



JOBLESS LOVER: LAZY OR NOT?

n the Inland Empire we have an unemployment rate in the double digits. Depending on which expert you choose to believe, the number of men and women either unemployed, underemployed or have given up looking for work can be anywhere from 12 to 25 percent of our available workforce. The percentage of individuals in their late teens and early twenties is even higher. You may dispute these statistics but few will argue the economy is in a bad state with little reason to be optimistic.

This presents a fairly common situation I see in my counseling practice. A young woman in her early twenties will come into my office and tell me about this wonderful man she has met. He's perfect in every way except he's still living with his parents, hasn't finished or attempted college and has been out of work for over a year. The woman goes on to state how compatible they are but ends the conversation with "But I don't know if I want to become involved with a guy who doesn't have a job?"

Most of these young women are employed themselves and wonder if the object of their affections is without a job because of the economy or if they are just plain lazy. Great question and a difficult one to answer

There is nothing wrong with moving back home with mom and dad if making ends meet is difficult. Seems half the young adults in our county are in this dilemma. So by itself this fact should not be a deal breaker. What is more telling is whether or not the young man has earnestly been looking for work or attempting to further their educa-

Waterfowl is museum's topic

SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY MUSEUM Museum Director Robert McKer-

nan will present a gallery talk about waterfowl and wetlands at the San Bernardino County Museum in Redlands at 2 p.m. on Nov. 5. The presentation, open to the public, is included with paid museum admission.

The talk will focus on the relationship of duck stamps to wetlands conservation. Duck stamps are not postage stamps — they are revenue stamps sold annually to licensed waterfowl hunters. The sale and conservation of wetlands in the United States. Many of the more than 540 national wildlife refuges have been paid for all or in part by duck stamp funds. Since 1934, Federal Duck Stamps have generated more than \$670 million used to preserve more than 5.2 million acres of wetlands habitat in the United States.

"Waterfowl includes birds with webbed feet — swans, geese, ducks, teals, and mergansers — and

of duck stamps is the single largest grebes, which have lobed feet. one of five waterfowl species: wood source of revenue for the purchase There are more than 60 species in the North American waterfowl group," said McKernan. "During the presentation, I'll lead visitors into our Life in the Air gallery so we can look at many of these species on display."

Each year's duck stamp design is chosen through a federal art competition. The top entries from the 2011 contest will be on exhibit at the county museum during the 29th annual Wildlife Art Festival, Nov. 19 and 20. This year, artists will depict www.sbcountymuseum.org.

duck, mallard, blue-winged teal, cinnamon teal, or gadwall.

The San Bernardino County Museum is at the California Street exit from Interstate 10 in Redlands. The museum is open Tuesdays through Sundays from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. General admission is \$8 (adult), \$6 (military or senior), \$5 (student), and \$4 (child aged 5 to 12). Children under 5 and Museum Association members are admitted free. Parking is free. For more information, visit



Juan De Leon, left, and Alejandro Salazar, eighth-graders from Mira Loma Middle School, and Juan Martinez, seventh-grader from Loma Vista Middle School, peer into microscopes during the 12th annual Science Technology Education Partnership (STEP) conference in Riverside.

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tion or training.

If the statements he makes are punctuated with "the economy sucks so I don't even bother to look anymore." There is a problem. Or "School isn't my thing and I just know what I want to do." This statement suggests their situation is hopeless and they lack the motivation to do what it takes to improve their position. College is not for everyone. But there are lots of training and certification programs that allow young adults to get the skills they will need to be more attractive to potential employers.

I would not assume a young man 18 to 25 years of age who is out of work is unmotivated but I would be very cautious if they have absolutely no plan to make things better. It may be hard to avoid becoming discouraged but even depressed men and women can put effort into becoming employable.

At a minimum a resume should have already been put together and posted on appropriate websites. Pride should have been swallowed long ago to the point they have asked friends and relatives if they know anyone who might be hiring? In my life I have never seen a more brutal employment picture but a quick read a person's character is the way they tackle adversity.

Mitchell Rosen, M.A., is a licensed marriage and family therapist with practices in Corona and Temecula.

Students from Inland area schools take part in a program that exposes them to scientific careers

NAVAL SURFACE WARFARE CENTER, CORONA DIVISION Thousands of students throughout the In-

land region watched experiments and learned what fun they might expect as future scientists and engineers during the two-day 12th annual Science and Technology Education Partnership Conference that opened Tuesday at the Riverside Convention Center.

Some 1,200 students watched a science show and then toured 30 exhibits during morning and afternoon sessions that filled the convention center with the laughter of students bouncing and dancing to Top 40 hits before watching the effects of super-cold liquid nitrogen on balloons. Another 1,300 fourththrough eighth-grade students attended Wednesday.

Rick Lee, the general atomics scientist from San Diego who has put on the popular science show since the event began, said he has noticed over the years more interest among young girls in science because of the mentoring by a growing number of women science



Jynelle Bathan and Suzie Zuniga, left, from Scared Heart Academy in Rancho Cucamonga, watch a remote-controlled drone operated by Orrin Anderson and Troy Clarke.

when they are young," Lee said.

That's the message the U.S. Navy is giving as it supports science, technology, engineer-

teachers. "It's great to get them interested ing and math outreach events like STEP, a signature event for the maritime service that has expanded from California to the islands Kauai SEE **STEP**/C3

Temecula's Brewer Boys exit 'X Factor'

The teens made it to live TV on the Fox reality music show, but their stay is brief

BY VANESSA FRANKO STAFF WRITER vfranko@pe.com

The Brewer Boys performed "Faith" on "The X Factor" Tuesday night, but faith wasn't enough to get them to the next round.

Brothers Nathan and Justin Brewer, 14 and 17, respectively, were one of five acts eliminated from the reality TV show.

Each of the judges/mentors could much, Miss Paula, for everything. put through only three contestants to the top 12, who will compete for a \$5 million recording contract.

The Brewer Boys, who play bluegrass-inspired pop music, were matched up with judge/mentor Paula Abdul, who selected a medley of Hall & Oates' "Rich Girl" and George Michael's "Faith" for the duo to perform. It was the first live performance episode of the show.

In the end, it wasn't enough to advance the Temecula brothers.

thank the judges. Thank you so pen," she told them.

We've learned a lot," Justin Brewer said after finding out the duo's fate.

"Thank you so much for this opportunity, I'm sorry we didn't live up to your expectations," Nathan Brewer added.

"Listen to me. You surpassed my expectations, Nathan," Abdul responded.

Despite the elimination, Abdul had words of encouragement for the pair.

"I love you guys. You're going to "We feel good. We just want to go on and magic is going to hap-



The Brewer Boys, Nathan, 14, and Justin, 17, were eliminated from "The X Factor" show Tuesday night. They said they were grateful for the chance.

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Gladys Sanchez, left, eighth-grader from Mira Loma Middle School, powers lamps with hand crank as engineer Tim Mahar of the Naval Surface Warfare Center, Corona Division, watches during the 12th annual Science Technology Education Partnership (STEP) conference.

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and Oahu in Hawaii; areas where the Navy needs civilian scientists and engineers to carry out its increasingly technical missions.

The Naval Surface Warfare Center, Corona Division in Norco showcased its science and technology with the USS California (SSN 781) Science Experience, an exhibit to celebrate Saturday's commissioning of the USS California, the first submarine was the debut of the Navy's

Students and the public were ship, dubbed "Navy STEM able to send postcards greet- Drone," designed to inspire ings and record video messages for California's crew.

"Thanks for serving," wrote eighth-grader Alex hovered over the crowds of Bottenberg of Redlands. The student said he has uncles and other family members who served in the Navy and was very interested in the world's most technologically advanced sub that is part of the new Virginia class.

Another hit with students

named in honor of the state. remote controlled aerial airstudents' imagination about STEM, looking like a stealthy "Star Wars" aircraft as it students, zipping and dipping while beaming wireless video to smartphones and tablet computers. Nathan Thornton, a 12-year-old from Riverside Christian Day School, said he is a fanatic over robotics and is hot to fly an aircraft like that drone. "I love robotics" he said, adding that he wants to design robotic tanks in the future.



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GRIEF SUPPORT MEETING, Thursday, Oct. 27, 2 p.m. Kendall Place at Plymouth Village, 120 E. Palm Ave., Redlands. Free. 909-793-1233 ext. 1600. THE PUMPKIN PATCH, Thursday, Oct. 27, 9 a.m. The Pumpkin Patch, 32335 Live Oak Canyon Rd.,

Redlands. Free. 909-795-8733.

SAN BERNARDINO AEROBICS CLASS, Thursday, Oct. 27, 5 p.m. Nicholson Community Center, 2698 W. Second St., San Bernardino. 909-874-3423. ESCAPE FROM WONDERLAND, Satur-day, Oct. 29, 4 p.m. National Orange Show Events Center, 689 S. E St., San Bernardino. \$75 3200.00. 909-888-6788. HAUNTED CATACOMBS, Saturday, Oct. 29, 6 p.m. Sturges Center for the Fine Arts, 780 N. E St., San Bernardino. 909-384-5415.



Through the Stained Glass Window October 27, 2011 lowell Linden D.D.Ph. D. Pastor, First



A high priority in the early church was the idea that the admission of sin was the starting point for doing better. The individual who wanted to make amends for his sins was often given some task to perform as a penance. The individual might be asked to pray for forty hours or to fast for three days in absolute silence. It was difficult for people to do these things in their normal surroundings. Many churches set aside a separate room for this purpose. It was natural to call this a penitentiary. After many centuries this term came to be used for a place to put lawbreakers. But I think the lesson is not so much in the use of words but in the fact that the early church promoted the

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practice of confession of sin as the starting point for doing better. And also, the fact that the confession of sins should result in changed behavior or attitude. www.1stcongregationalchurch.com



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