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This is our 25<sup>th</sup> edition of Good News Sunday Fairfield. We want to continue bringing you good news and heartwarming stories in these difficult times.

Some students were playing tag football at recess. Kale, a kid at the school had cerebral palsy meaning that he was in a wheelchair. Kale had a dream to become a football player. And the kids made it happen. They did this by giving the ball to Kale and letting him score a touchdown. Katie Biggar a teacher at the school that captured the video said "Sometimes people think I'm crazy for teaching middle school, and then sometimes this happens at recess,". Katie said that it was fully kid orchestrated and the kids treat Kale with the same level of kindness every day. To help people with cerebral palsy you can donate or volunteer at <a href="https://www.ucpect.org">www.ucpect.org</a>.

A man named Jamie was homeless since his grandparents died because they were supporting him. Jamie was sleeping on the porch of Dominique Auto Sales when one of the employees and the owner found him. "He was very kind he was just happy to be with people who were treating him like a human being," Alcide Dominique the owner said. After they cleaned Jamie up, they bought him a hot meal and a night stay at a local hotel. They thought that was it but the video that Alcide posted of Jamie getting the food went viral and people wanted to help. They set up a GoFundMe page and they soon raised \$23,000. Alcides said that they probably got \$3,00 in one night. But it wasn't just money people also gave clothes, furniture and more. If you want to help homeless people you can donate money, food, or your time to operationhopect.org

When a family was leaving a Mexican restaurant, their little son was crying and did not want to leave the restaurant. The boy kept staring at this man so the man asked him to sit down with him. When he did the little boy stopped crying as they were talking, they also ate chips and salsa together until the little boy was ready to leave. He had a good day. This man made this kid's day and we challenge you to make a kids day to.

# Research

#### **Blockchain**

As the blockchain becomes more important we want to educate you about it. This series will be 3-4 weeks long. This week will be an overview of the blockchain and it uses.

# Overview of blockchain

The blockchain is a new way of keeping track of information. The block chain is a decentralized peer to peer network. That means instead of going through a bank or other institution people can buy and sell things from one person to another. This happens by taking data and putting them in blocks of information. These blocks are put in a chain of other blocks. The structure of chains is called a ledger. Every computer on the blockchain network has a copy of the leger because of that they can verify if a transaction happened and that is also why the blockchain is called a distributive leger technology. This is why the blockchain is based on consensus and how it is decentralized. It being a consensus means that if the majority of ledgers said a transaction happened it happened. To prove that you have something on the blockchain you get a key. A key is a code that proves you have a spot in the ledger.

The miners' computer compresses all the data in a selected time stamp into a block. Each block has a hash, a timestamp, and the data. Miners figure out if the block is credible. They do this by solving a complicated algorithm specific to that block. When one of the miners figures it out, they tell the other miners. If a majority of the miners agree that it is right it will be approved and added to the ledger. The miner who originally solved the algorithm will get a reward, usually what they are approving (a bitcoin for example).

#### Uses

**Cryptocurrency:** The blockchain can be used to keep track of money. This will cut fees and time. We will go more into the benefits of using the blockchain for money in the next edition.

Banks: The blockchain can be used for banks to transfer money easier and faster.

**Supply chain:** The blockchain can be used to verify things in the supply chain so it is more secure and easier.

**Healthcare:** The blockchain can be used to store medical records and keep them secure.

**Voting:** The blockchain can be used to secure voting and lower result times.

The blockchain can be used wherever you need to verify things, keeping things secure, keeping track of things and more. The uses and potential of the blockchain is nearly unlimited.



Graphic source: BLOCKCHAIN INFOGRAPHICS: The Most Comprehensive Collection (blockgeeks.com)

# Quote of the week.

"The Blockchain symbolizes a shift in power from the centers to the edges of the Network."

- William Mougayar

"The blockchain allows our smart devices to speak to each other better and faster."

- Melanie Swan

"The blockchain does one thing: It replaces third-party trust with mathematical proof that something happened."

- Adam Draper

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## **Announcements**

May is a fishing season. May is a perfect fishing season. The best time to fish is early in the morning and at sunset/evening. You also have to get the proper gear to learn more about fishing go to <a href="https://example.com/The-Beginner's Guide to Fishing | Outside Online">The Absolute Beginner's Guide to Fishing | Outside Online</a>.

May is Asian pacific heritage month. This is celebrating the culture of Asian pacific. This is also about treating them with the respect they deserve and stopping the hate against them. To learn more about it go to <u>Asian Pacific American Heritage Month 2021 (asianpacificheritage.gov)</u>.



Mathnasium is a customized math tutoring program. We have used it for years and we love it. The instructors help you with your questions. We found that the customized curriculum helped a lot with school. You can do it online or in person. If you are interested you can go to 1700 Post Rd #E-4, Fairfield, CT 06824 or to learn more and book an appointment go to Math Tutoring that Works! - Mathnasium of Fairfield - The Math Learning Center.

Today is Mother's Day so do something for the person who gave birth to you and cared for you. You can make a card, call them, and just make them feel appreciated and happy.

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