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## City accepts big grant for ASPIRE

By John Adams

**DOWNEY**—The city council has accepted a 21st Century Learning Centers Core Grant of \$178,880 from the California Department of Education to be utilized to expand the operation of the Aspire after-school program to two new campuses at Gauldin and Alameda schools. (Aspire program is currently offered at Carpenter, Ward, Sussman and West campuses. The grant period covers from July 1, 2004 through June 30, 2006.

The grant is authorized by Title IV, Part B of the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 (federal money), and is administered by the California Department of Education After School Partnership Office.

The council also approved an agreement with Global Learning Inc., for services linked to the grant-funded program, not to exceed \$15,624. There is no additional financial impact to the City. The action was at Tuesday, Nov. 23rd's regular meeting.

In other action at the Nov. 23rd meeting, the City Council:

\* Accepted a grant from Verizon Foundation of \$25,000 to be used for the e-Mission program at the new Columbia Memorial Space Science Learning Center here. There is no fiscal impact to the City.

\* Presented the Mayor's Academic Excellence Award to Fabiola Espinoza, a senior at Warren High School.

\* Approved a contract with All American Asphalt in the sum of \$779,192, and appropriated \$346,727 in Transportation Equity Act for 21st Century Grant funds for pavement rehabilitation at Paramount Boulevard and Gallatin Road.

\* Approved the final Fiscal Year 2004-05 City Budget including adjustments.

\* Carried forward \$756,470 for fiscal year ended June 30, 2004.

\* Approved an agreement with Tri Span for hazardous material abatement at 12408 Lakewood Blvd., in the sum of \$25,200.

\* Appropriated \$94,050 in grant funds for construction of a centralized Traffic Management Center.

\* At the request of the City Manager, pulled an item dealing with the employment agreement of city attorney Charles Vose from the agenda.

\* Introduced an amended ordinance for speed limits on Haledon between Gallatin and Florence Avenue; and Bellflower between Lakewood Boulevard and the south city limits. There will be no change.

\* By a 3-1 vote approved consideration of modified fire ordinances involving installation of fire alarms and automatic extinguishers (Anne Bayer dissenting).

\* Unanimously approved further study of the mansionization trend in residential construction (and how to deal with it).

The next meeting of the Council will be at 6 p.m. Dec. 7 at City Hall (Council Reorganization ceremony).

The next regular meeting will be Tuesday, Dec. 14 at 7:30 p.m. at City Hall, 11111 Brookshire Ave.

## Warren's Night of Music set Dec. 14

**DOWNEY**—The Warren High School Jazz, Marching and Symphonic Bands will be joined by the school's Vocal Jazz and Women's Choir in a delightful night of music Tuesday, Dec. 14 at the Downey Theater.

The Annual Performing Arts Department Winter Concert doors will open at 6 p.m., with Vocal jazz and Women's Choir performance starting at 6:30. An intermission with free refreshments at 7:30 p.m., followed by performances by the Jazz, Marching and Symphonic Bands at 8 p.m.

### Tickets

Advance tickets are \$7 adults, and \$5 for senior citizens and students. Tickets at the door will be \$10 adults and \$7 for senior citizens and students.

The concert is sponsored by the School and Warren Band Boosters and Choir Boosters.

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**SANTA'S FLOAT**—(Pictured here) was one of the favorites in last year's Holiday Lane Parade, and this year's version will doubtless be applauded as well. Who doesn't like Santa Claus?

## Magic of music at youth concerts

By Joyce Sherwin

**DOWNEY**—On a recent Wednesday morning, the street behind Downey's Civic Theater was coned off to regular traffic, so if you weren't a lengthy vehicle the color of French's Mustard, you had to go around. Obviously something major was happening at the theater.

Soon an impressive row of eight school buses lumbered in, each stuffed with students from Downey's elementary schools, who had come to hear the annual concert played for third-graders by the Downey Symphony Orchestra. Many of these children would step into the immense space of a theater for the first time. For the first time many would see a huge stage filled with real people creating classical music from beautiful things shaped of burnished wood and glistening brass. Many would hear the textures of orchestral sound for the first time.

### Excitement

So there was excitement in the air for the kids, thrilled to be on a field trip, experiencing lots of new stuff. High spirits shared by Downey Unified School District personnel and theater staff who were pulling off yet again their intricate weave of logistics and perfect timing. Grins of delight from Conductor Tom Osborn and his musicians as a packed audience of savvy eight-year-olds responded to their concert with awe and enthusiasm.

But with all that, perhaps the pervasive feeling throughout the morning was one of affection. It was everywhere.

"Good morning, boys and girls," Tom called out with a smile. "GOOD MORNING, TOM! GOOD MORNING ORCHESTRA!" they shouted back, familiar by now with Tom and his several musicians whom they'd met before through Music in the Schools. The orchestra grinned and waved.

Instead of formal black attire on stage, concert dress today was colorful, casual clothing, so these became friendly, approachable people up

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## Holiday Lane Parade expected to draw large throng Sunday

On Downey Avenue at 1:30 p.m.

By John Adams

**DOWNEY**—When the Holiday Lane Parade proceeds down Downey Avenue from Lexington to Third Street and then east on Third to City Hall, at 1:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 5, it will be led by Darrell Jackson, a leader in the continuing fight to resist the inroads of gangs and drugs.

### 'At-risk' youths

Jackson works through a specially funded position with the Downey Unified School District to help "at risk" youngsters who are on the brink of dropping out of school regain their academic balance.

Jackson attended Locke High School and pitched for the Minnesota Twins. His college career was with Arizona State, and included a National Championship in 1977. He pitched five years in the majors after being called up in 1978 by Minnesota.

Today, he is a full-time outreach worker for the DUSD. An honorary member of the Downey Rotary and a lifetime member of the Major League Players Alumni, he supports many local organizations through participation in golf fundraisers.

He has received countless awards including honors from the Metropolitan YMCA, the Martin Luther King Jr. Dignity Award, and the Sertoma Club's Service to Mankind Award.

He and his wife, Veronica, expect their first child in February.

### The parade

The parade features floats, music, marching and equestrian units, bands, clowns, entertainment personalities and dignitaries.

As many as 10,000 come out to watch the spectacle annually.

Major parade sponsor this year is again Downey Regional Medical Center. Other sponsors include Financial Partners Credit Union (sponsor of Santa and his sleigh); Downey Acura (sponsor of parade celebrity); Downey Federal Credit Union (sponsor of parade cartoon characters); Andrews Rancho Del Norte (sponsor of the pre-parade luncheon); and Re/Max Online (sponsor of the banner carriers).

The great parade is organized by the Downey Chamber of Commerce. It is filled with the panoply and community spirit that makes Downey so singular. The Chamber invites you to come out and enjoy this free event.

## Street closures due to parade on Sunday

**DOWNEY**—On Sunday, Dec. 5, the following streets will be closed to through traffic starting at about 11:30 a.m., due to the formation for the Holiday Lane Parade:

10th and 11th streets between Brookshire and Birchdale, Lexington Avenue between Downey Avenue and Brookshire, and Brookshire between Florence and Cherokee Drive. These streets will reopen about 3:30 p.m.

Fifth Street between Brookshire and Downey will also be closed between about 12:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

The parade route starts at Lexington Avenue and runs down Downey Avenue south to Third Street, then east on Third to Civic Center Drive. The route will remain open to traffic until about 12 noon. The parade starts at 1:30 p.m.

## City-sponsored toy drive through Dec. 10

**DOWNEY**—The City of Downey is hosting a toy drive through Dec. 10 for disadvantaged children in Downey and its Sister City—San Quintin, Mexico. The toys will be distributed through the Downey Council PTA H.E.L.P.S. "Holiday Basket Program," and the Downey Sister Cities Association.

The City Public Works Department is organizing the drive.

Designated drop-off points are: Downey City Hall, Downey City Library, Downey Police Station, Barbara J. Riley Community and Senior Center, all Downey Fire Stations, all Downey public schools, and local businesses displaying a City toy collection barrel. Toys should be unwrapped.

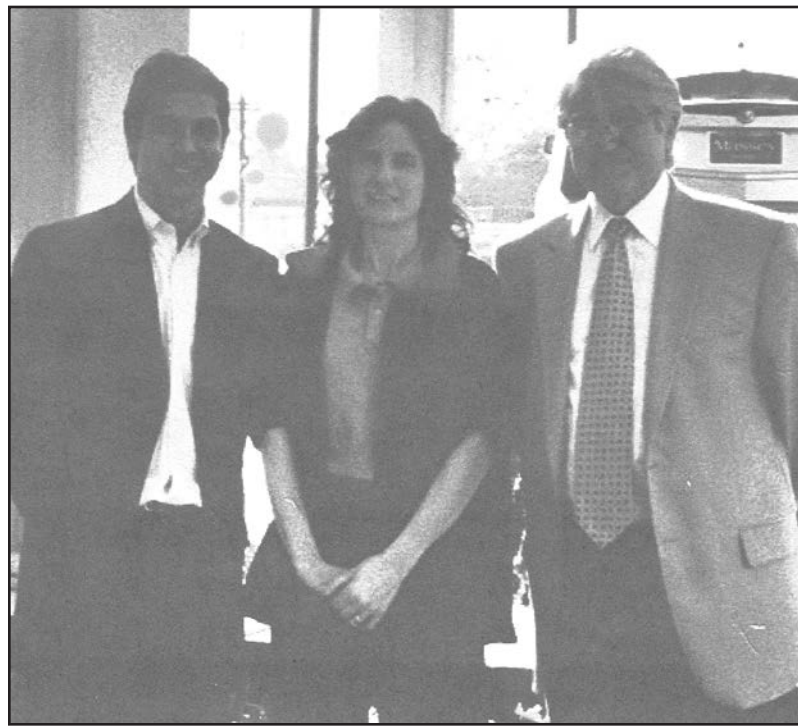
For more information contact the City's Recycling Office at 904-7103.

## HOLIDAY LANE PARADE COVERAGE INSIDE...

A VARIETY OF ARTICLES AND PHOTOS ON DOWNEY'S BIG PARADE ON SUNDAY CAN BE FOUND THROUGHOUT THIS EDITION OF THE DOWNEY PATRIOT... PLUS A COMPLETE LINE-UP OF ATTRACTIONS IS FOUND ON PAGE 8.



**THANKSGIVING GIFT**—Downey Police Officers, representatives of Cafe 'N Stuff Restaurant and Massey Cadillac are joined by Mayor Kirk Cartozian Wednesday, Nov. 24 in preparation for the delivery of 30 Thanksgiving meals to needy families. Officers delivered the meals which were prepared by Cafe 'N Stuff with a contribution from Massey. Thanks to the joint effort, tables which would have otherwise been bare for Thanksgiving were filled with a tasty holiday repast.



**THANKS TO MASSEY CADILLAC**—The Downey Chamber's Jeannie Wood says "Thanks" to Chris Paz and Larry Py of Massey Cadillac, which is donating use of the Cadillac convertibles the City Council will ride in during the Holiday Lane Parade Sunday, Dec. 5. A special thanks is also due to Leora Leon of Massey.

**Public invited to join book club**

**DOWNEY**—The Downey City Library is inviting the public to join its Book Lover's Club to discover the best in literary fiction, biography and popular nonfiction. Senior Librarian Jan Palen, who will lead a free book discussion Thursday, Dec. 9 from 9 a.m.-12 noon in the Cormack room, says: "Everyone who loves books will benefit from this discussion group."

This month's featured selection will be *A Christmas Carol* by Charles Dickens.

Reservations are recommended by calling (562) 904-7360, Ext. 32. The Downey City Library is located at 11121 Brookshire Ave.

**Elks annual 'hoop shoot' tomorrow in Apollo Park**

*By Henry Veneracion*

**DOWNEY**—Starting at 8:30 a.m. tomorrow, at the newly-named Gary P. McGaughan gym in Apollo Park, Downey Elks Lodge #2020 hosts its umpteenth annual Hoop Shoot, the free shot contest pitting grammar/middle school youngsters against each other in 3 age groups for the right to advance to the Elks district-level competition. The multi-tiered competition eventually culminates in the national Hoop Shoot competition which will be held in the spring in Springfield, Massachusetts, home of the Basketball Hall of Fame.

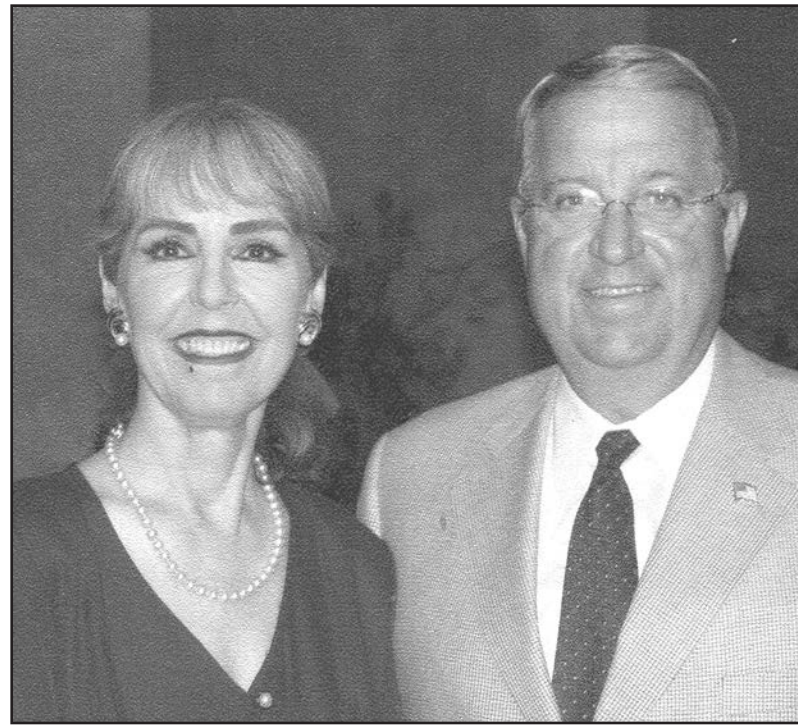
The Hoop Shoot tomorrow is only one of many fun projects the local Elks club provides the youth of Downey over the course of the year. The club also sponsors a soccer program and an essay contest, to name two. The club at Christmastime also treats lucky kids picked out from a list provided by Rancho Los Amigos to a trip to Disneyland, all expenses paid.

All the public and parochial schools in Downey are represented in tomorrow's contest. The age categories, for both boys and girls, are: 8-9, 10-11, and 12-13.

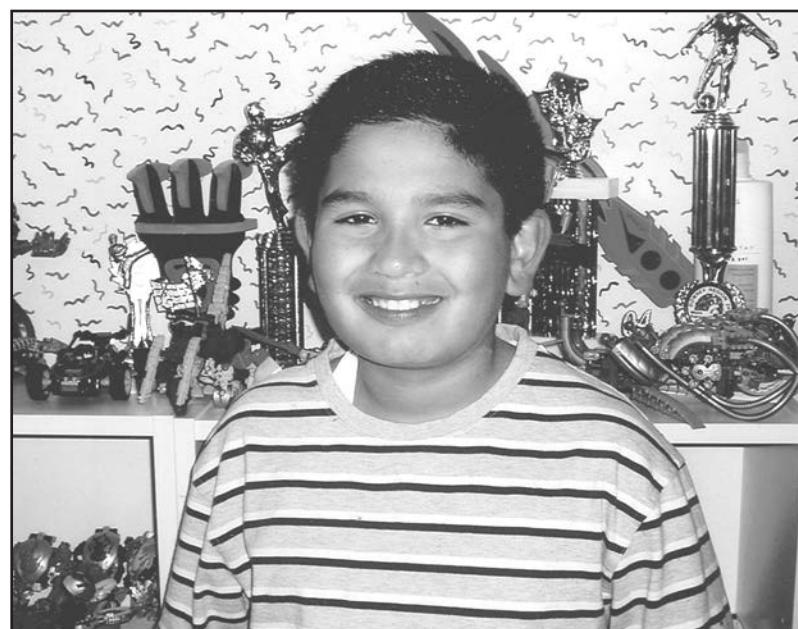
Tomorrow's contestants, some 90-95 in all, are all survivors from preliminary elimination hoop contests in their respective schools that began in September, in the 2nd week of school. Over 7,000 youngsters tried out. Tomorrow, the final 6 lodge-level first-place winners will be determined. Come January 15, these 6 champions will compete against the winners from the 9 other Elks lodges comprising the district to which Downey belongs.

Elk Frank Prieto, this year's Hoop Shoot director and a former #2020 Exalted Ruler, says the event is the product of a lot of hard work contributed by a lot of people. Chief among them are Amber Johnson and Stefanie Hathaway, both from the Downey Unified School District, who form the backbone of the coordinating team. Downey Community Services' Kevin Ellis is another. Assisting with registration, officiating, and the like will be fellow Elks numbering about 30-40. A few Elks district officials are expected to attend.

We are told that in one of his last acts as incumbent mayor, Kirk Cartozian, who we surmise entertained dreams of basketball glory once, as the day's guest of honor, will attempt to shoot the ball through the hoop first. A crowd of 300-350, mostly "soccer moms/dads," is expected.



**PARADE CO-HOSTS** – Marsha Moode, executive producer for the Downey Civic Light Opera and Don Knabe, Los Angeles County Supervisor, will again be cable television co-hosts for the 53rd annual Downey Holiday Lane Parade sponsored by the Downey Chamber of Commerce. It will be held this Sunday, Dec. 5 starting at 1:30 p.m. on Downey Ave.



**RIO HONDO 5th GRADER**—Mark Montero of Downey, who was inducted into the Kids Day Hall Fame this April, has received the Good Citizen award for the 5th consecutive year for his "good behavior, making good choices, being a role model and helping organize the library." An honor student, he is also a Webelo Boy Scout, collects food for needy families as well as trash to 'keep Downey beautiful.'



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**RAMON CONTRERAS**—Will be ordained and installed as Assistant Pastor in a special service of celebration tomorrow, Dec. 4 at 4 p.m. at Messiah Lutheran Church of Downey. The public is invited to attend the special event.

## DMOA to hold annual fashion show Dec. 10

**DOWNEY**—The Downey Museum of Art will hold its annual Fashion Show and Luncheon at the new Rio Hondo Country Club, 10627 Old River School Road, Friday, Dec. 10, with the delightful Marsha Moode again doing the announcing. Social is at 11 a.m., and luncheon starts at 11:30.

Fashions are provided by Draper's and Damon's. A silent auction and a prize drawing are part of the program, to add to the fun. Proceeds from the popular event support the Museum's programs and operations.

Tickets are \$30 per person. For more information, contact Kate Davies at DMOA, (562) 861-0419.

## New Century Singers at OASIS Dec. 6

**DOWNEY**—The New Century Singers - Whittier will make a special appearance at the Downey Adult School Cafeterium Monday, Dec. 6 as the OASIS Program's main feature at 4 p.m. OASIS will also have its annual Holiday Craft Boutique, scheduled between 2 and 6 p.m. For information, call the Downey Adult School, at 940-6200.

## Messiah Lutheran to install assistant pastor

**DOWNEY**—Messiah Lutheran Church of Downey, 10711 Paramount Blvd., will ordain Ramon Contreras into the holy ministry and install him as Assistant Pastor in a special service of celebration tomorrow, Dec. 4 at 4 p.m. The Rev. Dr. Larry Stoterau, president of the Pacific Southwest District of the Luther Church-Missouri Synod, will administer ordination, and the Rev. Norm Stoppenhagen, senior pastor of Messiah, will install him in his new position.

Contreras was born in Mexico, the son of Ramon Contreras and Rosa Ayala. He has lived in Tijuana, Mexico, from 1996 to the present. He attended college and Baptist seminary in Mexico City from 1992-1996, obtaining his BA in theology. At the same time, he earned diplomas and specialties at the Instituto Internacional de Estudios Superiores in Mexico City. During this time he started two missions, one among the Mazahua Indians (1992-94) and another in Mexico City (1994-96). From 1996-2000 he worked for Lutheran Hour Ministries (Cristo Para Todas las Naciones) as a Media Coordinator and a Follow up Coordinator. At the same time he started a new mission in Tijuana, Mexico.

In the fall of 2000, Contreras enrolled at Concordia University, Irvine, in the Ethnic Pastor Certification Program. He graduated in the spring of 2004, obtaining his Master of Theology and Master of Theology and Culture degrees. In his training for the ministry while at Concordia, he was also assigned as a vicar at Cristo Rey-Trinity Lutheran of Santa Ana and then at Messiah Lutheran Church of Downey. In these two congregations he worked primarily among Hispanics in a bilingual-bicultural environment. Pastor Contreras will continue to work primarily with Hispanics at El Mesias while starting a new mission, La Palabra de Dios, in Maywood.

Pastor Stoppenhagen commented, "With the growing Hispanic population in Downey and the surrounding area, Pastor Ramon will fill a real need in carrying on a Spanish-speaking ministry while also assisting in the English ministry. He wants to create a ministry where families can grow in their faith in Jesus and love for each other. We are excited about having him as part of our staff."



**SEASON FOR GIVING**—Jeannie Wood of the Downey Chamber of Commerce Parade Committee, thanks Manager Bryan Gonzales of Casa De Gonzales, located at 5800 Firestone Blvd., South Gate. Casa De Gonzales is donating use of the convertibles in which the characters will ride in the Holiday Lane Parade on Downey Avenue, Sunday, Dec. 5, at 1:30 p.m.

## DJAA basketball sign-ups tomorrow

**DOWNEY** - The DJAA is hosting sign-ups at Apollo Park Dec. 4 for the 2005 basketball season. Children should be in the second through eighth grade and live in Downey. Call 861-3727 for information.

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## Living values

By John Adams

The margin of George W. Bush's victory in the recent presidential race has left many political buffs gasping and sputtering to find a reason why. One answer has been something called family values that the American voter often turns to when in doubt.

The theory says that if the voter is unsure he or she will select a choice that they feel safest with, rather than risk the unknown.

A column written seven years ago took a look at the so-called traditional values and sought evidence of their positive influence.

We quoted an article in the 1994 edition of the Old Farmer's Almanac. It addressed the singular ages attained by our colonial Founding Fathers.

The Almanac cited Dr. Kenneth Pelletier, an authority on longevity, who admitted that geneticists really have no explanation why the Founding Fathers lived so long.

In an age when medicine was near to butchery and life expectancy was an average of 35 years, our nation's first 10 presidents lived to an average of 77.4 years.

What made our Founding Fathers live so long? Among them, John Adams lived to be 90; James Madison 85, and Thomas Jefferson 83.

Remember, the average lifespan of their time was 35! In 1775 only 2 percent of the population was over 65!

How does one explain that of the 56 signers of the Declaration of Independence, three lived to be 90 or beyond (with Charles Carroll of Maryland topping the list at 95). Nine lived past the age of 80; eight surpassed 70; and 16 lived past 60.

Ben Franklin lived to 84, Paul Revere 83, Noah Webster 84, and John Jay 84.

They did not have particularly long-lived ancestors, and medicine was primitive for rich and poor alike, so money was not the key.

Perhaps a clue is one of the 13 virtues penned by Franklin when he was still in his 20s. His virtue No. 6 was Industry: "Lose no time. Be always gainfully employed. Work as if you were to live a hundred years," wrote Ben.

Franklin's reference is not the only one from the leaders of the revolution on the value of keeping busy. Many of them wrote something similar.

The founders had their hands full. They got themselves in terrible straits by defying King George and Mother England. The prospect of failure was grim, indeed. They organized and won a revolution to free the colonies. Then they had to work furiously to keep the structure of a fledgling America from falling apart. No matter what their tempers, hot or calm, they had to work and plan furiously just to survive. They were all kinds: some drank (but only moderately), some smoked (in moderation), some accrued wealth, some lost their wealth, some exercised, other didn't, but they all kept busy, and almost all outlived the people around them.

They worked at living and it kept them alive.

Perhaps this is too simple, but it may have much to say about why we fall back on simple things we are comfortable with when in doubt and forced to make a major and complicated decision. Particularly when time seems to have proven it works.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR:

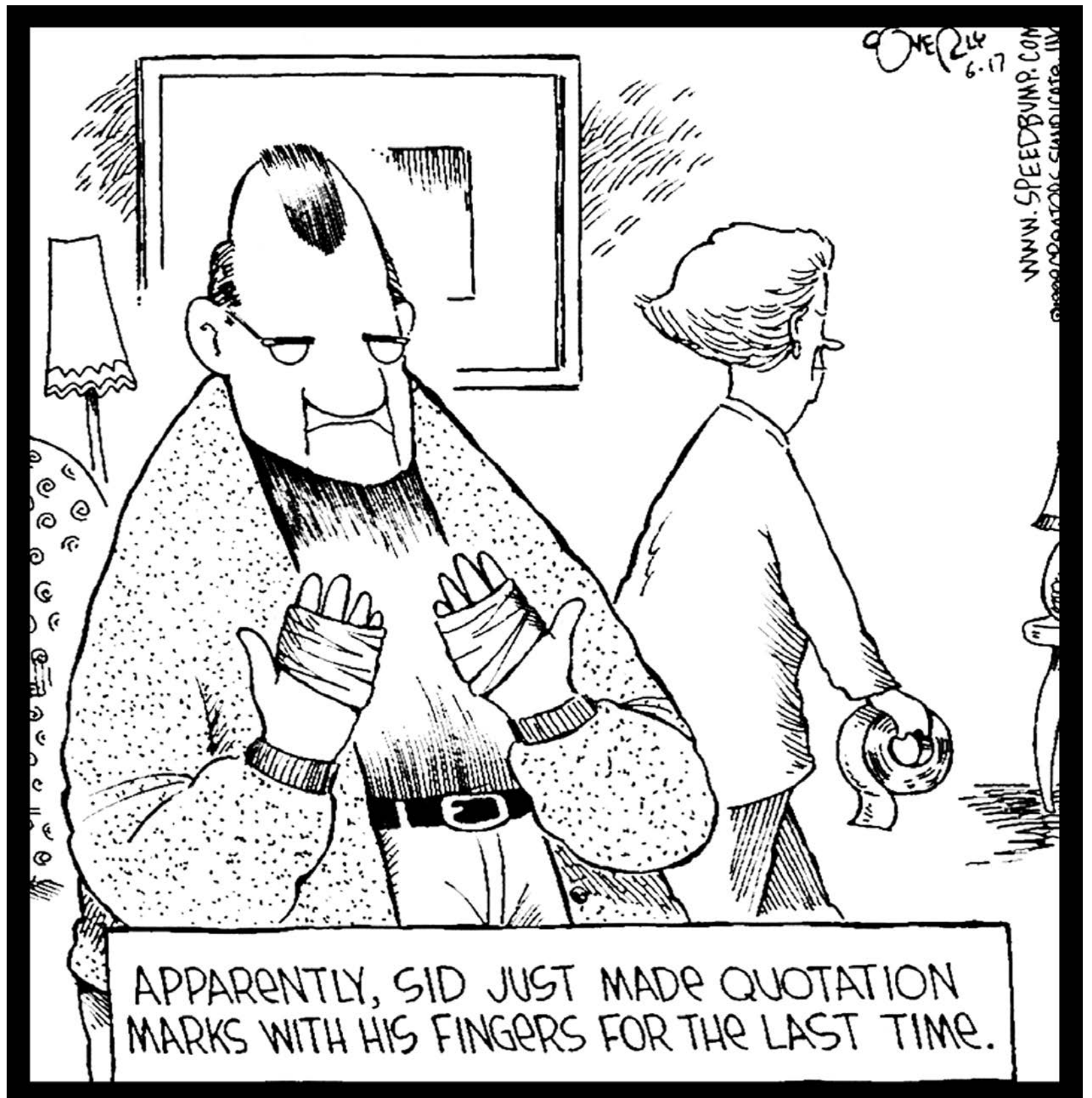
### Reopen Rancho School

Dear Editor:

The Rancho School should never have been closed because they were helping many children who were late talkers to be able to talk. It was an excellent program with a long waiting list of children wanting to get in. It was a crime for them to close Rancho School when so many children were being helped.

My great grandson was 3 and wasn't talking. He went to Rancho for 2 years and he is now talking. If you want to help children, Rancho School for late talkers should still be open. Please correct this crime and reopen the Rancho School. Thank you.

—Elaine Hein,  
Bellflower



## Congresswoman secures funds for local projects

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Congresswoman Lucille Roybal-Allard (CA-34) announced the final passage in the U.S. House of Representatives of a spending measure that includes millions of dollars in federal funds for major programs and projects that she championed throughout the year for her district, which includes Downey.

"The process is always extremely competitive," said Roybal-Allard, who sits on the Appropriations Committee. "But in the final analysis, I'm thrilled that my colleagues on the Appropriations Committee and in Congress saw the tremendous value of these important community projects and supported my efforts during a particularly difficult budget year."

The Fiscal Year 2005 Omnibus Appropriations measure (HR 4818, which passed Nov. 20 by a 344 to 51 vote, includes critical funding for a wide variety of community projects, including: an arts promotion program that will reach 13 Los Angeles communities; job training; gang prevention; after-school programs for at-risk students; the expansion of pre-school services; a study to find ways to address storm water pollution in the L.A. River; and construction projects to expand medical services to area residents.

Money is also budgeted for bus modernization and a wheelchair-accessible van for seniors and people with disabilities.

At the request of Roybal-Allard, the following local projects received funding under the measure:

### Transportation

\*\$59.5 million to begin construction on the Metro Gold Line Eastside Extension which will bring transportation to the communities of Boyle Heights, East L.A., Little Tokyo, the Arts District, and downtown Los Angeles.

\*\$1.98 million for the Los Angeles Metropolitan Transportation Authority to continue the modernization of the MTA bus fleet, which serves riders throughout Los Angeles County.

\*\$198,000 to repair and restore the historic Angel's Flight rail system on Bunker Hill in downtown Los Angeles.

\*\$198,000 to extend Second Street from Grand Avenue to Olive Street in downtown Los Angeles.

\*\$119,000 to purchase a wheelchair-accessible van for the City of Bellflower's dial-a-ride program.

\*\$992,000 for a communication system at Los Angeles Union Station for the Metrolink commuter rail system.

\*\$669,000 to complete the final federal installment on the Metro Redline Subway project.

### Infrastructure

\*\$311.4 million for the construction of the federal courthouse planned for the Central District of California in Los Angeles.

\*\$248,000 for a study to find ways to address the problem of storm water pollution in the L.A. River through several Southeast cities, including Downey, Bellflower, Bell, Bell Gardens, Commerce and Vernon.

\*\$124,000 for restoration of a historic mural in the El Pueblo de Los Angeles Historic Park (Olvera Street).

\*\$124,000 for the East Los Angeles Community Corporation for the renovation of an office to promote homeownership among communities where few families own their own homes.

\*\$22.8 million to continue the main channel deepening project by the Corps of Engineers at the Port of Los Angeles to accommodate the 'next generation of container ships.'

\*\$2.98 million for the Harbor Southbay recycled water project, which provides water to Los Angeles area businesses.

\*\$4.46 million for the San Gabriel Basin Restoration Fund, to clean up contamination out of the San Gabriel and Central Basin water supplies.

### Health

\*\$1.49 million for White Memorial Medical Center in Boyle Heights to expand its neonatal intensive care, emergency care, and cardiac care units.

\*\$1.36 million for California Hospital Medical Center in downtown Los Angeles for the construction of a women's health pavilion.

\*\$396,000 for the Los Angeles County Roybal Comprehensive Center in East Los Angeles to improve and increase outreach for its dental and diabetes programs.

\*\$198,000 for Chinatown Service Center to provide dental services to the community.

\*\$99,000 for Familia Unida Living With Multiple Sclerosis to improve support services to families affected by multiple sclerosis and other debilitating diseases.

\*\$2.48 million to Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) to continue Spanish language public service announcements to prevent underage drinking in the Latino community.

### Education

\*\$297,000 for Jovenes, Inc. in Boyle Heights to acquire new computers and update existing technology. This agency provides after-school services to at-risk and homeless youth from the Boyle Heights, East Los Angeles and downtown areas.

\*\$198,000 for Girls Today, Women Tomorrow in Boyle Heights for an after-school program for young women.

\*\$148,000 for the Zero to 5 Foundation to expand its early education program for pre-schoolers in Boyle Heights.

\*\$148,000 for the El Proyecto Pastoral for construction of a pre-school center that will service low income families in Boyle Heights.

\*\$148,000 for the Community Arts Institute (Cal Arts) for the development of an arts initiative used in 13 Los Angeles communities.

\*\$74,000 for the Lucille Beserra Roybal Youth & Family Center in Boyle Heights for new computers to support its education, health and nutrition services to the community.

\*\$119,000 for The Joy2Learn Foundation to create and provide art content and curriculum for use in the Los Angeles area schools.

\*\$74,000 for the Search to Involve Pilipino Americans (SIPA) in Filipinotown for computers for their after-school literacy and tutoring programs.

\*\$34,000 to the City of Bell Gardens for computers for their program that serves low-income youth.

\*\$99,000 for the Go For Broke Educational Foundation to develop curriculum about veterans, especially the 442nd Regimental Combat Team, that is used in Los Angeles schools.

### Juvenile

\*\$694,000 for Los Angeles's CLEAR program (Community Law Enforcement and Recovery), a multi-jurisdictional program to combat gangs and violence.

\*\$496,000 for L.A. Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) to recruit, train and supervise volunteers and to hire bilingual staff to serve the foster care population.

### Job training

\*\$396,000 for Aztec Fire Crew in Boyle Heights to train teenagers for jobs in fire departments and as emergency medical technicians (EMT's).

\*\$49,000 for Fashion Business, Inc. in downtown Los Angeles to provide classes for workers and small business owners in order to create and retain jobs in the fashion industry.

## Food court at Stonewood almost ready

**DOWNEY** — The food court at Stonewood Center remains open for business as it undergoes extensive remodeling that should be completed soon. When finished, expanded seating, new furniture and a children's seating area will adorn the new court.

Meanwhile, Hot Topic, The Children's Place, Finish Line and other new stores are open for holiday shopping. For more information, call 904-1832.

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## YOUTH CONCERTS

there playing. Tom identified sections of the orchestra, and musicians lifted their instruments high for kids to see, or made funny sounds through mouthpieces (giggles). The tympanist demonstrated mallets by banging them against his forehead (crowd-pleaser), and Mark Artusio, at the edge of the stage, hoisted his huge string bass way off the floor.

### A great day

Osborn said later, "It's always exciting to do this concert for the kids. It makes a great day for us."

Even as the youngsters had formed long orderly lines before filing into the auditorium, affection for them was apparent from their teachers and 11 coordinating shepherds provided by Downey Unified. With clear, simple instructions and purposeful stride, they led their charges unerringly down the correct aisle or up the correct stairway, and when there was a moment to pause, they clustered briefly and said among themselves, "These kids are just so cute...."

### Leslie Jones

Here inside the auditorium, helping direct traffic into Lewis School's designated rows was Leslie Jones, principal at Lewis until this fall, and now assigned to the District Offices. "Thrilled to see her students again." Each child received personal recognition from Jones, and a warm hug.

Denise Takano roamed the patio area, the lobby, the aisles. As newly-appointed Director of Elementary Education at the District, this is one of her babies, but she easily credits her experienced Coordinator, Ana Thorne, for mapping out the marvelous logistics. "Ana is highly organized, so this goes like clockwork," Takano said, with obvious admiration.

### Choreography

"This" is what Symphony Board member Harold Tseklenis calls The Choreography, an exemplary organization of school schedules, teachers, kids, parents, classroom preparation, theater and district staff, bus drivers, and an entire symphony orchestra, resulting in 632 kids arriving on time, filling their rows on time, hearing a great concert, filing out on time as the next batch, 656 kids, begins to spill out of their buses and file into the theater on time for the orchestra's second performance, and then out they go to make room for the third big group just arriving. No lines ever snag, no one is ever late, no one is ever lost, no one lacks a seat.

And of course the roots of all this reach much farther back than this particular morning in this particular year. It is an expensive endeavor, and someone has to care a great deal about offering a cultural advantage to these children, and then go to work to rustle up funding.

Enter the Downey Symphony Society, whose hard work over the years makes possible the Music in the Schools Program. Enter the Downey Savings and Loan Foundation, whose gorgeous gift of \$17,000 once again had underwritten these third-grade concerts. Applause for a diligent, inspired Music Director and Conductor, Tom Osborn.

During one of the performances, Francisco Flores from Gauldin School watched and listened carefully, his fingers conducting each note or silently imitating an instrument's passage. A couple of adults sat behind him in the last row, watching the sea of youthful bobbing heads and waving arms. With eyes sparkling like any eight-year-old's, Art Morris, Director Emeritus of Downey Savings, leaned over toward Larry Lewis, Symphony society President, and said, "These children are so enthusiastic! I hope that we can support this again for many years!"

Their conversation continued in the lobby until the Theater's Mark Keller gently shifted them to a safer spot. "We're going to start loading up the rows again!" he explained, as another long line of shining-faced students advanced.

### After the concert...

After the concert, as Lewis School hurried to its waiting buses, one girl caught the eye of a Symphonic Society visitor. No time for conversation, but "Thank you," she called, and that meant a million.

Larry Lewis summed it up: "It's a wonderful day for the children." And for everyone else involved in this morning of warm affection.

## MUSIC

For tickets and information call David Niemeyer, Band Director, at 869-7306 ext. 5616.

The Marching Band has overcome obstacles this year. The band and color guard have used West Middle School as a practice field while work on its own field is completed. The area of West includes a black top area that doubles as basketball courts for the physical education program.

Despite this the Warren Band has brought home numerous trophies from six tournaments including first places at the Savannah Field Show Nov. 20 at Glover Stadium in Anaheim, ensuring that the band qualifies for competition in the Championships Dec. 4 in Long Beach. (See the band website at [www.warrenband.org](http://www.warrenband.org).)

### Christmas tree lot

The Warren Jazz Band will help entertain Christmas tree shoppers Saturday, Dec. 11 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and Friday Dec. 17 from 6 to 8 p.m. at the YMCA Christmas tree lot on Firestone. Stop by and enjoy some fine music.



**DR. MARY STAUFFER** – CEO of the Mary R. Stauffer Foundation, and **Irma Salgado**, Vice-President/Manager of Washington Mutual Bank, pose at a recent scholarship awards ceremony. In the back row are **Cesar Macedo**, Washington Mutual financial consultant, and **Warren High School** volunteers.

## Middle schoolers get college scholarships

**DOWNEY**—On Nov. 16 and 17 at the Barbara J. Riley Community Center, 101 high-achieving DUSD middle school students received a total of \$14,500 from Dr. Mary Stauffer, worth \$500 each to 11 recipients and \$100 each to 90 students, to start or to add to their 529 Plan College Scholarship Fund.

The scholarship program is one of the many ways in which Dr. Stauffer, through the Mary R. Stauffer Foundation, continues to support the Downey Unified School District and the students. Dr. Stauffer offered this bit of wisdom to the attentive students: "Education is the best investment that you could ever make."

Speakers Dr. Wendy Doty, DUSD Superintendent, and Denise Takano, Director of Elementary Education, stressed in their remarks the importance of attending college.

The bright students earned straight A's on their report cards for both 2003/2004 school year semesters. Actually, a total of 245 students qualified to apply for the scholarship but only 145 submitted applications. The \$500 winners were also presented with a perpetual plaque for their school, with their name engraved on the plaque.

Washington Mutual representatives Irma Salgado and Cesar Macedo attended the award ceremonies both days, through arrangements made by Dr. Stauffer. The two offered their services and set up future seminars to educate the parents on the financial institution's different savings plans available.

Many students from the Warren High ASB assisted with the event. Coordinating the entire process and event for the students, schools, and Dr. Stauffer was Ana Thorne, Senior Secretary.

## Custom car show and toy drive tomorrow

**DOWNEY** – The 19th Annual Custom Car Show & Toy Drive is scheduled for tomorrow, Dec. 4, in the Warren High School parking lot from 1 to 4 p.m. The event is free, but visitors are encouraged to bring a toy for distribution to underprivileged kids.

To display your own custom car, just show up with one new unwrapped toy. No pre-registration is required and plaques will be given in several categories to the top show cars.

Raffles, a 50-50 drawing and live Doo Wop music by the singing group, Kulayd, will also be featured. Country Butcher will provide food and beverages.

For more information, call Kathy Simmons at 904-7103.

## DNC Christmas luncheon Dec. 13

**DOWNEY**—The Downey Newcomers Club has scheduled their Christmas Party luncheon for Monday, Dec. 13 at Los Amigos Country Club. The installation of incoming club officers at 11 a.m. precedes the luncheon, which will have all the trimmings including a special "Belated Birthday" cake for the club's anniversary last month.

Santa Claus will pay a visit at 12:30 p.m., and there will be playing and singing of Christmas carols as well as photo sessions with Santa.

Call Paula Lou Roberts, 1st Vice President, for reservations, at 861-2545. Tickets are \$10.

## The poets' corner

### Red Maple

A maple casts its flaming leaves to earth  
They flame despite the bonfire and the rake  
They flame in face of death for beauty's sake  
They burn and glitter and of death they make  
Flamboyant scenes excelling their green birth  
A pageantry that fills the streets with mirth  
Upon the trees, of leaves there is a dearth  
But not in yard, or street, or path, or lake.

My life has passed the summer and the spring  
It stands as does the maple turned to red  
My leaves are turning, not yet loose or shed  
And still I lift my voice and try to sing  
Despite the threat of winter and the dread  
That leaves grow brilliant, fall, and soon are dead.

—Audrey J. Stafford,  
Downey

## Downey Library offers Internet class

**DOWNEY**—The Downey City Library at 11121 Brookshire Ave. will offer a Beginning Internet class Saturday, Dec. 11 from 10:30 a.m.- 12 noon in the Computer Lab, aimed at enabling adults to learn to surf the Internet and gain valuable computer skills in a relaxed setting.

Students must be comfortable using a computer mouse. This free class will teach students the basics of using the Internet Explorer browser and how to use search engines and subject directories. Information: (562) 904-7360, ext. 32.

## Free stroke screening Dec. 7

**DOWNEY** – Are you at risk for a stroke? Find out at Golden Outlook's free stroke screening Tuesday, Dec. 7 at Pioneer Medical Group. Painless, non-invasive ultrasounds of the carotid arteries will be given from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Visitors are encouraged to bring a friend. Pioneer Medical Group is at 10251 Artesia Blvd. in Bellflower. Call 904-6014 for more information.

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In addition, investment earnings generated by the account receive favorable tax treatment. For instance, the first \$800 of earnings is tax free each year. If the child is under 14, earnings in excess of \$800 but not above \$1,600 are taxed at the child's rate. If earnings exceed \$1,600 for children under 14, the income is taxed at either the parents' rate or the child's rate - whichever is higher. If the child is older than 14, all income is taxed at his or her own, presumably lower, rate.

It's worth noting that the assets in an UGMA/UTMA account belong to the minor. When the child reaches legal adulthood at ages 18 or 21 depending on the state, he or she is free to spend the money with no restrictions.

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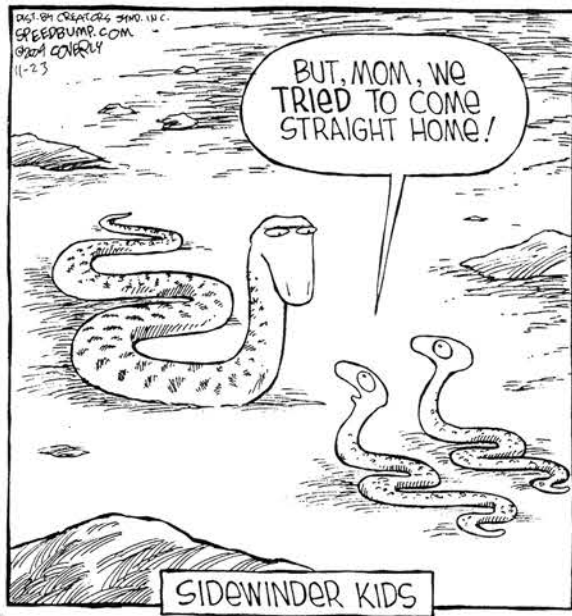
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# Downey Community Calendar

### Events For December

Sat. Dec. 4, 10:00 a.m.: **Custom Car Show and Toy Drive** at Warren High School parking lot, 8141 De Palma St. Free, but bring a toy for City of Downey's toy drive for disadvantaged kids. For information call 904-7103.

Sun. Dec. 5, 1:30 p.m.: **Annual Holiday Lane Parade** on Downey Avenue sponsored by the Downey Chamber of Commerce. - Bands, equestrian units, clowns, floats, and more. For information call 923-2191.

### 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

6:30 p.m.: **Metropolitan Masonic Lodge #352 dinner**, mtg., for information call 426-6786.

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 Sambi'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.

#### Fridays

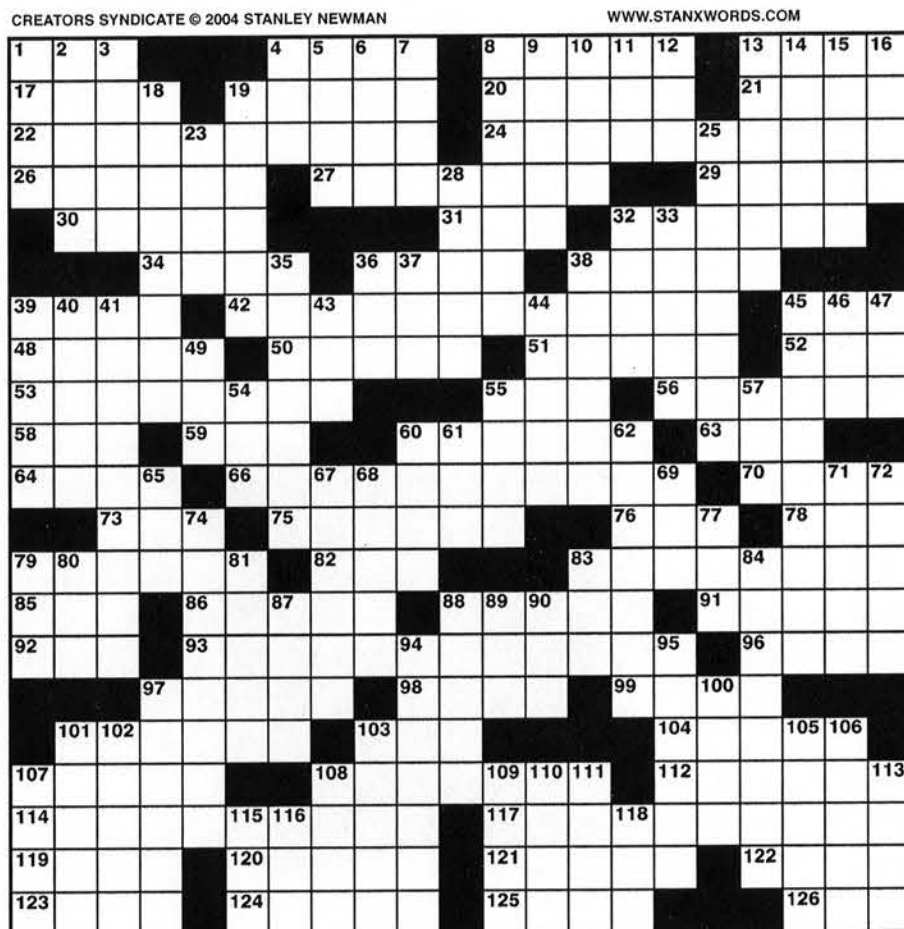
7:30 a.m.: **Pro Networkers**, at Mimi's Cafe, for information call Barbara Briley Beard at 869-7618.

10 a.m.: **Compulsive Eaters Anonymous H.O.W.**, at 1st Christian Church. Call 884-5799.

## THE NEWSDAY CROSSWORD

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- 68 Loud, like the surf
- 69 "Get it?"
- 71 Turn away
- 72 Desert refuges
- 74 Easily broken
- 77 Century fractions: Abbr.
- 79 Make a hem
- 80 An ex of Frank
- 81 Cuts into cubes
- 83 Rock producer Brian
- 84 Work together
- 87 Let off steam
- 88 House coat
- 89 Little devil
- 90 Rm. coolers
- 94 Passed by
- 95 Pitch a tent
- 97 "Monkey Trial" defendant
- 100 Mideast port
- 101 Star Trek lieutenant
- 102 Sits for a photo
- 103 Homer's Mrs.
- 105 Philanthropist Yale
- 106 Go-aheads
- 107 Retired speedsters
- 108 Convy or Lahr
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- 111 Art patron Sir Henry
- 113 20s providers
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- 116 Karate skill level
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In NASA slang, EVA (85 Across) is short for "extravehicular activity." The reference at 6 Down is to Al Pacino's role as Roy Cohn in the 2003 HBO miniseries "Angels in America." In golf, "mashie" and "niblick" (33 Down) are terms for the five iron and nine iron, respectively.





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**HOLIDAY PERFORMANCES** – Under the direction of Paula Vreulink, Southern California Dance Theatre will celebrate their 10th anniversary of 'The Nutcracker' at the Downey Theatre Dec. 10-11 and Dec. 17-18. Tickets are \$14.50, \$17.50 and \$19.50. For ticket reservations, call 496-1766.

## Orange County Fair December events

**COSTA MESA** – The Orange County Fair & Exposition Center, which provides educational, entertainment and recreational opportunities for the general public, has released its tentative schedule of events for December.

Dec. 1-19: **Magic Tree Lot** 8 a.m. – 10 p.m. Trees and related Christmas items for sale.

4-5: **Maine Attraction Cat Show** Saturday, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m., Sunday 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. Building #14. Admission: adults \$7; seniors (65+) and children 6-12 \$5; children under six free. (858) 455-9390.

5: **B.X.I. Orange County Holiday Barter Fair** Sunday, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. Admission: \$10 (members only). (714) 847-5477.

10-12: **Gem, Jewelry and Bead Show** Friday, noon – 7 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m. – 7 p.m.; Sunday, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. Building #12. Admission: Adults \$5, children under 12 free. (503) 252-8300.

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12: **Camera Expo** Sunday, 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. Building #17. Admission: Adults \$6, seniors (55+) and students (college/trade school) \$5, children 18 and under free. (925) 253-0466.

### Weekly Events

**Orange County Marketplace** Saturdays and Sunday, 7 a.m. – 4 p.m. Closed Saturday, Dec. 25, open Sunday, Dec. 26. Main Lot. Admission: Adults \$2, children under 12 free. [www.ocmarketplace.com](http://www.ocmarketplace.com).

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**DOWNEY** – Downey Civic Light Opera Executive Producer Marsha Moode has announced that the next DCLO production will be “Bye Bye Birdie,” which will play at the Downey Theater from Feb. 17 through March 6.

“Bye Bye Birdie,” with music from Charles Strouse and lyrics by Lee Adams, with book by Michael Stewart, is a tuneful evocation of the 1950s in America, when most of the nation watched the Ed Sullivan television show Sunday nights, a well-publicized kiss between a rock ‘n’ roll star and a teenage girl could become a must-see event, and the Generation Gap became an institutional headache for parents and teens alike.

The show opened on Broadway in April of 1960 and starred Chita Rivera and Dick Van Dyke, directed by Gower Champion. The DCLO staged it in 1986.

### Civic chorus presents winter concert

**BELLFLOWER**—The Bellflower Civic Chorus will present their annual winter concert, “A Christmas Fantasy,” Sat.-Sun., Dec. 11-12 at the William Bristol Civic Auditorium, 16660 Civic Center Drive in.

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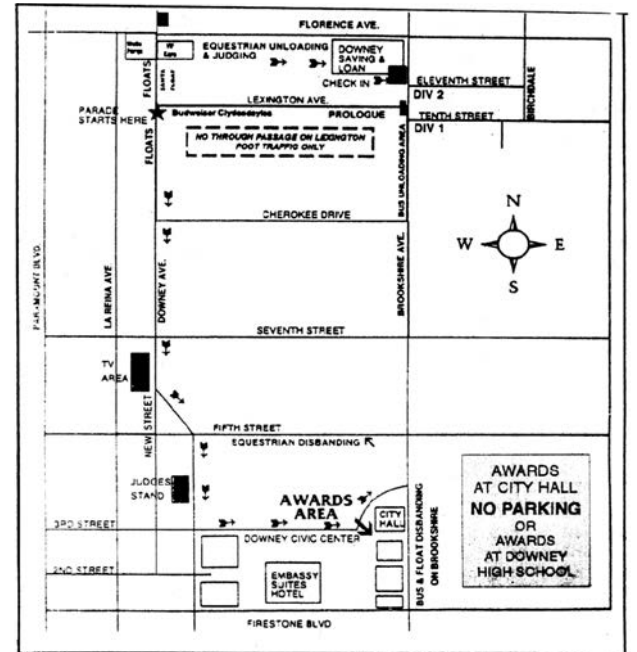
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 (Armed)  
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**JOSEPHINE BUENO**—Will be remembered at a viewing today at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church from 6-8 p.m. Bueno passed away Nov. 28.

## Viewing today for Josephine Bueno

**DOWNEY**—Josephine Bueno, who was born Feb. 25, 1940, died of cancer on Nov. 28.

Viewing is today, Dec. 3 from 6-8 p.m. at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church.

She is survived by her husband, Julian; her daughters Denise, Sandra and Cathy; son Julian Jr.; and 10 grandchildren.

She was predeceased by her daughter, Cynthia.

## Ethel R. Chesnut, 91, was longtime resident

**DOWNEY**—Funeral services were held on Nov. 6 at the First Baptist Church of Downey for Ethel R. Chesnut, aunt of Donald, David and Dr. Dan Fox. A resident of Downey for more than 60 years, she died at home on Oct. 28 after a short illness. She was 91.

Born Ethel Ruth Dillon in Cedaredge, Colorado, she was the wife of Alvan Joseph Chesnut, who predeceased her in 2001. She was involved as a Cub Scout den mother and was an active member of the First Baptist Church of Downey.

She is survived by sons Russell C. Chesnut of Westminster, Colorado and Richard J. Chesnut of Lake Peekskill, NY; 4 grandchildren; and 2 great grandchildren, as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

She was interred at Rose Hills Memorial Park.

## Funeral mass held for Regis A. Frauenheim

**DOWNEY**—Longtime Downey resident Regis A. Frauenheim, who was born in Pennsylvania Feb. 26, 1915 to parents Joseph and Mary Frauenheim, died on Nov. 20 at the age of 89.

A funeral mass was held in his honor Nov. 30 at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church.

He served in the U.S. Army in WWII and retired as an administrator in the U.S. Air Force. A devout Catholic, he was a longtime member of the Downey Knights of Columbus, Council #3697.

He is survived by his brother Kemer, and many nieces and nephews. He also leaves many friends who are saddened by his passing.

Interment was at Holy Cross Cemetery in Culver City. Entrusted with directing services was the Downey Zrelak Family Mortuary.

## Raymond Ireland, Jr. remembered at service

**DOWNEY**—A funeral service officiated by Pastor David Smith was held Nov. 23 at Downey First Christian Church for Raymond Everett Ireland, Jr., who was 41 and lived in Downey all his life. He was born Aug. 30, 1963 and died on Nov. 18 in Lynwood.

Nicknamed Butch, he was employed by Downey Masonic Lodge for 20 years. He was a member of Downey First Christian Church.

He is survived by his parents Ardele and Ray Ireland; brother David Ireland; sister Lori Clemmer; sister-in-law Kimberly Ireland; nieces Brianna Clemmer and Alyssa Ireland; nephews Steven, Matthew and Hayden Ireland; and other family members, Shirley Haworth, Arnita and Robert Mitchell, Kevin Mitchell, Jessica Weis, and Pat and Bette Ireland.

Interment was at Downey District Cemetery, with arrangements being handled by Miller-Mies Mortuary.



**ARMAND T. CAMILLO**—Services are scheduled for 10 a.m. tomorrow, Dec. 4 at the First Baptist Church of Downey. Camillo, who was born in Trevizo, Italy died on Nov. 30.

## Service tomorrow for Armand T. Camillo

**DOWNEY**—A memorial service will be held at 9 a.m. tomorrow, Dec. 4 at the First Baptist Church of Downey for Armand T. Camillo, who was born Nov. 3, 1920 in Trevizo, Italy and died on Nov. 30. A graveside service at Rose Hills Cemetery follows.

He is survived by his wife Olivia; his brother Tullio Camillo; and his sisters Clair Crosby and Velia Piers.

In lieu of flowers, it was requested that contributions be sent to the First Baptist Church of Downey Army Camillo Memorial Fund.

## Mass today for Terri Hanson Birkner

**DOWNEY**—A memorial mass will be held at 11 a.m. today, Dec. 3 at Our Lady of Perpetual Help of Downey for Terri Hanson Birkner, who was born in Downey and received her education in the Downey school system. She was an active member of the Vikettes and Drill Team while attending Downey High School.

She died in San Dimas on Nov. 13, leaving behind her husband, Mark Birkner, whom she married on July 10, 1976 also here in Downey; their daughter Stefanie; her mother Lee Hanson of Downey; her sister Cheryl Gillaspay of San Diego; and her brother Dennis Hanson of Downey. Also saddened by their sudden loss are members of her extended family and close friends.

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## Douglas Samuel Young, 80, was Arkansas native

**DOWNEY**—Services officiated by Pastor Charles Hausser were held on Dec. 1 at First Southern Baptist Church of Downey for Douglas Samuel Young, who was born March 17, 1924 in Wesley, Arkansas and died of a stroke at Southland Care Center on Nov. 27. He was 80 and lived in Downey for 52 years.

A retiree from Baker Oil tools, he was a WWII veteran, serving in the U.S. Marine Corps. He was also a Church Deacon.

He is survived by his wife, Bonnie; sons Douglas L. (Janell) and William E. (Linda) Young; grandchildren Bradley, Brent (Adriana), Bonnie (Donny) and Douglas; great grandchild Conner; and many nieces and nephews.

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It is a retelling in musical terms of the story of the first Christmas as it may occur in the Los Angeles area. It includes original drama, dances and special effects, with a setting that evokes many of the cities in Southern California. It features a cast of over 100 voices, dancers and musicians.

Doors open 60 minutes prior to each performance for pre-show, including Christmas karaoke and other interactive events.

Complimentary tickets can be ordered by calling 923-1261, Ext. 276 or by e-mail, info@fbcdowney.org.

### Early softball registration this weekend

**DOWNEY** — Downey Ponytail Softball will hold early registration this weekend, Dec. 4-5, at Rio San Gabriel Park. The league is open to all girls ages 5-18 (as of Jan. 1, 2005) and all players are guaranteed to play at least every other inning.

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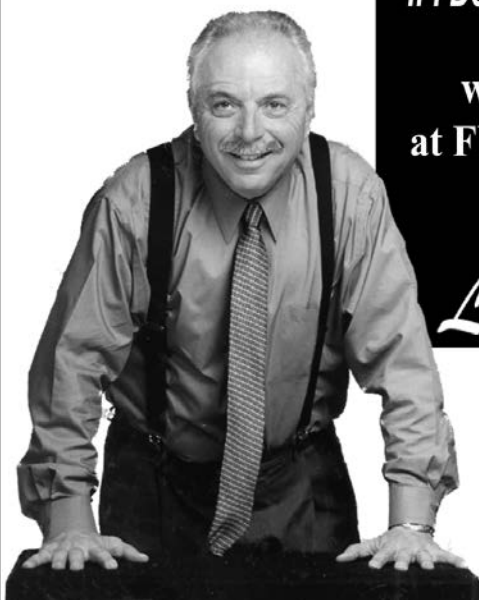
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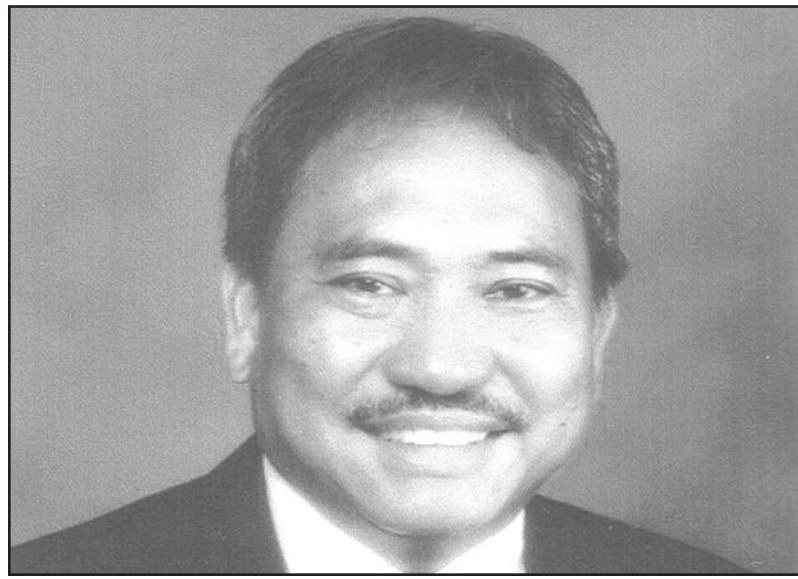
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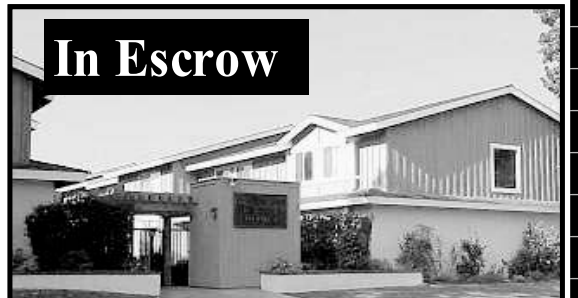
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**Situated where The Action is at!** 10518 Tumbleweed is suburban living at it's finest. This contemporary 4 bedroom 3 bath 2 story home in is located in the fast growing Inland Empire city of Bloomington. This home features a large Master Suite, open spacious kitchen all on a generous lot. Offered at \$339,000.

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**Looking for Action in Bellflower?** 9332 Greenwell is the perfect opportunity. This 3 bedroom 2 bath home is situated on a cul-de-sac in nearby Bellflower. Remodeled kitchen and oversized family room with a fireplace are the hallmarks of this home. For more information on this property or any other please call Carlos Rios at 562-659-5890, your Action Realty Specialist!

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**A beautiful townhouse in a desirable location!!!** No time like the present to take Action on this sneak preview. This spacious 3 bedroom 2 bath townhouse is centrally located in Van Nuys. Soon to be ready for move in. For more information regarding this property or any other please call Guillermina Valdez at 562-572-1045, your Action Realty Specialist!

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**Action is on the move!** Centrally located in the city of Baldwin Park, this beautiful home is move-in ready. With 2 large bedrooms and 2.5 baths, new ceramic tile flooring, carpeting and interior paint, this house is ready to go. Offered at \$320,000. For more information regarding this property or any other please call Adriana Ramirez at 323-712-1773 your Action Realty Specialist.

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**On the look out for North East Downey?** Action always is! A gem in the rough, this 3 bedroom 2 bath fixer is awaiting it's new life on Charloma Drive. This sneak preview

is brought to you by Action Realty & Investments to be offered at \$1,000,000. For more information regarding this property or any other please call Carlos Rios at 562-659-5890 your Action Realty Specialist.

**Cute cottage with curb appeal demands Action!** This smart 2 bedrooms 1 bath home is a perfect starter home in a quiet part of South Gate. Don't let this winner

get away! Offered at a value range price of \$319,900-329,900. For more information regarding this property or any other, please call Marie Perez at 562-659-5892, your Action Realty Specialist or visit her on the web at [WWW.REALESTATEBYMARIE.COM](http://WWW.REALESTATEBYMARIE.COM).

## Action is into Land!

**Exclusive Action in Pico Rivera!** Fantastic Remodel in a great area of Pico Rivera, adjacent to Santa Fe Springs and Downey. This light and airy 3 bedroom

2 bath home also has a detached bonus room that may be used as a guest house. For more information regarding this property or any other, please call Marie Perez at 562-659-5893, your Action Realty Specialist or visit her on the web at [WWW.REALESTATEBYMARIE.COM](http://WWW.REALESTATEBYMARIE.COM).

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**FANTASTIC BUY!**  
 Fully remodeled 3 bedroom, 2 bathroom Downey home features polished hardwood floors, fireplace in living room, new paint inside and outside with a two car garage. Too many amenities to list.  
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**DON'T MISS THIS ONE!!**  
 A great house with a great price. This 3 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath home has a large remodeled kitchen. Located in a quiet Downey neighborhood! Close to Schools.  
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**PROBATE SALE**  
 2 Bedroom, 1 Bath home in Lynwood with large living room and a nice backyard. The house is 928 sq. ft. on a 5,805 sq. ft. lot. Priced to Sell @ \$280,000.  
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**HOME SWEET HOME!**  
 Charming 3 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath home that features hardwood floors and a patio w/ Jacuzzi. 1415 sq. ft. of living space on a 6060 sq. ft. lot.  
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**GREAT BUY!!**  
 Great 3 bedroom, 1 1/4 bath home with 1,936 sq. ft. of living space on a 6,300 sq. ft. lot. Recently remodeled with a newer roof and a 2 car detached garage.  
 Please call Trina Halcomb @ 310-779-6771



**KEY TO HAPPINESS!**  
 Spacious 5 bedroom, 3 bathroom home is 1,795 sq. ft. of living space with a fireplace and a 2 car detached garage. Located in a nice area of Santa Fe Springs. Excellent for a large family!  
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**JUST LISTED!**  
 Charming 3 bedroom, 1 1/4 bath home in desirable area of Downey. 1,656 sq. ft. of living area with breezeway attached to 4 car tandem garage. 8,400 sq. ft. corner lot. Walk to schools and shopping.  
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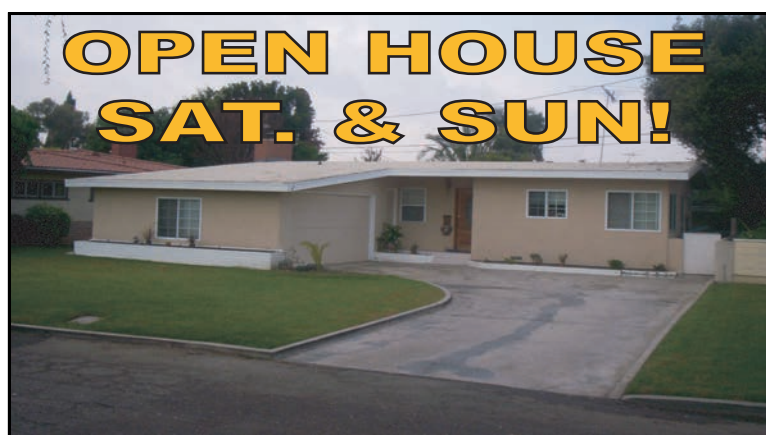
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 This Northeast Downey Estate is 5,559 sq. ft. and sits on a 21,380 sq. ft. lot. Remodeled kitchen opens up to family room. 3 bedrooms including a master bedroom w/sauna room. His/her walk-in closets, large bedroom w/a retreat, & master bathroom w/a large Jacuzzi. Too much to list. Listed at \$1.5 million!  
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 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath townhome built in 2000. Bright kitchen and large dining area leads into spacious livingroom. Features master bedroom with private bathroom, central air & heat, marble flooring and tile countertops and balcony upstairs. All this in a quite, gated community. Priced at \$389,000.  
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 One 2 bedroom, 2 bath home on a 9,460 sq. ft. lot. Property is zoned R-2 & a 2nd house may be added on. This one won't last! Price \$450,000.  
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