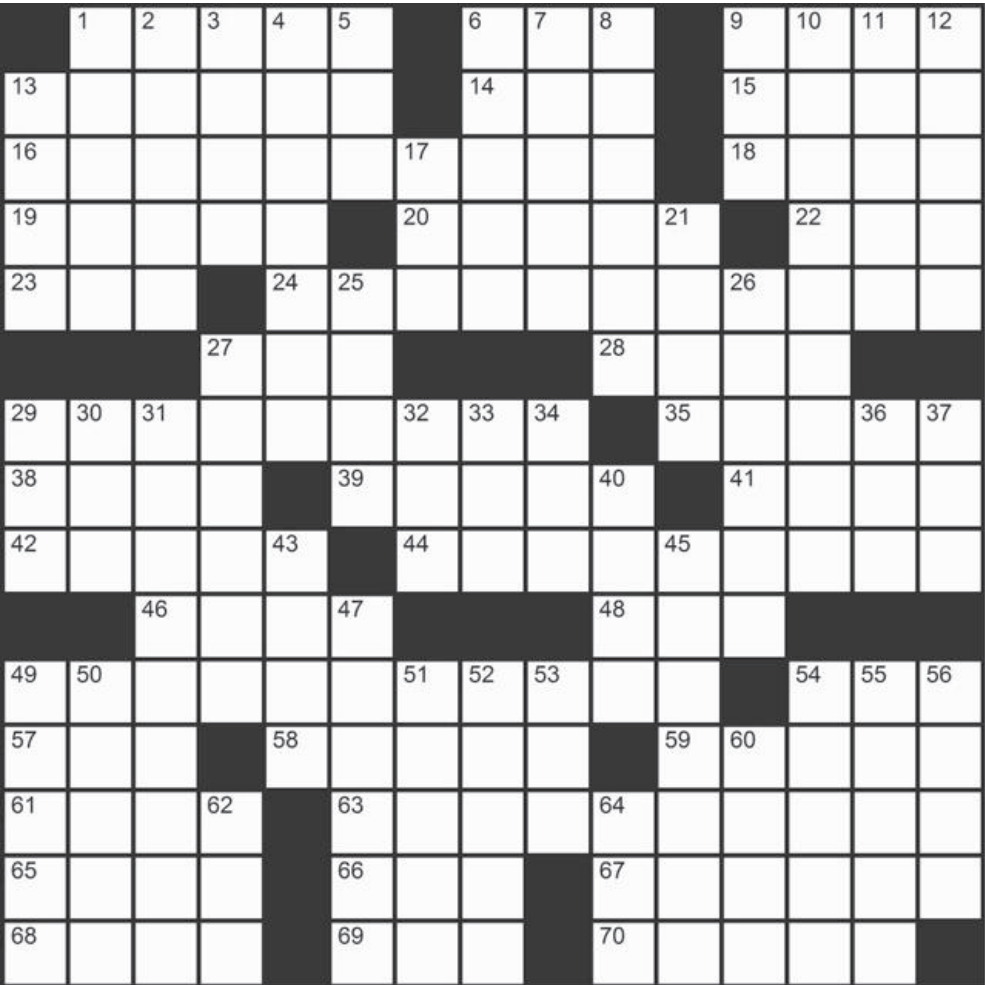


# OCrossword

**Across**  
1. Broadcast  
6. Rebel Guevara  
9. Mr. Clean competitor  
13. Rouse from sleep  
14. Not at home  
15. Very strong wind  
16. Misty May-Treanor's beach volleyball partner  
18. Lena of "Chocolat"  
19. Dog collar dangler  
20. Hypothesize  
22. Blood-typing syst.  
23. Born, in a bio  
24. "Cat's in the Cradle" folk rocker  
27. \_\_\_\_\_.com (major carrier's Web site)  
28. Put in a doggie bag, say  
29. San Francisco 49er who wore #80  
35. Lowish opera voice  
38. Any thing  
39. Photographer Adams  
41. Texting while driving, for one  
42. City dubbed "the Las Vegas of Asia"  
44. "The Buddy Holly Story" star  
46. "\_\_\_\_ bitten, twice shy"  
48. Regret  
49. She played Lois Lane on "Lois & Clark"  
54. Egg layer  
57. The "O" in G.O.P.  
58. Gawk  
59. Bit of baseball gear  
61. Scrabble piece  
63. Lamb Chop's puppetmaster  
65. Heaps and heaps  
66. Particle such as Na+ or Cl-  
67. Volkswagen model  
68. Rather raunchy  
69. Football kicker's gadget  
70. Bad lighting?

**Down**  
1. One may call Stockholm home  
2. Poker Flat chronicler Bret  
3. Creole vegetable  
4. Serious, as a subject  
5. Irvine-to-Los Angeles dir.  
6. Paint shop specification  
7. Saucy young lady  
8. Moral standards  
9. "A long time \_\_\_\_ in a galaxy far, far away . . ."  
10. Natural heat sources?  
11. Accused's excuse  
12. Last noble gas alphabetically  
13. Similar  
17. Car financing initials  
21. "\_\_\_\_ does it!" ("I've had enough!")  
25. Gillette razor name  
26. Park or Pennsylvania  
27. Giorgio of fashion  
29. \_\_\_\_ Beam bourbon whiskey  
30. In-flight info, briefly  
31. Colder than the previous coldest  
32. Letters at the end of a gerund  
33. Jefferson Davis's org.  
34. Suffix with mountain  
36. Number of gods in monotheism  
37. Rob \_\_\_\_ (cocktail)  
40. Harp-like instrument  
43. "I Ain't Marching Anymore" singer Phil  
45. Unwanted house visitor  
47. Absorbs a big loss  
49. Add up  
50. A-list  
51. California border lake  
52. Construction site sight  
53. 2013 film with a computer voiced by Scarlett Johansson  
54. "In what way?"  
55. French water brand  
56. Avian abode  
60. More or \_\_\_\_  
62. Terminate  
64. Hoppy pub quaff, for short

Puzzle by Kevin Christian | Edited by David Steinberg



>> We hope your holiday season was very merry! This puzzle's difficulty level is EASY, so few of the clues should be contrary.

## Solution to last week's puzzle

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## Today's puzzle constructor

Kevin Christian lives in Burlingame. He is the husband of Helen and father of Tim the baseball player and Kate the thespian. His day job is working for a Silicon Valley software company. He believes "Let the Right One In" is the finest horror movie ever made and King's X is the finest heavy metal band that ever existed.

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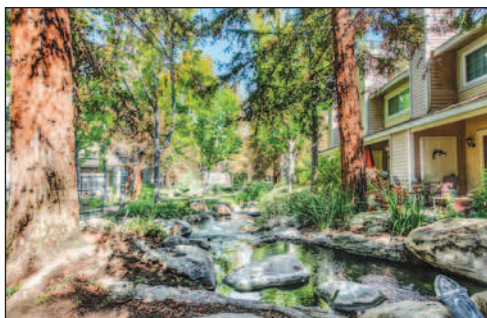
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