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Tinkering needed on Learning Center costing

By Henry Veneracion

DOWNEY—The submitted cost estimate of \$6.1 million for the planned construction of the Columbia Memorial Space Science Learning Center was put under a microscope by the City Council in a study session prior to the regular Council meeting Tuesday, against allocated funds of only \$4.9 million.

A reserve fund of \$5.9 million was originally set aside for the purpose, the amount having been realized from proceeds of the sale of the former NASA site property to the Downey Landing developers, but an “unforeseen” expense of \$1 million for soil remediation at the site had to be made. In any case, the City Council enjoined the parties concerned in these budget studies to come up with a revised cost estimate within 60 days.

The Learning Center, when completed, as outlined by Mayor Meredith Perkins, will have 1) a display lobby honoring the memory of astronauts, etc.; 2) a research center; 3) a community learning center; 4) a robotics laboratory; and 5) two groups of Discovery exhibits, featuring such items as a gravity scale, flight simulation sets, and mechanisms to design/test a space capsule and launch a rocket into space, etc. It will be housed in an 18,500 square foot building (scaled down from 20,000 ft. for cost purposes) on two stories. The planned NASA park also underwent scrutiny. The original construction cost estimate from NUVIS, a landscape architectural planning firm, of \$4.8 million had already been pared down to \$2.9 million at the city’s request. This includes four sports fields, site work, site amenities, including concrete work, backstop fencing; prefabricated restroom building, site furniture, irrigation system, and planting, including

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School Board thanks to district donors

DOWNEY—The Board of the Downey Unified School District expressed thanks to the many donors from the private sector of gifts to the District at Tuesday’s regular Board meeting.

These include a cash donation of \$3,500 for field trips by students at Lewis Elementary, from the Lewis PTA; a cash donation of \$1,000 to help support the TLC Center from the Ward Elementary PTA; a cash donation of \$5,000 for field trips by Williams Elementary students from the Williams PTA; a cash donation of \$1,779 for school supplies at Williams from Washington Mutual; and many smaller but no less appreciated gifts.

In other action at Tuesday’s regular Board meeting, the Board:

- *Ratified payment of fees for Conference attendance.
- *Ratified a general agreement with Maxim Staffing Solutions for the 2005-06 fiscal year effective retroactive to July 1, 2005 through June 30, 2006.
- *Ratified a general agreement with First Steps for Kids, Inc. for fiscal year 2005-06 retroactive to Feb. 7, 2006.
- *Ratified payments for several special education placements.
- *Ratified the settlement of a mediation agreement for \$5,000.
- *Ratified purchasing orders per board policy prepared by the Purchasing Department.
- *Ratified payroll orders for hourly, overtime, civic Center work by classified personnel, Adult School, and Food Services for the month of February.
- *Approved an agreement between the Adult School Career Education Center and I-Train for classroom training through the Adult School Licensed Vocational Nurse program.

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Character Counts Series

‘Don’t cry because it’s over; smile because it happened.’

By Angela Guastella,

5th grade, Rio San Gabriel Elementary

This maxim is pretty big in my life because many people have been passing away recently. It’s very hard to lose someone that you love, but you have to remember any good times that you had with them.

For instance, not long ago my Great Uncle Phil and my Great Aunt Katie passed away. I only saw them once that I can remember, and I will always remember that day, and how much fun we had.

Also, about three years ago, my Grandpa Pete died. He was the best grandfather ever! He was funny, smart, loving, caring, talented, and had many more values. When he passed away, my family and I were so upset. But now we remember all the good times that we shared with him.

Situations like mine are hard to get through. But if you remember the great times you shared with the person or people, it could be a lot easier. I know it worked for me! Don’t cry because it’s over; smile because it happened.

This is the third in a series of winning student essays from each of the Downey Unified School District schools on the theme, “Character Counts.” Set as a board goal last year, Character Education is being emphasized more in the schools so as, in the words of DUSD director of secondary education Dr. Sara Cairns, to “build a culture in DUSD and the city that good character is important, ...whether you’re a student, parent or community member.”



JOAN MARTIN—Has been a teacher with the Downey Unified School District for 17 years. She was honored as one of the four “teachers of the year.”



KATHY LAMB—An 8th grade English teacher at Sussman Middle School, she also helps with the school’s daily live TV news show. She also advises the Scholarship Club and cheerleaders.



BILLIE BARRIOS—Honored for her work with students, particularly autistic children, in the Special Education Department. She helped establish a program with applied behavioral analysis.



MARK SWANCOAT—Lauded for his effective use of block schedules, he has been a teacher at Downey High School since 1986. He was Boland Teacher of the Year in 1974 and has coached a variety of sports.

Masons honor four teachers

By John Adams

DOWNEY—The Masonic Lodge of Downey formally honored four “Teachers of the Year” in an annual presentation at the regular School Board meeting Tuesday, April 11.

The honorees selected by a panel of principals after long and hard deliberation are Billie Barrios of Alameda Elementary, Joan Martin of Price Elementary, Kathy Lamb of Sussman Middle School, and Mark Swancoat of Downey High School.

Billie Barrios

Billie Barrios, was introduced first. She was honored as a “Teacher of the Year” due to her dedication to the Special Education Early Intervention program at Alameda Elementary with which she has worked the last 10 years. She started as a senior instructional assistant in the district Discrete Trial Teaching class at Imperial. After several years as an instructional assistant she realized her dream working in Special Education by completing her credential and receiving her Masters degree. She thanks her husband and children for their support.

She has since pursued her dream, working with autism students to ensure their active participation in education. For the past four years Mrs. Barrios has worked with the Special Education Office establishing a program with applied behavioral analysis. She has a singular ability to work with students who demonstrate challenging behavior. She establishes an interactive environment which engages the student. She feels that all students have the potential to learn, with a natural curiosity despite their disabilities. This allows student success towards individual goals.

She believes in collaboration between home and school and developed parent workshops to this end.

A parent recently said during a workshop, “Mrs. Barrios has given her heart to our family and allowed our son to be successful at school, home and in the community.”

Joan Martin

Joan Martin, a veteran of 17 years as a DUSD teacher, has enriched the

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Two Downey schools outstanding on API

DOWNEY—On March 22, the California Department of Education released the 2005 Academic Performance Report that included statewide ranking and similar school ranking for District schools. Two Downey schools, Price and Rio San Gabriel Elementary, scored in the 800 range to earn top rankings in API comparisons with other schools in the State.

Price, with a score of 811, will receive State recognition in May as a Title I Academic Achievement Award school. Price was ranked above average (score of 8 out of 10) in the statewide comparison and received an excellent rank (score 10 out of 10) when compared with schools with similar socioeconomic demographics. Rio San Gabriel scored 807 and was ranked at eight for state comparison and eight for similar schools.

Doty proud of schools

Superintendent Dr. Wendy Doty proudly stated that this is their third consecutive year Price has received Title I Academic Achievement Awards. Price earned the recognition by doubling their AYP growth targets for all subgroups two years in a row and exceeded the API expected growth target set by the state. Principal Janice Hobson said, “We are absolutely thrilled to be receiving this honor!”

Downey schools continue to make sustained academic growth. In Downey Unified 84 percent of schools ranked at or above the top half of rankings statewide, and almost half earned above average status in similar school rankings. Assistant Superintendent Jerilyn King-Brown commented, “Our teachers and students are working hard across the District to improve test scores. Many programs have been put in place to provide a learning environment where all students may experience success and achieve. Our sustained efforts are making a difference.”

API Base Scores—The API scores are calculated using the combined results of the California Content Standards Tests, California Achievement Test (CAT/6), The High School Exit Exam, and the California Alternate Performance Assessment (CAPA) for students with significant cognitive disabilities. The API ranges from 200 (low) to 1,000 (high). A comparison of the API scores for Downey schools, 2002 to 2005, revealed a growth range of 17-75 API points.

Statewide Ranks—Each year, schools are divided into groups of 10 based on performance. This is calculated based on the individual school’s rate of improvement on the previous year’s score as well as the performance of the other schools with which it is compared. In the Downey Unified School District 84 percent of schools ranked at or above the top half of rankings statewide.

Similar School Ranks—The similar school rank is provided so that schools may compare their academic achievement against other schools with similar demographics, socioeconomic status, and parent education level. In the Downey Unified School District, 79 percent of schools ranked above average in comparison with similar schools.

DUSD spokesmen said in conclusion, all Downey schools are demonstrating sustained growth and the majority of schools are above average when compared with similar schools.

DUSD will continue to demonstrate these efforts plus remedial assistance to students, focus on curriculum alignment, and staff development aimed at student achievement.



DOWNEY RESIDENT STEVEN BALL—(Center) The newest and youngest Master Mason, received his third degree at Downey United Masonic Lodge #220 recently. He is the grandson of longtime Downey resident Ione Ball. Assisting in the degree were Master Rory Richardson (left) and member Bill Ingwersen.

OASIS program for older adults


DOWNEY – Downey Adult School's OASIS program (Older Adults Seeking Information and Skills) meets every Monday for a dinner and educational presentation in the campus's cafeteria, with weekly topics ranging from legal and medical news to art appreciation.

Dinner tickets are \$3.50 but visitors can attend the program only at no charge. Programs begin at 4 p.m. but doors open an hour earlier.

Past program topics have included consumer issues, nutrition, cooking tips, financial advice, shopping ideas, travelogues, music programs and safe and fraud protection advice. There is a new speaker every week. Advance reservations can be made by calling 904-7215.

Respiratory support group still meeting

DOWNEY – Huff and Puff Respiratory, a support group based out of Downey Regional Medical Center, meets the third Tuesday of every month at 1:30 p.m. For more information, call 904-5355.



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Carnival of Champs coming April 29

DOWNEY—The Downey Unified School District will offer one of the community's most colorful events, the annual Carnival of Champions, that brings together young athletes from the district's nine elementary schools in competition from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., Saturday, April 29 at Warren High School, 8141 DePalma.

Fourth and fifth graders vie in the following events, with scoring kept by team representing each school:

50 yard dash; 100 yard dash; baskets in one minute; softball throw for distance; standing long jump; four-member team 440 yard relay; and mixed coed relay.

Teams are scored on a 10-8-6-4-2 basis for first through fifth place.

Each elementary school is also represented by friends, parents and relatives who cheer mightily from the stands.

The public is welcome and the event is free. An estimated 600 boys and girls compete annually. This is the Carnival's 48th year.

Street Fair set for May 6 in Downey

DOWNEY—The much-anticipated 13th annual Downey Street Faire, produced by the Downey Chamber of Commerce, will take place Saturday, May 6 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. along three blocks of Brookshire Avenue north of Firestone Boulevard. An appearance by the Downey High School Marching Band kicks off the event at 9 a.m.

Entertainment

Entertainment will include the 'Southland Harmony Chorus' singing at 9:30 a.m.; 'On Stage Dance Center' performing at 10:15 a.m.; 11:30 a.m. 'Class 6' Band; 12:45 p.m. 'Flashpoint' Band; 3 p.m. 'Bless' d'; and 3:45 p.m. 'All About Me' Band. In between acts, 'Avianna, Daughter of Isis,' will be entertaining.

The Street Faire includes over 200 vendors along Brookshire Ave., a Kid's Zone and Food Court located on Downey High's south parking lot, and a Classic Car Show located on Downey High's north parking lot near the pool. There is ample free parking and no charge for admittance.

This year's sponsors are: *Platinum* – Colin Clarke, Century 21-Jervis & Associates; *Diamond* – Downey Regional Medical Center; *Gold* – CalMet Services, Inc. and First Baptist Church of Downey; *Silver* – Countrywide Home Loans, Talbert Medical Group and Wescom Credit Union; and *Bronze* – All American Home Center, California Health Plan, Downey Savings & Loan, Gallatin Dental Group, Norm's Restaurant, Alon Ofir, DDS, Pacific Western Bank, Pioneer Medical Group, Inc., and World of Decor.

2nd Century Foundation meets Mondays

DOWNEY – The 2nd Century Foundation meets the first Monday of every month at 4 p.m. at City Hall. For more information, call 927-9790.



FITNESS CENTER GETS NEW EQUIPMENT—The Barbara J. Riley Community and Senior Center received a new Elliptical Training Machine from Kaiser Permanente, who has been a huge donor of the fitness equipment at the Center. Center staff Katie O'Connell is shown training one of a number of senior fitness enthusiasts on the proper use of the new equipment.

Egg hunts for kids tomorrow at local parks

DOWNEY—The city of Downey's annual "Eggstravaganza" Egg Hunt, which offers a morning of free family fun, takes place tomorrow, April 15 at Apollo Park, Dennis the Menace Park, Furman Park and Golden Park.

Free activities such as craft and face painting will be conducted from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. The Egg Hunts will begin promptly at 11:30 a.m., and will be divided into three age groups for 12 years old and under. The Easter Bunny will be on site to visit and to take pictures for a fee of \$1.50. Members of the Miss Downey and Miss Downey Teen Courts will volunteer at the sites.

For more information, contact the Downey Community Services Department at 904-7238.

Medical offices hosts Chamber mixer

DOWNEY—A Downey Chamber of Commerce Mixer will be hosted by Kaiser Permanente Garden Medical Offices, 9353 E. Imperial Hwy. (Downey Landing) Thursday, April 20 from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Entrance is just west of Ardis Ave.

Boy Scout Easter pancake breakfast

DOWNEY—You are cordially invited to attend the Downey Boy Scout Troop 2's annual Easter Pancake Breakfast this Sunday, April 16, between 7 a.m. and 11:30 a.m., in the Fellowship Hall of the Downey United Methodist Church, 10801 Downey Ave. Troop 2 has been serving the Downey area since 1923.

Donations are: adults, \$4; children under 10 years, \$3.

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INSTRUCTOR LAURA DAKIN—Will teach kids 5-12 how to build a balloon mousetrap Wednesday, April 19 from 2-2:45 p.m. at the Downey City Library, using volunteers from the audience.

Children's program at library April 19

DOWNEY—Children ages 5-12 are invited to build a balloon mousetrap from 2-2:45 p.m. Wednesday, April 19, during Spring break from school, in the Cormack Room of the Downey City Library, 11121 Brookshire Ave. Instructor Laura Dakin will teach the principles of simple machines in a fun and creative way by constructing the world's 'coolest' mousetrap out of balloons, using volunteers from the audience, in her presentation, "Balloon Mousetrap."

The free program, sponsored by the Friends of the Downey City Library, will enable kids, says Senior Librarian Jan Palen, to discover that learning science can be fun at the library. For more information, contact Children's Services at 904-7360, ext. 4.

TV production class at adult school

DOWNEY—Interested in getting into the television industry? Classes are held on Thursdays from 6:30-9 p.m. at 14338 Lakewood Blvd. in Bellflower, covering the four stages of television production, for \$55.

Students will learn what it takes to be behind as well as in front of the camera, while learning in an actual TV studio (workshop not affiliated with Comcast Communications/Cable).

Preregister at Downey Adult School or call 940-6200 for more information.

Optimist Club has weekly lunches

DOWNEY – The Optimist Club of Downey, headed by Steve Allen, meets at Sambi's Restaurant every Thursday at noon. Call 806-3701 for more information.

Healing Field tribute to child abuse victims

DOWNEY—The Healing Field, a dramatic display of more than a thousand American flags to symbolize the numerous deaths from child abuse of children across the nation in the last year, will for the second year be presented by the Exchange Club Family Support Center at East Middle School (corner of Woodruff and Florence Aves.).

An additional 20 flags will be flown on the field to represent the children who have died in Downey and surrounding cities in the past five years.

The tribute to America's lost children, and what is in fact a jarring reality check on the prevalence of child abuse in the United States, is scheduled in Downey from April 19 through April 22. April is Child Abuse Prevention Month.

The Exchange Club Center welcomes volunteers as they play a huge part in the four-day affair. At the same time, the Center encourages members of the community to sponsor a flag and take a part of the Healing Field home.

Opening ceremony is at 3 p.m. Wednesday, April 19. The field will be open from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. April 19-22, to allow everyone to experience the Healing Field. Information booths will be open until 9 p.m.

At 3 p.m. Saturday, April 22, disassembly will begin, and flags may be picked up between 2 and 5 p.m.

To volunteer/sponsor a Healing Field flag(s), contact the Exchange Club Center, (562) 904-9590, or visit www.healingfield.org/downey.

Civic Light Opera auditions

DOWNEY – Try-outs for the next production of Downey Civic Light Opera, "Hello Dolly," will be held Monday, April 24 and Thursday, April 27 at First Baptist Church, 8348 Third St., Downey. Dance call will take place between 7 and 8:30 p.m. and auditions between 8:30 and 10:30 p.m.

"Those auditioning should bring a photo and resume and be prepared to sing 16 bars. We prefer a song from the show," stated Marsha Moode, executive producer of the local group.

"Hello Dolly" will be staged June 1 through 18 at the Downey Theater, Firestone at Brookshire.

Class on healthy eating for whole family

DOWNEY—A new class focusing on healthy eating and nutrition for the whole family will be held monthly at Downey Regional Medical Center, starting Wednesday, April 19, from 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Andrea Giancoli, MPH, RD, will teach the class, which is co-sponsored by DRMC's Department of Education and the Volunteer Corps.

Classes are free; advance registration is required by calling (562) 904-5580. DRMC is located at 11500 Brookshire Ave. in Downey near Firestone Blvd.



30-YEAR TRADITION – Easter lilies in honor of loved ones form a living cross at First Presbyterian Church of Downey as part of the traditional Easter service. The photo shows last year's design team of Gary McCaughan and grandchildren of the originator, Edgar McCaughan. The public is invited to take their preschool through 5th grade children for crafts, a Bible lesson, snacks and an Easter egg hunt. Worship and activities begin at 10 a.m. For more information, call 861-6752.

Schools thank cops for quick response

By John Adams

DOWNEY—The Downey Unified School Board thanked the Downey Police for quick action in diverting an unauthorized march that could have devastated the calm on both high school campuses in Downey.

The marchers estimated at about 200 were largely from Lakewood and South Gate, but hoped to swell their numbers by getting students here to cut class and join them in a show of support for Hispanic power like the huge rally the day before (Sunday, March 20) in Los Angeles

The marchers Monday, March 21, were somewhat unruly, causing fears because of their sudden unplanned appearance.

The marchers Monday failed because police quickly diverted them onto Stewart and Gray Road and back into South Gate. Meanwhile, school administrators and staff stressed the penalty for leaving classes.

Board President Donald La Plante in particular, and Boardmembers Martha Sodetani and Barbara Samperi were loud in their applause for the police work, and were echoed by Superintendent Wendy Doty.



Easter Worship Directory

These Downey area churches welcome you to Holy Week and Easter Sunday services... if you do not have a church home, we invite you to worship the risen Christ at a church of your choice!

Downey Memorial Christian Church
8441 Florence Avenue, Downey * 562-869-7291
Dr. Richard Kurasch, Senior Minister

April 16 - Resurrection Service...7:00 am
April 16 - Easter Service.....10:30 am

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- April 14 - Good Friday.....7:00 PM
- April 15 - Blessing of the Animals.....11:00 AM
- April 16 - Easter Service.....9:30 AM

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Friday, April 14th Good Friday at Noon
Friday, April 14th "God's Masterpiece" Easter Drama at 7:30 pm

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- Easter Breakfast, Apr. 15 - 9:30 a.m. to 12 noon, Easter Egg Hunt - 12:30 p.m.

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Volunteers, donors recognized for service

By Henry Veneracion

DOWNEY—Some 80 volunteers (who reportedly logged a combined total of nearly 11,000 hours for 2005) and 14 major donors were given recognition for their commendable and incalculable contributions to the Downey City Library at its 22nd annual Volunteer & Major Donor Recognition ceremony on April 8 at the Rio Hondo Event Center. It was sponsored by the Friends of the Library, themselves one of the major donors and a mainstay of the library over the years.

The volunteers are to be found working in such areas as the Friends Store, Book Processing, Adult Literacy Tutors, Books on Wheels, and Reading to Children. Volunteer work in the library has been so "fulfilling and worthwhile," according to one Literacy tutor, that a volunteer with 20-25 years of service is not uncommon.

Main speaker at the event that never fails to draw a capacity audience was Mayor Meredith Perkins, who seized on the final refrain of "Over the Rainbow" (played on the piano by city employee Mark Keller), as a thought for the departing crowd to ponder, "If little bluebirds fly... over the rainbow, why oh why can't I?" Assisting him as he handed out certificates (and gifts) was Councilmember Rick Cartozian, who was introduced as arguably "the (more) handsome one," to good-natured cheers. Taking turns as emcee were Downey City Library director and acting director of Community Services Thad Phillips and Adult Literacy coordinator Claudia Dailey.

TEACHERS

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lives of those who know and work with her at Price School.

She started there in 1988 as a first grade teacher, and has since taught kindergarten, second, and fifth grades. She currently teaches a combination first/second grade class.

Her lessons are impeccable, well planned and effectively taught. Her classroom is a model environment that creatively reflects high quality student efforts. She has an admirable warmth with her students and their families. New teachers visit her class to learn by example.

She has always been involved in programs such as the Globetrotter Club in geography, a program she authored, developed and supervises. Read Across America Week and the Community Read-In are other success stories. And she is very involved with the PTA, holding offices of vice president and teacher representative. She also is editor of the Yearbook and Student Council advisor.

She is a tremendous support to fellow teachers, is a support provider for new teachers, a history and social studies mentor and the staff development mentor at Price.

She helps new teachers set up their classrooms and gather materials and supplies.

As a member of Delta Kappa Gamma she now leads a mentoring that supports the 53 first-year teachers in the district.

She gives all of herself to education.

Kathy Lamb

Kathy Lamb, who teaches 8th grade English, Honors English and Remedial Reading at Sussman Middle School, is a Teacher of the Year, and was honored by the Masons and the DUSD School Board Tuesday. She started with a Masters in reading from CSULB, in 1980, teaching English as a Second Language at South and Griffiths. Since then she has taught 6th, 7th and 8th grade English as well as American Literature. She encourages competition between students, just one facet of how she loves preparing them for high school.

She has advised the Scholarship Club, guided the cheerleaders, served as GATE coordinator at Sussman and guided the young writers and editors for the daily live TV news show on campus.

Other teachers bring their curriculum problems to her, she is the school authority on grammar, spelling and literature.

She has mentored many, and is considered the epitome among English teachers.

Mark Swancoat

Mark Swancoat began his teaching career at Downey High School in 1986. He taught social studies and coached a variety of sports, including football, baseball and basketball.

He emerged as a leader among teachers in 1993 when Downey changed to a block schedule format. He was on the leading edge of using long blocks of time effectively. He also began the school-wide reading program during daily tutorial. In 1974 he received the Boland Teacher of the Year award, which goes to students and teachers outside the academic mainstream.

He has remained current with teaching methodology and curriculum standards. He has served as a master teacher many times.

He makes economics fun and relevant to students. He has a vast repertoire of instructional strategies, and is consistently nominated by students as Teacher of the Year honors.

Jerilyn King-Brown, Assistant Superintendent for Instructional Services, noted the Masonic United Lodge has honored Downey Unified with its Teacher of the Year Award for the past 42 years, and it is considered the highest honor paid to a DUSD teacher.

The awards were presented by Mason Bob Udoff.



HANSTAD HONORED—Assistant Superintendent Stan Hanstad was honored at the Downey Unified School District Board meeting Tuesday for outstanding service in behalf of the County's youth. Hanstad serves on the SARB Board and several other judicial bodies overseeing youth. The award was from County Supervisor Michael Antonovich and was presented by an Antonovich aide.



CONGR. LUCILLE ROYBAL-ALLARD—(Second from right), a member of the Labor, Health and Human Services and Education Subcommittee on Appropriations, met with some members of the Community Clinic Association of Los Angeles County in Washington, D.C. on March 29, to discuss the federal funding needs of community health care clinics nationwide. The association's clinics in the county serve more than half a million uninsured and underinsured patients each year. In photo with the congresswoman are representatives from AltaMed Health Services Corp. which has centers throughout the 34th District, from left: Zoila Dalia Escobar, AltaMed's vp for strategic development and community support; Dr. Marie S. Torres, AltaMed's senior vp, government relations and community research initiatives; and AltaMed president and CEO Castulo de la Rocha.

Blackburn OASIS speaker April 24

DOWNEY—Recent Boeing retiree and Aerospace Legacy Foundation president Jerry Blackburn presents an update of activities, including plans for a museum and learning center, at the old Boeing site when he addresses the OASIS class Monday, April 24 at Downey Adult School, 12340 Woodruff Ave., Downey. A history of the facility will also be recounted.

Piano entertainment by Dr. Robert Flynn at 3 p.m. precedes the program at 4 p.m. This is followed by a full-course dinner at 5 p.m. OASIS resource instructor is Harriett Paine.

For information/reservation, call 904-7215. Downey Senior Dial-A-Ride will provide transportation to the class. There is no class April 17, because of Spring break.

Stroke and diabetes awareness seminar

DOWNEY—Members of the community are invited to Downey Regional Medical Center (DRMC), 11500 Brookshire Ave., Saturday, April 22 from 9-11 a.m. to learn strategies for preventing two major health threats: stroke and diabetes.

DRMC Diabetes Health Educator Elsa Saucedo, RN, will discuss risk factors, signs and symptoms, and diabetes testing. Deborah Massaglia, president of the Roxanna Todd Hodges Foundation, will give an overview of risk factors and warning signs of a stroke. Presentations will be followed by stroke screenings, blood pressure and heart rate checks, as well as a prize drawing.

Registration is required for the free community event. For information about future Stroke Awareness Days, call 904-5162.

Fashion show to benefit students

DOWNEY—The Downey Newcomers Club's upcoming fashion show, "Bloomin' Spring Fashions," scheduled Monday, May 15 at the Rio Hondo Golf Club and presented by "Nena's Fashions of La Habra," will feature door prizes by Downey merchants. The proceeds will help the club award three scholarships to the local Downey high schools as well as to support the Rose Float Association, P.T.A. Helps, and Arc.

Tickets are on sale for \$25 each. The event will begin with a Social Hour at 10:30 a.m., then lunch consisting of filet mignon, followed by the fashion show at 12:30 p.m. Pre-sale tickets are recommended, as the event always sells out.

For tickets, contact Melba Willbanks, chairman, at (562) 862-2799.

Holocaust commemoration at Temple

DOWNEY—Temple Ner Tamid of Downey, 10629 Lakewood Blvd., will have a community commemoration of the Holocaust Tuesday evening, April 25. 'Yom Hashoah' Service will begin at 7:30 p.m., conducted by student Rabbi Bryna Milkow and Cantorial Intern Ellen Jaffe-Gill. All are welcome.

Meanwhile, the Temple's Sisterhood holds its regular monthly board and general meeting at 11 a.m. the following day, April 26. A luncheon will be served after the business meeting. Donation for the luncheon is \$6.

For information about meetings/membership, call the Temple office, 861-9276.

Terasaki guest demonstrator at meeting

DOWNEY—Native Californian Ryo Terasaki, who started her successful art career as a hobby but soon found painting so fascinating that she returned to college and earned her teaching credential in fine arts for adult school and community college, will be the guest demonstrator at the joint Downey Art League-Traditional Artist's Guild of Paramount meeting Tuesday, April 25 at Furman Park, 10419 Rives Ave., Bldg. No. 1. The meeting is at 7:30 p.m.

'Everyday Chinese for Business/Travel'

DOWNEY—Downey Adult School, 12340 Woodruff Ave., is offering classes on the Chinese language on Tuesdays and Thursdays April 25-July 27. The Chinese language instruction is for everyone at all levels. You'll learn about the listening, speaking, reading, writing and communication skills needed for business and travel in everyday situations.

You may sign up now at Downey Adult School, or call 940-6200 for more information.

Diabetes support group at DRMC

DOWNEY—Downey Regional Medical Center hosts a diabetes support group the third Wednesday of every month at 7 p.m. For information, call 622-2088.

The poets' corner

Thoughts of Spring

A time of renewal – the season of spring –
Is truly a marvelous, wonderful thing
When barren trees are dressed in green
And profusions of flowers now are seen.

Oh that those with barren hearts
Could, like spring, renew and start
To blossom forth with love instead
Of growing hate within their heads.

—Martha Morrissy,
Downey

Spring Vacation 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.



OVER 250 BOEING EMPLOYEES—Attend an Identify Theft Seminar hosted by Boeing Credit Unions Financial Partners and nuVision at the Huntington Beach Boeing campus.

Employees get lowdown on rising identify theft

DOWNEY—In response to the rapidly growing number of identity theft cases in the U.S., credit unions are taking a more active role in education. Financial Partners Credit Union and nuVision Financial Federal Credit Union are among the latest to join this group, as they worked jointly recently to offer a series of education seminars on identify theft for Boeing employees.

"We wanted to provide up-to-date information on how Boeing employees could protect themselves and manage their identities," said Financial Partners SVP of Marketing and Public Relations, Lori Reeves. "Financial Partners approached nuVision Financial with a proposal to offer a joint education effort to Southern California Boeing employees. [As] both Financial Partners and nuVision Financial have credit union offices located at Southern California Boeing sites, a combined effort not only reinforces the cooperative nature of credit unions, but more importantly allowed us to meet the needs of the Boeing Company in the most efficient manner. As credit unions we continue to differentiate ourselves from banks by combining efforts for the betterment of the communities we serve."

The series was reportedly a huge success with half the seminars drawing in over 200 attendees.

"The feedback we received has been very positive. People want to feel safe and they want to know that their identities are not being used for illegal purposes or gains. Both nuVision Financial and Financial Partners credit unions have dedicated personnel, services and information available so that our members can be proactive in protecting their identities," stated nuVision Financial's Chief Sales and Marketing Officer, Kerry Lewis.

Don't forget memory loss seminar April 20

DOWNEY—Dr. German Zermeno, Family Practitioner with Pioneer Medical Group (PMG), will present a seminar on "Memory Loss—Signs, Symptoms, and Current Treatment Options" from 10-11 a.m. Thursday, April 20 at the Downey Senior Center, 7810 Quill Drive in Downey.

Memory loss can be caused by a host of problems, including anemia, vitamin B deficiencies, abnormal thyroid hormone levels, depression, chronic infection, liver or kidney problems, or Alzheimer's disease. Dr. Zermeno's presentation will include effective memory exercises and strategies for improving memory function.

Tsklenis named chair of art committee

DOWNEY—At its first meeting on April 5, the newly-appointed City of Downey Art in Public Places Advisory Committee elected Harold Tsklenis and Robert Goldstein its chairman and vice-chairman, respectively. Other members of the committee are Vivian Durkee, Katherine Bode and George Redfox.

Committee meetings are open to the public.

Ara speaker at networkers meeting

DOWNEY—Guest speaker at the Chamber's Rise 'N Shine Networking Group's 7:30 a.m. meeting Tuesday, April 25 at Nordic Fox, 10924 Paramount Blvd., Downey, is Dr. Charlie Ara, who will speak on "Love from the Vatican to the Playboy Mansion: All A's for successful business relationships." RSVP: (562) 923-2191.

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turf, groundcover, trees and shrubs.

Be that as it may, Perkins questioned what constituted "site amenities," which carried a \$1.3 million tag. So the hope is the amount could still be reduced or its components reformulated to satisfy what Councilmember referred to as a "functionality test" factor in finalizing construction plans. Revised cost estimates vis-à-vis specific construction item deletions or add-ons will again be reviewed at the next study session.

In other action, the Council:

*Approved the inter-fund transfer of \$205,214 from the Learning Center Fund to the Community Development Block Grant Fund for the soil remediation project at the NASA City Park Site at 12400 Clark Avenue;

*Approved an agreement with the Downey City Employees' Association Miscellaneous Group to hold an agency shop election;

*Set a public hearing for May 9, 2006 to approve the 2006-07 Action Plan for the Community Development Block Grant and Home Investment Partnership programs;

*Approved an amendment to the Southeast Water Coalition Joint Powers Agreement;

*Authorized the acquisition of digital aerial photographs from Los Angeles County;

*Approved the contract with Natural Marketing in the amount of \$48,000 for public relations work related to the city's 50th anniversary celebration;

*Formalized the appointment, which heretofore was on an interim basis, of erstwhile Downey City Library Director Thad Phillips to Director of Community Services, succeeding Bonnie Kehoe.

*Issued a proclamation about Cerritos College's 50th anniversary; and

*Presented City pins to Miss Downey and Miss Teen Downey and their courts; and also introduced Mr. Downey and runner-up, and Little Mr. Downey.

Councilmember Kirk Cartozian made exception to the March 31 story in The Downey Patriot about the sale of the Downey Landing Retail Center by Downey Landing LLC to Investec Properties. He said the sale was actually consummated two years ago, and that there occurred only a formal transfer of ownership to Investec.

Harold Tseklenis made an impassioned plea to the Council to make sure the idea of adding a solar energy component to the Learning Center building not be forgotten.

SCHOOL BOARD

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*Ratified an agreement for legal services with Atkinson, Andelson, Loya, Ruud and Romo, effective April 3, 2006.

*Authorized the advertising for bids for modernization work at Pace Elementary to be charged to the Deferred Maintenance funds.

*Approved change order 1 to open purchase order for frozen slush drinks with Fund Foods of Placentia in the increased sum of \$5,100 to be charged to Food Services Funds.

*Accepted as complete fencing work by McCullah Fence of Bell Gardens in the sum of \$10,089 to be charged to the Bond and/or General Funds.

*Accepted as complete Backhoe work by Terra Pave of Whittier in the sum of \$22,676 to be charged to the Maintenance, Deferred Maintenance and/or Bond Funds.

*Accepted as complete concrete work by 3D Concrete of Downey for the sum of \$5,238 to be charged to the General and/or Bond Funds.

*Accepted as complete trade electrical work by Spike Electric of Anaheim for the sum of \$33,054 to be charged to the General and/or Bond Funds.

*Accepted as complete roof repair, replacement, and asbestos abatement work by FC & Sons Roofing for the sum of \$106,673 to be charged to the Maintenance and/or Bond Funds.

*Approved the adjustment of the 2005-06 General Fund restricted budget to reflect the decrease in fund balance.

*Approved the adjustment of the 2005-06 General Fund unrestricted budget to reflect the increase in fund balance.

*Approved the purchase of equipment in accordance with board policy.

*Approved the destruction of Class 3 disposable district records, and appointed Ralph Coronado, Warehouse Supervisor as document destruction coordinator.

*Ratified the abolishment or creation of several positions, as well as some changes in duties and job description.

*Received a report on bond revenue and expenditures for 2004-05 by Annie Casey, chair of the Citizens Bond Oversight Committee.

*Adopted a resolution on liability coverage for professional volunteers.

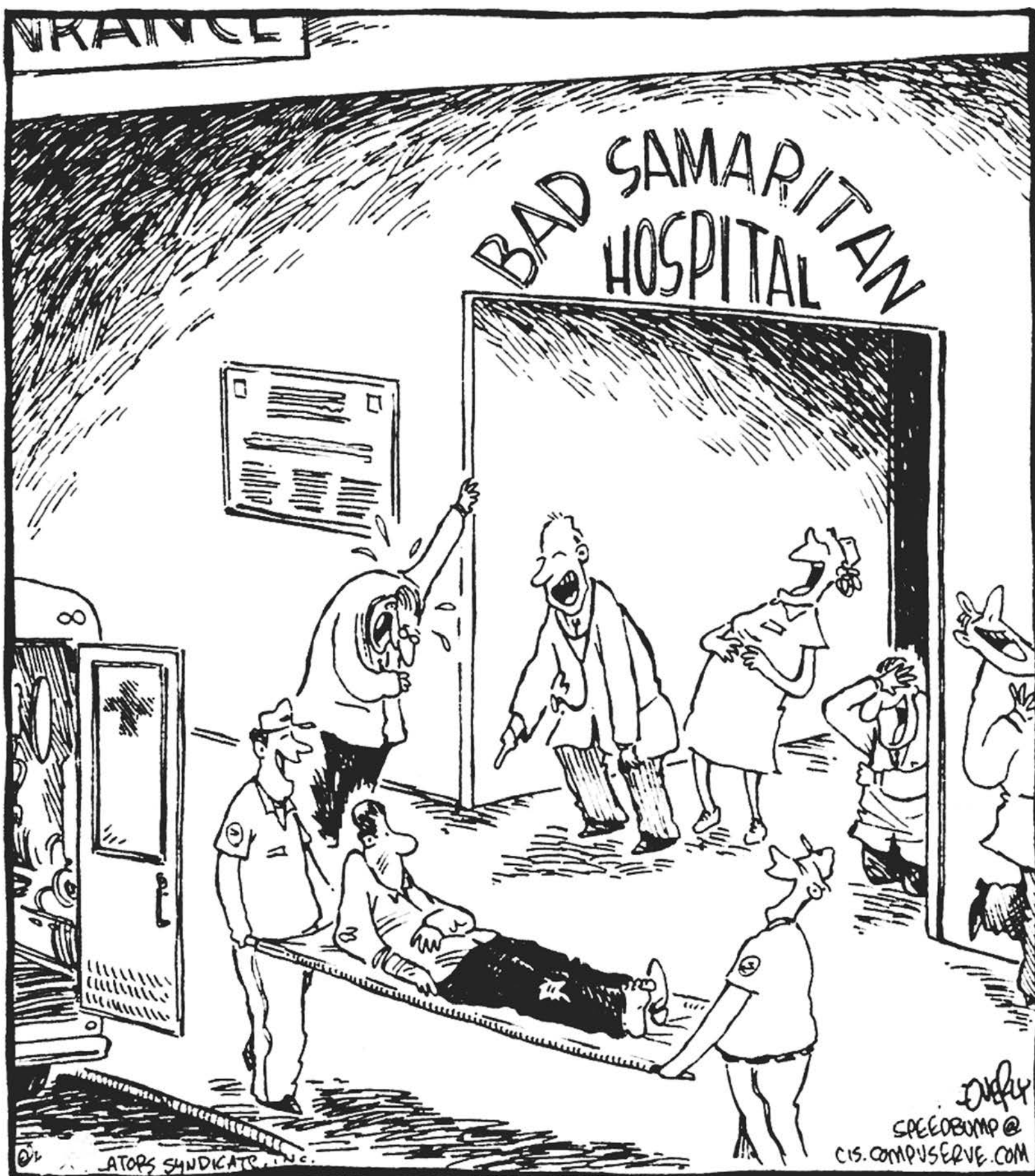
The next public meeting of the DUSD Board of Education will be at 5 p.m. Tuesday, May 2 at the Administration Center, 11627 Brookshire Ave.

Student newspaper lauded for reporting

NORWALK—Cerritos College's *Talon Marks* student newspaper and online Talonmarks.com won general excellence honors at the annual Journalism Association of Community Colleges (JACC) State conference held last month at the Wilshire Grand Hotel in Los Angeles.

Cerritos students won another 20 awards in the annual competitions. Erick Galindo, of Downey, also received a cash scholarship from the organization.

Downey resident Kristin Parker won Honorable Mention in feature writing and honor mention for front-page layout (tabloid).



Letters to the Editor

More on illegal immigration

Dear Editor:

I've read both sides of the issue on illegal immigration as put forth in *The Downey Patriot's* "Letters to the Editor." I wonder how many readers know the stand, or lack thereof, taken by our elected officials on the subject.

Let's start off with the actions of Congresswoman Lucille Roybal-Allard. Read her commendation (HR384) which she read on the House floor re the "Freedom Riders." These were the 900 who went in a caravan to D.C. to "educate the public and elected officials about immigrants' rights and the injustices of our country's current immigration policies." I assume she meant illegals, who are referred to in her office as "undocumented," as why would legal immigrants demand citizenship? You can read the whole article in a past issue of the Downey Patriot. I believe it would be in an Oct. 2003 issue. She states there that they don't want or expect handouts. But let's examine a few of the financial costs of illegal immigration.

1. Six states now spend in excess of \$1 billion a year on educating their children. California spends \$7.7 billion. Children in the nation's public schools, who are themselves illegal aliens, or who are the U.S.-born children of illegals, now number approximately 3.5 million;

2. Border hospitals: Many have been bankrupt because of free health care to illegals. In California, I believe 85 emergency rooms and more hospitals have closed and trauma care has become a thing of the past, for the same reason. They can't afford free health care. Many free health care facilities in the county have closed;

3. The cost of immigration is costing the taxpayer \$70 billion annually. In California, the cost is \$1,300 per household per year;

4. Immigrants are 50 percent more likely to get welfare than native Americans—70 percent get food stamps at a cost of \$3.7 billion annually;

5. Total cost of Medicaid and Social Security benefits to immigrants since 1995 has cost taxpayers approximately \$328 billion.

6. Immigrants with two or more children, who pay no tax, can receive as much as \$4,800 cash in Earned Income Tax Credit! (Earned?)

If what Roybal-Allard says is true, that they don't want handouts, let's start by canceling these socialistic programs and save a lot of money.

Let's address Sen. Feinstein's remarks — "They are here and they are working..." Yes, Sen. Feinstein, you're correct, the reason being is that neither the House, the Senate, or President has done anything but exacerbate the situation. The Senator now wants to make a law making it illegal to tunnel under our borders. It is illegal (whatever that means in D.C.) to cross the border, but it didn't include tunneling under. Way to go, Diane! Maybe you should include Hot Air Balloons in that bill, too—No illegals or drugs.

Will Cardinal Mahoney lose the tax-exempt status of the Catholic Church because of political activism?

Will the mayor of L.A., Antonio Villaraigosa, be arrested for declaring L.A. an "open city"? Y'all come! His words were "It's not enough to elect Latino leadership. If they're supporting legislation that denies the undocumented (illegals, in my language), they don't belong here." That's breaking immigration laws.

Do we go on paying \$3 million a day for "undocumented" in prison?

This letter is not meant for those who are here legally. I have no intention of offending them. This is to let our leaders know we are, or were, "a nation of laws." We would like to return to that.

—Elsa Van Leuven,
Downey

A stirring felt by 5th grader

Dear Editor:

Each year, the Downey Symphony provides the Educational Outreach Program in the Arts for the Downey Unified School District called "Music in the Schools." As a part of the program, Downey's fifth grade students attend a performance at the Downey Theater which is both educational and exciting for them. An example of the impact of this program on our students can be seen in this letter from Lemon McMillan, a fifth grader at Rio San Gabriel Elementary School:

"Dear Downey Symphony,

I really liked the brass, especially the French horn. The song called "The Old Castle" was my favorite song because it was very dark and mysterious. Your songs actually made me think I was listening to a radio. I can see all your efforts. You guys made me think about going into the East Middle School singing class. You made me feel that I have a chance to be a musician in the Downey Symphony when I grow up. You encourage a lot of people and you will keep on encouraging small or big children. You are the best!

Sincerely,

Lemon Rudolph McMillan"

—Theresa Ford,
Principal, Rio San Gabriel School

Police chief pledges aggressive philosophy

By Henry Veneracion

DOWNEY—Speaking before a veritable local and area Who's Who luncheon crowd estimated at 300 Wednesday, Downey Police Chief Roy Campos delineated the Downey Police Department's philosophy, at least under his stewardship which began Oct. 28, 2005, as being "aggressive," in the sense of diligence, vigilance and being active in the line of duty. All this, while extending courtesy and respecting the dignity of every citizen within the context of the rule of law.

After exhorting every member of the community to support Keep Downey Beautiful and efforts to wipe out the incidence of graffiti (a "prelude to criminality"), he said he was "very proud and very happy" to serve a city such as Downey which he said is held in high esteem practically everywhere.

The occasion was the annual GOOD Luncheon held at the Rio Hondo Event Center, with Los Angeles County Supervisor Ron Calderon delighting the distinguished assembly with his ready quips and impeccable timing as emcee.

Receiving newly-created "surprise" Lifetime Achievement Awards for their outstanding performance and service in the cause of GOOD were former GOOD presidents Bonnie Kehoe and Betty Ferraro. The vital contributions of legislators Sen. Diane Feinstein, Congresswoman Lucille Roybal-Allard, State Senator Alan Lowenthal, and the city of Downey were also recognized. Knabe also made sure the impressive activities being undertaken by the 10/20 Club under the leadership of Darrell Jackson and Ernest Caldwell were cited. Also cited, not only for her undiminished financial support but her unflagging advocacy of GOOD, was Dr. Mary Stauffer. The pioneering role of Phil Prescisci was extolled. And on and on the mention of luminaries who have championed the cause of GOOD went, adding a rich glow to the proceedings.

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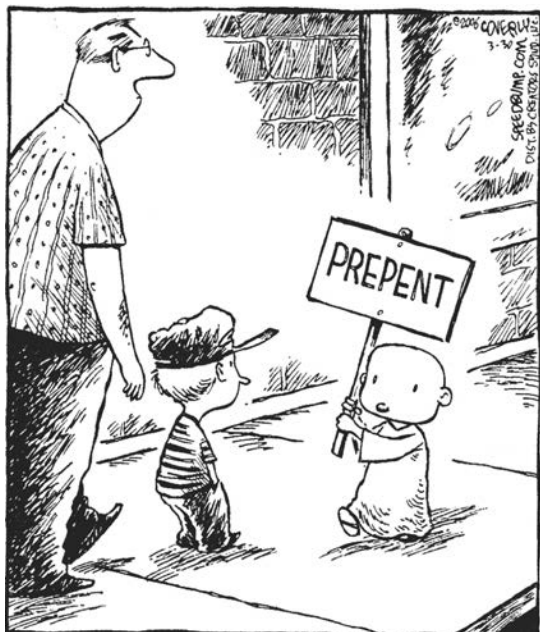
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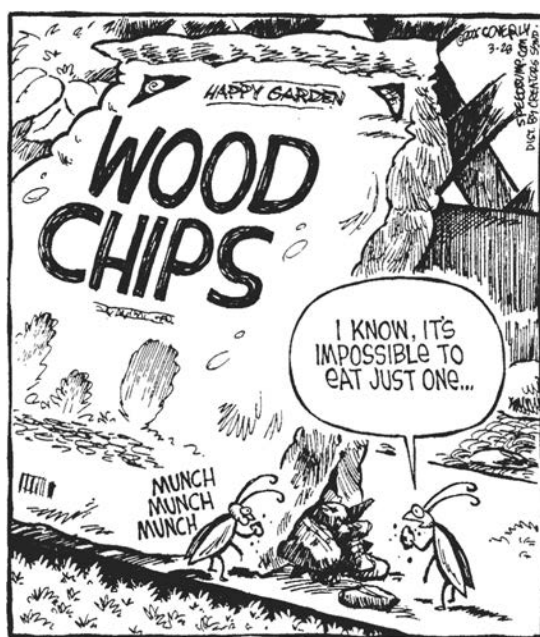
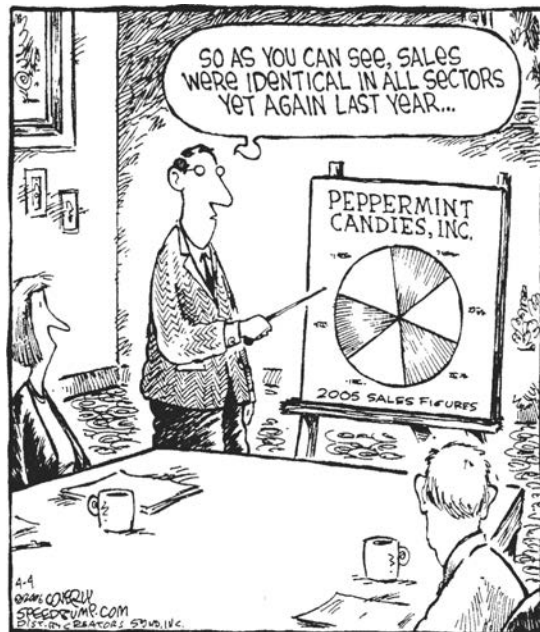
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Downey Community Calendar

Events For April

Wed. Apr. 19, 8:00 a.m.: **The Healing Field** dramatic display of over 1,000 American flags, a tribute to abused children at East Middle School, Woodruff at Florence Ave. Presented by the Exchange Club. For information call 904-9590.
Wed. Apr. 19, 6:30 p.m.: **Healthy Eating and Nutrition Class** at Downey Regional Medical Center, 11505 Brookshire Ave. For information call 904-5580.

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.
4th Weds., 12:00 noon: **Retired Federal Employees**, at **Furman Park West Bldg.**, call 943-5513.
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.
12 p.m.: **Kiwanis Club of Downey**, at Rio Hondo Events Center, call Roy Jimenez 923-0971.
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 First Christian Church, call (800) 932-8677.
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.

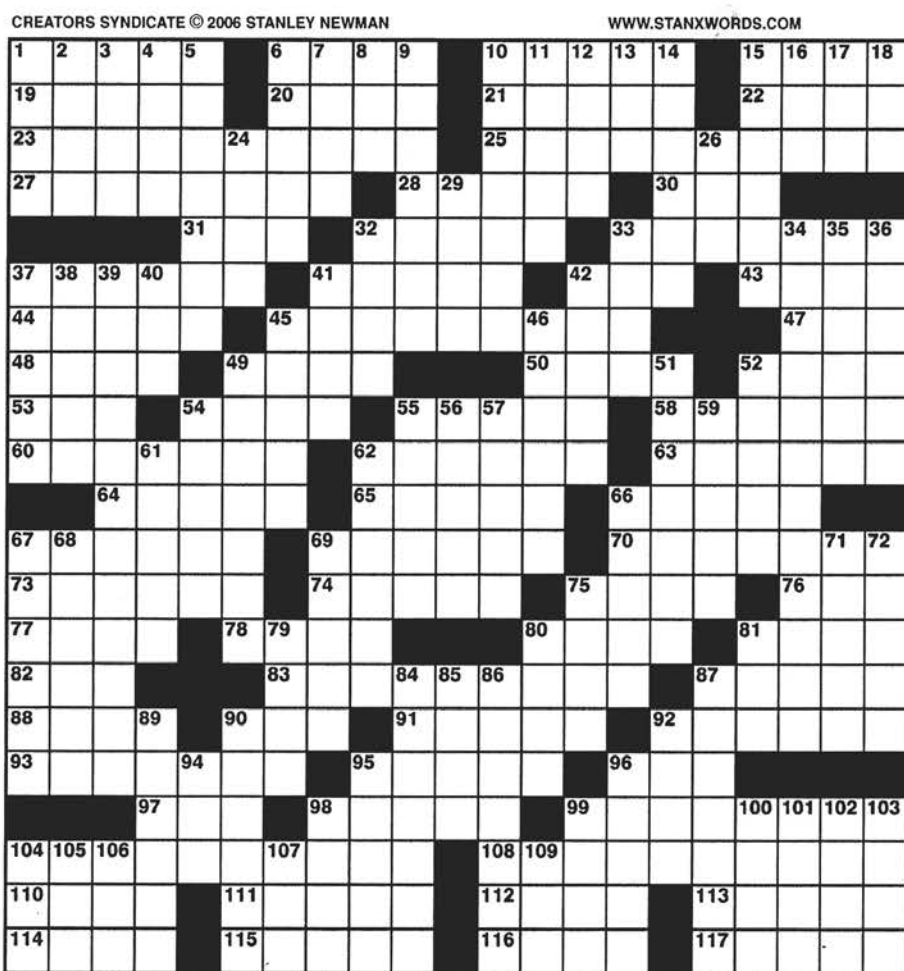
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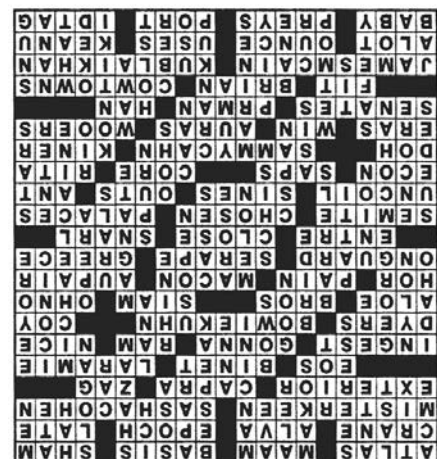
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- 62 Mexican shawl
- 63 Crete's country
- 64 nous (confidentially)
- 65 Shutter up
- 66 Entangle
- 67 Israeli or Arab
- 69 Picked
- 70 Royal residences
- 73 Straighten out, in a way
- 74 Trig functions
- 75 On the (not speaking)
- 76 Farm animal
- 77 Nobel Prize category: Abbr.
- 78 Hapless ones
- 80 Central portion
- 81 Actress Hayworth
- 82 Homer Simpson shout
- 83 "Call Me Irresponsible" lyricist
- 87 '50s Pirates slugger
- 88 Ages
- 90 Carry the day
- 91 Subjective atmospheres
- 92 Swains
- 93 Deliberative bodies
- 95 Release writer
- 96 Leia's rescuer
- 97 In good shape
- 98 Wilson of the Beach Boys
- 99 Western settings
- 104 Double Indemnity author
- 108 Mongol Dynasty founder
- 110 All the time
- 111 Liter fraction
- 112 Takes off the shelf
- 113 Actor Reeves
- 114 Coddle
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- 116 Red wine
- 117 Valise attachment
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- 1 Summit
- 2 Kids' cereal
- 3 Ultimate
- 4 Initial payment
- 5 Cassandra, for one
- 6 Powerful sharks
- 7 Angel or Tiger, in sports slang
- 8 St. crosser
- 9 "Moon River" composer
- 10 Indicate
- 11 In two different places
- 12 "Slammin' Sammy"
- 13 I, as in Innsbruck
- 14 Captain Marvel's magic word
- 15 Catchphrase
- 16 Cry of defiance
- 17 Polished off
- 18 Chaps
- 24 Brilliant display
- 26 Pit-stop patient
- 29 First sovereign of Great Britain
- 32 Pasta shapes
- 33 Smallville girl
- 34 Cider House Rules Oscar winner
- 35 Sacred
- 36 Pal of Piglet
- 37 Ezra Pound's birthplace
- 38 Parachute fabric
- 39 "The Man Who Owned Broadway"
- 40 Poetic preposition
- 41 Continue
- 42 Cologne's river
- 45 Veil wearer
- 46 Golf or tennis tourney
- 49 Large quantity
- 51 Industrialist
- 52 Nixon in China, e.g.
- 54 Singer LaBelle
- 55 Breakfast serving
- 56 Surfaced
- 57 Police files
- 59 Eastern border of Europe
- 61 Bringing-together
- 62 Coming-apart
- 66 Turn away
- 67 Shoe materials
- 68 Ovation result, perhaps
- 69 Senate broadcaster
- 71 Walk into
- 72 Takes top billing
- 75 Sounds awed
- 79 Seller's caveat
- 80 Sonny Corleone portrayer
- 81 Spanish river
- 84 Iwo Jima soldiers
- 85 Arizona city
- 86 Start, as a Model T
- 87 Heyerdahl book
- 89 Motorist's concern
- 90 Floor cleaner
- 92 Trumpet sound
- 94 "the season..."
- 95 Too high
- 96 The Planets composer
- 98 Ruination
- 99 Channel 19 broadcaster
- 100 Initialed, perhaps
- 101 "Can you repeat that?"
- 102 Peter Pan dog
- 103 Nestled
- 104 Right or left
- 105 Menu phrase
- 106 Wild bunch
- 107 Mongrel
- 109 GI hangout



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Figure skater SASA COHEN (25 Across) won the U.S. national championship in 2006. The first name of actor KEANU Reeves (113 Across) is a Hawaiian word meaning "cool breeze over the mountains." When England and Scotland combined into the kingdom of Great Britain in 1707, ANNE (29 Down) became its first monarch.



O.C. Fair & Exposition April '06 schedule

COSTA MESA—Highlight of this month's schedule is the "America's Family Pet Expo" scheduled for April 21-23, which is anticipated to draw 70,000 people to view more than 1,000 dogs, cats, birds, fish, llamas, reptiles, pigs, rats, rabbits and more. The animals will be featured in a number of stage shows, competitions, demonstrations, adoptions and hands-on attractions. Attendees can also see the latest and "greatest" pet products at show prices, listen to animal experts and even adopt a new pet.

Expo hours are Friday, 10 a.m.-6 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m.-7 p.m.; and Sunday, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. General admission is \$10. Children (6-12) are \$4. Seniors (60+) are \$8 and children 5 and under are free, so is parking. Patrons are asked not to bring pets to the event.

14-15 QUICK THROTTLE EXPO – Friday, noon-9 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Bldg. #10, Parade of Products, and Park Plaza. Admission: adults (13+) \$10, children 12 & under admitted free. Horsepower Promotions, (805) 686-2007, www.quickthrottlemag.com

15 SUPER AUCTIONS – Saturday, 10:15 a.m.-5 p.m. Preview: 8 a.m.-10 a.m. Bldg. #12. Admission: free. Super Auctions, (562) 592-1009, www.superauctions.com

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29 COMPUTER SHOW – Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Bldg. #14. Admission: adults \$5, children under 10 admitted free. Check website for discount admission price. NP Expos, Inc. (800) 800-5680, www.lacomputerfair.com

29-30 RBF VINTAGE COLLECTIBLES SHOW – Saturday, 10 a.m.-6 p.m.; Sunday, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Bldg. #12. Admission: \$6, two-day pass \$10, early-bird Friday pass \$40. (619) 273-9049, www.rbfshow.com

30 CUSTOM CLASSIC CAR SHOW – Sunday, 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Award Ceremony, 5-6 p.m. Festival Fields & Arlington Field. Admission: TBD. Lay Low Enterprise, (408) 920-0997, www.streetlow-magazine.com

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RETURNING TO DOWNEY – Ann Peck McBride will be back on stage enacting the title role for the Downey Civic Light Opera production of "Hello Dolly," playing June 1 through 18 at the Downey Theater, Firestone at Brookshire. She previously starred as Mama Rose in "Gypsy," Anna in "The King and I," and Annie Oakley in "Annie Get Your Gun." This will be her tenth appearance for the local group. Group discounts are available. For tickets and information call 923-1714.

New musical comedy season set at theater

DOWNEY – Marsha Moode, executive director of the Downey Civic Light Opera, has announced the shows for the 2006-07 season.

They include "Guys and Dolls," Oct. 5 through 22; "The Roar of the Greasepaint – The Smell of the Crowd," Feb. 22 through March 11, 2007; and "Oliver," May 31 through June 17, 2007.

For special discount season ticket information call 923-1714.

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.

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Poetry fans invited to read favorites

NORWALK—The Cerritos College English Department is calling for the submission of favorite poems and poem authors to be considered for a poetry reading for The Favorite Poem Project on Tuesday, April 18 at 11 a.m.

The Favorite Poem Project was founded in 1997 by then-U.S. Poet Laureate Robert Pinsky as a means of bringing ordinary Americans together to share their favorite poems and stories behind why they love those poems so much.

Several participants of submissions will be invited to read at the event, which will be recorded and copies provided the Library of Congress.

Send the poem, title and author, along with your name, e-mail address, phone number, age and occupation to Andrew Purvis or Frank Galk, professors of English at Cerritos College. Favorite poems may also be mailed to the Cerritos College English Department, 11110 Alondra Blvd. Norwalk, CA 90650 c/of Frank Galk. Electronic submission is preferred.

Poems may not be by the person submitting or his/her family or friends.

Volunteers needed for Rancho Gift Shop

DOWNEY—The Rancho Gift Shop, a major source of income for the Amigos Fund which has provided funding for physical, social and recreational services forming the core of the rehabilitation process at Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center since 1954, is in dire need of volunteers to work in the shop. It is located next to the historical Harriman building on the grounds of Rancho. It opened in 2002.

The Amigos Fund has dedicated itself to improving the lives of both inpatients and outpatients at Rancho. Served are adults and children with severe disability that follows spinal cord injury, brain injury, stroke neurological disorders and birth defects.

The shop is looking for anyone who can volunteer for a minimum of four hours each week. Contact Marty Krumm, manager, at (562) 401-7667 or (562) 401-7218 for more information.



ANGIE KELLOGG—(Center), Incoming president of the Downey PTA, receives Woman of Courage Award for Downey from 50th District Assemblymember Hector De La Torre, left, and psychologist and former Channel 34 journalist Dr. Rosa Maria Villalpando on March 30. Kellogg tutors an autistic child at Lincoln Elementary.

'Yiskor' services at Temple Ner Tamid

DOWNEY—Temple Ner Tamid of Downey, a Reform Congregation, is holding 'Yiskor' (memorial) Services at 10 a.m. Thursday, April 20.

Friday, April 21 at 6 p.m., Student Rabbi Bryna Milkow will hold a Study Session prior to services. Everyone is to bring their own brown bag 'Shabbat' dinner. There is no charge for this, and the community is welcome.

There will be Study Sessions every month at 6 p.m. on a variety of subjects. 'Shabbat Shemini' Services follow at 7:30 p.m., conducted by Student Rabbi Milkow and Cantorial Intern Ellen Jaffe-Gill, with Norberto Guinaldo at the organ. Following the worship service, 'Kiddush' is held—wine and 'challah' are included. 'Oneg' follows, and refreshments are served prepared by the Temple's Sisterhood.

For information (including about services/membership), call the Temple office, 861-9276.

Librettist en route to Budapest

DOWNEY—Downey resident, librettist Anna Winslow, is on her way to Budapest, where her latest oratorio, the Litany of Peace, will be performed on Saturday, April 22, at the Franz Liszt Academy of Music.

This work featuring three soloists (soprano, tenor, baritone), a full chorus and orchestra, premiered in Budapest in 2004 and since then has been shown on television twice and was heard once on the classical (Bartok) radio station in Hungary. Music is by the well-known composer and artistic director Jozsef Zaborszky. The concert will be conducted by Istvan Zaborszky who will fly from Finland to Budapest to conduct the work.

Aerospace history group meets May 21

DOWNEY—The Aerospace Legacy Foundation, a private group of persons who share in the hope of retaining some of Downey's history of leadership and excellence in aviation and space, will meet at 1:30 p.m. Sunday, May 21st on the second floor of the First Baptist Church of Downey (use the side entrance on 2nd Street east of Downey Ave.)

The Foundation began in 1995, when a group of scientists, engineers, and business-persons gathered to assess the situation. They incorporated in 1997 as a non-profit group, aimed at preserving the more than 70 years that Downey served on the cutting edge of aircraft development (Jerry Vultee and later North American). Then the great years of the Apollo Program culminating with the placing of a man on the moon, and development of the Space Shuttle.

The meeting is free and the public is welcome.

The Foundation is currently involved in planning and promoting the future Columbia Space Science Learning Center.

For information, call (562) 291-1399 or (562) 941-7735.

California's part in Civil War explored

WHITTIER—Susan Ogle, the director of the Drum Barracks-Civil War Museum, will speak to the Whittier Area Genealogical Society (WAGS) at 1 p.m. tomorrow, April 15 at their meeting at the Whittier Masonic Lodge, 7604 Greenleaf Ave. in Whittier, about the part the Drum Barracks and California played in the Civil War.

The Society always welcomes visitors at these monthly meetings. For information, call (562) 695-5431 or (626) 919-1713, or visit <http://www.cagenweb.com/kr/wags>.

Free English classes at adult school

DOWNEY—Downey Adult School is offering free English classes and babysitting to anyone who wants to learn English. The classes are held in the mornings at four different school sites:

Imperial Elementary Mon-Fri	8:45 - 11:45 a.m.
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Alameda Elementary Mon & Wed	8:00 - 11:30 a.m.
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To enroll, call (562) 940-6200.

OLPH Women's Guild meeting April 20

DOWNEY—Fr. Mark Warnstadt, Pastor of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, will be the featured speaker at the OLPH Women's Guild meeting Thursday, April 20 at 10 a.m. in the Parish Center. He will give an informal "Getting to Know Me" talk, followed by questions from members.

New Guild officers will be elected for the 2006-07 Guild Year at the meeting. A Continental Breakfast will be served. For information, call Joyce Prokop, 861-5113.

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CHEERFUL KIDS—The Our Lady of Perpetual Help cheerleaders took second place in a competition held at Sea World in San Diego March 25. It was the girls' first win in competition against squads from other areas of the state. The Trojans had previously competed in two other competitions with other local squads. The girls won second and first place trophies in those matches respectively.

'Green building' expo next week in Downey

DOWNEY – To help meet the growing interest in sustainable building, Southern California's premier "green building" conference has expanded to two days – April 20 and 21, to be held The Gas Company's Energy Resource Center at 9240 Firestone Blvd. in Downey. Attendance is free.

The 5th Annual Municipal Green Building Conference and Expo will share the latest knowledge and experience on successful sustainable building practices for builders in both the municipal and private sectors.

The first day of the conference will focus on municipalities and the regional design community; day two will emphasize the needs of developers and the private sector.

Registrations can be made online at www.socalgas.com/erc or by calling (800) 427-6584 (select option one).

The conference, co-sponsored by The Gas Company and the Los Angeles Chapter of the U.S. Green Building Council, will address such topics as ethics and values of sustainability, policy and planning, regional issues, the Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) certification, integrated technology, sustainable software, and the cost and payback of sustainability.

Last year's conference attracted more than 300 people, including city planners and managers, public works directors, elected officials, architects, engineers, developers, and consultants in the energy and environmental fields.

The keynote speaker for the first day will be Kenneth Geiser, Ph.D., an internationally recognized specialist in pollution prevention, clean production and industrial chemicals policy. Geiser is a professor of Work Environment at the University of Massachusetts Lowell and the Co-Director of the Lowell Center for Sustainable Production.

The keynote speaker for the second day will be Tom Cody, principal of The South Group, a downtown Los Angeles collaboration between Portland's Gerding/Edlen Development Co. and Williams & Dame Development.

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Engineering student lands scholarship

NORWALK – The Cerritos College Foundation awarded the U.S.S. Pelias scholarship to Cerritos College student and Downey resident Vivana Ruiz, on March 29 during the college's annual academic excellence awards ceremony.

Ruiz is a second-year engineering major at Cerritos College and is originally from Columbia.

"We are proud to honor the crew of the U.S.S. Pelias by providing scholarships to deserving students like Vivana," said the Peter Espinoza, Cerritos College Foundation vice chairman and emcee for the award ceremony.

U.S.S. Pelias

Established by the crew of the U.S.S. Pelias, a submarine tender, which survived the attack on Pearl Harbor, the Pelias scholarship traditionally provides two \$500 scholarships to engineering and physics students who display outstanding academic achievement. Recipients are selected each year by faculty in the Cerritos College science, engineering and math division (SEM). The original ship's bell is on permanent display in the college's administrative quad.

The Cerritos College Foundation, a non-profit organization, serves as a charitable vehicle for the community, individuals and alumni, to assist with financial support of Cerritos College beyond that which state funding supports.

Cerritos College is located in Norwalk and serves Downey.



VIVANA RUIZ—A second-year engineering major at Cerritos College, received the 2006 Pelias Scholarship at the Cerritos College Academic Awards Ceremony on Wednesday, March 29. Ruiz is pictured with Cerritos College Foundation Executive Director Steve Richardson (far left). Ruiz, a Downey resident, is originally from Colombia and was chosen by faculty in the Cerritos College science, engineering and math division. The original bell is on permanent display in the college's administrative quad.

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'Connections' meets Thursdays

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20th annual Amistad Gala set for April 29

DOWNEY—The 20th annual Amistad Gala, a black-tie dinner affair that benefits the outstanding programs and services of Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center, is scheduled for Saturday, April 29 at the Westin Long Beach Hotel. It's presented by the Rancho Los Amigos Foundation, the nonprofit, public benefit corporation that conducts fundraising activities to support research, education, equipment, and patient care at the world-renowned rehabilitation center.

Theme of the gala affair this year is "We've Only Just Begun." The more than 500 guests expected to attend the annual event include leaders in healthcare, government, business and community.

Those receiving the 2006 Amistad Award, Rancho's highest honor, include: community leader Charles Coniglio, who will receive the Amistad Award for Individual Achievement; world-renowned physician Salah Rubayi, M.D., who will receive the Amistad Lifetime Achievement Award; Rancho volunteer and Amigos Fund president Richard Daggett, who will receive the Amistad Friend Award; and AT&T, which will receive the Amistad Community Service Award.

Previous Amistad honorees include: actress Betty White; Olympic champion Rafer Johnson; civic leader James C. Hankla; the Port of Long Beach; The Academy of Television Arts & Sciences; community leader Carmen O. Perez; legendary physician Jacquelin Perry, M.D.; and Los Angeles Supervisor Don Knabe, who will serve as master of ceremonies. Each of the previous awardees will be recognized at the event in a special 20th Anniversary tribute.

The reception at 5:30 p.m. is followed at 7 p.m. by the dinner, program and entertainment.

YMCA searching for volunteers

DOWNEY — The Downey YMCA is in need of volunteers for both morning and evening hours. Call 862-4201 for more information.



THESE DOWNEY HIGH STUDENT INTERNS—Are enrolled in the FPCA-LA. COUNTY ROP program where, according to FCPCU CEO Nader Moghaddam, they stand to gain valuable work experience and learning about credit unions, which will make them valuable to future employers.

Credit union announces partnership with ROP

DOWNEY—As part of their ongoing commitment to the community, Financial Partners Credit Union is once again partnering with the Los Angeles County ROP (Regional Occupation Program) to host three student interns from Downey High School. The student interns are interested in directing their careers in financial services, marketing, or office occupations.

The Los Angeles County ROP offers 70 hours of in-classroom training in a variety of business occupations. Once the classroom training is complete the students then learn hands-on at local businesses such as Financial Partners, with the potential to be hired full-time once their internship is complete.

For more information about the ROP program, visit www.lacorop.org. Information about FPCU is available at www.fpcu.org.

Embroiderers' Guild welcomes guests

LONG BEACH—The Long Beach Chapter of the Embroiderers' Guild of America, Inc., which meets the 4th Friday of the month, will meet April 28 at St. Gregory Episcopal Church, 6201 East Willow St. in Long Beach, with the group finishing their band sampler (designed and taught by Sandi Cormaci-Boles) with nine new stitches.

Guests are welcome, and are requested to pay a \$2 donation. Social Hour is at 10 a.m.; the meeting/program begins at 11:30 a.m.

Legislative committee meets

DOWNEY — The Legislative Advocacy Committee of the Downey Chamber of Commerce meets the third Thursday of every month at noon in the boardroom of the Chamber, 11131 Brookshire Ave.

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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.

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

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 more information on joining, call Nadine Morris at 923-9422.

Auto Club sponsors car-key legislation

DOWNEY—Motorists will have access day or night to replacing lost or stolen high-tech electronic vehicle keys under a bill sponsored by the Automobile Club of Southern California scheduled to receive its first legislative committee hearing on April 18.

The bill requires the establishment of a safe, secure method for motorists to obtain electronic code information necessary to reproduce many of today's high-tech vehicle keys.

"New computer technology to prevent auto theft is being added to more and more new vehicle keys each year," said Hend Hasrouni, the Auto Club's Downey district manager. "However, motorists who lose these new high-tech car keys often face delays, inconvenience and significantly more expense in replacing keys, because locksmiths and other car repair facilities cannot obtain the information they need from car manufacturers in order to reproduce electronic keys.

"Greater security is an asset for consumers, but security improvement should not come at the expense of placing motorists in an unsafe situation or forcing them to pay unnecessarily high prices to obtain replacements."

Nurses needed for disaster preparedness

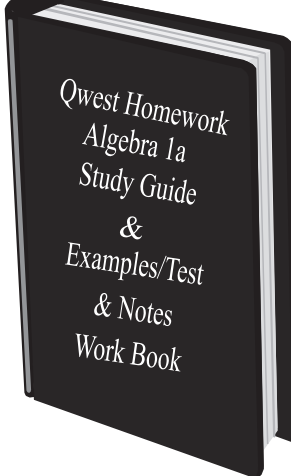
WHITTIER—The Red Cross Rio Hondo Chapter in Whittier, which serves the communities of Bell Gardens, Downey, La Habra Heights, La Mirada, Montebello, Norwalk, Pico Rivera, Santa Fe Springs, Whittier and some unincorporated service areas, needs nurses to volunteer toward preparedness for a major disaster.

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This year's production, entitled "Barbershop Americana," will feature traditional American music, including gospel, patriotic, and Broadway selections, all performed by the chorus and their quartets, in their unique four-part, "barbershop-style" harmony.

Jazz group

For jazz aficionados, the headliner guests will be "Ready, Willing, & Mabel," a mixed quartet whose vocal harmony has been described as a "cocktail for the ears!" The critically-acclaimed vocal jazz group features such old standards as, "For All We Know," "This Can't Be Love," "Puttin' On the Ritz," and others, all performed in what has been described as "dangerously close harmonies."

Tickets for the show, now on sale, are \$22 for premium seats, \$18 for regular seating; for seniors, children, and groups of 12 or more, tickets will cost just \$14 per person. There will only be one performance, and all seats are reserved, so for best results, you are advised to order your tickets now. For ticket information, contact Bill or Medea Niemand at (562) 923-5951, or visit the Choralaires website at www.choralaires.org.



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SCAG submits plan for regional airport system

CORONA—The Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) presented a proposal recently for how Southern California can develop and implement a regional airport system to accommodate future passenger and freight demands. SCAG executive director Mark Pisano testified before a special congressional hearing chaired by Rep. John Mica (R-FL), Chairman of the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee's Subcommittee on Aviation, about "Meeting Future Aviation Capacity Needs in Southern California." Pisano testified that the successful implementation of a regional airport system depends upon critical ground access improvements to Southern California airports.

"SCAG has long advocated for the development of a truly regional airport system that minimizes growing pressures on LAX and maximizes use of Southern California's airport assets," Pisano said. "The primary challenge of a decentralized aviation system relates to the fact that most of the demand will continue to reside in the urban areas of Los Angeles and Orange Counties, so meeting future airport needs are inextricably tied to airport ground access."

According to SCAG, approximately 90 million people currently utilize Southern California's airport system each year, with approximately 60.7 million using LAX. In terms of cargo demand, the regional system carried approximately 2.8 million tons of cargo in 2004, with LAX responsible for around 74 percent of that total cargo.

Woman's Club releases Pechanga trip schedule

DOWNEY – Due to the success of their monthly bus trips to the Pechanga Entertainment Center in Temecula to benefit their Scholarship Fund, the Woman's Club of Downey has released their 2006 all-Monday schedule: May 1, June 5, July 10, Aug. 7, Sept. 11, Oct. 2, Nov. 6 and Dec. 4.

The club's first-class bus, provided by Pechanga, leaves at 8 a.m. and returns to Downey between 5:30-6 p.m. Each guest receives a \$5 voucher for casino play and visitors are encouraged to register for a "Rewards Card" at the casino for additional benefits.

Bingo is played on the bus going and returning, featuring a grab bag of prizes.

Cost of each trip is \$6 for Woman's Club members, \$11 for non-members. Guests must be at least 21 years of age. The Woman's Club opens at 7 a.m. on trip days to sell donuts and coffee.

All reservations must be paid at least one week prior to departure date. No refunds will be made for last-minute cancellations.

For reservations or more information, call Jeanine Keys at 923-6620 or Doris Patterson at 869-0377.

Youth football registration tomorrow

DOWNEY—Downey Youth Football (DYF) will hold registration for the 2006 season tomorrow, April 15, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Furman Park, 10419 Rives Avenue. DYF will conduct registration at the same time and place on the first and third Saturday of every month.

DYF offers tackle and flag football and cheerleading for boys and girls ages 5-14. There are approximately 10 spots left on each team and a waiting list is already being established, with kids being placed on a first-come first-paid basis.

Payment plans are offered and raffle tickets will be available to help offset registration costs. DYF does not turn children away due to cost.

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Applications have been sent to local organizations (who are members of DCC) to nominate an honoree from their organization, for recognition at the banquet. If you are a volunteer organization in the city of Downey and not a DCC member, you may contact Lois Buchanan, (562) 927-9790 and make arrangements. Tickets are \$25 per person.

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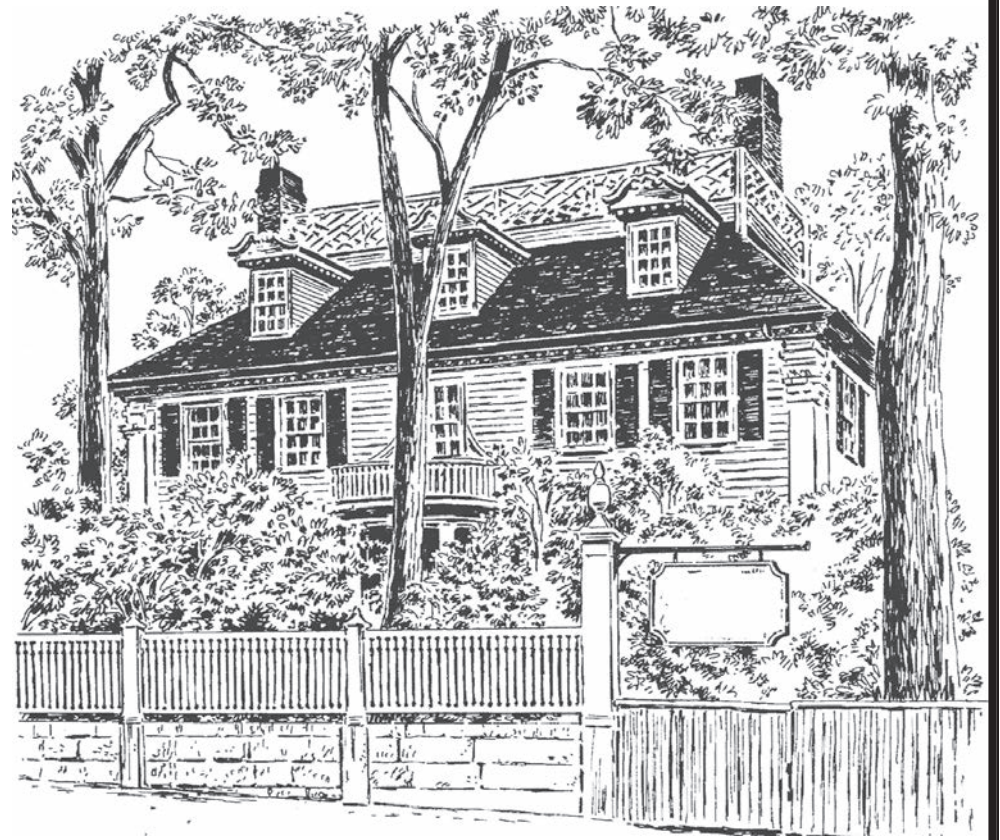
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