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**A LOT OF 'NUNSENSE'**—The award-winning musical plays this weekend and next at the Downey Theater.

## 'Nunsense' generating big laughs at Downey Theater

**DOWNEY** – Marsha Moode, executive director of the Downey Civic Light Opera, reminds the community that "Nunsense" continues this weekend at the Downey Theater.

Moode directs and Emmy-nominee Miriam Nelson choreographs with Steven Dahlke as musical conductor.

This award-winning musical features the "Little Sisters of Hoboken" putting on a benefit talent show. The cast includes DCLO veterans Brenda Cox, Robin La Valley, Milinda Meehan, Erin Rettino and Joan Perkins.

For tickets and information, call 923-1714. The box office is open Tuesday – Friday, 1-5 p.m., Saturday at 7 p.m. and Sunday at 1:30 p.m. "Nunsense" plays for the final time next weekend, March 10-12.



## A little change goes far in battle against cancer

By Luis Mendez and Abigail Hocking,  
Downey High School students

**DOWNEY** – What event could silence a crowd of 1,200 high school students? At Downey High School's recent Pennies for Patients assembly, a 10-year-old girl named Cookie Sheehy kept the audience spellbound as she spoke about her fight against cancer. She has beaten the cancer twice already, and is now battling leukemia for the third, and hopefully last, time.

Her incredible story inspired Downey High students to support the "Pennies for Patients" campaign again this year, hoping to raise as much money as possible to help this noteworthy cause.

Over seven years Downey High School has donated over \$85,000 to the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society to help unfortunate patients like Cookie. More than 17,000 schools nationwide have participated in this fundraising event. Last year alone, Downey High School raised \$15,375.13 and finished fourth in the nation. The money raised by the student body and the community will provide for research and treatment, and will help reach the ultimate goal of finding a cure for Leukemia and other blood related cancers.

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## Downey girls fall in second round

*Attias resigns as coach*

By Scott Cobos

**DOWNEY** – Downey Vikings Girls' Soccer failed to defend their home field in the second round of the CIF Southern Section playoffs against North Torrance High School losing 5-2 Feb. 22.

It was Downey Coach Julie Attias' last game, who resigned citing family reasons.

The Lady Vikings held a 2-0 advantage going into halftime but fell apart in the second half allowing a flurry of goals within a 13-minute span. "They just passed the ball better than us," said senior sweeper Jennifer Powell. "They caught us flat-footed in the second half."

During the 13-minute span, North Torrance scored three goals, putting them up 3-2. This gave them momentum going into the final minutes of the match.

"We were down emotionally after they scored the three goals," said sophomore Kathy Orellana. "We thought the game was over."

Downey came out of halftime lethargic. The Vikings had a 15-minute team collapse where they weren't aggressive enough to keep up with

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**'WOMAN OF THE YEAR'**—Dr. Wendy L. Doty, Downey Unified School District Superintendent, has been named "Woman of the Year" for the 27th Senatorial District represented by Senator Alan Lowenthal. The award will be presented at the State Capitol on March 20.

## Wendy L. Doty chosen as 'Woman of the Year'

**DOWNEY**—Dr. Wendy L. Doty, Downey Unified School District Superintendent, has been named the 27th Senate District's "2006 Woman of the Year." She was chosen over more than 30 "outstanding women nominees who are "actively working towards the betterment of our community," according to Senator Alan Lowenthal, who represents the district. Lowenthal made the announcement Monday, saying he is pleased to recognize exemplary women in his district during "Women's History Month" (March).

Doty will be flown to Sacramento on Monday, March 20 to participate in a ceremony on the Senate Floor and attend a reception with all the women awardees from all over California being honored by their Senators. In addition, the Senator will be hosting an in-district event honoring all of the nominees. This will be held April 21 at Senator Lowenthal's Paramount Office.

The 27th Senate District includes the communities of Artesia, Avalon, Bellflower, Cerritos, Downey, Hawaiian Gardens, Lakewood, Long Beach, Lynwood, Paramount, Signal Hill, South Gate, Florence-Graham and Willowbrook. A nominee can live or work in any of these cities.

The Downey Patriot has learned that the nomination for the award was led by Downey Federal Credit Union officials. Stan Hanstad, DUSD Assistant Superintendent and DFCU board member, exulted over the news: "We are all honored to have such a wonderful superintendent running our district and guiding our teachers, staff and, most importantly, our students." He went on: "I guess we can really say now that Wendy is "one in a million!"

Dr. Doty said of the honor: "I'm very excited to receive this award from the Senator."

Past recipients of the award include Dr. Mary Stauffer and former DUSD board member Betty Ferraro.

## Art in Public Places Committee

**DOWNEY**—The City Council has approved the appointments to the new Art in Public Places Advisory Committee. Council District 1 will be represented by Vivian Durkee; District 2 by Katherine Bode; District 3 by Harold Tseklenis; District 4 Bob Goldstein; and District 5 will be represented by George Redfox.

The action was at Tuesday's regular Council meeting.

The committee will act in advisory capacity in assisting the Council on public art which will be financed through allocation of a 1 percent builders' fee. What is public art—or what should be considered as fundable public art, has been discussed at length before the Council, and will be closely watched by the five members of the advisory committee.

The question has been seriously addressed in a handbook published by the City.

The new advisory panel was created by passage of an Ordinance at a previous meeting.

In other action Tuesday, the City Council:

\*Held a public hearing for input on the Federal Community Development Block Grant and Home Investment Partnership programs. Laura Miller, executive director of Rio Hondo Temporary Home, stressed the temporary shelter's critical need for increased funding requirements just to keep pace with the rise in the cost of living. Kevin MacDonald, executive director of ARC of Southeast Los Angeles County, thanked the Council and the community for their continued support of ARC's projects. One gentleman suggested more money be channeled to better code enforcement and police activities.

\*Presented the Mayor's Soaring Eagle Award to Police Officer Carlos Bejines.

\*Applauded a presentation by the Auto Club of Southern California and the CHP honoring Downey Police for outstanding efforts at recovering stolen cars. Honored were Corporals Nathan Weinrich and Justin Prentice, and Officers Jason Klevos, Chris Kurtz, Christopher Bedoka, Jonathan Yepes and Ethan Roberts.

\*Heard a presentation by Albert Perdon, Executive Director of the Orangeline Development Authority, on the benefits of the proposed Maglev (magnetic levitation) technology, patterned after the Shanghai model, which would considerably cut down commute time between designated stations. The futuristic transpiration project will run from Palmdale to the north and Irvine to the south, traverse 14 cities (touching Downey at its southwest end) and reaching maximum speeds of over 300 mph. It is believed that support for the project is firming up.

\*Approved the plans and specifications and authorized the advertising for bids of pavement rehabilitation on Stewart and Gray Road.

\*Approved the purchase of a restroom building for Rio San Gabriel Park, 9612 Ardine St, at a cost of \$200,000.

\*Adopted a resolution ordering the City Engineer to prepare a report on assessments within Lighting and Landscaping District AD 121 for fiscal year 2006-07. Adopted a resolution approving the final parcel map for 8334 Lexington Road, approved the subdivision and accepted a cash deposit as surety.

\*Adopted a resolution approving the destruction of obsolete records by the Police Department.

\*Approved the appointment of Luis Marquez to the Cable TV Advisory Committee representing District 1.

\*Approved a resolution establishing Matron Pay for part-time Police Record Specialists I and II.

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## Restroom approved for San Gabriel Park

**DOWNEY**—The City Council has approved the purchase and installation of a restroom building at Rio San Gabriel Park.

The action at Tuesday night's council meeting approves the allocation of \$200,000 for the cost of the building to be paid for by Restroom Facilities, LTD.

A total of \$480,000 is available to the City as a result of the 2002 California Clean Water, Clean Air, Safe Neighborhood Parks and Coastal Protection Act per Capital Grant program. Staff recommended \$200,000 of this funding be used to replace the old building which was demolished earlier at Rio San Gabriel at the southwest corner of the park.

## City eyes bids for Stewart and Gray Road

**DOWNEY**—The City Council has approved plans and specifications and granted authority to advertise for bids for a cash contract for pavement rehabilitation on Stewart and Gray Road.

The action was at Tuesday's regular Council session.

The work includes two arterial segments, one from the West City Limit to Old River School Road, and the second from Bellflower Boulevard to Woodruff Avenue.

Construction work includes manholes, and utility valve covers to grade, signal loop detectors and curb and gutter reconstruction.

Estimated cost of the project is \$1,100,000 which includes administrative and inspection costs.

### Sgt. Solomon III returns from Iraq

SAN ANTONIO, TX—Army National Guard Sgt. Russell L. Solomon III, a 1986 Warren High graduate, has returned to the U.S. after being deployed to an overseas forward operating location in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. Solomon, a mechanic/recovery operator with 19 years of military service, is assigned to the 540th Forward Support Battalion in Gardena.

Operation Iraqi Freedom mission objectives focus on force protection, peacekeeping, stabilization, security and counter-insurgency operations as the Iraqi transitional governing bodies assume full sovereign powers to govern the peoples of Iraq.

### Free immunizations for children March 8

DOWNEY—Downey Unified School District and St. Francis Medical Center are once again sponsoring free immunizations for children ages 4-18 Wednesday, March 8 from 3-7 p.m. at the Price Elementary Cafeteria, 9525 Tweedy Lane in Downey.

Children must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian, bringing with them the child's immunization record. Information, call 904-3575.



JAIME GARCIA (Center), Public Affairs Officer for Kaiser Permanente, presents a check for \$1,500 to Brent Shubin, left, East Middle School Principal and Gangs Out of Downey (GOOD) President, and Downey Unified School District Superintendent Wendy L. Doty. Kaiser's donation makes them a silver sponsor in support of this year's annual GOOD luncheon to be held Wednesday, April 12. For more information about the luncheon, contact Stan Hanstad, DUSD Assistant Superintendent, Personnel Services, at (562) 469-6541 or Shubin at (562) 904-3586, ext. 4080.

## CENTURY 21 MY REAL ESTATE COMPANY PAYS TRIBUTE

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CENTURY 21 My Real Estate pays tribute to Rio Hondo Elementary School for the outstanding Peace Patrol Program. This is a conflict management program that was implemented 6 years ago to help reduce conflicts on the playground. This proactive approach trains 4th and 5th graders to help students resolve their conflicts. Peace Patrol also helps "catch" students who are promoting great character strengths such as Good Citizenship, Caring, Fairness, Responsibility, Respect and Trustworthiness.

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by Soheir S. Azer, D.D.S.

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DOWNEY—Major attractions at the upcoming Academy Awards gala fundraiser Sunday, March 5 sponsored by Soroptimist International of Downey include being able to view the awards ceremony on a 15-ft. projection screen and the chance to win prizes for guessing the winners of many of the categories, as well as bid on a silent auction.

The event will be held at the Rio Hondo Event Center, starting at 4 p.m. with appetizers and drinks. Dinner is served at 6 p.m. Cost for what organizers say will be a 'night to remember' is \$60 per person.

Soroptimist International of Downey, which is this year celebrating over 50 years of service to the community, is a women's service organization that is part of a larger, worldwide organization dedicated to improving the lives of women and children. SI of Downey prides itself in not only providing scholarships to students and women, but in helping other local organizations each year perform service to the community.

For more information, call Dorothy at 927-9908 or Carol at 904-7159 or Jan at 806-3701.

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**BUCK TAYLOR MEMORIAL FIELD**—Was dedicated recently at Warren High School in honor of former long-standing baseball coach Everett "Buck" Taylor, who died in 2004. Friends, family and members of the Downey Unified School District were on hand for the opening.



## Luncheon to highlight local anti-gang activity

**DOWNEY**—Gangs Out of Downey (GOOD), which has gained national recognition for its determined efforts to combat gang activity in the community of Downey, will hold its annual luncheon Wednesday, April 12 from 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. at the Rio Hondo Event Center, 10627 Old River School Rd., Downey.

The luncheon, which is attended by well over 400 community leaders and supporters year after year, highlights the tremendous work being done by this community-based organization. GOOD has received the President's "Points of Light" Award and the California Merit Award in 2002.

The special luncheon event costs \$25 per person, or \$250 for a table of \$10. In addition, sponsorships are available as follows: Platinum sponsor, for a donation of \$5,000 or more; Gold sponsor, \$2,000-\$4,999; Silver sponsor, \$1,000-\$1,999; and Bronze sponsor, \$500-\$999. All proceeds are used to fund anti-graffiti programs, programs for "at-risk" students, the 10/20 Club for gang suppression, camperships for troubled youth and the Community Policing in the Schools Program. The Downey Police, City of Downey and the Downey Unified School District are recipients of funds raised by GOOD.

For more information/to make reservations, contact Brent Shubin, East Middle School Principal/GOOD President at (562) 904-3586, ext. 4080; Barbara Lamberth, CEO, Downey Federal Credit Union at (562) 862-8141, ext. 223; or Stan Hanstad, Assistant Superintendent, Downey Unified School District, at (562) 469-6541.

## Diabetes Health Fair at hospital

**DOWNEY**—Downey Regional Medical Center, 11500 Brookshire Ave. in Downey, invites the community to a free Diabetes Health Fair to be held from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. in the lower level conference rooms.

Cardiologist Dr. Kaushai Tamboli will speak on "Diabetes and your Heart" at 9:30 a.m., followed by a GlaxoSmithKline presentation on "Medicare Part D and the Value of Medicine" at 10:30 a.m. Endocrinologist Dr. David Berger will present "Diabetes Update" at 1 p.m.

From 9 to 11 a.m., visitors can receive free screenings for glaucoma, glucose, stroke and blood pressure. There will also be an "Ask the Doctor" opportunity.

Numerous area healthcare vendors will have tables at the Fair, including Abbot Diabetes Care, Alliance Pioneer Medical Group, Aventis, Bayer Healthcare, Downey Select IPA Medical Group, GlaxoSmithKline, LifeScan, Mini Pharmacy, Novo Nordisk, Pioneer Medical Group, Roche Diagnostics, Victory Drug and Surgical, and Zweber Pharmacy.

For information, call 904-5580.

After several years of modest inflation, the Consumer Price Index (CPI) has inched up, breaching the 4% threshold during 2005 amid stubbornly high energy prices. The CPI jumped 1.2% last September to a 4.7% annualized rate before easing to 4.3% in October and 3.5% in November as oil prices moderated. The rise in inflation has been a matter of concern to policymakers, with the Federal Reserve repeatedly lifting short-term interest rates to dampen inflationary pressures.

Consider how this variability in inflation could potentially affect the retirement portfolio's ability to generate income over three different 30-year periods. The following example assumes that retirement assets are held in cash (and, therefore, not invested) to isolate the impact that inflation may have on a long-term portfolio.

For the 30-year period ended December 31, 2004, a retiree who started with \$100,000 cash and withdrew \$5,000 per year adjusted annually for actual historical inflation would see their portfolio last approximately 11 years, according to Standard & Poor's. For the 30-year period ended December 31, 1994, the assets would last about 13 years based on the same distribution assumptions. And going back another ten years (to the 30-year period ended December 31, 1984), \$100,000 in cash would last approximately 16 years. As point of reference, the same \$100,000 would last 20 years if no inflation was factored in. Keep in mind that this example is hypothetical and assumes that the assets were not invested.

It's advisable to keep an eye on inflation trends and adjust your expectations for its potential impact periodically, keeping in mind that the variability of inflation rates can have an impact on future portfolio values as well as a portfolio's ability to generate income.

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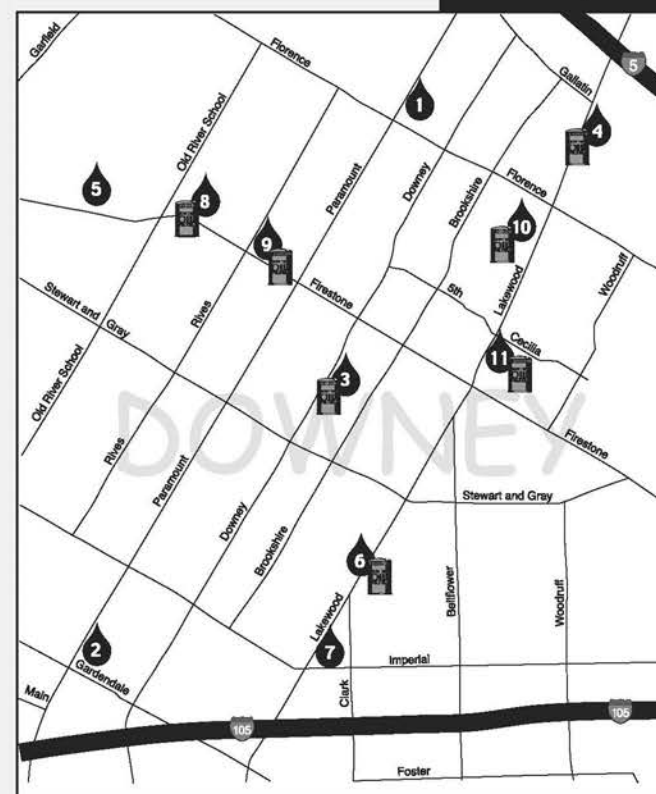
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# Daily dose of folic acid can prevent birth defects

By Congresswoman Lucille Roybal-Allard, CA-34

WASHINGTON, D.C.—Did you know that many commonly sold over-the-counter multivitamins can play a critical role in helping women give birth to healthy babies?

According to the United States Public Health Service, a daily dose of 400 micrograms of folic acid taken from puberty through a woman's child-bearing years has been scientifically proven in most pregnancies to prevent spina bifida, a leading cause of childhood paralysis, and anencephaly, a neural tube defect of the brain that is almost always fatal.

In response to this 1992 federal public health recommendation, I authored the Folic Acid Promotion and Birth Defects Prevention Act. This act authorized the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) to develop programs to educate health professionals and the public about the importance of folic acid consumption. I am very pleased that this bill became law as part of the Children's Health Act of 2000.

The Food and Drug Administration also responded to the need to increase consumption in the general population by requiring the addition of folic acid to enriched grain products like bread and cereal. While new evidence shows that the current fortification level of grains is not adequate for full protections against birth defects, it is important to note that we have made significant strides over the past 10 years to increase the consumption of folic acid. This national effort has resulted in a considerable decline in the rate of spina bifida and anencephaly.

The fact remains, however, that, last year, approximately three thousand babies in the United States were born with preventable neural tube defects. Recent studies show that despite our efforts only 40 percent of women ages 18 to 45 take a daily vitamin with the recommended level of folic acid. Latina women are at an especially high risk. Latina women have the lowest reported folic acid consumption of any racial or ethnic group and almost double the likelihood of delivering a baby with a neural tube defect. There is no doubt we have considerable work ahead of us in order to adequately protect our newborn babies from preventable neural tube birth defects.

So how do we step up our efforts to get the word out about the benefits of folic acid?

We need to expand our outreach to all women of childbearing age, informing them of the essential role folic acid plays in protecting babies from spina bifida and anencephaly. We must also increase the required concentration of folic acid in enriched grain products as recommended by the American Academy of Pediatrics, the CDC and the March of Dimes. Furthermore, we must encourage manufacturers to fortify cornmeal products – consumed in large quantities by our Latino community – with amounts of folic acid that meet the FDA requirements.

By taking these steps, we can prevent the majority of neural tube defects in this country. I will continue to work with my colleagues in Congress to enact policies to enrich our foods with sufficient folic acid and to strengthen the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's national folic acid education campaign.

Most importantly, I urge women in my district and throughout the country to take a daily multivitamin containing at least 400 micrograms of folic acid. This simple act could prevent serious birth defects and even save the life of a beloved newborn child.

## Toastmasters Club to have open house

DOWNEY – Toastmasters Club 587, a member club of Toastmasters International, was founded 35 years ago and is holding an open house on Tuesday, March 21 to celebrate. The event will be held from 6-7:30 p.m. at First Baptist Church of Downey, Room 116.

For more information, call Rene Estrada at 949-5581.

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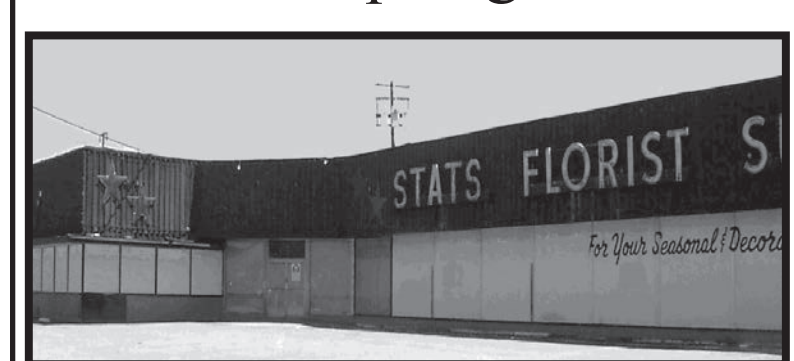
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Desert Reign Assembly of God now owns the old Stats property. Our dream is to soon build a new Worship Center and preschool at the location. Although we purchased the property over two years ago, we have only recently gained access to it. The grounds are now cleaned and secured. We want to be good neighbors! If you have any problems, feel free to contact us through our web site www.desertreign.org or by calling 562-929-6111.

We invite you to join us as we Celebrate Jesus in the Ambassador Room at the Marriott Hotel, 13111 Sycamore Dr., Norwalk. Sunday service time is 9:45 a.m.



CONGRESSWOMAN LUCILLE ROYBAL-ALLARD (CA-34)—Meets with health policy advocates to discuss strategies for helping women in the Latino community to better understand the benefits of increasing folic acid consumption as a part of their regular diet. The U.S. Public Health Service recommends that all women of childbearing age take 400 micrograms of the B vitamin folic acid daily by taking a multivitamin and consuming fortified grains. From left, Donna Gentry, program manager, National Council on Folic Acid; Roybal-Allard; and Judy Meehan, executive director, National Healthy Mothers, Healthy Babies Coalition. The National Council on Folic Acid is a program managed by the National Healthy Mothers, Healthy Babies Coalition.



FINANCIAL PARTNERS CREDIT UNION—Recently presented Gangs Out of Downey (GOOD) with a \$1,000 donation. The credit union has been a staunch supporter of GOOD's work.

## DJAA taking baseball sign-ups

DOWNEY – The Downey Junior Athletic Association will be taking sign-ups for its 2006 baseball season March 4 and 11 at Apollo Park from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. There are no tryouts, the only requirements are that players must either be in 2nd-8th grade in a Downey school or a Downey resident.

Take a birth certificate and current report card or school ID when registering.

Registration, due at sign-up, is \$60 per child; \$20 is for raffle tickets that may be sold and \$40 goes towards trophies, pictures and game officials. Fees do not include uniforms.

Practice times and locations will be determined by the manager/coach of each team. The season starts April 1.

## Christian Club to explore antiques

DOWNEY – The Downey Christian Women's Club will meet March 8 at 11:45 a.m. at Los Amigos Country Club for their lunch meeting, where the special feature will be "Antique Items Over 75."

Diana Yingling will speak on "From Brokenness to Wholeness" and Diana Oki will provide the music.

Everybody is invited to the lunch, including men, which costs \$12. Reservations are requested by calling Ginnie at 927-8488 or Delores at 868-7135.

# Downey Church Directory

"MAKING CHRIST KNOWN"  
**First Presbyterian Church**  
 10544 Downey Avenue  
 (562) 861-6752

COFFEE 8:30 A.M.  
 Education 9:00 A.M.  
 Worship 10:00 A.M.

Caring is our concern  
  
**Christ Lutheran Church**  
 7707 Florence, Downey 927-4421

Rev. Nancy Hamm, Pastor  
 Sunday School & Bible Class 8:45 AM  
 Morning Worship 9:30 AM

10711 Paramount Blvd. Downey (562) 923-1215  
**MESSIAH LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
 TRADITIONAL WORSHIP . . SUN. 8 A.M.  
 ESPANOL . . . 9:30 A.M.  
 PRAISE SERVICE . . 11 A.M.  
 Rev. Norman Stoppenhagen  
 Rev. Ramon Contreras

**Downey Memorial Christian Church**  
 8441 Florence Avenue, Downey \* 562-869-7291  
 Dr. Richard Kurasch, Senior Minister  
 March 12- Beginning with a Be-Attitude  
 March 19 - A Radical Spirituality  
 March 26 - A Practical Piety: Redundancy of Oxymoron  
 April 2 - Sticking With It for the Long Run  
 Church Services Sunday at 10:30 a.m.  
 Children's Sunday School and Child Care provided

## The poets' corner

*I claim it but I may be wrong*

When I declare that I will live  
 A hundred years, not take or give,  
 But that amount, at least in fact,  
 Maybe that is a careless act.

So when that day then does arrive,  
 If I'm no longer still alive,  
 What might I use as an excuse  
 For treating facts with such abuse?

I guess that I could only say  
 I didn't think 'twould be that way,  
 And promise in my next life then  
 To make no statements about when.

Indeed about when it would end,  
 And promise no more facts to bend,  
 Or alter thus in any way  
 About my last and fateful day.

—E.R. Anthony,  
 Downey

## Spring Day Camp set April 17-21

DOWNEY—The City of Downey Community Services Department is offering a Spring Vacation Day Camp for children ages 6-14 from April 17-21 at Wilderness Park, 19999 Little Lake Road.

The camp offers children the opportunity to meet new friends, build strong bodies and learn new activities while parents can feel comfortable their children are at a safe place to play. Camp will be conducted by trained personnel and the fee of \$75 includes materials, supplies, a daily lunch beverage and an excursion. Campers must bring their own sack lunch daily.

The fee is \$70 for an additional family member and extended care (7 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.) and/or 3:30p.m. to 6 p.m. is \$35 for one child and \$30 for each additional child.

Camp runs from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. For information and registration call (562) 904-7238.



DEBORAH BURTON—Is headed for eastern Spain for 18 months of missionary service for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

## Burton leaves for church service in eastern Spain

DOWNEY—Lifelong resident of Downey, Deborah Burton, has left for 18 months of missionary service for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in eastern Spain. She is the daughter of Frank and Marilyn Burton of the Downey Fourth Ward. A Warren High graduate, she has been attending Cerritos College.

Sister Burton reported to the Missionary Training Center at Provo, Utah on Feb. 22. After three weeks of training there, she will report to the training center in Madrid, where she will undergo six weeks more schooling before beginning her teaching of gospel principles. Her mission area (the Spain Barcelona Mission) includes the four provinces on the Mediterranean side of Spain. Her specific assignment will be given after completing her training.

Sister Burton becomes the 17th young person currently on missionary duty from the Downey Stake of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Three young men have recently returned from their missionary duty and are now holding leadership positions in their home ward. Six missionaries—four women (Sisters) and two young men (Elders)—from other parts of the country and the world are serving the people of Downey.

## Please don't forget.

Please help poor and suffering souls in our community. Your gift today will let someone in desperate need know they haven't been forgotten.

**Remember to give.**

- YES, I want to help provide food, shelter and hope for needy people in our community:
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  - \$50 to help feed and shelter a hurting family.
  - \_\_\_\_\_ to help as much as possible.



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## Newspapers, Rah!

By John Adams

It is quite popular today to refer to newspapers as a bygone media of the past, something akin to the stagecoach in transportation.

Yet there are those who believe that despite all the worry the future of the newspaper here is still sound. John Morton writes in the latest issue of the American Journalism Review, that the latest wave of concern is spurred by the current decline in overall newspaper circulation, the rapid growth of the Internet and uncertainty about its impact on the newspaper industry, sluggish ad revenues and the rising cost of newsprint.

There was concern in November when Knight Ridder turmoil resulted in that company putting itself up for sale. Fears of shareholders and bidders were eventually soothed.

A recurring theme is that with our era of 24-7 action that newspapers can no longer keep up with electronic media.

Morton counters this by showing the news business is highly profitable. The average operating profit for the newspaper operations of public companies publicly reported in 2004 was more than 20 cents on the dollar—more than twice that of the operating profit shown by the Fortune 500 Companies.

Which brings us to the bloggers. Where do they think the news they endlessly rant about comes from? It comes from newspapers, no less for bloggers than for most of the news presented on radio and television.

One can worry about how staff cutbacks, bureau closings and the dumbing-down of content have hurt newspapers. It was once an article of faith that all a newspaper had to do if its circulation shrank was to become a better newspaper. That no longer is true.

The Downey Patriot had some distinct advantages when we set sail on the journalistic seas more than three years ago. We benefited by the experience gathered from nine years of producing the Downey Eagle, as well as from a friendly Downey community. We wish to thank that community for its continued support.

Newspapers will remain necessary because of what they do, and it doesn't matter whether the news they gather is delivered online or in print or in some other way, not yet conceived today.

Once again, God bless you all.

## Resident appointed to Commission for Women

**LOS ANGELES**—Los Angeles County Supervisor Don Knabe announced Feb. 21 that the Board of Supervisors unanimously approved his appointment of Downey resident Bobbi Jean Tanberg to the Los Angeles County Commission for Women.

Tanberg is a 15-year County employee and she currently serves as a Certified Occupational Therapy Assistant in the Center for Applied Rehabilitation Technology at Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center. Tanberg is also the co-founder of the positive Self-Image Life Coaching Program at Rancho which provides life coaching to persons with disabilities.

Besides her work at Rancho, Tanberg is involved with several organizations, including: Southern California Rehabilitation Services, American Occupational Therapy Association, the United States Olympic Organization and the National Wheelchair Basketball Association of America.

"Bobbi Jean's tireless work both at Rancho and in the community is a tremendous inspiration to us all," said Knabe. "We are very lucky to have such a devoted person on the Commission for Women."

## Rives Mansion Spring tour

**DOWNEY** – The famed Rives Mansion will have a Spring tour conducted by the owner of the home on Saturday, March 11, from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m.

The large white house built in 1911 has changed very little in the ensuing years. The tour will be downstairs with information about the house and original furniture. After many requests from the public, the owner is opening the home for this event.

There will be a \$15 charge per person. For information, call 869-1414.

## Granata's to host golf tournament

**DOWNEY** – Granata's Italian Villa will be hosting its third annual golf tournament to benefit Gangs Out of Downey on June 28. Sign-ups are being taken at Granata's, 11032 Downey Ave.

For more information, call Paul Granata at 861-2997



### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR:

#### Two promising sources of oil

Dear Editor:

Last week Saudi Arabia repelled a terrorist attack on the world's largest refinery that caused the price of oil to jump \$2 per barrel momentarily. What if the terrorists had succeeded in closing the plant for some time, imagine the impact it would have had on the price of gasoline, and our stock market. A month ago 60 Minutes told of a source of oil-impregnated sand in Canada that is so huge it could be easily refined to, in their words, eliminate our dependency on APEC oil. Sunday, 60 Minutes interviewed the governor of Montana who said there is so much surface coal in Montana it could be cheaply refined and converted to environmentally safer high grade diesel.

The terrorist threat to our future source of oil is real, if not imminent; it is incumbent on our governors to pressure Washington to do something now that Canada and Montana offer two viable sources of oil. Surprisingly, our mayors and oil companies haven't pressured Washington to consider the two sources of oil as it would allow oil companies to reopen refineries that were closed as a result of environmentalists closing hundreds of their production locations, onshore and offshore. With more jobs, taxes, and employees spending, it would give a healthy boost to our economy.

—J. Hawkins,  
Downey (2/27)

#### For solar energy, too

Dear Editor:

I am writing to reinforce Harold Tseklenis' recommendation that solar energy be required (not merely considered) in the city's contract for the architecture of the Columbia Memorial Space Learning Center (*The Downey Patriot*, 2/17/06). It is only fitting that the latest technology rather than fossil burning fuel plants should be used in an aerospace science learning center.

Harold has spent his life in the energy industry and knows what he is talking about.

—Paul M. Winslow,  
Downey

#### Development director to address group

**DOWNEY** – Linda Haines, Development Services Director for the city of Downey, will be the featured speaker at the March 8 meeting of Citizens for Downey.

She is expected to speak on not only Downey Landing, but other future developments.

The program begins at 7 a.m. at Rio Hondo Country Club and a buffet breakfast will be available. No reservations are needed and the community is invited.

## Council

\*Adopted an ordinance authorizing reimbursement for certain minimal expenses of councilmembers, to supersede Ordinance No. 858.

\*Voted down the appeal of a denial of application for a permit to maintain vicious dogs at 9368 Farm Street, the home of Steven Hong, applicant. Hong's distraught wife tried to convince the Council and those assembled that the family's two pit bulls were relatively harmless, but a strong turnout of the concerned neighbors who said they feared for their children's and their own safety proved too overwhelming an argument to overturn the denial.

Councilmember Rick Trejo requested the Downey Police to keep an eye on kids congregating at the Krikorian Theatre, especially on the weekends, to make sure there's no deterioration into criminal activity.

Councilmember Kirk Cartozian reminded everyone of the upcoming GOOD luncheon April 12 at the Rio Hondo Event Center.

The next public meeting of the Council will be at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 14, at City Hall, 11111 Brookshire Ave.

## Soccer

North Torrance's intensity, according to Attias.

"They capitalized on every one of our mistakes," she said.

The Vikings went into the game at less than full strength. A couple of players on the roster were sick.

The loss did little to overshadow the season the Vikings had. They won the San Gabriel Valley League championship outright this year with a final regular season record of 8-2, their only two losses coming against Paramount. That was an improvement from last year where they shared the league title with cross town rivals Warren.

"We had a lot better team chemistry this year," said sophomore forward Britney Vance. "We really wanted to win this year."

The Vikings finished the season earning themselves a playoff berth. They also swept the season series from the rival Bears, beating them twice, winning their first meeting 5-2, then the second in a more intense battle, 3-2. With seven players graduating this year, they had plenty of experience to make this season a memorable one.

"We had seniors that were really inspiring," Vance said. "They just wanted it and it rubbed off on everyone else."

In their CIF playoff appearance, they rallied to beat Big Bear in the first round 4-2, scoring all four goals in the second half. Senior goalkeeper Lowhren Aceves shut out Big Bear after the first half, giving the Vikings an opening to reach the next round. Portia Bloome, Kathy Orellana, Renee Martinez, and Vance all scored one goal apiece in the game.

Attias, in her position as coach for four years, announced her resignation from Downey to tend to her young child, though she said that she is not done with soccer and that it will always be a part of her life.

## Pennies

There are several ways that the community can get involved. First, donations can be made online at [www.active.com/donate/pennies/downey](http://www.active.com/donate/pennies/downey) and the donations will be credited to Downey's account.

Also, the Downey High School ASB is hosting a benefit concert on Friday, March 10 in our new multi-million dollar Allen Layne Stadium. This event, called "Rock Against Leukemia," will cost only \$4 for admission and all proceeds will go to the "Pennies for Patients" fundraiser. Donations may also be sent directly to the schools: checks should be made out to The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society and sent to Downey High School c/o ASB, 11040 Brookshire Ave., Downey, CA 90241.

Also, if any private companies would like to have a "Pennies for Patients" donation bucket and poster at their store, they can contact the Downey High School Activities office at 869-7301, ext. 5548.

Together, the students of Downey High School and the community can reach the goal of \$20,000 and become the top fundraising school in the nation! More importantly though, our city can help patients like Cookie live to see happier and healthier days.

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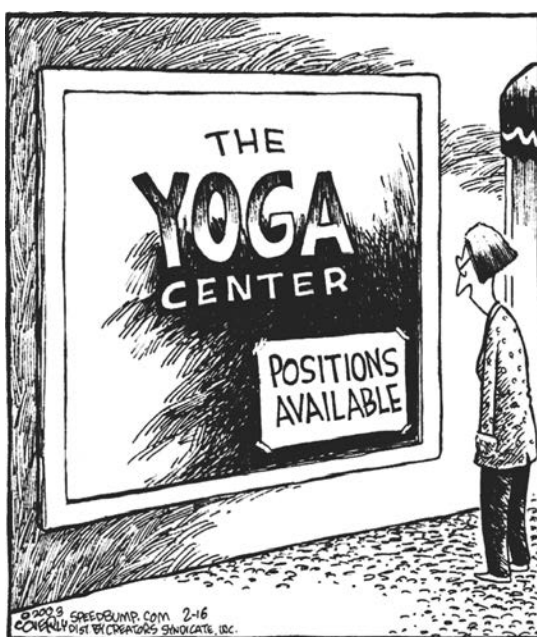
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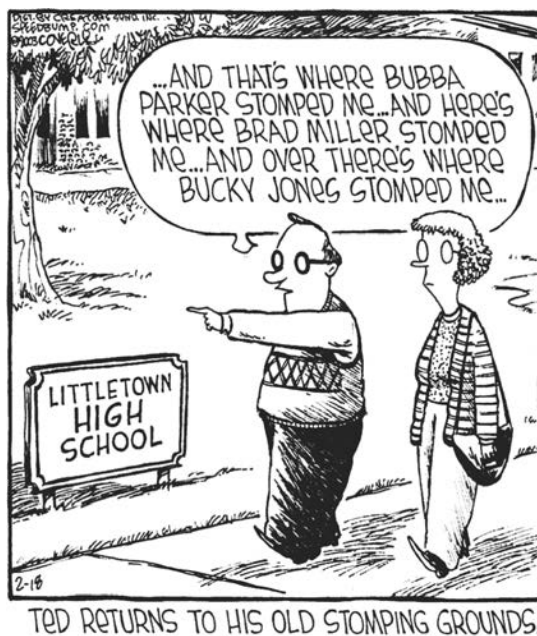
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## Downey Community Calendar

### Events For March

Fri. Mar. 3, 8:00 p.m.: **"Nonsense"** musical comedy presented by Downey Civic Light Opera at the Downey Theater, Firestone at Brookshire. Also Saturday and Sunday. For tickets and information call 923-1714.  
 Sun. Mar. 5, 4:00 p.m.: **Academy Awards Gala Fundraiser** sponsored by Soroptimist International of Downey. Dinner, drinks, silent auction and prizes. \$60 per person at Rio Hondo Events Center, 10627 Old River School Rd. For information call 927-9908.

### 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 Tuesday, 4:00 p.m.: **Recreation and Community Services Commission**, Council Chamber, City Hall.  
 1st Thursday, 9 a.m.: **Traffic Committee**, Training Room, Second Floor of City Hall.  
 2nd & 4th Tuesday, 7:30 p.m.: **City Council/Community Development Commission**, Council Chamber.  
 2nd & 4th Wednesday, 6 p.m.: **Design Review Board**, Council Chamber at City Hall.  
 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 Regional Med. Center Conf. Room A, for info. call 426-6786.  
 1st Mon., 4 p.m.: **2nd Century Foundation**, at City Hall, 1st floor, call 927-9790.  
 1st Mon., 7 p.m.: **American Legion Post 270**, Los Amigos Country Club, call 869-1053.  
 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.  
 4th Mon., 7:30 p.m.: **Downey Numismatists**, at Downey Retirement Center, call 861-3989.

#### Tuesdays

9 a.m.: **Downey Bocce Club**, at Apollo Park, for information call Vince Zoida at (714) 761-4439.  
 9:30 a.m.: **Downey Seniors Club**, at Apollo Park, for information call Nadine Morris at 923-9422.  
 9:30 a.m.: **Adventure with the Bible**, at the First Baptist Church Call 928-4153.  
 12 p.m.: **Rotary Club**, at Rio Hondo, for information call Carol Pearce at 622-1425.  
 12:00 p.m.: **Exchange Club**, at Sizzler Restaurant. Call Don Hollister 927-5871  
 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 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 Bakers Square. 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

7 a.m.: **Kiwanis Club**, at Rio Hondo Events Center. Call Steve Roberson at 927-2626.  
 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., 7:30 p.m.: **Downey Model A Club**, at Gallatin School Cafeteria, for information call 928-4132.  
 2nd Weds., 7:30 p.m.: **Downey Sister Cities Ass'n**, at Maude Price School, Call 862-7197.  
 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 928-4153.  
 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 776-3388.  
 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 Joe Becker at 869-1414  
 3rd Fri., 8:30 a.m.: **Women's "In His Glory" Ministry** at Los Amigos C. C. (562) 622-3785.

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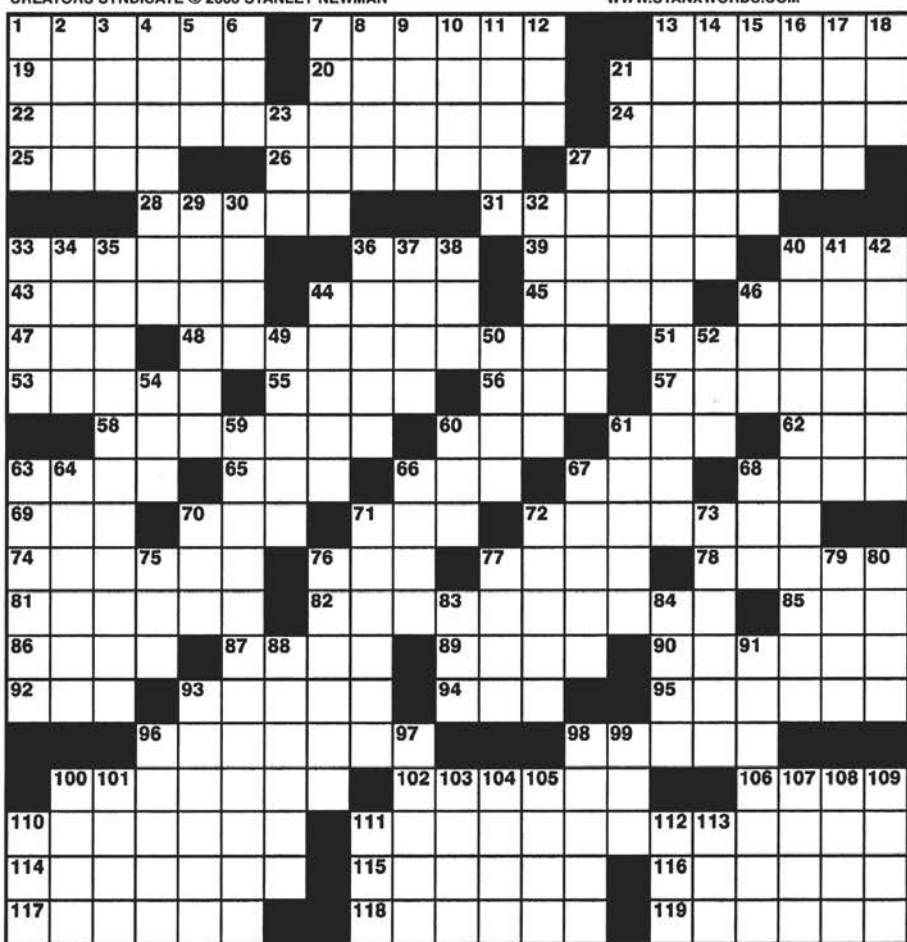
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- Dist. \_\_\_
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- Living-room piece
- Legendary cow owner
- Nut cakes
- Silly
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- Oafs
- Bring up
- Server with a spigot
- Lateral starter
- Everyday spud
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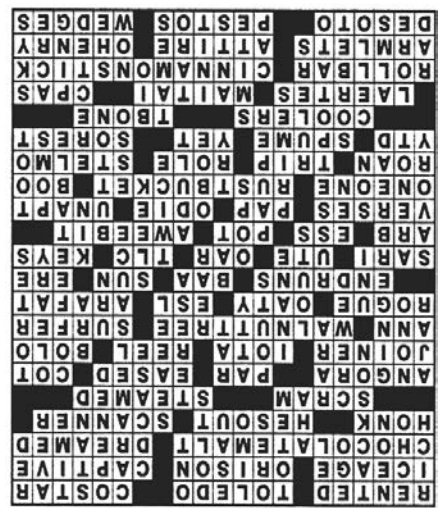
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## Downey Street Faire welcomes new sponsors

**DOWNEY**—Among the offerings the upcoming Downey Street Faire May 6 has lined up, report Downey Chamber of Commerce executive director Sue Nordin and Street Faire chairwoman Jan Scott of Pacific Western Bank, is a “fabulous” car show at the north end of the fair that will feature “The Old Memories S.G.V.” Car Club.

This is in addition, of course, to the familiar attractions that have delighted fairgoers over the years: the Food Court, the Kid’s Zone, and the varied entertainment everybody has come to expect at the fair.

They also report that sponsors to date include: Platinum Sponsor Colin Clarke, Century 21 Jervis & Associates; Diamond Sponsor Downey Regional Medical Center; Gold Sponsors Calmet Services, Inc., First Baptist Church of Downey; Silver Sponsor Talbert’s Medical Group; and Bronze Sponsors Pacific Western Bank, CareMore, World of Decor, Downey Savings & Loan, Alon Ofir, DDS, and The UPS Store.

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## Cafe n’ Stuff releases new business menu

**DOWNEY** – Jesse Acosta, with over 20 years experience in the food service industry, has joined the staff of Cafe n’ Stuff and will be in charge of introducing the community to the restaurant’s new business menu.

As a marketing representative, Acosta will be calling on businesses in the area, usually with samples and menus to introduce Cafe n’ Stuff’s new Express Business Catering Menu, filled with affordable lunches geared towards business meetings.

A Downey resident, Acosta says he plans to become an active participant with local organizations and the Downey Chamber of Commerce.

For information on the new menu, or to schedule an appointment with Acosta, call (562) 940-4494.



**PIANIST, COMPOSER, SINGER**—Shawn Morgan entertains every Friday and Saturday evening from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. at Granata’s Italian Villa, 11032 Downey Ave., Downey. He is currently recording a solo project which will be released sometime this year. For information, call Granata’s at 927-0014.



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After-school tennis starts March 6

DOWNEY—The city of Downey Community Services Department will soon offer both Intermediate and Beginners tennis for youth ages 8-18 at Independence Park, 12334 Bellflower Blvd. in Downey. The classes will be conducted Mondays/Wednesdays (for Intermediate/Advanced) and Tuesdays/Thursdays (Beginners) starting Monday, March 6.

The fee for each session is \$100 for six weeks, from 3:30-5 p.m. For information/to register, call 904-7238.



SOME MEMBERS—Of Unity In The Community (UITC) had their picture taken with Downey Police Chief Roy Campos who spoke at the monthly breakfast meeting of Citizens for Downey Feb. 8.

Looking for past Miss Downeys

DOWNEY—The Downey Rose Float Association is looking for former Miss Teen Downeys, Miss Downeys and former members of the courts for a reunion prior to the Miss Downey/Miss Teen Downey Pageant scheduled on Saturday, March 18.

If you are a former title holder, or if you know how the Association can get hold of former Miss Downeys or members of their courts, you are urged to call Julie Swender at (562) 833-3000 or Carrie Redfox at (562) 869-3698.

Senior Citizens Club celebrates anniversary

DOWNEY – The Downey Senior Citizens Recreation Club will celebrate its golden anniversary on April 24 at Los Amigos Country Club. Dancing will begin at 10 a.m. and lunch will be served at noon.

The club was formed on April 29, 1956, by a group of senior citizens at Imperial Park. H.M. McGuckin was elected temporary chairman, who appointed an officer nominating committee. A set of by-laws was soon established and the club celebrated with an organized potluck dinner.

Since its beginning, the club has met weekly on Tuesday mornings at 9:30 a.m. at the Downey Community Center, 7810 Quill Drive. The 3 Notes, a live three-piece band, provides music to waltz, fox trot, polka and line dance to. A short meeting is held at 11:15 a.m. followed by a light lunch. A separate room is made available for seniors who wish to play cards.

There is an admission fee of \$2 per week and an initial membership fee of \$3 per person and \$4 per year thereafter.

The club also gets together the third Saturday of each month for a dance from 7:30 to 10 p.m., in addition to various planned trips.

For information on joining the club, call Nadine Morris at 923-9422.

Warren senior bound for Bethany Lutheran

DOWNEY—Arron Arevalos, son of Josette Recendez of Downey and a senior at Warren High, has been accepted for admission at Bethany Lutheran College in Mankato, Minnesota. Founded in 1927, Bethany is a private residential liberal arts college.

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**KAISER PERMANENTE VISIT**—Congresswoman Roybal-Allard reads "Five Little Monkeys Jumping on the Bed" to 2-year-old Keiana Harrison-Hood at the new Kaiser Permanente Downey Medical Center, as part of Reach Out and Read pediatric literacy program.

**Roybal-Allard visits kids at Kaiser**

DOWNEY—Congresswoman Lucille Roybal-Allard (CA-34) recently visited the new Kaiser Permanente Downey Medical Center as part of the nationwide Reach Out and Read literacy program which promotes early literacy by bringing new books and advice about the importance of reading aloud into the pediatric exam room.

In honor of the Congresswoman's visit, Reach Out and Read donated 450 children's books to the Kaiser Permanente Downey Medical Center.

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**Service tomorrow for Roy Lee Bushwar**

DOWNEY—A longtime Downey resident Roy Lee Bushwar, known to his family and friends as "Rusty," was born in Los Angeles May 10, 1939 to Trent and Clara and passed away on Feb. 22 from his battle with lung cancer at the age of 66.

He was a machinist, and enjoyed fishing and playing pool. He is survived by his daughter Carrie Zrelak, grandchildren Devon and Aidan, of Downey, and brother Doug Bushwar of Oregon. Many friends also mourn his passing.

A Service of Remembrance will be held in his honor tomorrow, March 4, at 2 p.m. at the Downey Zrelak Family Mortuary Chapel, 10229 S. Paramount Blvd. in Downey. Interment will be private.

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## Thousands expected for annual Arc Walk

**DOWNEY** – The Arc Walk for Independence, the signature event for Arc of Southeast Los Angeles County, will be held Saturday, March 25 at Downey's Stonewood Center near the Acapulco Restaurant.

Phillip Palmer of KABC-7 will be the master of ceremonies for this year's event, which drew over 2,000 supporters last year. The Warren High School Marching Band and the Mayfair High School Jazz Band will also be featured. Acapulco Restaurant will serve a free breakfast to all participants who participate in the walk.

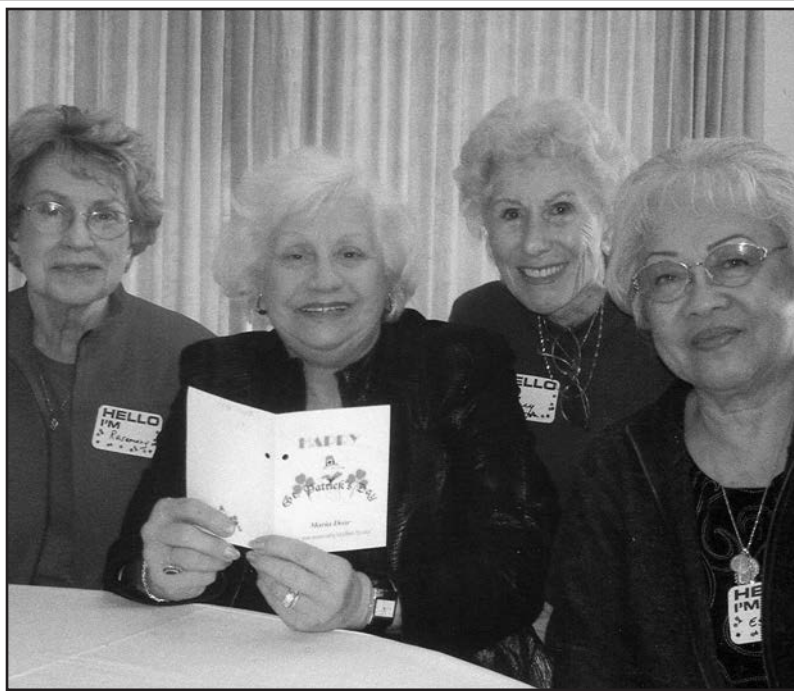
The event includes two walking courses, a one-mile and three-mile course. Registration fee is \$10 and children under 10 are free. The walk starts at 8 a.m. outside Acapulco Restaurant.

Wescom Credit Union is the Platinum/Host Sponsor for this year's event with a gift of over \$7,000.

"We appreciate the vital work that Arc does for people with disabilities and we are proud to be associated with this fine organization," said Wescom President/CEO Darren Williams.

Wescom Credit Union was named Arc's "Employer of the Year" in 2005 for their hiring of an individual with a developmental disability.

To register for the Walk, call 803-4606 or e-mail arckmac@aol.com. On-site registration will also be available.



**ST. PATRICK'S LUNCHEON** – The OLPH Women's Guild will hold its annual luncheon honoring their past presidents on Saturday, March 11 at the Rio Hondo Events Center starting at 11 a.m. Price of admission is \$30 per person and reservations are due by March 6. Payments should be sent to Joyce Prokop, 10444 Julius Ave., Downey CA 90241. Include a guest list with payment; payment will not be accepted at the door. Pictured above, left to right, are Guild members Rosemary Meyer, Prokop, Lucy Guestella and Angie Esguerra.

## Pioneer Medical welcomes Dr. Mandal

**DOWNEY**—Dr. Alope Mandal, a graduate of Dartmouth and Georgetown School of Medicine (graduate and medical school), has been welcomed by Pioneer Medical Group as the new general surgeon at its Downey Medical Office Building. In addition, Dr. Mandal has privileges at Downey Regional Medical Center, St. Mary's in Long Beach, Lakewood and Little Company of Mary in San Pedro.

Dr. Mandal completed his general surgery fellowship, surgical oncology fellowship and his transplantation surgery fellowship at Johns Hopkins Hospital in Maryland. He has extensive training as a surgical oncologist and in transplantation involving the liver, kidneys, and pancreas.

## Workshop to cover homeland security

**DOWNEY** – Downey Adult School Principal Roger Brossmer has announced that registration is open for the new "Preparing Makes Sense – Get Ready Now," Homeland Security Workshop, scheduled for Saturday, March 4 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The workshop will cover the necessity of preparing to take care of yourself, your family and pets in case of a disaster or emergency. Learn how to prepare a personal easy-to-carry evacuation kit and how to plan your seven-day shelter-at-home supplies. The instructors are Harriet Paine, former 1980's City of Downey Family Disaster Preparedness instructor and seminars for U.S. Department of Civil Defense officials, and Susan Paine, a member of the Downey Community Response Team (CERT).

The class is free and printed materials from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security and Southern California Earthquake Center will be supplied. One member of every family and seniors are encouraged to enroll.

To register or for more information, call Downey Adult School at 940-6200.

## Casino Night fundraiser March 11

**DOWNEY**—The Italian Catholic Federation #426 and Knights of Columbus Council #3697 are sponsoring a Casino Night fundraiser Saturday, March 11 from 6-10 p.m. at Knights' Hall, 11231 Rives Ave. in Downey. All profits from the event will go to charitable organizations.

Cost to participate is \$25 per person, which includes \$200 Play Money, hors d'oeuvres and 1 drink ticket. 50/50 and special raffle ticket will be sold.

For information/to reserve a spot, call Cas Lombardo, 862-3797 no later than March 6.

## Common medication questions answered

**DOWNEY**—Downey Adult School's OASIS class Monday, March 6 will have returning presenter, Dr. Tatyana Gurvich, Pharm. D., Clinical Pharmacology, revisiting the most commonly asked medication questions by seniors from last year's lectures. Thus, not only will attendees be kept up-to-date on the latest information available, but their new questions may become part of next year's lecture.

The program proper is scheduled for 4 p.m., preceded by piano entertainment by Dr. Robert Flynn at 3 p.m., and followed by a full-course dinner at 5 p.m. For more information, call DAS, (562) 940-6200.

## DAOR scholarships to graduating seniors

**DOWNEY**—Four \$500 scholarships will be presented by the Downey Association of Realtors (DAOR) to graduating seniors, from Columbus HS, Downey HS, Warren HS, and Downey Adult School.

Deadline to submit applications to the DAOR is Friday, March 10. You can download an application at [www.daor.com](http://www.daor.com).

## Bus-car collide on Studebaker

**DOWNEY**—An MTA bus with about 25 passengers aboard collided with an auto at about 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 1st, according to police. Several of the passengers complained of pain after getting off the bus. The accident was at the corner of Cecilia and Studebaker Road, police noted.

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A stroke, also known as a "brain attack," is ranked as the third leading killer in the world, and the second among women. Through preventive screenings, the risk of having a stroke can be greatly reduced.

Screenings are fast, painless and low cost. They involve the use of ultrasound technology, and scan for potential health problems related to blocked arteries which can lead to a stroke, aortic aneurysms, which can lead to a ruptured aorta, and hardening of the arteries in the legs, which are a strong predictor of heart disease. Also offered for men and women, is a bone density screening to assess their risk for osteoporosis.

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For more information/to schedule an appointment, call 1-877-237-1287. Pre-registration is required.

## Garage sale for Eagle Scout project

**DOWNEY**—Wesley MacDonald, of 10808 Pangborn Ave. (between Firestone Blvd. and Cecilia), is holding a Boy Scout garage sale tomorrow, March 4 starting at 7:30 a.m. for his Eagle Scout project, namely, to build and paint 31 Wildfire Prevention signs for the U.S. Forest Service in the Angeles National Forest.

He says his goal is to earn enough money for wood, paint, brushes, safety items (safety glasses, work gloves and hearing protection), nuts and bolts, and food with which to "feed my volunteers lunch, etc."



**RAMON PENADO**—Has joined the team of professionals at RE/MAX Online on Lakewood Ave. in Downey. Bilingual Penado will be partnering with wife, Vanessa, who is also a licensed agent.

## Penado joins real estate firm

**DOWNEY**—Ramon Penado, a native of El Salvador who has been a resident of Southern California since he was a young child, has joined the sales staff of Re/Max Online on Lakewood Ave. in Downey. He will be partnering with his wife, Vanessa, also a licensed agent.

Penado spent eight years in the military prior to becoming an agent. He enjoys working with both buyers and sellers, and handles a wide range of residential transactions from first-time or move-up buyers, to clients looking for investment opportunities such as residential income property.

## Little League in search of alumni

**DOWNEY**—Northwest Downey Little League is searching for alumni who played in the 1950's, 60's, 70's, 80's and 90's to help with Opening Day ceremonies on March 5, when the organization celebrated its 50th anniversary.

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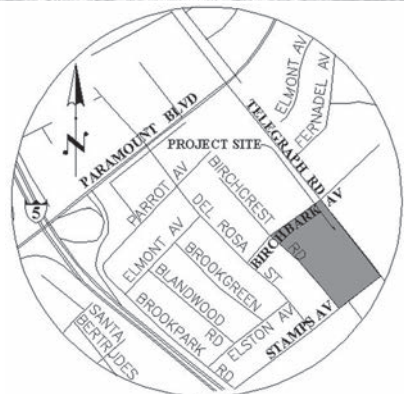
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**North Downey Beauty!**  
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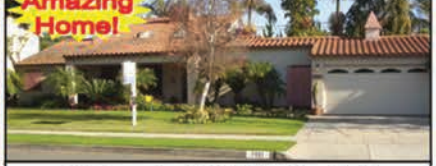
A Must See!! Priced to Sell at: **\$825,000**

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**New Construction in N/E Downey!!**  
 This gorgeous 3,202 sq. ft. custom built home features 3 bedrooms including dual master suites, 4 full spa-like baths, exquisite custom kitchen, granite, marble and hardwood throughout, distinguished interior details, stunning heated pool and spa, custom built patio and BBQ, prestigious Downey schools. Priced to Sell at: **\$1,295,000.**

**Amazing Home!**



**This Entertainer's Delight is a Must See!!**  
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**Warm & Friendly!**  
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**New Listing!**



**VIEW! VIEW! VIEW!**  
 Gorgeous North Friendly Hills home features 4 bedrooms, 3 bathrooms, large living room with fireplace, formal dining room, family room with marble fireplace, spacious kitchen, patio with 180 degree view of city and Friendly Hills golf course. Too many features to mention... must see this one.

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**Honey, stop the car!**  
 Remodeled 3 bedroom + office, 2 bath home in North Downey near Rio San Gabriel and East Middle School. Features new kitchen with granite counter tops and new cabinets, living room with fireplace, large family room, and beautiful master bedroom with new jetted tub and separate shower. In addition, the property has a great backyard, newer tile roof, copper plumbing, upgraded electrical panel, and a 2 car detached garage. Price: \$875,000

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**Colonial Home in Orange Estates**  
 This North Downey home near Furman Park includes a 3-bedroom, 2.5-bath main house, guest house with kitchen and bath, 3-car garage, and huge backyard with pool & spa. The home features an elegant formal living room, formal dining room, large family room with wet bar & fireplace, sunny kitchen with newer appliances & large pantry, a playroom, and a solarium. The master suite has a walk-in closet, retreat area, full bath, and fireplace. Price: \$1,175,000

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**Spanish Style Beauty**  
 Beautiful 5 bedroom, 3.5 bath home built in 1993 in the wonderful POE section of Downey. The property has a 2 car det. garage and large pool-size yard that's perfect for entertaining. The custom-built home has an impressive living room with vaulted ceiling, formal dining room and den, and a downstairs master bedroom with large bathroom. The upstairs has another master bedroom, 2 other bedrooms with Jack-&-Jill bath, and bonus room (or 5th bedroom). Price: \$1,099,000

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**A Rare Find!**  
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**Builder's Delight!**  
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**Nice Area! Nice Price!**  
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**New Construction in North Downey!**  
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