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Ono is teaching award winner

DOWNEY—Downey Unified School District's Diana Ono was one of 13 winners selected from a field of 62 teachers Friday, Sept. 24 as Los Angeles County Teachers of the Year. The 13 were announced in ceremonies in Universal City.

Ono works at Rio San Gabriel Elementary School in Downey with K-5 English Language learners, as well as fourth and fifth graders in the District's gifted program.

"She never says no," to any teaching demand, according to vice principal Ruth Hesketh of the school.

Field of 62

All 62 finalists were awarded prizes in the ceremonies, including computers, hotel stays and gift certificates.

"You are teachers of vision, of larger horizons, and your love for learning and knowledge ends up being the most important thing that gets passed along to your students," County Schools Superintendent Darlene P. Robles told the honorees at the luncheon which some described as the teachers' "Oscars."

Winners were chosen on the basis of classroom practices and dedication, determined through detailed written statements and interviews with panels of both working and retired teachers.

State finals next

Other area winners among the 13 announced Friday included Monte Eric Weiss of Bellflower Unified and Sylvia Padilla of Long Beach Unified.

The three winners will advance to the State Teacher of the Year competition. Five winners will be announced in that statewide competition in November. One of that five will represent California in competition for National Teacher of the Year in the spring.

Ono was honored as Downey Unified's Teacher of the Year in ceremonies before the School Board Sept. 21. She has been with Downey Unified since 1976. Prior to assignment at Rio San Gabriel in 1998, she served as SI Resource Teacher at both Lewis and Carpenter Elementaries.

She has taught grades 1-5, Gifted and Talented Education (GATE) students, at-risk students, Computer Lab, and Library, and has been recognized through numerous service awards.

Meglev rails win Council's favor

By John Adams

DOWNEY—The City Council has considered and then authorized the Mayor to execute a joint powers agreement with the Orangeline Development Authority.

The legal counsel for the development authority had requested that the City officially execute the joint powers agreement. The Council had previously approved dues for the authority in 2003-04 but did not officially approve the JPA.

The Council did appoint Keith McCarthy as the City's representative to the authority at that time.

Other cities...

The authority's purpose is to promote and create a high-speed mass transit line between Santa Ana and downtown L.A. Cities that have formally adopted the agreement include Bell, Bellflower, Cudahy, Vernon, Los Alamitos, Paramount, South Gate, Cerritos, Huntington Park, and Palmdale.

Dues for Downey for fiscal 2003-04 were \$5,680. For 2004-05 they are \$7,830.

The agreement provides that the City may withdraw from the authority by giving 30 days notice but any obligation that exists as of that date must be honored. The two terminus cities, L.A. and Santa Ana have not yet joined.

The Orangeline would construct a high speed maglev train, like that

Council comments cover many topics

DOWNEY—City Council comments Tuesday ranged from stagnant water to improved traffic configurations.

Mayor Kirk Cartozian noted improved traffic conditions at Brookshire Avenue and Firestone Boulevard thanks to new lights and left turn configuration. He also was interested in the fiber-optic installation and cameras which will be part of the improved city-wide traffic plan when completed. Public Works Director Desi Alvarez supplied answers on the city-wide plan.

Councilman Rick Trejo reported stagnant water and a breeding ground for mosquitoes on Lube. He said the City was working on draining the water off as soon as possible.

All the Council expressed concern over problems at recent Project Area Committee (PAC) meetings. Mayor Cartozian noted similar problems at Council sessions.

Council candidate Jose Trujillo spoke concerning residents of a home who he said needed intervention help.

Resident John Lacey spoke in opposition to the 1/2 cent county sales tax hike proposed for voter approval on the November ballot.



TEACHER DIANA ONO – Of Rio San Gabriel Elementary in Downey, has been selected as one of 13 teachers to go on to the state finals for "Teacher of the Year."

Council opts for fire lease-purchase

By John Adams

DOWNEY—The Downey City Council, after thorough evaluation by staff, has followed the recommendation to acquire a new fire department ladder truck through lease-purchase over a 10-year period at an interest rate of 4.25 percent through Oshkosh Capital.

The action was at Tuesday's regular Council meeting.

The staff report noted that although the contract purchase price is \$831,258, the amount to be financed has been reduced to \$741,199. \$63,352 of the sales tax will not be financed but paid directly to the state thereby limiting interest costs. Oshkosh Capital has also offered a principal discount of \$26,707 by funding the truck through their company.

An estimated lease payment for the ladder truck was approved in the 2004-05 budget. The Oshkosh agreement calls for annual payments of \$83,323 at an interest rate of 4.25 percent.

On Aug. 24, 2004, the Council approved the acquisition of a fire ladder truck from Pierce Fire Apparatus, and allowed itself time to study the option of cash or lease purchase. Large reputable financing companies contacted led to the decision that Oshkosh Capital offered the most favorable terms.

The measure passed 4-1 Tuesday with Councilman Meredith Perkins opposed.

In other action the Council:

Academic excellence

* Presented the Mayor's Academic Excellence Award to Neil Patel, a student at Downey High School.

* At the urging of Councilman Keith McCarthy considered a Joint Powers Agreement for the Orangeline Development Authority and then authorized the Mayor to enter the PACT.

* Adopted a resolution to oppose the California Performance Review Commission's recommendation to eliminate the San Gabriel River and Lower L.A. Rivers and Mountains Conservancy.

Narrow endorsement

* Adopted a resolution supporting the passage of L.A. County Measure A, Public Safety and Homeland Security Sales Tax Initiative, on the Nov. 2 ballot. The vote was 3-1-1 with Anne Bayer opposed and Keith McCarthy abstaining.

* Approved of the purchase of an air conditioning system in City Hall's Computer Room from Cal-Air for \$33,925.

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Rotary/YMCA Pancake Breakfast Oct. 16

DOWNEY—Tickets are now on sale for the big annual Rotary/YMCA Pancake Breakfast set for 7:30 to 11:30 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 16 at Downey High School.

Tickets are \$4 and all proceeds go to benefit the Downey Family YMCA Scholarship Fund.

Come out and mingle with your neighbors for a good cause, and enjoy a fine breakfast to boot.

Entertainment will be offered by the Downey YMCA throughout the morning.

For information, call George Saikali, Executive Director of the YMCA at 862-4201 or Orlandus Waters, Rotary Club at 904-4287.

A crackdown on conduct at public meetings

Profanity, racist remarks?

By John Adams

DOWNEY—In response to an appeal by Project Area Committee members, who say they have lost control of their recent meetings due to unruly conduct by other members, the City Council has approved additional language to the PAC bylaws, which allows expulsion for inappropriate conduct and language.

The action at Tuesday's Council meeting bans profanity and abusive language, including sexist or racist remarks and other personal attacks, as well as the consistent use of interruption and/or filibuster to disrupt the business of the PAC.

Link to residents

The PAC or Downey Redevelopment Project Area Committee provides a means of support and advice to the Downey Community Development Commission on matters related to the development and planning of the Downey Redevelopment Project area. It does this by gathering information and serving as a communications link between the Commission (City Council) and persons living in the project area.

Threats, yelling, or other means of verbal or physical intimidation are now banned, as is harassment of fellow members, their families or co-workers, either during or outside of PAC meetings. This includes phone calls at home or at their place of business.

Code of conduct

PAC members failing to adhere to this code of conduct may be removed from the PAC, pursuant to guidelines.

The PAC also consults with the Commission on policy matters, and assists it in carrying out activities in accordance with State Community Redevelopment law.

PAC members Guy Sterner and Michael Sullivan spoke before the Council Tuesday in behalf of the need for the measure, including expulsion powers.

The measure passed by a unanimous 5-0 vote. Councilman Rick Trejo said, "I will support this." and Mayor Kirk Cartozian also strongly supported the measure.

The Mayor noted that similar language to that added to the PAC bylaws is under consideration for City Council sessions since some disruption has been experienced there as well.

Narrow endorsement of 1/2 cent tax hike

DOWNEY—The City Council adopted a resolution in support of Los Angeles County Measure A, the Public safety and Homeland Security Sales Tax Initiative which would add a half-cent sales tax in the county if approved by the voters in November's ballot.

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IRIDESCENT BALL HONOREES—From left, front row, ASSISTEENS Danielle Port, Abigail Corrin, Lindsey Sutton; middle row: Stefanie Vidarte, Brianne Huff, Jenny Shull, Ashton Burns; top row: Amanda Strickland, Rebecca Lanners, Kimberly Scott, Markie Ruldolph, Jamie Hartzell.

2004 ASSISTEENS honored

DOWNEY—The Gypsy Johnson Auxiliary to the Assistance League of Downey honored 12 ASSISTEENS for their four years of service to the community at the recent Iridescent Ball held at the Long Beach Hilton Hotel.

Honored were Danielle Port, Abigail Corrin, Lindsey Sutton, Stefanie Vidarte, Brianne Huff, Jenny Shull, Ashton Burns, Amanda Strickland, Rebecca Lanners, Kimberly Scott, Markie Ruldolph, and Jamie Hartzell.



SAN ANTONIO GUILD—President Sandy Burns and members Rosie Shelton, Dorothy Pemberton, Debbie Bell and Reggie Donahue work on the details of their upcoming fundraiser, "A Night at the Races." Benefiting Children's Hospital Los Angeles, the event will be held Oct. 9 at Los Alamitos Race Track. For tickets and information, contact the guild at 806-6767.

Woman's Club prepares annual boutique

DOWNEY – Downey Woman's Club is once again making plans for their annual Holiday Boutique, this year scheduled for Saturday, Nov. 13 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. A variety of homemade items will be for sale, including wood crafts, dolls, aprons, jewelry, purses, candles, collectors plates, floral arrangements and more. Homemade breads and candies will also be available. Vendor space is available with prices ranging from \$20-\$35. For more information contact Candace at 861-5708. The Woman's Club is located at 9813 Paramount Blvd.

DNC annual garden party tomorrow

DOWNEY—The Downey Newcomers Club is holding their annual Garden Party tomorrow, Oct. 2 at the home of Joan Hoffman, 10326 Wiley Burke Ave., at 2 p.m. The club will be celebrating the end of summer with a potluck. All members and their friends are invited. For reservations, call Melba Willbanks, 862-2799.

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Annual city-wide clean-up Oct. 23

DOWNEY—For the 16th year, the city's annual city-wide clean-up known as "Operation Brightside" sponsored by Keep Downey Beautiful takes place Saturday, Oct. 23 from 9-10 a.m., when as community members you will have the opportunity to pitch in and be able to make a difference in keeping your community clean and beautiful. The hour will be devoted to cleaning city streets, vacant lots, alleys, parking lots, sound walls, areas of the railroad tracks and some city parks. All participants must pre-register for this cleanup. To register/for more information, call the office of Keep Downey Beautiful, 904-7159, or email crowland@downeyca.org.

League of Women Voters eyes issues

DOWNEY—The League of Women Voters is known for voter services including candidate meetings and public information on both sides of the state propositions. There are a few propositions this year which fit under the league's study and consensus requirements. One of these is Prop. 59, which the league supports. Passage of Prop. 59 would give the public and press access to government information, while preserving California's rights to privacies. The League believes that government bodies must protect the citizen's right to know by giving adequate notice of proposed actions, holding open meetings, and making public records accessible. California's open government laws have been eroded by special interest legislation, by courts putting burdens on the public to justify disclosure, and by government officials who want to avoid scrutiny. Prop. 59 puts open government into the State Constitution. For information on other propositions or to schedule a presentation for your club or group, call Gloria at (562) 927-1207.

Italian Catholic luncheon Oct. 16

LOS ANGELES – The Italian Catholic Federation (ICF) Los Angeles District will be honoring The Most Reverend Edward J. Clark, Auxiliary Bishop of Our Lady of the Angels Pastoral Region and Chaplains of the ICF Branches in the Los Angeles district at their 53rd annual Bishop Day & Chaplains' Recognition Luncheon on Saturday, Oct. 16. Bishop Clark will be representing Cardinal Roger Mahony. The presentation of the Seminary Burse and Spiritual Bouquets will be the highlight of the event, which will be hosted by the Wilshire Grand Hotel on Figueroa and 7th Street in downtown Los Angeles. Mass will start at 12:30 p.m. and will be celebrated by Bishop Clark and concelebrated with other clergy. The luncheon will follow. Reservations for the event are \$30 per person. For information call Theresa Sabatella Shaw at (626) 441-4064.

Movie treat for EZRA members Oct. 5

DOWNEY—In a departure from its usual programming, the EZRA Center for Mature Adults is showing the "thrilling and exciting" movie, "EUROPA! EUROPA!," in its 10 a.m.-12 noon slot Tuesday, Oct. 5. It is the true story of a Jewish teenager, Solomon Perle, who in wartime Europe manages to escape deportation to the death camps by assuming the persona of an Aryan youth, and survives by joining the German army. The departure is an excuse to try out the group's new TV and VCR. The community is welcome to the meeting, which starts with registration, coffee/tea and refreshments at 9:45 a.m., and features a catered Kosher luncheon after the main program. EZRA Center meets every 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month at Temple Ner Tamid of Downey, 10629 Lakewood Blvd. For more information, call the Temple office, 861-9276.

City Affairs committee meets

DOWNEY – The City Affairs Committee of the Downey Chamber of Commerce meets the second Wednesday of every month at 12 noon in the board room of the Chamber, 11131 Brookshire Ave. For information call 923-2191.



TVM ESSAY CONTEST WINNERS—From left, Jaspreet Chauhan, Gina Haroun, Silvia Martinez, Saumya Papneja, Elisa Davis, Julianna Fiala and Daniel Fiala.

Transformation Values honors essay winners

DOWNEY—Winners of the first "Values in My Life" essay contest conducted by Transformation Values Movement were announced in ceremonies at the annual Values Picnic held Sept. 25 at Cornerstone Christian Worship Center, 9001 Paramount Blvd. Downey Mayor Kirk Cartozian presented the certificates and prizes. Students from Rio Hondo Elementary School won the prizes in the elementary school category. First prize of \$100 was won by Alex Delgado, second prize of \$75 went to Jaspreet Chauhan, 3rd prize of \$50 went to Ariel Gonzales, and \$25 honorable mention prizes went to Audrey Delgado, Gina Haroun, Jose Serrato, Silvia Martinez, and Saumya Papneja. A Teacher Special Award of \$25 was won by Mrs. Maggie Stava, also of Rio Hondo Elementary School, for her promotional efforts and encouragement of her students. In the middle school category, Elisa Davis of Painter Avenue Christian School garnered the first place check for \$100, while Julianna Fiala won \$75 for second place, and Daniel Fiala won the third prize of \$50. The Fiala children, who were encouraged to participate in the contest after their grandfather, Harvey Fiala, read about it in the Downey Patriot, both attend Griffiths Middle School. Winning essays and photos of the students are posted on the TVM website at www.TransformationValues.org. Individuals or organizations wishing to help sponsor next year's contest should contact Frank Campos at 928-0036.

After-school programs in spotlight

DOWNEY—A bus tour of several collaborative after-school programs in Downey, including GRASP, ASPIRE, and Child Care will be conducted by the city's Recreation and Social Services Division Thursday, Oct. 14 from 2-4 p.m. The bus tour is part of a nationwide event celebrating the importance of after-school programs, and will begin in the Green Room of the Downey Theatre, 8345 Firestone Blvd. in Downey. For information/RSVP by Monday, Oct. 11, call Lauren Buchanan, 904-7238, or visit lbuchana@downeyca.org.

Downey Rose Float holding raffle

DOWNEY—A chance to win \$10,000 is once more being offered by the Downey Rose Float Association as it celebrates its 27th annual Parade of Winners Sunday, Oct. 24 at Rio Hondo Country Club. Proceeds from the sale of \$100 tickets benefit its 2005 Tournament of Roses Parade entry, "Together with Nature," designed by Jared Sweeney. According to Downey Rose Float officials, the chance to win a gift valued at \$50 or more is 1 in 5, and \$10,000 1 in 250. Tickets include lunch for two. They also said tickets are going fast, so you'd better get yours without delay. For more information, call up Danielle Storey, chair, at 412-0803, or Gary DeRemer, Rose Float president, 260-8503.

Lose excess pounds with Downey TOPS

DOWNEY—TOPS Downey Chapter #63 (Take Off Pounds Sensibly), part of an international organization that helps men and women to have happier lifestyles by improving eating habits, is inviting everyone who's looking for a way to lose excess pounds to their meetings which are held "in a fun and loving environment." They promise no gimmicks, no harsh diets or exercise—just lots of support, motivation and fun. Meetings are held Mondays from 6:30-8 p.m. at the First Baptist Church of Downey, 8348 E. Third St., in Downey. For more information, call Lou at 861-9425 or Sukey at (323) 560-6576.

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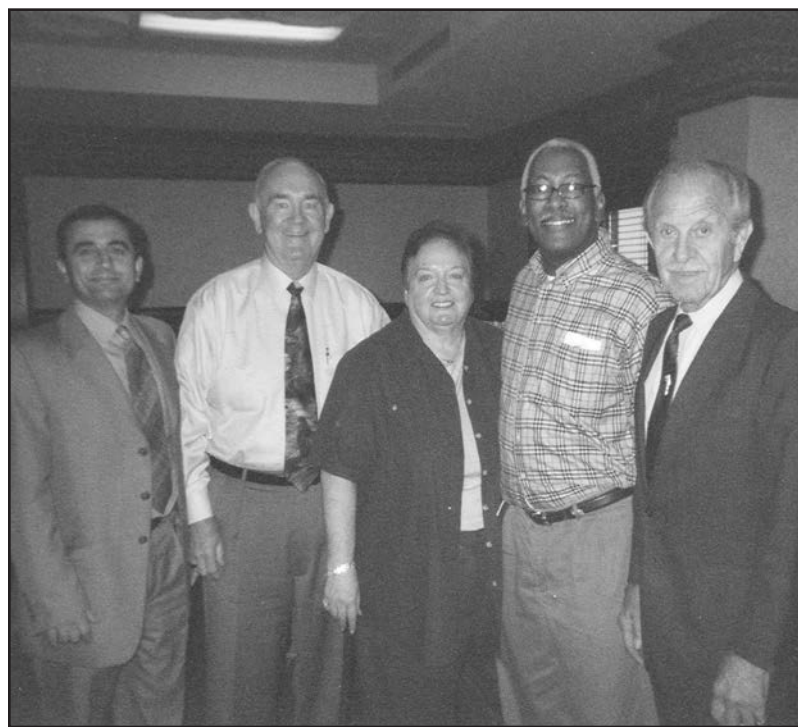
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GETTING READY FOR BREAKFAST—The Downey Rotary/YMCA Pancake Breakfast will be held Saturday, Oct. 16 at Downey High School. Committee members pictured at a recent planning meeting are (from left) George Saikali, Executive Director of the Downey Family YMCA; Jim Derry, YMCA board member; Carol Pearce, President-Elect of the Downey Rotary; Orlandus Waters, breakfast committee member; and Angelo Cardono, breakfast committee member.

Nordic Fox celebrates third anniversary

DOWNEY – The Nordic Fox restaurant is celebrating its 3rd year anniversary since opening their doors as the only Scandinavian restaurant in the county.

Jane Hendricks and Joe Becker have invited the residents of Downey to come in and take advantage of special foods and pricing for this event. The flags of Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway and Sweden hang from the walls as trolls, Vikings, Dala horses and Viking ships add to the Scandinavian flavor. The A-frame building, cut tree circles on the walls, lanterns and fireplaces add to the atmosphere.

Nordic Fox restaurant is located at 10924 Paramount Blvd. For information call 869-1414.

Arc open house Oct. 15

DOWNEY—Arc of Southeast Los Angeles County (formerly Association for Retarded Citizens), 12049 Woodruff Ave., invites the public to its Open House Friday, Oct. 15 from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Tours of Arc's 24 programs and services will be featured throughout the day, with Arc associates ready to show the public how these services benefit people with developmental disabilities.

There will also be an open air boutique and refreshments. The variety of services Arc provides to over 400 people with developmental disabilities at any given time includes: Adult Special Classes with Downey Adult School, Southeast Industries Packaging and Assembly plant, Southeast Employment Center, Food Service Training program, and many more. For more information, call 803-4606.

Church celebrates 150th year Oct. 17

DOWNEY—The Downey United Methodist Church will celebrate the final event of their sesquicentennial year Sunday, Oct. 17 with a community open house from 2-5 p.m. Cake, coffee and punch will be served.

All Downey churches, synagogues and other religious organizations, as well as local civic organizations, have been invited to join in the celebration of the historic milestone, during which the congregation will share the church's rich history with the local community.

Call the church office at 861-9777 for more information.

Nutrition and cancer prevention seminar

DOWNEY—The American Cancer Society is presenting an educational seminar, "Nutrition and Cancer Prevention," Monday, Sept. 27 from 10-11 a.m. at the Barbara J. Riley Community & Senior Center.

The workshop will cover proper diet and foods that are considered cancer-fighters, and the importance of exercise combined with a sensible diet. For more information, call 904-7223.

Ride on Downey float up for auction

DOWNEY – Downey Rose Float Association is again offering somebody a chance to ride their float as it travels down Colorado Boulevard in the 2005 Tournament of Roses Parade.

The group is holding a silent auction that runs through the next two months. The winner wins a prime seat on their float, "Together With Nature," designed by Jared Sweeney.

Opening bid starts at \$1,000. To participate in the auction, mail all sealed bids to: DRFA, P.O. Box 765, Downey, CA 90241, Attn: Float Seat. The bids will be opened on December 1 and Downey Rose Float President, Gary DeRemer, will notify the winner on that day.

For more information, contact DeRemer at (562) 260-8503.

Downey Police warns of crimes against elderly

Courtesy Downey Police Department

DOWNEY – The elderly have long been targeted by crooks hoping to trick them out of their money. Quite often, scams against the elderly are committed over the phone or, increasingly, over the Internet. Recently, however, we have seen an increase in the incidents of scams perpetrated by suspects who come to the victim's residence. These suspects count on their ability to convince the resident to let them inside.

The Downey Police Department has been investigating several cases since the beginning of this year where elderly victims have fallen prey to suspects who were allowed to enter their residence. Several incidents have involved the suspect(s) claiming to be with Avon wanting to show their product. In some cases, suspect children were used under the ploy of having to use the bathroom. Once inside the residence, the victim is distracted while a second suspect rummages through the house.

Other crimes have originated under the guise of the suspect wanting to buy a vehicle (not listed for sale) or offering to do some type of work on the residence, i.e., tree trimming, roof repair, plumbing repair, etc.

In all cases, the suspect was either allowed into the residence where the thefts subsequently occurred, or the suspect alleges that some work was performed and then demand cash as payment for the "work."

All of our victims have been over the age of 70, with most of them being in their eighties and nineties. Quite often, the victims in these cases cannot provide very accurate descriptions of the suspects or provide a vehicle description. Many incidents may have gone unreported due to embarrassment felt by the victims.

We are asking the community's assistance in identifying suspects in these cases. If you are approached by anyone that you do not know, do not allow him or her into your residence. If possible, get to a phone and call the police station. If you have an elderly neighbor and see someone suspicious at his or her residence, write down the suspect's vehicle license number, and check on your neighbor's welfare if you are comfortable in doing so. Also, do not hesitate to call the police station and let us know what you observed.

For a description of the various scams perpetrated against the elderly, visit www.cops.usdoj.gov and read the article "Financial Crimes Against the Elderly."

Torah celebration at Temple Oct. 7

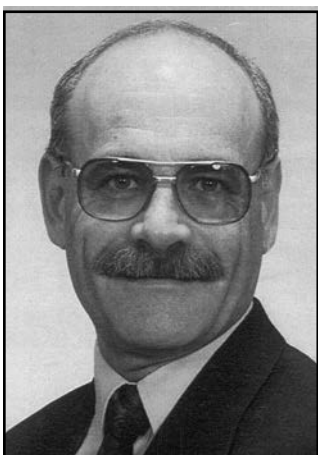
DOWNEY—A "Simchat Torah Celebration (Shemini Atzeret)" will be held at Temple Ner Tamid of Downey, 10629 Lakewood Blvd., Thursday, Oct. 7 at 7:30 p.m. The joyful and inspirational service, during which the congregation will sing and roll out the Torah, will be conducted by Cantor Kenneth Jaffe.

For more information, call the Temple Office, 861-9276. Temple Ner Tamid is a Reform Congregation.

Senior Bingo at Apollo Park

DOWNEY – Seniors gather every Wednesday and Friday at 10:15 a.m. at Apollo Park for bingo. For information on joining the group, call 904-7223.

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THE PATRIOT PARTICIPATES – Setting up for the Downey Patriot's tabletop space in the recent Business Expo and Mixer for the Downey Chamber of Commerce is Robert Tolentino, display advertising representative. The event was hosted by Bank of the West, 10230 Paramount Blvd.

Deadline looms for Mr. Downey sign-ups

DOWNEY – Applications will be accepted until Oct. 4 for the 2005 Mr. Downey and Little Mr. Downey competition.

Contestants should be between the ages of 16-23 for Mr. Downey and 5-8 for Little Mr. Downey. They may have never been married or fathered a child, never been convicted of a misdemeanor or felony and must either live, work or attend school in Downey.

The competition will be held on Saturday, December 4, where scholarships in categories such as Academic, Athletic, Volunteerism and Audience Choice will be presented.

Applications may be obtained at locations throughout the city, including Johnny & Co, Downey City Library, Gold N' Baked Hams, Downey Rent-A-Tux, Downey Chamber of Commerce and local high schools. The form is also available online at www.downeyrose.org.

Mail completed applications, along with a \$15 application fee, to: DRFA, Mr. Downey & Little Mr. Downey Competition, P.O. Box 765, Downey, CA 90241. To sponsor a contestant or scholarship, call 824-7172 or 260-8503.

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What's next?

By John Adams

We have written often of our love for the Old Farmer's Almanac, the publication of which we eagerly await each year.

The 2005 edition is just out, and has all sorts of fun predictions of trends and directions. For instance, would you believe designer eggs? The Almanac says designer eggs (from chickens fed sea kelp, flaxseed, canola oil and other nutritional ingredients) are low fat, rich in omega-3 fatty acid, iodine and vitamin E. Health conscious consumers are gobbling them up, even at higher prices.

The Almanac warns of a bad food backlash. It seems that in the face of so much healthy food, a countertrend of even greater high-calorie indulgence will include a run on Twinkies, Oreos and Snickers bars dipped in batter and fried in lard; grilled chocolate sandwiches, like cheese, only chocolate; and cupcakes in exotic flavors like lime and rum.

What about toys? The Almanac says foldable bikes and collapsible kayaks that fit in your luggage are coming in 2005. Self-heating hiking and ski boots will become popular. And self-powered fishing lures that attract fish by making the sound of their mates will shake up angling.

On what we will wear in 2005, women will turn to personalized purses, with decorating parties to create same on ladies' nights out. Spray-on hosiery, invented for Tokyo women, will be popular even in the heat. A week's supply costs about \$15. And the latest scent for both men and women will be—gin!

Governor signs Karnette bill into law

SACRAMENTO—Gov. Schwarzenegger has signed Senate Bill 1749, a measure that promotes consumer confidence in purchasing more environmentally sound plastic bags. It was authored by State Senator Betty Karnette, (D-27th, Long Beach and Downey).

SB1749 requires that any bag labeled as "compostable" or "biodegradable" must meet recognized, scientific standards for those terms.

"Consumers are right to expect that if they buy a compostable or biodegradable bag, that the bag will live up to the use for which it is advertised," said Karnette. "People put in extra effort and sometimes extra money to purchase these products, so they should get what they are paying for."

The need for standards behind the "compostable" and "biodegradable" label are needed now because of increasing demands for these types of plastic bags. Municipalities and individual consumers are increasingly looking towards biodegradable and compostable bags to collect and compost green waste, thus reducing the amount of materials being sent to landfills.

Additionally, with increased public attention on the problems plastics can cause on the marine environment, some unscrupulous bag manufacturers are attempting to greenwash their products by marketing them as degradable or compostable. For example, last year the State Coastal Commission paid a premium for plastic trash bags for a beach clean-up that were fraudulently marketed and labeled as "degradable." This bill would help prevent this deceptive practice.

"I am proud to have carried a measure that received widespread support from both the environmental community and the industry," said Karnette. "I believe this bill is an example of how we can bring different interest groups together to work towards a common goal."

Consumers have a growing interest in products that can have a lower impact on our environment, and the industry is looking to respond to these demands. However, for this market to be stable and profitable, consumers must have confidence in the claims of these green products. SB1749 will help plastic bag manufacturers protect consumer confidence.

Free class covers water basics

DOWNEY — How safe is your drinking water? Is our groundwater system adequately protected against terrorists? Will the current drought cause your water bills to increase? Is bottled water better than tap water? To find these and other answers about the water you drink, the water you shower with and use throughout the day, you are urged to enroll in the new H2O 101 class offered by the Water Replenishment District of Southern California (WRD). The new class will cover water safety and quality issues, groundwater storage, replenishment and the necessity of conservation.

The free, two-hour class will be offered Tuesday, Oct. 5, from 6 to 8 p.m. at the WRD office, 12621 E. 166th Street in Cerritos.

Register by calling Albert Frias at (562) 407-1913.

The WRD, which celebrates its 45th anniversary on Nov. 17, is the premier groundwater management district in southern Los Angeles County covering 43 cities. The WRD manages more than a third of the total water used by the nearly 4 million people living in the region.

Election Day around the corner

DOWNEY -- Election Day in Downey is Nov. 2. For voter registration information call (800) 815-2666.



Letters to the Editor:

Give Planning a break!

Dear Editor:

In recent issues of the Patriot I have observed oblique condemnations of Downey's Planning and Building Departments by council candidates and others. No specific complaints have been delineated and the city departments therefore are provided no opportunity to respond.

I observed and participated in many planning and building matters while serving 8 years on the planning commission and another 8 years on the city council of Downey. The city's planning/zoning ordinances generally are well-tailored and designed primarily to protect the appearance and compatible uses of structures in the city. For example, a multi-story hotel should not be allowed in the middle of single family residences. Variances from the rules are permitted if a reasonable basis is demonstrated. Building codes are mostly state-mandated and are designed primarily for the safety of persons and property. The city merely is the enforcer of the mandated rules - most of which are reasonable.

A few complaints against the planning and building departments may have merit. However, I have observed that in nearly every instance persons demanding highly unreasonable exceptions to the zoning and building rules complain the loudest and make a general condemnation of city government. This is not fair to the city workers who, for the most part, work hard and provide good service. Here is what I recommend for anyone who has a specific complaint involving the planning or building rules or their enforcement. State the complaint in writing, file it with the appropriate city department and with his or her councilperson. This will allow the staff

of the appropriate city department to focus on it and, if it has merit, a solution may be found.

Overall, I am grateful that I live in a city that is well governed and is a pleasant place in which to reside!

—Bob Brazelton,
Downey

Cheaper wire transfer costs offered

DOWNEY—Downey-based Financial Partners Credit Union, formerly known as Rockwell Federal Credit Union, announced it has launched a new service that offers members a safe, rapid and economical way to wire money internationally.

Other money wire providers are typically known for their poor exchange rates and fees of up to 28 percent of the transfer; Financial Partners' members will be able to send money worldwide for a comparatively low fee. For instance, whereas the leading competition will transfer \$1,000 from California to Mexico for \$30-\$56 (U.S.), Financial Partners will transfer the same amount for only \$10. In addition, senders are guaranteed the rate of exchange and informed of the amount of foreign currency to be picked up by the recipient at the time the transfer is made. The recipient is not charged for accepting transfers.

"The new wire transfer service is a way to meet an important need in the community," said Lori Reeves, senior vice president for sales/service.

According to the U.S. Census Bureau, 10.3 percent of the population is foreign born. This population uses money transfer services often.

For more information about the new service or membership in the credit union, call (800) 950-7328, or visit www.fpcu.org.



Roybal-Allard announces health fair Oct. 9

By

Congresswoman Lucille Roybal-Allard (CA-34th)

Did you know that medical studies show that regular exercise and maintaining a healthy body weight can delay and possibly even prevent diabetes?

Could you be doing more to protect yourself from this disease that afflicts more than 18 million Americans in this country? Find out the answer to this life-saving question at my annual health fair on Saturday, Oct. 9 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Maywood Activity Center. Get a free glucose and boy fat screening and learn the facts about diabetes prevention and treatment from health care professionals in the community.

Additional health care screenings will also be available at no charge. They include: blood pressure checks, cholesterol tests, lung capacity exams for asthma and height, weight and chiropractic examinations.

They are all important health examinations needed to detect some of our nation's leading causes of death. Through early detection of certain risk factors, common ailments such as heart disease, angina, stroke, kidney and pancreas problems can be avoided altogether. Should a problem be detected, health care professionals will also be available to discuss recommended treatments for you and your family and to provide referral services for additional support and information.

Last year, more than 400 residents from throughout the 34th Congressional District attended the annual health fair and took advantage of the many free health care services and resources made available by generous community sponsors and participants.

This year's sponsors and participants include: the City of Maywood, USC, AltaMed, Kaiser Permanente, the California Hospital Medical Center, L.A. Care Health Plan, White Memorial Medical Center, St. Francis

Medical Center, Padres Contra el Cancer, Familia Unida Living with Multiple Sclerosis, The Wall/Las Memorias Project (AIDS outreach), the March of Dimes, MADD, the Alzheimer's Association, the Arthritis Foundation, the American Lung Association, the American Liver Foundation, the American Heart Association, the Human Services Association, the Old Timers Foundation, Mariscal Family Chiropractic, the Mexican American Opportunity Foundation and the Los Angeles Unified School District.

The health fair is just one way I'm reaching out to help families in the 34th District lead healthy lives. On a national level, I'm supporting meaningful legislation to provide health insurance to the 43 million people in this country who lack coverage. The *Family Care Act*, the *Medicare Early Access Act* and the *Small Business Healthy Insurance Promotion Act* would go a long way toward helping families obtain the health care coverage they need. The three measures together would: increase federal funds to provide health care coverage to the parents of children enrolled in Medicaid and CHIP; extend health care benefits for one year to individuals leaving welfare for work; enable more seniors to purchase Medicare coverage; and provide a tax credit to help small employers offer health insurance coverage to their employees.

To learn more about these measures or to get more information about the health and resource fair, please call my district office at (213) 628-9230. As your Member of Congress, I'm always interested in hearing from you.

Lucille Roybal-Allard

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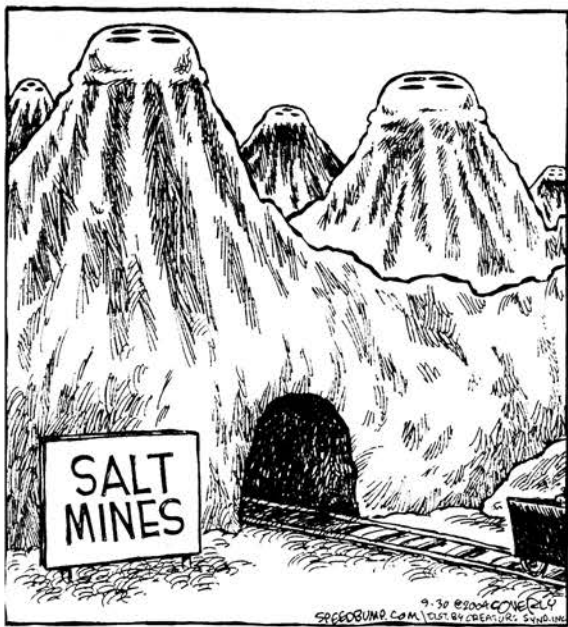
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Downey Community Calendar

Events For October

Fri. Oct. 1, 6:30 p.m.: **Casino Night Benefit** with proceeds going to Fail-Safe For Felines at Downey Women's Club, 9813 Paramount Blvd. \$30 per person. For information call 928-5731.
Sun. Oct. 3, 6:00 p.m.: **Rob Syphax** entertains with acoustic guitar hits of the '60's and '70's at the Nordic Fox restaurant, 10924 Paramount Blvd. For information call 869-1414.

City Meetings

1st Tuesdays, 6:15 p.m.: **Redevelopment Project Area Committee**, Cormack Meeting Room at Downey Library.
1st & 3rd Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.: **Planning Commission**, Council Chamber at City Hall.
1st Thursday, 9 a.m.: **Traffic Committee**, Training Room, Second Floor of City Hall.
2nd & 4th Tuesday, 7:15 p.m.: **City Council/Community Development Commission**, Council Chamber.
2nd & 4th Wednesday, 6 p.m.: **Design Review Board**, Council Chamber at City Hall.
3rd Wednesday, 6 p.m.: **Emergency Preparedness Committee**, Barbara Riley Senior Center.
3rd Thursday, 3:30 p.m.: **Parking Place Commission**, Second Floor Training Room at City Hall

Regularly Scheduled Meetings

Mondays

6 p.m.: **Downey Elk's bingo games**, at the Elks Lodge, 11233 Woodruff Ave., for information call 803-3636.
6:30 p.m.: **Overeaters Anonymous**, at Downey Med. Center Conf. Room A, for information call 426-6786.
1st Mon., 4 p.m.: **2nd Century Foundation**, at City Hall, 1st floor, call 927-9790.
1st and 3rd Mons., 7 p.m.: **Downey Post 270**, American Legion, for information call 861-8082.
2nd Mon., 11 a.m.: **American Legion Auxiliary #270**, at United Methodist Church, for info. call 923-2481.
2nd Mon., 3 p.m.: **Keep Downey Beautiful**, at City Hall, for more information call 904-7159.

Tuesdays

9 a.m.: **Downey Bocce Club**, at Apollo Park, for information call Perry Michienzi at 869-8782.
9:30 a.m.: **Downey Seniors Club**, at Apollo Park, for information call Nadine Morris at 923-9422.
12 p.m.: **Downey Exchange Club**, for information call Don at 927-5871.
12 p.m.: **Rotary Club**, at Embassy Suites, for information call Dan Fox at 862-0744.
6 p.m.: **Toastmasters Club 587**, at First Baptist Rm. 115, 8348 E. 3rd st.
7 p.m.: **Boy Scout Troop 2**, at Downey United Methodist Church, for information call 869-6478.
7 p.m.: **Boy Scout Troop 441**, at Apollo Park Activities Room, for information call 923-3659.
7:30 p.m.: **Southland Harmony Chorus of Sweet Adelines**, at Downey's Woman's Club, for information call 947-6802.
1st and 3rd Tues., 6:30 p.m.: **Quota International Southeast Cities**, for information call (323) 569-2854.
2nd Tues., 8:30 a.m.: **Women's Agape**, at Los Amigos Country Club, for information call (562) 622-3785.
2nd and 4th Tues., 7:30 a.m.: **Chamber "Rise&Shine" Networkers**, at Nordic Fox, for info. call (562) 923-2191.
2nd and 4th Tues., 6 p.m.: **Sertoma Club**, at the Nordic Fox, for information call (562) 927-6438.
2nd Tues., 7 p.m.: **Downey Fly Fishers**, at Apollo Park, for information call 943-3904.
3rd Tues., 7:30 p.m.: **Writer's Workshop West**, at 9968 Lakewood Blvd., for info call 862-3106.
3rd Tues., 1:30 p.m.: **Huff and Puff Respiratory**, at DRMC Support Group, call 904-5355.
Last Tues., 11:00 a.m.: **Los Companeros Service Club**, at Los Amigos Country Club, for info call 863-1549.

Wednesdays

12:10 p.m.: **Downey Lions Club**, at Rancho Los Amigos Hospital Cafe, for information call 861-2899.
1 p.m.: **Women's Bocce Club**, for information call 869-8782.
6 p.m.: **Downey Space Toastmasters Club 513**, at Rancho Los Amigos Medical Center, for info. call Mark at 803-5203.
1st Weds., 10 a.m.: **Woman's Club of Downey**, for information call 927-0271 or 861-3493.
1st Weds., 11:30 a.m.: **Downey Coordinating Council**, for information call 927-9790.
1st Weds., 7:30 p.m.: **Downey Stamp Club**, at Maude Price School cafeteria, for information call 928-3028.
1st Weds., 7:30 p.m.: **Downey Emblem Club #309**, at Downey's Elks Lodge, for information call 868-4386.
2nd Weds., 7 p.m.: **Downey Jr. Chamber of Commerce**, for information call 867-1087.
2nd Weds., 7:30 p.m.: **Downey Sister Cities Ass'n**, at Maude Price School, Call 869-5444.
2nd Weds., 11:45 - **Downey Christian Women's Club**, at Los Amigos CC. Call 927-8488.
3rd Weds., 7:00 p.m.: **Diabetes Support Group**, at DRMC, for more information call 622-2088.
Wed. & Fri., 10:15 a.m.: **Senior Bingo**, at Apollo Park, for information call 904-7223.

Thursdays

7:30 a.m.: **Soroptimist Int'l of Downey**, for information, call Pat Heineke, 904-3534.
7:30 a.m.: **Connections Networking**, at Nordic Fox 10924 Paramount, for information call 869-1414.
9 a.m.: **Senior Californians of Downey**, (a social activities club for senior citizens), for information call 803-6887.
12 p.m.: **Downey Christian Businessmen's Committee**, for information call Norm Sipple at 927-1431.
12 p.m.: **Optimist Club of Downey**, at Samb's, for information call Steve Allen at 806-3701.
12:30 p.m.: **Take off Pounds Sensibly**, at United Methodist Church, call (626) 965-9991.
6:30 p.m.: **Downey United Masonic Lodge # 220**, 8244 3rd St., Call 862-4176.
7 p.m.: **Troop 351, Boy Scouts of America**, at First Baptist Church, for information call 803-4571.
4th Thurs., 7:30 p.m.: **Downey Historical Society programs**, at Community Center. Call 862-2777.
2nd Thurs., 7:30 p.m.: **Beaming Rebel Foxes Collectors Club**, for more information call Carl D Jones at 923-2400.

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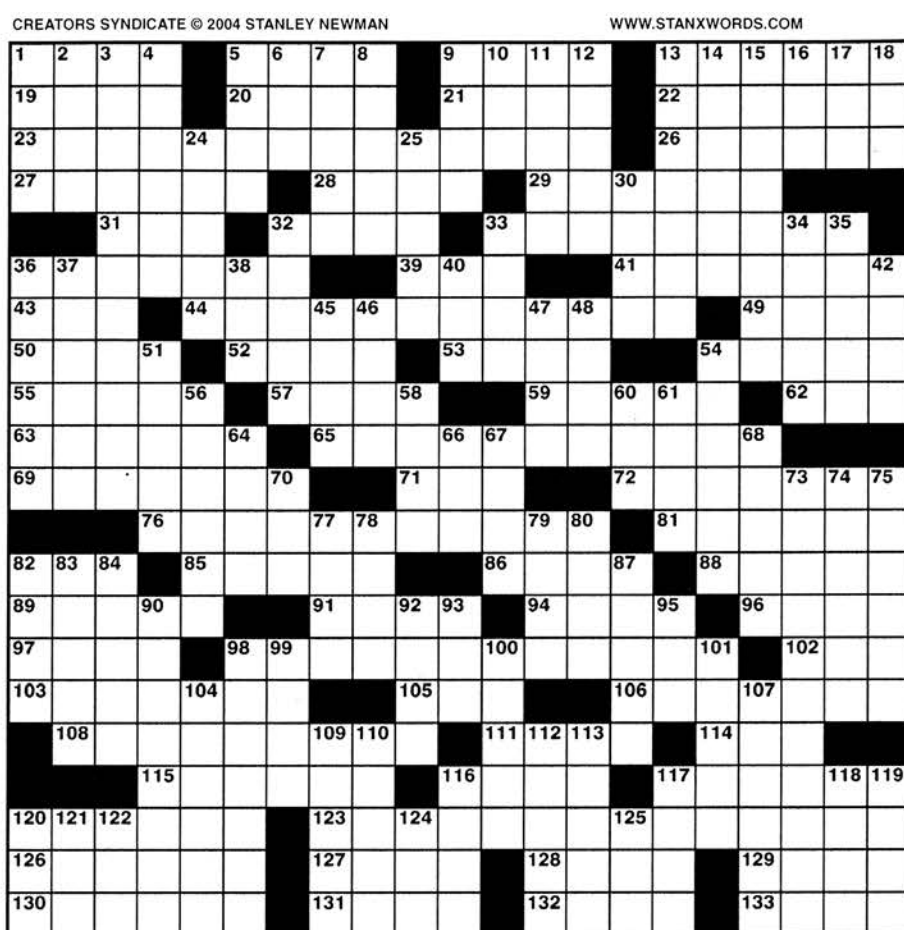
7:30 a.m.: **Pro Networkers**, at Mimi's Cafe, for information call Barbara Briley Beard at 869-7618.
10 a.m.: **Compulsive Eaters Anonymous H.O.W.**, at 1st Christian Church. Call 884-5799.

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Nora Ephron (22 Across) directed 'Sleepless in Seattle' and 'You've Got Mail.' The F CLEF is called because it indicates the F below middle C. The Houston Texans (107 Down) made their NFL debut in 2002.

'Wonder of Elvis Show' visits Downey Oct. 30

DOWNEY — Elvis Presley will come to Downey on Saturday, Oct. 30 when Cruisin' Oldies Concerts and the Downey Chamber of Commerce present "A Tribute to Oldies Rock and Roll" at the Downey Theater, with showtime starting at 7:30 p.m.

"We are excited to bring this event to Downey as our First Annual Concert Fundraiser," said Joanne Warner, executive director of the Chamber. "And we want the whole community to get involved as this is one of the best oldies shows we've seen that appeals to people of all ages."

The concert will feature two acts, opening with "A Tribute to the Everly Brothers," starring Tome Haney and Goldrush, a popular local act that recreates an actual Everly Brothers concert. Some of the selections planned to be performed as of press time are "Wake Up Little Susie," "Cathy's Clown," "All I Have To Do Is Dream," and "Bye Bye Love."

The headlining act is "The Wonder of Elvis," featuring Elvis Tribute Artist Mark W. Curran backed by his 7-piece band, which includes backup singers "The Memphis Soul Singers." Curran, a resident of Lakewood, has been performing area concerts for four years, and is considered one of the top West Coast Elvis impersonators.

He has appeared in Las Vegas, Hawaii, Japan and has been seen in numerous TV shows and commercials. His presentation will cover Elvis' career from 1955-1977.

"I really love bringing the music and character of Elvis to audiences of all ages," Curran said in a recent interview. "People from 8 to 80 love Elvis, and I do it in a way that involves the audience, because the emphasis is on fun."

The group will play many of Elvis' greatest hits, including "Hound Dog," "All Shook Up," "Love Me Tender," and "Heartbreak Hotel."

Curran has done many events for the Chamber and its members, including Century 21 My Real Estate, which will co-sponsor the show. Steve Roberson, president of My Real Estate, said "Mark's shows are always top-notch and of the highest musical caliber, and his voice and moves will make you think Elvis never left us. We strongly encourage people to attend this show and help us for a good cause."

Tickets for the event are \$30 and available by calling the Downey Chamber at 923-2191.



KIM HUBER—A native of Lakewood, made her debut with the DCLO in 1984 as one of the orphans in "Annie." Kim went on to star as "Belle" in Disney's "Beauty and the Beast" on Broadway and in the national tour. She also appeared on Broadway in "Sunset Boulevard" with Glen Close. She returns to the DCLO to star as Betty Blake Rogers. The Will Rogers Follies runs Oct. 7-24 at the Downey Theatre. For ticket information, call 923-1714.

'Swinging big band jazz' Oct. 10

LONG BEACH—CSU-Long Beach's Studio 1 Jazz Ensemble will perform Swinging Big Band Jazz Sunday, Oct. 10 at 3 p.m. at the University Theater, with special guest artist Bill Liston on saxophone. The Jazz Ensemble will be under the direction of John A. Carnahan.

Liston is a freelance woodwind player/composer/arranger/orchestrator living in the Los Angeles area. He has played/recorded with such star performers as Michael Bolton, Tony Bennett, Rita Moreno, Ben Vereen, Diane Schuur and others.

For tickets (\$10 for adults/\$7 seniors and those with a valid student ID/information, call (562) 985-7000, or visit www.csulb.edu/music.

Square dancing taught here

DOWNEY—The Downey Chapter of the Bachelors 'n' Bachelorettes Square Dance Club is starting its annual beginners class of square dancing Monday, Oct. 4, with open enrollment on Oct. 4, 11, and 18 from 7:30-10 p.m. Singles, as well as couples, are welcome. Classes will run approximately 26 weeks. They will be held at the Downey United Methodist Church, 10801 Downey Ave. in Downey. Line dancing will also be taught, from 7-7:30 p.m., for those who wish to learn.

Cost is \$4 per person per session, \$2.50 for children ages 8-16; they must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

For more information, call 943-5735 or (323) 721-1550.

Sertoma sponsoring theater performance

DOWNEY — The Sertoma Club of Downey, a non-profit organization supporting hearing/speech impaired children and adults, will sponsor a performance of the Will Rogers Follies, to be played Oct. 17 at the Downey Theater.

The fundraising performance will begin at 2:30 p.m. Tickets are priced at \$32 and the public is invited to attend.

For tickets, call Sertoma Vice President Pat McCool at 862-0922.

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Downey Redevelopment Project Area Committee Annual Meeting & General Election - October 5, 2004

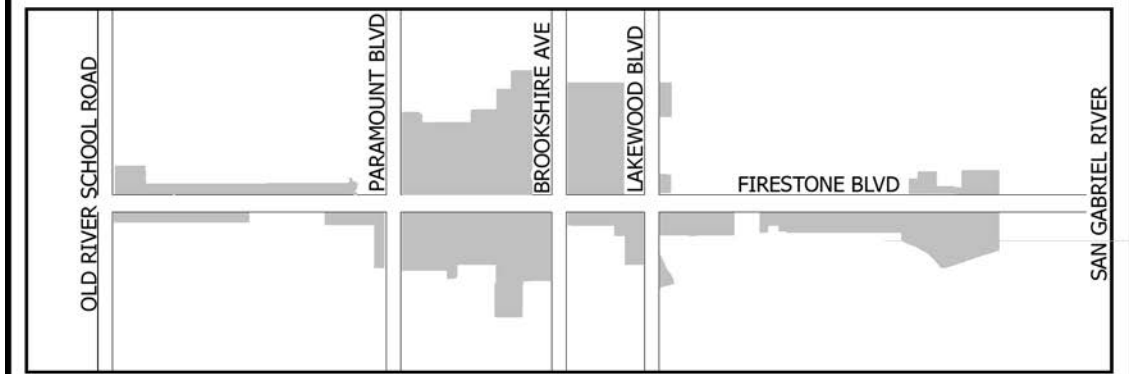
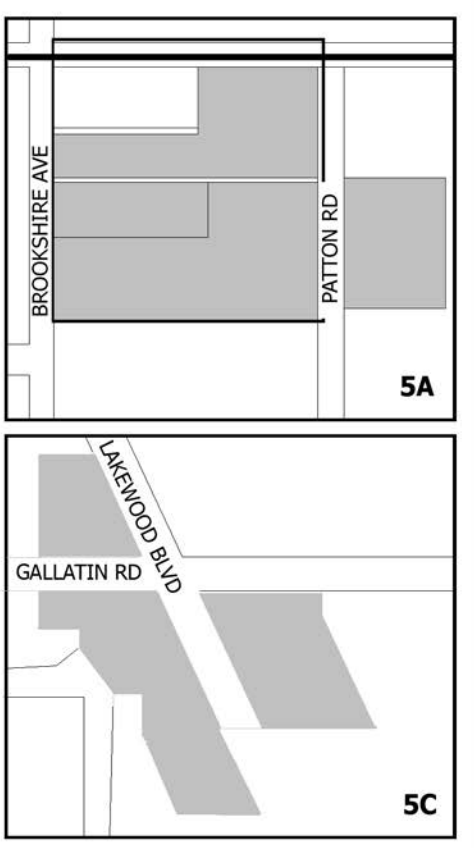
The Downey Redevelopment Project Area Committee (PAC) will hold its Annual Meeting on Tuesday, October 5, 2004, at the Downey City Library, Cormack Room, 11121 Brookshire Avenue, Downey, CA at 6:30 p.m.

A representative of a business owner or a community organization must be designated as a representative of the business owner or community organization through a letter from the organization and be filed with the PAC at his meeting.

The PAC serves as the means through which the Community can participate with the Community Development Commission (CDC) in the planning and implementation of neighborhood revitalization programs

Members must be present and actively participate in PAC meetings, special meetings, and deliberations. Members must comply with the disclosure and disqualification provisions of the

REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREAS 5A & 5C



for the Downey Redevelopment Project. The Original project was adopted in 1978, with major amendments in 1987 and 1991. Maps of the project areas are shown on this page.

Political Reform Act. PACT members will be required to complete a Form 700 on an annual basis.

- Number of Vacancies
Business - 5 Vacancies
Resident Owner - 3 Vacancies
Resident Tenant - 2 Vacancies
Organization - 1 Vacancy

You are eligible for membership and to vote if you reside in or are a business owner including the owners of rental properties in the Downey Redevelopment Project Area and are present at this meeting. Existing community organizations within the Downey Redevelopment Project Area will be verified by the Committee.

To obtain more information and to determine eligibility for voting or candidacy, please contact Dr. Michael Sullivan at (562) 862-4892.

5A - Approximately 14 acres of land north of Downey Community Hospital, south of the railroad tracks and between Brookshire Avenue and Patton Road.

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'FOODS OF THE WORLD'—Discussing menu planning for the Symphony Guild's "Cooking Around the World" luncheon fundraiser Oct. 23 are, seated, from left: Pauline Hume, Gregory Andro, and Joyce Sherwin; standing, from left, Rosalie Sciortino, Katie Hare and Marie Eckstrom.

CSULB students 'Beach Cafe' Oct. 1-2

LONG BEACH—The Beach Café, conceived, organized, produced and performed by students in the CSU-Long Beach Music Department Vocal Studies Program, presents a high energy evening featuring an eclectic mix of jazz, folk, musical theater, and rock and roll Fri.-Sat., Oct. 1-2 at the Gerald Daniel Recital Hall.

The Beach Café is "generously underwritten" by Starbucks Coffee Company and the associated Long Beach Starbucks stores. For information/tickets, call (562) 985-7000.

Su Casa 25th anniversary celebration

DOWNEY -- Su Casa Family Crisis and Support Center will celebrate their 25th anniversary with a dinner and auction Oct. 17 at the Cerritos Sheraton from 4:00 to 9:00 p.m.

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Chef Gregory bringing food and music together

By Rosalie Sciortino

DOWNEY—Foods of the world and Music in the Schools would seem to have no connection except when they come together on Saturday, Oct. 23 at 10 a.m. at the Embassy Suites Hotel in Downey.

It is there that the planning and work by Downey Symphony Guild ways and means chairman, Katie Hare, and other board members, bear fruit, at the annual Chef Gregory Cooking School luncheon.

This fund-raiser and popular yearly attraction, sponsored by the Guild, promises to be "bigger and better" than ever. It features Gregory Andro, a most entertaining Chef, who will demonstrate "Cooking Around the World" and then offer samples of dishes he whips up, accompanied by wine. Recipes of the featured foods will also be distributed. Later he will conduct a spirited live auction of valuable, useful items, many of which have been donated by generous local townfolk and businesses.

A groaning buffet table of delectable foods will follow the cooking demonstration. A silent auction and door prizes guarantee that many of the guests will leave with attractive prizes.

To benefit the Downey Symphony Orchestra and Music in the Schools is the aim of the Symphony Guild, and it is hoped that the proceeds from this event will help to keep both these valuable assets of our community alive and well.

Reservations by mail are \$25 per person, and should be received by Oct. 14. Checks should be made payable to the Downey Symphony Guild, 9700 Garnish Drive, Downey, CA 90240.

The Guild's next scheduled event is the musical salon on Nov. 12. It will precede the first symphony performance of the season.

Emblem 'Pechanga Bus Trip' Oct. 13

DOWNEY—Downey Emblem Club #309 is sponsoring a Pechanga Bus Trip Wed., Oct. 13. Cost for Emblem members is \$6, for non-members \$11.

The bus will leave the Elks Lodge parking lot at 8:30 a.m. and return at approximately 4:30-5 p.m. Bingo will be played on the way up and back. The casino will be giving a \$5 voucher to use as you please. Over half of the bus is already sold out.

For reservations/information, call Mary Guzman, (562) 622-1003.

Harvest Festival at Methodist

DOWNEY—Downey United Methodist Church will host its annual Harvest Festival Oct. 9 from 7:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the church located at 10801 Downey Ave.

Admission is free to the big rummage sale, white elephant, baked goods and wide variety of foods that are all offered. The Downey Police will be there from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. with free fingerprinting for children.

For information, call the church at (562) 861-9777.



DOWNEY ROSE FLOAT'S—2nd annual Hawaiian Cruise Sept. 19 included the celebration of Bob and Gloria Davila's 56th wedding anniversary. Photo shows Miss Downey 2004, Brittnay Fitzgerald, and her court; the Davilas; Miss Teen Downey 2004, Brianna Arceo, and her court; Mr. Downey 2004, Andrew Webb; and Gary DeRemer, president.

Author to speak at library Oct. 11

DOWNEY—California historian and author Ronald Woolsey will speak and sign books at the Downey City Library Monday, Oct. 11 from 7-8 p.m. in the Cormack Room. Woolsey, a teacher and author of the critically acclaimed "Migrants West: Towards the Southern California Frontier," will discuss his latest biography, "Will Thrall and the San Gabriels: a Man to Match the Mountains."

The book documents the life of Will Thrall, who explored the San Gabriel Mountains from the 1880's until the 1960's. Thrall promoted conservation of mountain resources, worked on the Mount Lowe railroad and edited Trails Magazine. A weekly columnist for the Los Angeles Times, Thrall documented tent camps and historic cabins, identified geologic formations and discovered lost pioneer routes and Indian trails. Author Woolsey says, "To accomplish things that endure beyond a lifetime is what Will Thrall intended in his pursuit of the San Gabriels. I hope that my 8 years of study do justice to Thrall's 7 decades of mountain contributions." Copies of his book will be available for purchase and signing at this event.

For reservations, call the Adult Information desk at 904-7360, Ext. 32. The Downey City Library is located at 11121 Brookshire Ave.

Legislative Committee meets

DOWNEY – The Legislative Advocacy Committee of the Downey Chamber of Commerce meets the third Thursday of every month at 12 noon in the boardroom of the Chamber, 11131 Brookshire Ave. For information call 923-2191.

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Downey water polo prepares for league play

DOWNEY – After guiding his team to an impressive pre-season record, Downey High School water polo coach Jamie Whyte is now smoothing out any rough spots to prepare the Vikings for rugged San Gabriel Valley League action beginning next week. Downey, ranked 9th by the CIF in Division III, ran its record to 10-2 with an 8-4 victory over visiting and 10th-ranked Temple City last Friday.

Two more non-league contests were scheduled for earlier this week (versus Lakewood and highly regarded Whittier) with a final tune-up match versus St. John Bosco Oct. 5 in the Downey pool. League play gets underway Thursday, Oct. 7 against Whitney High School, also in the Downey pool.

Downey opened their season during the first week of school, proceeding to play 11 games in only 10 days. Remarkably, Downey survived the initial rush, rolling up nine victories against only two losses. During this period the Vikings placed fourth in the 18-team Bell Gardens Tournament and also advanced to the finals of their own Downey Tournament.

Seniors Austin Cooper, the team's leading scorer, Brett Forman and Kurtis Goodwin serve as Viking tri-captains. Other seniors on the squad include Jose Aguirre, Manual Sanchez, Frankie Jimenez and Joseph Salazar. Junior Allen Navarez, an incoming transfer student, has bolstered the Vikings' defense in goal. Also making major contributions are juniors Tim Aguilar, David Correa, Sean Feliciano and Jarrett Powers.



JOLLY GOOD TIME -- Downey's U14 boys team recently traveled to England for a week-long tournament where they faced opponents from the UK, Germany and other European countries. To learn more about Downey AYSO, call 928-9666.

Celebrity Golf Tournament Nov. 5

DOWNEY—The upcoming Downey Rotary Club/Arc Celebrity Golf Tournament Friday, Nov. 5 at Rio Hondo Golf Club, 10627 Old River School in Downey, is being spiced up by the addition of a celebrity to each foursome. Thirty six celebrities from the world of entertainment and sports are expected to participate, including Gloria Torres, film star and current host/producer of "Hola, America"; Alan Thicke of "Growing Pains" fame; pole vault gold medal winner Bob Seagren; and "Seinfeld's" John O'Hurley.

There will be the usual hole-in-one contests on all par 3's, as well as the straightest drive. The putting contest begins at 9 a.m. The shotgun scramble start is at 11 a.m. The awards dinner at 5 p.m. will be held at Rio Hondo's new banquet facility, punctuated by ticket raffles.

The tournament benefits Arc of Southeast Los Angeles County, formerly the Association for Retarded Citizens, which provides for people with mental retardation and other developmental disabilities the opportunity to form and work towards goals—through training and education, based on their individual abilities.

Downey Rotary is celebrating 80 years of service to the community. For information/reservations, call Carol at 803-4606, Ext. 230. RSVP by Oct. 29.

Yoga therapy to exercise mind and body

DOWNEY – Downey-based Yogi Ramesh, an "international celebrity and guru to the stars," will host a spiritual retreat Nov. 12-14 in Joshua Tree, complete with yoga classes, seminars and workshops.

One seminar, titled "The Science of Self-Healing Workshop," stresses oxygen and laughter therapy for the heart, body and mind. Ramesh says the therapy helps induce mood-enhancing endorphins into the bloodstream, creating a feeling of happiness while suppressing stress-inducing chemicals. The workshop is also said to burn calories faster than traditional exercise, boost metabolism, improve energy and blood circulation and increase strength.

Registration cost for the Joshua Tree trip is \$399. Ramesh also regularly conducts classes at the Barbara J. Riley Community Center.

To register or for more information call (877) 367-9642 or visit www.universalyoga.org.

Varsity Football Schedule

Warren High School (2-1)

Coach Joe Biagioni			
September	9	@ Long Beach Millikan	34-27 WIN
	17	@ Tustin	51-0 LOSS
	24	@ Beverly Hills	25-18 WIN
October	1	@ Los Altos	7:00 p.m.
	8	@ Bell	7:00 p.m.
	15	Lakewood	7:00 p.m.
	22	@ Downey	7:00 p.m.
	29	Dominguez	7:00 p.m.
November	5	@ Lynwood	7:00 p.m.
	11	@ Paramount	7:00 p.m.

Downey High School (1-2)

Coach Grant Warhurst			
September	10	La Habra	25-4 LOSS
	17	Schurr	20-13 LOSS
	24	@ Long Beach Millikan	14-7 WIN
October	1	@ Cypress	7:00 p.m.
	8	@ Santa Fe	7:00 p.m.
	15	@ Lynwood	7:00 p.m.
	22	Warren	7:00 p.m.
	29	@ Long Beach Wilson	7:00 p.m.
November	5	@ Paramount	7:00 p.m.
	12	Dominguez	7:00 p.m.

Warren rebounded from their 51-0 shellacking to Tustin with a come-from-behind victory over Beverly Hills. It took an 80-yard touchdown pass from quarterback Mark McCaughan with less than two minutes remaining to secure the win, but Warren will take it. Up next for the Bears is Los Altos (2-1) from the San Gabriel Valley.

Downey receives a bit of a break this week as it faces a winless Cypress (0-3) team. Downey will look to take advantage of a defense that has allowed 109 points in only three games. Downey, by contrast, is third in their league with 52 points allowed.

San Gabriel Valley League Standings

SCHOOL	WINS	LOSSES	PCT.
Dominguez	3	0	1.000
Warren	2	1	.667
Downey	1	2	.333
Lynwood	1	2	.333
Paramount	1	2	.333

Receiving Leaders:

Eddie De Leon (Warren)	193 yards
Eric Gallegos (Warren)	124

Rushing Leaders:

Marvin Johnson (Dominguez)	192
Nick Montemayor (Warren)	192

Girl's Volleyball Results

Warren High School (1-8)

Coach Scotty Layne			
September	10	Redondo	3-0 LOSS
	11	@ La Serna	3-0 WIN
	11	Rosary	3-0 LOSS
	13	La Habra	3-1 LOSS
	15	Maranatha	3-0 LOSS
	23	Fountain Valley	3-2 LOSS
	24	Villa Park	2-0 LOSS
	24	Esperanza	2-0 LOSS
	28	@ El Toro	3-0 LOSS

Downey High School (2-5)

Coach Andrea Sims			
September	10	Bishop Montgomery	3-0 LOSS
	13	Whitney	3-0 WIN
	15	@ Gahr	3-0 WIN
	21	St. Joseph	3-0 LOSS
	23	Mayfair	3-0 LOSS
	25	@ Villa Park	2-1 LOSS
	28	@ Bishop Montgomery	3-0 LOSS
	30	@ Valencia	(not available)

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The seminar is one in the "Creative Arts and Healing Lecture Series" sponsored by the UCLA Pediatric Pain Program and the Salamander Fund. Poems will be read and writing exercises will demonstrate how the process works.

Parking is \$7. Bringing paper and a pen are recommended. For more information, call (310) 825-5300 or visit www.uclaminbody.org.

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Whittier Home Economists meet Oct. 4

WHITTIER—The Whittier Home Economists in Home and Community holds their October meeting Monday, Oct. 4 at the Hillcrest Congregational Church at 7:15 p.m. Linda Nakamura from the Whittier Audubon Society will speak on "Birding in Southern California."

Graduates in family and consumer sciences, home economics and related fields are welcome to the meeting.

For more information, call (562) 696-2168.



\$10,000 DONATION—Dr. Jordan Phillipps and his wife, Mary, recently presented a check for \$10,000 to the Board of the Symphonic Society to further the work of Downey's Symphony Orchestra. In introducing the couple to Board members, Harold Tseklenis gave a history of the Phillipps's philanthropic efforts over many years, which have benefited not only Downey but the international community as well. Dr. Phillipps is renowned worldwide for his contributions in the field of Chinese medicine. Accepting the couple's generous donation are Larry Lewis, Symphonic Society president, and Dr. Thomas Osborn, artistic director and conductor of the orchestra.

Sept. 30 services for Doug Runing DeWitt

DOWNEY—Services were held Sept. 30 at Rose Hills Memorial Park in Whittier for Douglas Runing DeWitt, a 2002 graduate of Warren High School who died unexpectedly in San Diego Sept. 24.

He was a junior at San Diego State and a member of the Balboa Island Yacht Club for 11 years, serving as Commodore in 2000.

He is survived by his parents, Bill and Mary DeWitt; his brothers, Bill and Ed DeWitt; his grandmother, Evelyn Runing; and other family members and friends.

The family requested donations be made to Downey YMCA Easter Caravan, 11531 Downey Avenue, Downey, 90241.

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Virginia C. Apmadoc committal service Oct. 3

DOWNEY—A short public committal service will be read Sunday, Oct. 3 following the morning mass at St. Mark's Episcopal Church, 10354 Downey Ave. in Downey, where Virginia Chaveas Apmadoc, a 40-year Downey resident who died Aug. 3 from complications of pneumonia, will rest beside her husband, William Ford Apmadoc, who preceded her in death in 1988.

Her burial service was celebrated Aug. 12 at Trinity Episcopal in Redlands, where she had lived the last 14 years.

Born June 16, 1925 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, she and her husband moved to Downey in 1950, where she served as the children's librarian for the Downey Public Library for 25 years. In addition, she was active in the Junior Women's Club and the Children's Home Society, as well as supporting programs at St. Mark's.

After she moved to Redlands in 1990 to be in proximity to her oldest son, Jeffrey C. Apmadoc and his family, she resumed her cultural activities serving as a docent for the Redlands Symphony Guild, pursuing active membership in the Contemporary Club and returning to her first love as a storyteller for Smiley Library and the Headstart Program. She also served as editor for the monthly newsletter for her retirement community.

She is survived by her brother, William Chaveas of Media, PA.; sons Stephen Apmadoc of Tujunga and the aforementioned Jeffrey of Redlands; 3 grandsons; and one granddaughter.

Donations may be made to the Memorial Fund of Trinity Episcopal Church, 419 South Fourth Street, Redlands, CA 92373.

Memorial service for Nathan Barlow, MD

DOWNEY—A memorial service was held Sept. 25 at Downey First Baptist Church on Third Street for former Downey resident, Dr. Nathan Barlow, who was born in Newberry, MI Sept. 26, 1912 and died in Duarte Sept. 18.

He attended Downey High School and was a graduate of the University of Redlands and the UC-San Francisco School of Medicine.

He spent most of his life as a medical missionary in Africa, primarily in Ethiopia, but also in Central African Republic, Kenya, Zaire and Niger.

He is survived by daughters Miriam Ruge of Beaverton, OR, Lois Merritt of Arcadia and Sharon Daly of Ventura; son Robert Barlow of Yucaipa; 7 grandchildren; 10 great grandchildren; sister, Margaret Polder of Lemoore; and brother, Paul Barlow, of Hanford. He was predeceased by his wife, Doris, in 1994 and wife, Vonna, in 2001.

The family suggested contributions in his honor be made to a charity of choice or to the Mossy Foot Project, c/o Jim Daly, 6918 Harmon Drive, Ventura, Ca 93003.

Funeral mass held for Eugenia Rosa Detterich

DOWNEY—A Mass of Christian Burial was held Sept. 21 at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church for longtime Downey resident Eugenia Rosa Detterich, who was born in Agana, Guam Aug. 30, 1914 to parents Pedro and Rosalie Ojeda, and died in the City of Orange Sept. 23. She was 90.

Blessed with a good sense of humor, she had lots of interests: crocheting, working in her garden, going fishing, and watching baseball and soap operas on TV. She was a wonderful cook, and her pies and pastries were popular. As well as teaching school children in Guam, she donated much of her time to church.

She is survived by sons Bruce (Patty), Paul (Debbie) and Mark (April); daughter Maria (Bill); grandchildren Daniel, Keith, Lauren, Gina, Tom, Laura, Donna, and John; 12 great grandchildren; and many friends. She was preceded in death by her husband Clarence, who passed away in 1996. Interment was at All Souls Cemetery in Long Beach. Handling arrangements was Downey Zrelak Family Mortuary.

Cancer support group at DRMC

DOWNEY - Downey Regional Medical Center hosts a free cancer support group each Wednesday from 4 to 5 p.m.

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HIGH STAKES HELP—Century 21 My Real Estate took part in the recent 5th Annual Casino Night held aboard the Queen Mary in Long Beach. From left: Laurie Mac Issac, Event Chair; Brian Linares, Easter Seals recipient; Griselda Marquez, Miss Downey Princess/Century 21 call coordinator and Steve Roberson, Event Host.

Century 21 comes up big for Easter Seals

DOWNEY—Century 21 My Real Estate recently attended the 5th Annual Casino Night aboard the Queen Mary, helping raise \$65,000 for Easter Seals of Southern California. Over 600 people were in attendance.

The event featured a 1920's jazz club theme and included a dinner, silent auction and casino gaming, including a 'high-stakes' poker game. The Miss Downey and Miss Teen Downey Court's also made a special appearance.

"We are very pleased with the event," said Laurie Mac Issac who, along with Steve Roberson, chaired the event. "So many people supported this fine charity by coming out, having fun and helping raise money. We extend our thanks to the communities, businesses and individuals for their generous contributions of time and resources."

Over 110 members of the Century 21 My Real Estate team turned out for the event.

"I can always count on my team to support these worthwhile causes," said Roberson. "That's a great feeling for our office."

FPCU seminar on home purchasing

DOWNEY—Financial Partners Credit Union, a leading Southern California real estate lender, will host a seminar on home purchasing at its Downey headquarters at 7800 E. Imperial Highway Wednesday, Oct. 13 at 6:30 p.m.

The seminar will include a detailed overview of the home buying process, covering such topics as: credit reports and how they affect buying power; funds required to purchase; zero down local programs; and types of loans, i.e., ARMS vs. fixed.

Participants will also receive a presentation package containing credit reporting agency contact numbers and a summary of the presentation for future reference. In addition, a drawing giveaway for a Family Four Pak of Knott's Berry Farm tickets will be given to one lucky guest.

Real estate/finance experts here Oct. 9

DOWNEY—Earl M. Salter, who heads Pacific Financial Exchange Corporation and Norwalk Business Service, Inc., an accounting firm that specializes in real estate tax law, and Andor Gyulai, an investment consultant with Brookstreet Securities Corporation, a full service investment and brokerage firm, will be the guest speakers Saturday, Oct. 9 at Rio Hondo Golf Club, 10627 Old River School Road, when Century 21 Jervis & Associates' Colin Clarke hosts a complimentary breakfast buffet to keep the community informed on the current real estate market. The breakfast, which will run from 9:30-11:30 a.m., is by reservation only (RSVP 904-6652 by Oct. 6).

Topics to be discussed include: how to understand and predict interest rates, 1031 exchanges and capital gains strategies, forecast of interest and mortgage rates, and understanding economic cycles.

Salter completed his graduate studies at CSU-Long Beach where he majored in accounting, finance, and economics. He has been honored by the Business Advisory Council as Businessman of the Year. Brookstreet Securities Corporation conducts frequent seminars and workshops for various schools, clubs, associations and organizations.

Landscaping workshop at Riley Center

DOWNEY—The city's Department of Public Works presents its 2nd annual Landscaping Workshop - 'A Day with the Experts'— Saturday, Oct. 9 from 8 a.m.-noon at the Barbara J. Riley Community & Senior Center, 7810 Quill Drive. The workshop should appeal particularly to those who plan to spruce up their yard.

There will be presentations on landscape design by Graham Stanley, renowned landscape designer; on irrigation system design by a representative from Rain Bird Corporation; on composting by a representative from Rio Contractors; and on "Why Hire a Licensed Contractor?" by a representative from California Landscape Contractors Association.

For more information, call Carol Rowland at 904-7159 or Kathy Simmons at 904-7103.



CLEAN SWEEP CONTEST—Century 21 My Real Estate recently held a Clean Sweep Contest giving the community a chance to enter and win a \$250 Merry Maids Cleaning Gift Certificate. Pictured are Maria Cibrian of the local real estate firm (left) awarding one of the prizes to Mary Sami of Downey. Other winners were Rosa Olos, Downey; Mabel Valdez, Downey; and Rene Peck, Long Beach.

SPECIAL BULLETIN

Marina Advisor Group in Long Beach, CA is pleased to announce that Downey resident, Carol Somoano, CFP®, Associate Financial Planner, has been authorized by Certified Financial Planner Board of Standards Inc. to use the marks CFP® and CERTIFIED FINANCIAL PLANNER™ in accordance with CFP Board certification and renewal requirements. These designations identify those individuals who have met the rigorous experience and ethical requirements, have successfully completed financial planning coursework and have passed the CFP Certification Examination. Carol also has a Bachelors of Science in Accounting and Masters in Business Administration in addition to a real estate sales license.



Marina Advisor Group consists of experienced financial professionals with CPA or CFP credentials. The firm specializes in tax preparation, personal financial planning including planning for retirement, retirement plan distribution (401K), asset allocation and preservation, investment strategies, tax and estate planning, college funding, risk protection for individuals and small business owners. You can reach Carol and her associates at 562-434-2544.

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The governing board of Cerritos Community College District will hold a public hearing on the PROPOSED ADOPTED BUDGET OF THE DISTRICT FOR THE 2004-05 YEAR prior to final adoption as required by Title 5, Division 6, Chapter 9, Subchapter 4, Section 58301.

The Public Hearing will be held at the CERRITOS COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD ROOM on OCTOBER 13, 2004, AT 7:00 P.M. The public is cordially invited to attend this meeting.

The Proposed Adopted Budget will be on file and available for public inspection at the following location(s) should members of the public wish to review the Budget prior to the Public Hearing.

Location: Cerritos Community College, 11110 Alondra Blvd., Norwalk - President's Office and Vice President of Business Services Office;
 Date/Time: Wednesday, October 6, through Wednesday, October 13, 2004 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

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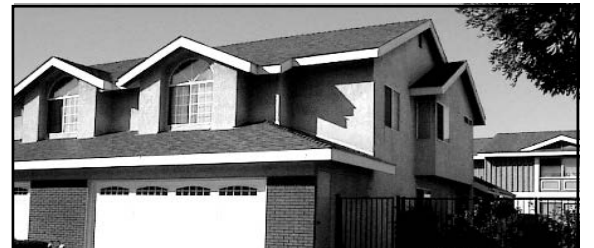
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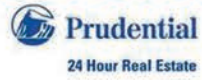
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(Source: California Real Estate: August 2004)

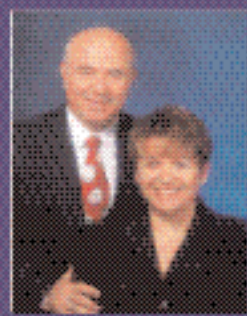
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 Beautiful 4 bedroom, 3 bath home w/ nearly 2,800 sq. ft. on a 9,000 sq. ft. lot! This lovely home has just been completely remodeled to be just like new! With 2 large master suites, large family room & too many amenities to mention!
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 This spacious home features 3 bedrooms, 1 1/2 bath, beautiful new hardwood floors and plenty of room to add on! Great neighborhood! Close to golf course! \$308,900.
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 Don't miss this Great family home located in a great neighborhood! 4 bedrooms, 1 1/2 bath, formal dining room & a 3-car detached garage! 1,857 sq. ft. of living space on a 6,020 sq. ft. lot! Priced between \$319,000-\$359,000.
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SANTA FE SPRINGS!
 This 3 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath, master bedroom w/ fireplace, new carpet & new ceramic paint, 2 car detached garage w/ long driveway, 1,050 sq. ft. + 147 sq. ft. added w/ porch on a 5,724 sq. ft. lot. Great buy!
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MOVE RIGHT IN!
 Clean 2 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath town home in Bower Community in Cypress. This unit has an upgraded kitchen, enclosed patio, 2 car-attached garage, very large master bedroom, retreat area, & balcony w/ view of pool, central air/heat, fireplace in liv. rm., & large din. area. Owner keeps the unit in great condition & is perfect for the pickiest buyer. Price: \$439,900.
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HOME SWEET HOME
 3 bedroom, 2 bath North Downey home with new wood flooring, new carpet, remodeled bathroom, spacious living room & dining room, kitchen with bar area overlooking large family room and two private offices. Also, features central air/heat, large laundry room, a large lot and a 2-car garage. Priced to sell at \$589,900
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LOCATION! LOCATION! LOCATION!
 3 bedroom, 2 bath home in North Downey (just south of Florence). Home features living room, family room, formal dining room, 1,924 sq. ft., and 2 car detached garage, all on a 7,626 sq. ft. lot. Price: \$599,000.
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SPLISH, SPLASH!
 5 bedroom home near Furman Park with large yard that features gated pool & separate grass area. Includes large master bedroom with remodeled bath, formal dining room, living room & den with fireplace & family room. Home has hardwood floors & owners recently installed central air & heat. Price: \$699,000.
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