



The Downey Patriot

Downey Symphony lunch
See Page 3

D'Orazio passes away
See Page 8

Peterson Farmhouse
See Page 9

Friday, September 1, 2006

Vol. 5 No. 19

11525 Downey Ave., Suite A, Downey, CA 90241



"THIS BEAUTIFUL SHIP"—Writes Lorine Parks, who took this picture from the deck of the Queen Mary 2 in the course of a mini-vacation recently, "sailing down Boston Harbor is the U.S.S. Constitution. Her nickname is 'Old Ironsides', because during the War of 1812, the British cannon balls seemed to bounce off her wooden hull. Once a year on the Fourth of July, she is set free from her mooring and sails into the harbor, where she fires a twenty-one gun salute in honor of Independence Day. Imagine what a thrill it was to be on a British ship and see this American frigate, still a commissioned ship in the U.S. Navy, moving proudly on the current. We could see the white puffs of smoke and the orange fire with every shot. Logan Airport is in the background."

Are we testing our students too much?

By John Adams

DOWNEY—When Downey Unified School Board President Donald La Plante challenged the value of statewide mandatory student testing such as the STAR Program, many in the audience at Tuesday's meeting were surprised.

They shouldn't have been. La Plante has criticized the lengthening list of state mandated tests before on grounds that they are not designed for California demographics.

A report compiled by the DUSD in its inner-effort to do well on the battery of tests was sitting before each member of the School Board.

La Plante also shook up the meeting by saying the test results don't measure the same thing and trying to make them match was as confusing as apples and oranges.

Compiler

The DUSD report was compiled by Denise Takano, District Director of Elementary Education at the Board's request

She noted that the Standardized Testing and Reporting (STAR) test was initiated in 1997 in all California public schools in grades 2 through 11. The major component of the STAR is the California Standards Tests (CSTs), which measure English Language Art, Mathematics, Science and History-Social Studies.

This year, for the first time, the California Department of Education will report state and federal accountability under a general heading. Principals are preparing a Home Report which will be mailed to parents. The scores will be reported in the press as well, in terms of percentages. School administrators will mull over group, grade level and subgroup percentage scores.

Accountability

The State Department of Education will report both state and federal Accountability results under the integral heading of Accountability Progress Report (APR). The APR 2006 Academic Performance Index (API), the 006 Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) report, and the 2006-07 Program Improvement Report (PI).

Students are also required to take the California School Editing Standards Test (CST) in grade 4. Students are scored using a four-point "holistic rubric" with four being the highest score. In 2006 only one reader scored each student's written response. In previous years two readers scored each test and the scores were added.

CAT test

Starting in 2003 the CAT test was instituted. This California Achievement Test was formed using a national sample of guidelines and is used to compare the performance of DUSD students with those of other nationally representative sample groups in subject areas such as math, reading, language and spelling.

Starting in 2005 the CAT/6 Survey is administered to grades four and seven only. The CAT/6 test, while it can be used to compile a school's API score, such computation are minor compared to the far weightier Content Standards Tests. CAT/6 is not aligned with California Content Standards.

California Writing Standards Test percentages address the academic content standards for the state's Writing Application.

California Content Standards Tests. The District can take pride in this district-wide percentage of students who took the standard Tests improved in English Language Arts (ELA) from 1-to-6 percent compared to the previous year's scores. This is for every grade tested. Grade 2 had a significant increase of 6 percent. Grade 4 sustained the previous year's increase of 9 percent in 2004-05 and added 4 percent more in last year's testing. Schools that rang up significant gains of 5 percent or more in two or more

grade levels in math included Gauldin, Lewis, Old River, Price and Rio San Gabriel.

This is the third year of reported scores for Grade 5 of the California Standard Test in Science. This allows three years for comparison.

The percentage of students that scored advanced or proficient marks increased from 32 percent to 36 percent among 5th graders. This represents significant improvement with an 8 percent or more increase at Carpenter, Gallatin, Lewis and Price.

Students also take the California Writing Standards Test and the CAT/6 Test.

During the four years that grade 7 results have been available the middle schools have struggled. Sussman Middle School scored significant gains in Language and Spelling, Reading, and Math. East Middle School has demonstrated a significant improvement in Language and Spelling. West Middle School has improved in Math. And Griffiths has shown a slight decline.

For the first time the four middle schools scored an 8 on the essay.

Points to be noted when analyzing long term growth include:

- Standard tests for English Language Arts have shown sustained long-term growth in the three grade levels. Grade 6 has increased 4 percent. Grade 7 had scored a gain of 3 percent. And grade 8 shows a significant gain of 9 percent.

- Demonstrated significant single year in English Language Arts at East Middle School with a 5 percent increase in grade 8. Sussman had a 4 percent increase in grades 6 and 8. And West had a 4 percent increase in grade 8.

See TESTING, page 4

Aging prisoners raise cost doubts

By John Adams

Who's in California's prison system? You might think you know, but a new report offers some surprising light on the prison trends of today.

California Counts, a publication of the Public Policy Institute of California, recently published its survey findings. One fact is that the state prison population has grown three times faster than the general adult population since 1990, and at the end of 2005 stood at 167,698.

Federal courts

The federal courts have taken over management of the entire prison health care system, and also ruled that California's racial segregation system in prison is unconstitutional. Voters over the past 15 years have chosen to impose harsher sentences with longer sentences for violent crime, but have also shown a willingness to experiment with alternatives to incarceration. As the number of prisoners mounted, Californians have shown increasing concern over the families and communities prisoners return to on release.

African Americans have the highest incarceration rate of any group (5.125 per 100,000 for male adults and 346 per 100,000 for women, compared to 1,159 and 62 respectively for all adults.) Latinos now are the largest ethnic group in the prison system at 38 percent of the total.

The prison population is aging, with those under the age of 25 steadily

See PRISON, page 4

Macy's prepares for its Downey opening

■ Downey High School marching band will assist at Sept. 9 conversion.

By Eric Pierce

DOWNEY – Macy's will celebrate its official transition to a national retailer with a Sept. 9 conversion that will expand the brand to more than 800 stores, including one at Stonewood Center in Downey.

The change will be commemorated with red-carpet events, giveaways and fireworks display at stores nationwide. A 23-city tour of the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade On Parade is also planned, which will include a stop in Downey on Oct. 18.

The Robinsons-May store at Stonewood Center will officially be converted to Macy's at a ribbon cutting ceremony at 10 a.m. on Saturday, Sept. 9. City officials are expected to assist in the event and the Downey High School marching band will also be present.

In-store events will include a personal appearance by Dora the Explorer, star of the popular Nickelodeon television show, and an opportunity for kids to make a handprint on the parade balloon that will ride in the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade in New York.

Gift car giveaway

All Macy's stores throughout the country will be giving away \$10 gift cards on Sept. 9. Store officials said they will also randomly mix \$500 and \$1000 gift cards with the \$10 cards.

'Shop for a Cause'

On Sept. 16, all Macy's stores will host a "Shop for a Cause" day, where charity organizations will be invited to sell \$5 tickets to customers good for 20 percent discounts at Macy's. The charities will keep the full profits of their sales, which Macy's estimates may top \$12 million nationwide.

'Parade on Parade' Tour

Stonewood Center will host a caravan tour of the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade float on Wednesday, Oct. 18, which will include a 1,000-square-foot interactive experience inside a 53-foot trailer. A 48-foot stage will feature a musical presentation and demonstrations on how to build a float.

A taping of NBC's 'The Today Show' is also in the works.

Other highlights of the tour stop:

- A "green screen" opportunity to take a picture as a clown, balloon-handler or band member

- Chance to "broadcast" a Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade

- 3-D history of the parade

- Parade confetti stations

- Short video on the parade and its cameo in "Miracle on 34th Street"

"This is truly a monumental and historic moment for Macy's," said Macy's West Chairman and CEO Robert Mettler. "How often do you get to bring all the best of a great American institution to millions of new customers across the country?"

"It has been a spectacular undertaking, and we hope that our new customers are as excited to have us as we are to be a part of their communities."

Thieves steal ATM, escape in Downey

By Eric Pierce

DOWNEY – Two men who ripped an ATM from its wall inside a Walgreens drug store in Whittier Tuesday are still at large after fleeing into a Downey neighborhood, Whittier police said.

Surveillance cameras show two men chaining the ATM, located at the Walgreens at 11604 Whittier Blvd., to a stolen blue van in the early morning hours of Aug. 29. The van pulled the ATM, filled at the time with over \$7000, out of its place, police said.

The video then shows the men using a furniture dolly to load the ATM into the van and driving away, according to police.

Police were first alerted to the robbery when a resident called police to report a suspicious van at the drug store.

The van was spotted by police near Firestone Boulevard and Newville Avenue in Downey but the men fled when the officer tried to pull them over. Whittier, Downey and Monterey Park police set up a four-block perimeter but failed to make an arrest.

Inside the van police found the ATM safe – still filled with money – along with clothing, a furniture dolly, chains and 24-inch pry bar.

The van had been reported stolen out of Long Beach in mid-August. Police said the men may have family and friends in the Downey area.

Anyone with information is asked to call Jason Zuhlke at the Whittier Police Department at (562) 244-2289.

EARLY DEADLINE

Because of the Labor Day holiday, our display advertising deadline for the Friday, Sept. 8 edition of The Downey Patriot will be today, Friday, Sept. 1.

Our offices will be closed all day on Labor Day, Monday Sept. 4.

Classes at Adult School start Sept. 5

DOWNEY—Downey Adult School Career and Education Center, 12340 Woodruff Ave. in Downey, starts its Fall 2006 Quarter Tuesday, Sept. 5 with its day Computer Classes. All regular classes begin the week of Monday, Sept. 11.

The center has 'new and exciting' classes, including: Accounting & Quickbooks, Acute Care Nursing, Restorative Nursing, Real Estate Practice, Real Estate Law, Home Studies - GED & Parent Ed., Introduction Television Production, Vocal Music, Chinese for Business, and Ebay the Easy Way!

The center is currently accepting preregistrations for the classes, so early registration is recommended to reserve your seat.

For more information/to receive a brochure by mail, call (562) 940-6200.

Opera is subject of next Ezra meeting

DOWNEY—A member of the Los Angeles Opera Company, a first for Ezra, will present a lighthearted program about the history of opera, in music and words, "Let's Go to The Opera," when the Ezra Center for Mature Adults meets Tuesday, Sept. 19 at Temple Ner Tamid, 10629 Lakewood Blvd.

The community is welcome to attend.

Ezra sessions begin with registration, coffee/tea and refreshments at 9:45 a.m., followed by the program proper at 10 a.m. A catered Kosher luncheon is served after the program. Cost of lunch is \$6 for Ezra members, and \$7 for non-members.

For further information, call the Temple office, 861-9276.

Symphony plans anniversary luncheon

DOWNEY—The Downey Symphony Guild marks its 46th anniversary with a luncheon Saturday, Sept. 23 at Barbara Riley Community Center, 7810 E. Quill Drive, starting at 11 a.m.

The Guild Board, which is catering the luncheon, is serving the following: chicken salad, fresh fruit, dinner roll, desert, tea and coffee.

The guild's birthday celebration provides an occasion to honor its past presidents, with John Vincent presenting the program, "The Way It Used to Be." An opportunity drawing is an added bonus.

Reservations by check to the Downey Symphony Guild are to be made by Friday, Sept. 15. You will be checked in at the door.

Seat reservations may be obtained with paid orders for tables of eight.



NONFICTION CONTEST WINNERS—(From left) Jack Eiden, Yolanda Adele, and Anna Winslow. The three were announced winners of Writers' Workshop West's annual nonfiction/article contest.

Nonfiction contest winners announced

■ Writers' Workshop West names their annual non-fiction/article category winners.

By Rosalie Sciortino

DOWNEY—Winners of the annual nonfiction/article contest sponsored by Writers' Workshop West were determined at the August meeting.

First prize was won by Yolanda Adele of Norwalk for her humorous account of "My Tia Bruja." Anna Winslow took second place for "How To" and Jack Eiden's "Mexico and the United States" placed third. Cash prizes and certificates were awarded the winners.

Now in its forty-fourth year, this organization, composed of amateurs and published writers who gather together each month, is open to anyone interested in writing and having his work heard by his peers.

Contests, held each year, are for poetry, fiction, and nonfiction. The fiction contest entries must be completed by the November meeting to be judged and voted on in December. So, if there is a germ of an exciting story waiting to be written in your mind, put it on paper and enter the contest.

Rules for the competition and any other questions relating to the organization may be answered by calling (562) 862-3106.

Meetings are held the third Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. at Stonewood Travel, 9968 Lakewood Blvd. in Downey.

Toastmasters of the year awards given


DOWNEY—Fionnuala Anderson, a past president of the Downey Chamber of Commerce, has been named Dynamic Forecemasters Club 587 Toastmaster of the Year from a field of nearly 25 members. She lives in Downey and works in Long Beach.

Rene Estrada, a Pico Rivera resident who works in Downey, was awarded the Founder's District Toastmaster of the Year from a field of nearly 4000 members. He is also a member of Toastmaster ISDTM Club 585096 located in Downey.

Dynamic Forecemasters Club 587, <http://club587.freetoasthost.net>, meets every Tuesday from 6 to 7:30 p.m. at Downey First Baptist Church, 8348 E. Third St., Rm. 116.


American Legion meets at Los Amigos

DOWNEY - American Legion Post 270 meets the first Monday of every month at 7 p.m. at Los Amigos Country Club. For more information, call 869-1053. American Legion is the largest veterans service organization in the nation.



SOUTHEAST ACADEMY
LAW ENFORCEMENT/MILITARY SCIENCE
HIGH SCHOOL
 WWW.SOUTHEASTACADEMY.ORG
 (562) 809-6237

Southeast Academy High School (SEA) is a High School with Military and Law Enforcement as the areas of concentration. Southeast Academy is offered to 11th and 12th grade students, leading to the award of an accredited regular high school diploma. Required high school subjects are made relevant through practical applications relating to law enforcement and military science. The Academy draws upon the diversity of our community while providing neighboring district students the opportunities to explore a broad range of careers within the fields of Criminal Justice/Military. The program is highly structured, requiring motivation, commitment, personal accountability and self-discipline. In addition to striving for academic excellence, the cadets work toward acquiring character attributes of honesty, integrity, responsibility and strong leadership traits and principles. Military and Law Enforcement style structure and discipline are enforced.



Public Education-No Tuition

This is not a program for troubled youth. In a world where many prefer to take shortcuts and offer less than personal best effort, the Southeast Academy challenges each cadet to strive for excellence and his or her highest potential.

For more information or to obtain an application, please contact:

Southeast Academy High School
 (562) 809-6237

If this type of High School sounds interesting to you, we invite you to stop by our office. Call or check out our web site at www.southeastacademy.org for a registration packet.

Y We build strong kids,
 strong families, strong
 communities.

CALL 862-4201

*The Clear Choice
 for Dental Care*

**LASER
 GUM
 TREATMENT**

**NO Cutting
 or Stitches**



Laser treatment is an advanced technique that uses a laser light to gently remove harmful bacteria and diseased tissue from the gum pocket. This allows the body to heal naturally so that the gum pockets improve. Laser treatment can also increase bone growth around the tooth.


Call us if you have gingivitis or periodontal disease and we will show you how easy laser dentistry can save your gums and teeth.

John McAllister, D.D.S.
562-869-0928
 10917 Paramount Blvd.
 Downey, CA 90241
www.johndds.com



**CLASSIFIED ADS AT
 PIGGY BANK PRICES!**
 904-3668

UNIVERSAL YOGA



Yoga for beginners (Stress Free) with Yogi Ramesh

Yogi Ramesh

New Session Sept. 5th '06
 @ Barbara J Riley Center
 Call (562) 808-0804
www.universalyoga.org

LASER HAIR REMOVAL

You'll never miss the razor burn, hot wax, electrolysis and plucking



The Cynosure® laser in our office uses a special process called TKS™ to disable hair follicles and impair further hair growth. Come and see how civilized (and effective) the process of hair removal has become. And uncover your natural radiance.


UNCOVER YOUR NATURAL RADIANCE.

John McAllister, D.D.S.
562-869-0928
 10917 Paramount Blvd.
 Downey, CA 90241
www.johndds.com

Renee Patel MD, Inc.
 9818 Paramount Blvd., Suite A
 Downey, CA 90240
 (across from See's Candies)
562-927-4731
www.RENEEPATELMD.COM

**PRO NETWORKERS
 OF DOWNEY**

Our membership includes:



**FUAD ALSHAMIYEH of
 Zain's
 Jewelry & Repair**

10337 Lakewood Blvd.
 Downey 862-4410


"Personal Service and Integrity"

We meet for breakfast at Mimi's Cafe every Friday at 7:15 a.m.

Promote your business products of services with us, call 869-7618

www.pronetworkers.com

Word of MOUTH
 by Scheir S. Azer, D.D.S.



If a substantial part of a tooth is lost to decay or wear, the dentist can provide a replacement for the upper part of the tooth known as a crown. Before this durable dental prosthesis can be attached, the tooth must be prepared by grinding down a significant part of its enamel and some underlying dentin. If the tooth is badly weakened by decay and needs a root canal, the dentist will implant a metal post inside the tooth to help support the crown. The crown itself is typically made of porcelain over metal-alloy. However, all-metal crowns are sometimes used on back teeth for added strength while aesthetically pleasing all-porcelain crowns are sometimes used for front teeth.

Crowns are an ideal restoration for teeth, which have been broken, or have been weakened by decay or a very large filling. You are the most important person in the world. That's why we take time to listen to your concerns and develop a personalized plan to enhance your smile. Our dental services include crowns, bridges, dentures, and cosmetic dentistry. For more information, or to schedule an appointment, please call us at (562) 923-3714. It is important to us that any dental experience be a positive one for all patients. For gentle, caring dentistry for the entire family, come see us at 10800 Paramount Blvd., Suite 307.

P. S. Crowns may be held in place by implants in cases where the root has been removed through extraction.

Paid Advertising

Downey Federal Credit Union
The Big Six Rate Is Here!

6.00%

6-Month Certificate Account

Enroll now and start enjoying your 6.00% APY* rate today!

(562) 862-8141
www.downeyfcu.org
 8237 Third Street, Downey, CA 90241

DOWNEY FEDERAL CREDIT UNION

Count On Us Through All Stages Of Life

*APY= Annual Percentage Yield. Limited time offer and rate subject to change without notice. Certificate dividends are paid quarterly. Certificates may be subject to early withdrawal penalties. Minimum deposit of \$1,000 required. New money must be funds from a financial institution other than DFCU. All accounts insured up to \$350,000.

NCUA
 Member FDIC

AS
 American Share Insurance

Symphony Guild to host birthday luncheon

By Rosalie Sciortino

DOWNEY—Notices have gone out and plans by the Downey Symphony Guild are afoot to host their birthday luncheon. The community is invited to be there on Saturday, Sept. 23 at 11 a.m. at the Barbara Riley Community Center, 7810 E. Quill Dr in Downey.

This annual endeavor is held to acquaint the city with the people of the Guild and how they work through the year to support the Downey Symphony Orchestra and Music in the Schools.

Saddened by the recent loss of their beloved symphony orchestra conductor, Thomas Osborn, the Guild will continue to support his vision of the introduction of fine music to every school child in the community.

Entering their 46th year in Downey, this organization, under the able leadership of Katy Hare, will continue to help keep good music alive in our community.

Past presidents of the Guild will be honored at the luncheon and John Vincent will narrate some Downey history as he shows his prized photos of old Downey "The Way It Used To Be" landmarks.

Reservations may be made by mailing \$25 per person to Downey Symphony Guild, 9700 Garnish Dr., Downey 90240-3003 by Friday, Sept. 15.

Hamsters will race in annual Petco Derby

DOWNEY – Using hamster balls as their vehicles, hamsters will race down an eight-foot track in heats of four (hopefully, but not necessarily, toward the finish line) when Petco in Downey hosts the 2006 Hamster Ball Derby Saturday, Sept. 9 at 2 p.m.

Heat winners will advance to subsequent rounds until a champion is determined in the final race.

All participants will receive a Certificate of Participation. Participants will need to have their own hamsters and hamster balls to participate. Registration for the race is free and spectators are invited to attend. For more information, call 861-2093.

Trinity Christian School
Kindergarten - 8th Grade

- Quality Christian Teachers
- Clean Modern Facilities w/AC
- Weekly Chapels
- AM & PM Daycare provided

7 am - 6 pm
11507 S.Studebaker Rd., Norwalk, 90650
(562) 864-3712



FASHION SHOW – Stonewood Center put on their Back-to-School Fashion Show last Saturday, with student models showing off school-appropriate fashions supplied by Windsor Fashions, Anchor Blue, Torria Fashions, Pac-Sun, The Children's Place, Robinson's-May, Toon Planet and Baker's Shoes, all Stonewood Center stores. Hot Dog on a Stick provided toy handouts for the attendees, while on-site music was provided by Power 106FM. Stonewood Center and several of the participating stores also provided free raffle prizes won by attendees. Photo courtesy Co-Op Cache Consulting

LAURIE'S PERSONAL PET AND HOUSE SITTING SERVICE

1. In business since 1990
2. Bonded and Insured
3. Member, Downey Chamber of Commerce
4. Member, Pet Sitters International
5. We transport your pet to vet, emergency vet or groomer when needed
6. We medicate as needed
7. Care for all pets - reptiles to horses
8. We house sit (In your home as needed)
9. Time during the day with your pet as needed
10. We work inside and out, bring in newspaper and mail, open and shut blinds, turn lights off & on.

CALL ME AT (562) 927-7519 OR CELL PHONE (562) 505-4089

Tennis program for high school students

DOWNEY—The city of Downey Community Services Department is offering a six-week tennis program for high school age students (13-18) to prepare or refine their skills for tournament and high school competitions. Students will receive efficient tennis techniques, work on balance and movement, and cover the mental and physical aspects of competitive match play.

Classes will be held twice a week (Mondays and Wednesdays or Tuesdays and Thursdays) from 3:30-5 p.m. at Independence Park. Fee for the course is \$100.

For more information/to register, call 904-7238.

Bingo Luncheon at St. Raymond's

DOWNEY—The Italian Catholic Federation of St. Raymond's Parish is having a "Bingo Luncheon" Sunday, Sept. 10 at 1 p.m. in the Msgr. Robert Gipson Hall, 12348 Paramount Blvd., Downey.

Donation is \$10. This includes one free Bingo card, door prizes and lunch. There will be a raffle of \$25 money tree as well as other nice prizes.

For tickets or information, call Aline Amatisto at 693-9430 or Charlene Drobeck at 928-1937.

Healthy Heart nutrition class at DRMC

DOWNEY—The community is invited to a Healthy Heart Nutrition Class Wednesday, Sept. 13, from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. at Downey Regional Medical Center, 11500 Brookshire Ave. in Downey. The class is taught by a registered dietitian.

People who have high cholesterol and/or triglycerides or high blood pressure are encouraged to attend.

The class is free but space is limited and registration is required by calling the DRMC Department of Education, 904-5580.

Juicyma's grand opening/ribbon cutting

DOWNEY—Grand opening/ribbon cutting for Juicyma's, located at 7320 Firestone Blvd. (at Old River School Rd.), takes place at 11 a.m. Friday, Sept. 15. For information call 923-2191.



Children's Academy of Success is a unique educational facility where children excel to become the top 10% of the nation. Our program gets children ready to read, write, add and subtract by the age of 5. We teach children mental math - no finger counting.

Semester begins when child enters school. **Ages 2-6.**

If you want the best for your child, come to us. We are not a preschool, playschool or a childcare . . . ours is **EDU-CARE!**
(562) 862 - 9518

All American HOME CENTER

This Weekend

Sat., Sun. & Mon.
 Sept. 2, 3 & 4



There's No Sales Tax to Pay at All American

3 DAYS ONLY!
Sept. 2, 3 & 4

That's right! We will pay your sales tax on every item sold in our store...

Includes all special orders and all sale items!

Finally, a Tax Break you can count on!

Open: Sat. 7AM - 9PM • Sun. 8AM - 9PM • Mon. 8AM - 9PM

7201 E. Firestone Blvd., Downey (562) 927-8666

Stroke screenings to be held at Masonic Lodge

■ Ten-minute screening may save your life, say experts.

DOWNEY—Downey residents are invited to a stroke screening to be held at the Downey United Masonic Lodge #220, 8244 3rd St., on Sept. 25. Appointments will begin at 9 a.m.

Life Line Screening is organizing the effort.

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, according to Life Line Screening. They say it involves 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 both men and women is a bone density screening to assess their risk for osteoporosis.

Each screening takes about 10 minutes to complete. A complete vascular screening package, including the Stroke/Carotid Artery, Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm and Ankle Brachial Index (hardening of the arteries) screenings, is \$109. Other packages are available as well.

Life Line Screening was established in 1993 and employs over 60 ultrasound teams that travel to local communities to conduct the screenings.

For more information or to schedule an appointment, call (877) 237-1287. Pre-registration is required.

Residents invited on upcoming one-day trips

DOWNEY—Registration is now open for the Downey Adult School fall/winter tours, which feature one-day trips with Tour Director Harriett Paine. Tour registration coupons are available in the Downey Adult School main office, 12340 Woodruff Ave. or mailed upon request.

The tours at a glance:

•"Will Rogers State Park"—Sept. 21: Restoration is complete at Rogers' home and grounds; enjoy a docent tour; lunch at Gladstone's by the Sea, Malibu.

•Getty Villa - Newly Restored—Sept. 29: Tour and picnic box lunch at Getty Villa.

•Goldstone Deep Space Communication Center—Guided tour on Fort Irwin Military Base with lunch on base; Route 66 Museum Old Town, Victorville.

•Christmas Flowers, Goodies and Lights—Dec. 6: Roger's Gardens, Weidner's Poinsettia Gardens, Holiday luncheon at Lawry's Five Crowns and Del Mar Christmas Lights display.

•Disney Concert Hall - L.A. Master Chorale's "Shine"—Dinner at San Antonio Winery-Maddalena Restaurant; West Coast premiere of Reich's newest work, "Daniel Variations," and highly-acclaimed L.A. Master Chorale's "Shine."

Call (562) 940-6213 for more tour information.

Square dancing class open to beginners

DOWNEY—The Downey Chapter of the Bachelors 'n' Bachelorettes Square Dance Club offers its annual beginners class of square dancing starting Monday, Sept. 11 (with open enrollment on Sept. 11, 18, and 25).

The class is from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. and will be held at the Downey United Methodist Church, 10801 Downey Ave. in Downey. Instruction caller will be Dave Donaldson.

Line dancing will also be taught at 7 p.m. for those who wish to learn. Singles, as well as couples, are welcome to join.

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

Classes will run approximately 26 weeks. For more information, call Lola at (562) 943-5735, or John at (323)-219-4735, or Betty at (323) 721-1550.

Church marks 9/11 anniversary with prayer

DOWNEY—The 5th anniversary of 9/11 will be remembered Saturday, Sept. 9 from noon to 1 p.m. at First Baptist Church of Downey, 8348 E. Third St.

The remembrance will include reflections from various members of the community who were directly connected to one of the locations that were impacted. Special music, media and other art forms will be included in the ceremony. Prayer emphasis will be included throughout the hour service.

The event is open to the public, and will be held in the First Baptist Church chapel. Information: Sherri Lacy, 923-1261, ext. 269.

9/11 remembrance at Cerritos College

NORWALK—The Associated Students of Cerritos College will host a 9/11 remembrance event on Monday Sept. 11 at 2 p.m.

"Remembering 9/11" will feature readings, music, and a memory poster where attendees will be invited to write about their own memories of the tragedy that occurred five years ago on Sept. 11, 2001.

The event will be in the college's Burnight Theater, 11110 Alondra Blvd., Norwalk.

For information, call Holly Bagdanovich, Director of Student Activities at (562) 860-2451 ext. 2476 or at hbagdanovich@cerritos.edu.

Call for information on campus parking.

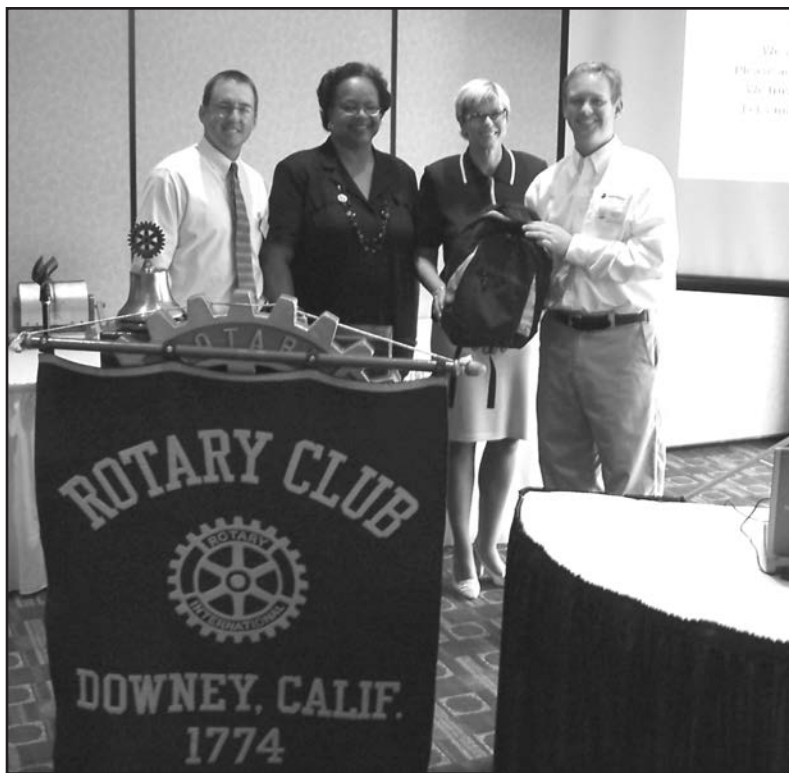
Local author to speak at library Sept. 18

DOWNEY—Local author Don Niemand discusses his new book, "Butterfly Emerging," and the writing process when he speaks in the Cormack Room of the Downey City Library Monday, Sept. 18 from 7 to 8 p.m.

There will be books for sale and a signing after the program. Refreshments will be served. Make your reservation by calling 904-7360, ext. 32.



BRINGING THE FUNK—Members of the Power 106FM Street Team provided music at last weekend's Back-to-School Fashion Show held at Stonewood Center. The fashion show is a yearly event featuring clothing from various mall outlets. Photo courtesy Co-Op Cache Consulting



SUPPORT FOR DOWNEY SCHOOLS—Darren Dunaway, Jerilyn King-Brown and Dr. Wendy L. Doty pose with Matt Knox of Storm Force, who recently donated 150 backpacks for students of the Downey Unified School District.



BACKPACKS FOR KIDS—Downey Rotary President Darren Dunaway presents a \$6500 check to Jerilyn King-Brown, Asst. Superintendent, Instructional Services and Dr. Wendy L. Doty, Superintendent Downey Unified School District. The donation will be distributed to school principals to assist needy DUSD students.

Eat at Rubio's and support local kids

DOWNEY—The brand new Gauldin Elementary Dolphins Fitness Club, a school club that teaches kids the importance of health and fitness, is raising money to buy exercise equipment and healthy food for the 4th and 5th grade students at Gauldin Elementary.

As part of their fundraising, 20 percent of each transaction taken at the Rubio's restaurant at Downey Landing between 2 to 10 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 21 will be donated to the club.

The Dolphins Fitness Club officially opens Sept. 12 and will run through April 28, 2007. The pilot program will show kids how to follow the new USDA Food Pyramid while leading them in exercise one hour per day, three days a week after school. The kids will even monitor what they eat in a food-intake journal.

Parents have also signed up to prepare healthy dishes to share with the children.

Rubio's is at 12014 Lakewood Blvd. and features a low-fat menu.

The Poets' Corner

It's the times

Isn't it ironic that women of fame
Can become renowned by only one name,
While others need names three, four or five
Just to be recognized as being alive.

—Lorraine Nash,
Downey

Retirement

I sit in a void
Having read the paper,
Completed the puzzles,
Cut out "the keepers"
And cleared the table.

Now what'll I do?
—Doreen Lorand,
Downey

TESTING

Continued from page 1

•District scores in grades 6 and 7 demonstrated math continues to show sustained growth over time. Sussman improved by 10 percent over last year in math in grade 7. East made a 7 point gain in grade 6. And Griffiths and West improved by 5 percentage points in grade 7.

•The Science Standards Test was added this year. East scored a sparkling 53 percent of all 8th graders in scoring in the Advanced Proficiency on this examination.

Is La Plante right? Are there too many tests which are taking valuable time from the classroom? And why didn't the State buy tests that were compatible?

PRISON

Continued from page 1

declining, while the percentage of older prisoners continues to grow.

Older prisoners

Prisoners under 25 have declined from 20 percent to 14 percent. The trend to older inmates raises the question of cost, since older prisoners require two to three times the cost in dollars for health care, compared to the general prison population.

Central Valley

The highest incarceration rates are found to come from the rural Central Valley counties.

Women make up just 7 percent of all prisoners, and they differ from the males both in ethnic makeup and type of offense.

Prisoners serving time for violent crimes are a majority (just over 50 percent of the prison population), and their share is growing. More serious sentencing laws have increased penalties for this group, contributing to the problem of aging.

Drug offenders are a diminishing share of the prison population, down from 28 percent to just 21 percent in the last 15 years. Alternative programs have contributed to this.

The clear trend is a population of older prisoners serving longer terms for serious and violent crimes.

Veterans eligible for paid homecare

DOWNEY—The Veterans Administration has established a pension program that will pay for attendant homecare services for veterans and/or spouses who qualify. These paid services include: meal preparation, transportation, light housekeeping and laundry, bathing and grooming, transferring, safety supervision, and companionship.

To qualify, the veteran must have served at least 90 days of active duty in the armed forces during a time of war and have been discharged honorably; a medical condition causing a need for the aid and attendance of another person to effectively perform activities of daily living; limited financial resources with which to pay for the services.

The local service provider for this VA homecare assistance program is Home Instead Senior Care of Downey, which is part of the world's largest network of nonmedical homecare for the elderly. They will also assist veterans and spouses in applying and gaining approval for this pension benefit.

For more information or to request an initial determination of eligibility, Home Instead Senior Care can be contacted at (562) 401-0010, or visit www.homeinstead.com. Its address is 12741 Bellflower Blvd., #207, Downey.

City library to open on Sundays

DOWNEY—Effective Sunday, Sept. 10, the full-service Downey City Library will be open Sundays during the school year.

This is "a real benefit to students and busy families," said Senior Librarian Jan Palen, as the additional weekend hours will give them more flexibility in their schedules.

Library patrons thus will now have access to books, magazines, DVDs, CDs and computers for the public Monday-Thursday, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Friday and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Sunday, 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Library patrons may also return books in library bookdrops during closed hours, renew books by phone or visit the library website at www.downeylibrary.org.

For additional information, call (562) 904-7360. The Downey City Library is located at 11121 Brookshire Ave.

DRMC 'stork tour' for expectant parents

DOWNEY—Downey Regional Medical Center invites expectant parents to a "Stork Tour" Monday, Sept. 11 from 10 a.m.-noon, to learn more about the hospital's Family Birth Center.

The program will include an overview of important information, a tour and a question and answer period. The Stork Tour is free.

For more information, call the DRMC Education Department, 904-5580.

Breastfeeding workshop offered

DOWNEY—A breastfeeding workshop will be held Monday, Sept. 11, from 7 to 9:30 p.m., at Downey Regional Medical Center. The class will provide tips to help expectant mothers overcome problems and successfully breastfeed, thereby nourishing their babies and protecting them from illness.

Advance registration is required, and there is a \$10 fee. For more information/to register, call the DRMC Education Department, 904-5580.

Old Farmer's Almanac is here: with trends

By John Adams

Now comes one of my favorite things, the Old Farmer's Almanac for 2007 has arrived from the printer's. The Almanac is always filled with the very best of old and new set forth in a traditional setting.

One of the Almanac's interesting efforts in each edition is to try and predict trends. In "How We Live, The Almanac's 2007 edition notes the increased interest in solar energy. Solar panels have improved and are not the bulky conspicuous things we have known in the past. And the Almanac notes nature is always the best architect, and engineers of the future are turning to biological organisms for their answers. Look for plywoods and synthetic glues based on mussels' naturally secreted "superglue" which enables them to cling so well to rocks. Then there are shatterproof tiles based on the strength of abalone shells.

There are plans for kit homes designed by computer consisting of 1,100 pieces of laser-cut plywood held together with stainless steel fasteners—no posts, beams or nails.

There are smart windows which in the future will become opaque on summer days and block out heat. And would you believe solar-powered backpacks to recharge cell phones?

More farmers are selling frozen meat, fruits and cheeses via the Web. Noting that people don't realize you can buy a quarter of a cow on the internet, one spokesman at the University of Purdue said there is a huge untapped market.

Predictions include regional databases to connect farms with hungry customers. For now, to find a farm near you, go to www.localharvest.org.

Unveiling a brand new direction for America

By Congresswoman Lucille Roybal-Allard (CA-34)

Families across the country are worried about high gas prices, skyrocketing health care costs and rising college tuition. And they are concerned about the security of their cities and towns and American soldiers dying in the Iraq War, which has no end in sight. It has never been more clear that our country needs a new direction.

I am proud to have worked with other Democratic Members of Congress to unveil a clear, bold plan for a *New Direction for America* that responds to these urgent concerns of all Americans.

Our agenda takes our country in a new direction to create security and economic opportunity for American families. Our plan would strengthen our military, create good-paying jobs, reduce the costs of energy, health care and college and help people save for retirement. Furthermore, we pay for our policies by repealing tax giveaways that encourage companies to move jobs overseas, prohibit the congressional pay raise until the nation's minimum wage is raised and restore pay-as-you-go budgets that once spurred record economic growth.

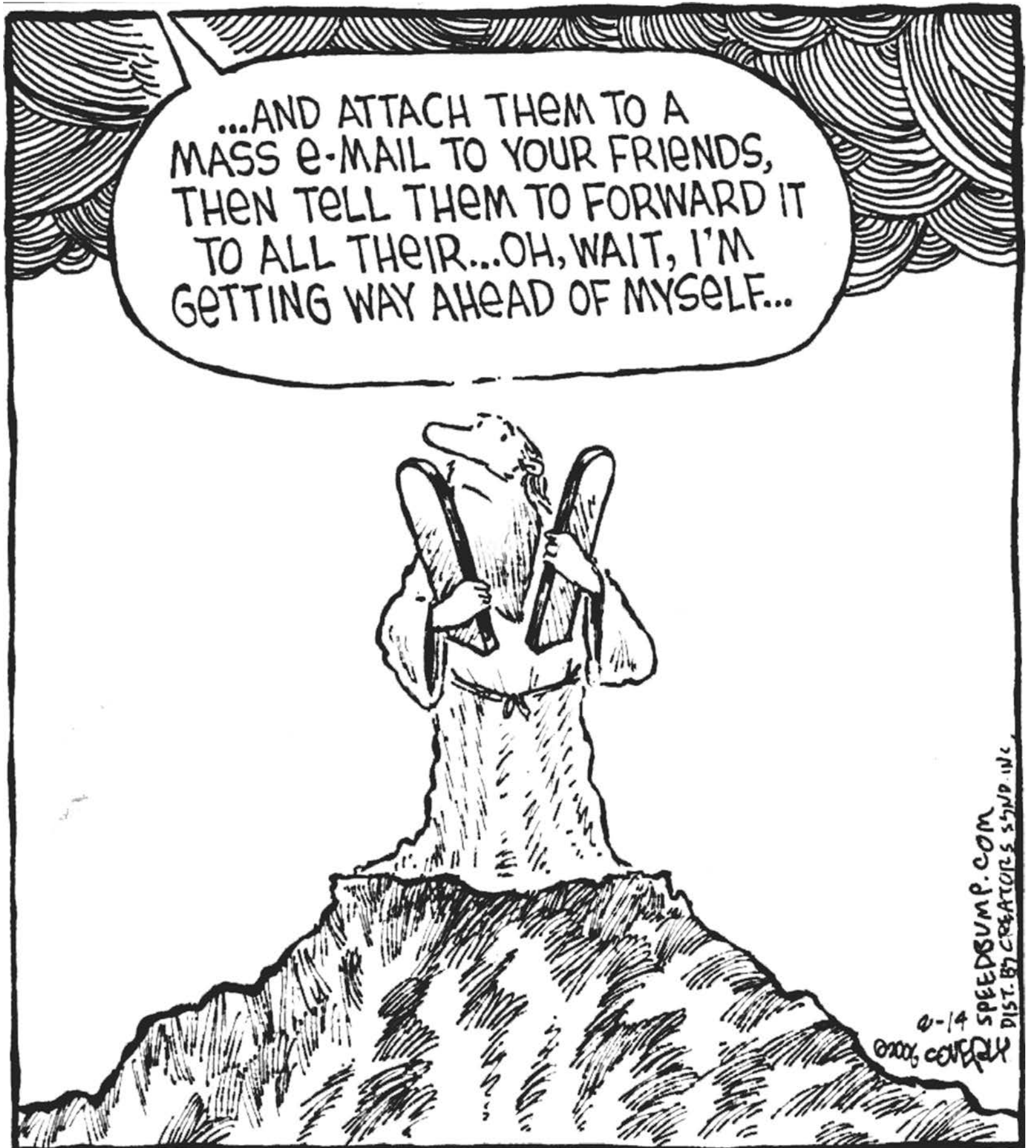
As part of our multi-faceted *New Direction for America* agenda, Democrats are committed to:

- Reclaiming American leadership with a tough, smart plan to transform failed policies in Iraq, the Middle East and around the world.
- Requiring the Iraqis to take responsibility for their country and beginning the phased redeployment of U.S. forces from Iraq in 2006.
- Destroying Osama Bin Laden and terrorist networks, like al Qaeda.
- Rebuilding a state-of-the-art military capable of projecting American power wherever necessary.
- Implementing the bipartisan 9/11 Commission recommendations to secure America's borders and ports; screening 100 percent of containers; and fully manning, training, and equipping our National Guard, police, firefighters and other first responders.
- Honoring our commitments to our veterans through a New GI Bill of Rights for the 21st Century.

In addition, our *New Direction for America* will bring down record gas prices for the American people, instead of protecting the profits of Big Oil. Our plan will achieve energy independence within 10 years through real investments in alternative fuels, including homegrown American-made biofuels. Our *New Direction for America* will also repeal billions of dollars in tax giveaways for profit-rich oil companies and end price gouging by Big Oil.

Quality, affordable health care is a key value in America, yet it is increasingly out of reach for many Americans as health insurance costs for families have increased 70 percent since 2000. Our *New Direction for America* will make health insurance more affordable for both employers and employees and fix the Republican prescription drug program, which put pharmaceutical companies and HMOs ahead of seniors.

Access to higher education is critical to building a highly skilled workforce. But the cost of college is soaring, plunging a generation of



American students deeply into debt. Our plan will make tuition tax deductible, expand Pell Grants and cut student loan costs in half.

Finally, with challenging economic times, saving for retirement has become more difficult for working families, even after a lifetime of hard work. Our *New Direction for America* will ensure a dignified retirement for workers by stopping the Republicans' plan to privatize Social Security, which slashes benefits for the middle class and adds trillions to the national debt. We will also expand retirement savings incentives and enact real pension reform to protect employees' financial security from CEO corruption and mismanagement.

Through this *New Direction for America*, Democrats will work to unite our country, rather than divide it. We believe our democracy should work for everyone by building opportunity and prosperity for all, and guaranteeing real security at home and around the world.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR:

Apology accepted

Dear Editor:

This is a follow-up to my previous letter regarding the offending noise at Ford Park the weekend of Aug. 11-13.

I attended the Bell Gardens City Council meeting on Aug. 28 and read a letter to the Mayor and Councilmembers addressing my complaints, as well as my neighbors', regarding the excessive noise that entire weekend. Apparently we Downey residents were not the only ones who had a problem with the noise. There were numerous 'Letters' sent to City Hall from residents in and around the park who received no sleep the entire weekend.

After my letter was read, the Councilmember addressed each speaker and thanked them for coming. All the members who spoke were very apologetic and said this was a one-time event that would not happen again. They were totally unaware of the problems it caused. They will certainly look into controlling the noise and the direction of the speakers at future events. One of the Councilmembers asked that apology letters be sent not only to Bell Gardens residents in the area, but Downey residents as well. They agreed that exempting the noise ordinance was wrong and they are not above the law.

Thank you, Bell Gardens City Council, apology accepted. Downey residents, hopefully we can enjoy our weekends again.

—Dorothy Pemberton,
Downey

High praise for DRMC staff

Dear Editor:

Recently, I was confined to the CCU and PCU sections of the Downey Regional Medical Center. The attention I received was excellent. The kindness, care and concern of the wonderful doctors, nurses and the entire staff were evident every hour of the day.

Many years ago, my husband served on the original Hospital Foundation Board, and had he lived, he would be so pleased to know that "our" Downey hospital is still dedicated to the art and science of healing and serving the welfare of the community. I am sincerely grateful to them.

—Patricia M. Wilson,
Downey

Letters to the editor may be submitted by writing to *The Downey Patriot*, 11525 Downey Ave., Suite A, Downey CA 90241 or by e-mail to downeypatriot@yahoo.com

Likes Dial-A-Ride

Dear Editor:

While I agree with, and applaud the writers of the many letters regarding the (mis) management of the roadway system in Downey, I would like to raise a voice of applause and praise for the Dial-A-Ride service here in our city.

As one of many senior citizens, I am grateful for this means to be able to continue functioning "on my own." The drivers are courteous and helpful, and dependable. I say, "Won-a-ful, a Won-a-ful!"

—June Gwynn,
Downey

Kind words

Dear Editor:

I just finished reading Eric Pierce's humorous article in yesterday's *Patriot* (*The Downey Patriot*, 8/25/06). I found myself smiling all the way to the end. Can we expect to see more of his whimsical work in your paper? I hope so. His writing is so enjoyable we should be exposed to more of it.

The Karli family trip, to experience the Grand Canyon, was also a lovely piece on the same page.

Thank you for all that enjoyable reading.

—Rosalie Sciortino,
Downey

Politicians blamed for ills

Dear Editor:

While men are dying in Iraq our politicians are "out to lunch" as millions cross our borders illegally that costs taxpayers \$70 billion a year in entitlements, and they have allowed the outsourcing of jobs and products to leave U.S. dependent on other countries, and giving them the ability to shut down our stock market at will.

Some politicians suggest we turn tail and leave Iraq that would cause Europe to be at the mercy of emboldened Muslims who have already taken over the governments of Holland and Spain, with others in their sights, including America, the biggest prize. Muslims here give us cause to worry having their ultra violent protests in England recently. The same applies to illegals who protested nationwide and warned of violence if their demands are not met.

The same inept politicians blamed Bush for our three years losing 2,500 men, yet in Chicago alone more than 2,500 are murdered each year and they have done nothing. When will our politicians be back from "lunch"?

—J. Hawkins,
Downey

Class teaches healthy eating habits

DOWNEY—A class focusing on healthy eating and nutrition for the whole family will be held at Downey Regional Medical Center, 11500 Brookshire Ave. in Downey, Wednesday, Sept. 13 from 6 to 7 p.m.

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

Information on weight loss will be provided, along with tips and ideas for healthy meal and snack planning for all family members—especially children and teens. Participants will have a chance to ask questions.

Classes are free; advance registration is required by calling 904-5580.

The Downey Patriot



John Adams..... Editor and Publisher
 Jerry Brady..... Advertising Director
 Jennifer DeKay-Givens..... Business Manager
 Eric Pierce..... Editorial, Production
 Henry Veneracion..... Editorial
 Robert Tolentino..... Display Advertising
 Brooke Karli..... Display Advertising
 Gwynn Gustafson..... Major Accounts
 Linda Larson..... Classified Advertising
 Jonathan Fox..... Production
 Gibran Latif..... Production

11525 Downey Ave., Suite A, Downey, CA 90241

Phone (562) 904-3668 * Fax (562) 904-3124

Hours Monday-Friday 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

www.TheDowneyPatriot.com

The Downey Patriot is published weekly by John Adams.

Controlled Distribution, 25,000 copies printed. Distributed by

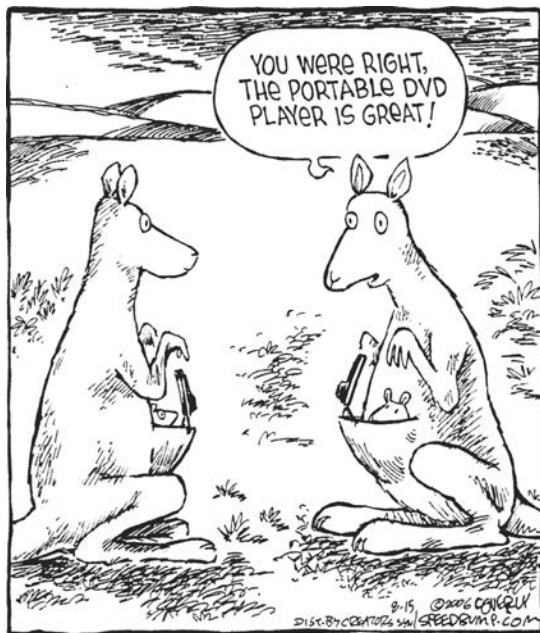
Great Western Advertising Distributors, Inc., Los Angeles, CA.



SPEED BUMP



DAVE COVERLY



Downey Community Calendar

Events For September

Fri. Sept. 1, 6:30 p.m.: **Shawn Morgan entertains** at the keyboard with popular hits at Granata's restaurant, 11032 Downey Ave. Also Saturday night For information call 861-2997.
Thurs. Sept. 7, 12 noon: **Afternoon Bingo** at the Woman's Club of Downey, 9813 Paramount Blvd. Proceeds go to Rancho patients. For information call 927-3000.

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 Darren Dunaway at 806-5400.
6:00 p.m.: Toastmasters Club 587, at First Baptist Church, for info call 923-9464.
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.
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.
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.
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 Samb's, for information call Steve Allen at 622-7655.
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

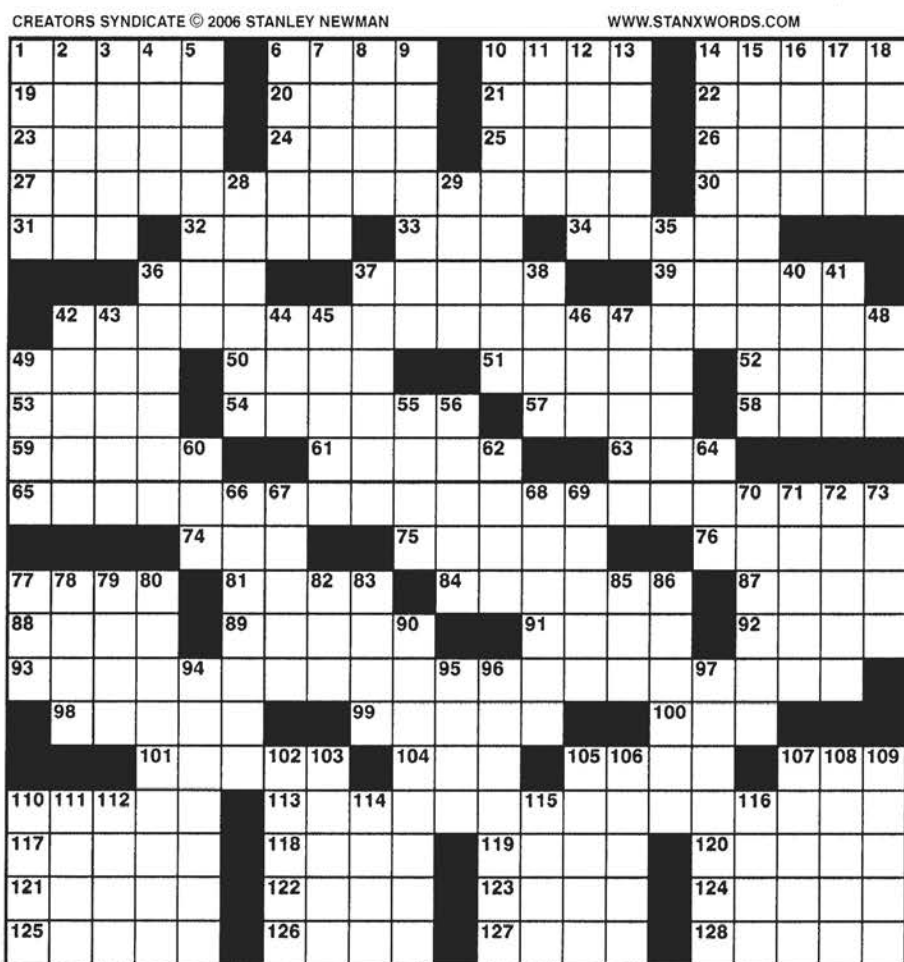
7:30 a.m.: Pro Networkers, at Mimi's Cafe, for information call Harry Sacks at 319-1063
3rd Fri., 8:30 a.m.: Women's "In His Glory" Ministry at Los Amigos C. C. (562) 622-3785.

WANT TO GET INVOLVED?
VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES ARE YOURS
CALL THE
DOWNEY FAMILY YMCA
(562) 862-4201

THE NEWSDAY CROSSWORD

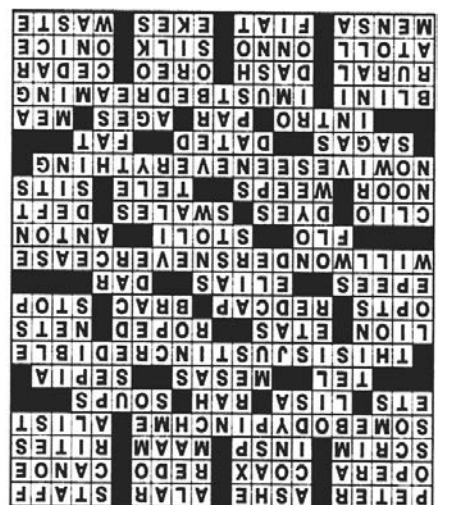
Edited by Stanley Newman (www.StanXwords.com)
UNBELIEVABLE: Five other ways to say it
by Nancy Salomon

- ACROSS**
- 1 Flying Pan
 - 6 Off the Court autobiographer
 - 10 Winglike
 - 14 Salaried group
 - 19 Don Giovanni, for one
 - 20 Egg on
 - 21 Start from scratch
 - 22 Camp craft
 - 23 Curtain fabric
 - 24 Clouseau's rank: Abbr.
 - 25 Polite address
 - 26 Solemn ceremonies
 - 27 "Unbelievable!"
 - 30 The In-crowd
 - 31 Sci-fi beings: Abbr.
 - 32 Kudrow of Friends
 - 33 "Yay team!"
 - 34 Menu heading
 - 36 Letterhead abbr.
 - 37 Badlands formations
 - 39 Old photo tint
 - 42 "Unbelievable!"
 - 49 Sphinx, in part
 - 50 Timetable stats.
 - 51 Tied up, in a way
 - 52 Takes home
 - 53 Goes (for)
 - 54 Baggage handler
 - 57 Bric-a-
 - 58 "Enough already!"
 - 59 Olympic weapons
 - 61 Walt Disney's middle name
 - 63 es Salaam, Tanzania
 - 65 "Unbelievable!"
 - 74 Showman Ziegfeld
 - 75 Vodka brand, informally
 - 76 Playwright Chekhov
 - 77 Ad award
 - 81 Salon solutions
 - 84 Swampy lowlands
 - 87 Skillful
 - 88 Former queen of Jordan
 - 89 Shows happiness, perhaps
 - 91 Prefix for marketing
 - 92 Takes a load off
 - 93 "Unbelievable!"
 - 98 Epic accounts
 - 99 No longer in
 - 100 Budgetary excess
 - 101 Opening words
 - 104 Bogy beater
 - 105 Forever and a day
 - 107 *culpa*
 - 110 Russian pancakes
 - 113 "Unbelievable!"
 - 117 Back-country
 - 118 Chef's smidgen
 - 119 Crunchy ice-cream ingredient
 - 120 Aromatic wood
 - 121 Coral ring
 - 122 *culpa* account (never)
 - 123 Scarf material
 - 124 Standing by
 - 125 Bright bunch
 - 126 Royal decree
 - 127 Supplements, with "out"
 - 128 Fritter away
- DOWN**
- 1 Deputized group
 - 2 Orlando-area attraction
 - 3 School-year divisions
 - 4 Pennsylvania port
 - 5 Blathers on
 - 6 Lab-bottle contents
 - 7 Crime and Punishment heroine
 - 8 Door fastener
 - 9 Runs out
 - 10 Family-room furniture
 - 11 Wife of Jacob
 - 12 Dilbert cartoonist
 - 13 Lover boy
 - 14 Prepared for painting, perhaps
 - 15 Rapid descents
 - 16 Con
 - 17 They don't get along
 - 18 Celebration suffix
 - 28 More unctuous
 - 29 Democratic donkey creator
 - 35 Something bought from a lot
 - 36 Glittery trim
 - 37 Clout, so to speak
 - 38 One with 55 Down
 - 40 Skeptic's scoff
 - 41 Motet part
 - 42 Melanie's mom
 - 43 Monopoly holding
 - 44 *Thérèse*, Quebec
 - 45 World-weary
 - 46 YMCA course
 - 47 The Cloister and the Hearth author
 - 48 Psychic's ability
 - 49 Movie mogul Marcus
 - 55 Haughtiness
 - 56 They may be checkered
 - 60 Personal ad abbr.
 - 62 Winter coat?
 - 64 Toshiba competitor
 - 66 Oater setting
 - 67 "The Highwayman" poet
 - 68 On cloud nine
 - 69 More despicable
 - 70 Calls the whole thing off
 - 71 Enjoyed home cooking
 - 72 What "gel" starts with
 - 73 Tolkien tree creatures
 - 77 Wolf Blitzler's employer
 - 78 Lorelei Lee creator
 - 79 Davenport locale
 - 80 One-of-a-kind
 - 82 Letters on insides of shoes
 - 83 Hightailed it
 - 85 English cathedral city
 - 86 Fixed charge
 - 90 Album insert
 - 94 Flavor obtained from orchids
 - 95 State, in French
 - 96 Of too many words
 - 97 Goes bananas
 - 102 Free from
 - 103 Saudi neighbor
 - 105 Child in the care of Jane Eyre
 - 106 Understands, slangily
 - 107 Calif-length skirts
 - 108 Pass into law
 - 109 Come to terms
 - 110 Dracula author Stoker
 - 111 Mandolin kin
 - 112 Do pressing work
 - 114 Annapolis initials
 - 115 Composer Satie
 - 116 Suvari of American Beauty



You can contact puzzle editor Stanley Newman at his e-mail address: StanXwords@aol.com. Or write him at P.O. Box 69, Massapequa Park, NY 11762, Please send a self-addressed, stamped envelope if you'd like a reply.

The name of DAR es Salaam (63 Across), former capital of Tanzania, is from the Arabic for "house of peace." The reference at 42 Down is to actress Melanie Griffith and her mother, actress Tippi Hedren. The principal species of orchid from which VANILLA (94 Down) is obtained is native to Mexico.



Captain Cardiac will headline 'Oldies' concert

DOWNEY – Captain Cardiac and the Coronaries have been one of the premiere 50's and 60's rock-and-roll bands for over three decades. Their high-voltage performances have been seen worldwide from the United States to Europe, Canada, Mexico and Hawaii.

The group has been booked to headline the Downey Chamber of Commerce 3rd annual "Oldies" concert to take place on stage at the Downey Theater, Firestone at Brookshire, on Saturday, Sept. 16 at 7:30 p.m.

They have been featured performers at such world-class venues as Disneyland, Universal Studios, and Magic Mountain in addition appearances at three Super Bowls and the Cotton Bowl in Dallas, Texas. The band has also distinguished themselves with their work on both the Norwegian and Carnival Cruise Lines for over 12 years.

In addition, Captain Cardiac and the Coronaries were honored to perform at the inaugural events for the Governor of the State of California and the Mayor of Los Angeles.

According to Chamber Executive Director Sue Nordin, they have been leaving crowds screaming for more from Las Vegas to New York and from the Caribbean to Aspen.

"Fasten your seat belts and get ready for a take-off to a blast into the past," stated Nordin.

Tickets at \$25 each are now on sale at the Chamber office, 11131 Brookshire Ave. For information call 923-2191.

'Diva Dish' playing at Long Beach Playhouse

LONG BEACH – Did you ever wonder what it was like to be a part of showbiz history? You know, Ethel Merman teaching you how to make martinis while Paul Newman gave you acting tips. And then fielding all those annoying phone calls from reporters the night your mom won the Oscar?

Welcome to the world of Luke Yankee, son of Broadway and Hollywood actress Eileen Heckart, portrayed in his one-man show "Diva Dish" playing at the Long Beach Playhouse Studio Theater.

This masterful performer and storyteller invites you into a world you've only dreamed about – full of showbiz gossip and behind-the-scenes tales of all your favorite celebrities. This multimedia theatrical event includes never-before-seen photos of stars like Marilyn Monroe, Sophia Loren and Bob Fosse, in addition to rare video clips and scores of humorous stories.

Yankee, and actor and director who splits residences in Los Angeles, Palm Springs and New York, compiled "Diva Dish" after his mother passed away two years ago.

"I realized I had this incredibly rich legacy of Broadway and Hollywood memorabilia and I had to do something with it," said Yankee, whose mother was an Oscar, Tony and Emmy award winner. "The only thing I love more than knowing all these stories is being able to share them."

During the evening, Luke "dishes" about the major divas in his and his mother's life: Marlene Dietrich, George Cukor, Marilyn Monroe, Ethel Merman, Lyndon B. Johnson, Bette Davis and Ellen Degeneres, to name a few. Luke shares video clips, photographs and even a rare audio tape of Joan Crawford.

Performances are held Fridays and Saturdays and 8 p.m. General admission tickets are \$20; \$18 for seniors and \$10 for students with school I.D. The Long Beach Playhouse is located at 5021 East Anaheim St. in Long Beach. For more information call (562) 494-1014.



TICKETS NOW ON SALE – Best seats are now available for the Downey Chamber of Commerce third annual Oldies Concert this year featuring the dynamic Captain Cardiac and the Coronaries. It will be held Saturday, Sept. 16 at 7:30 p.m. at the Downey Theater, corner of Firestone and Brookshire. Tickets are \$25 and can be purchased at the Chamber office, 11131 Brookshire Ave. For further information call 923-2191.

Popular musical opens theater season

LA HABRA – The 2006-07 season opens at the La Habra Depot Theatre with cult hit *Side Show!*, a musical which, despite its immense popularity, is rarely produced.

Based on the real life story of famed Siamese twins of the 1930's, Daisy and Violet Hilton, the music was written by Henry Krieger (composer of *Dream Girls*) with lyrics and book by Bill Russell. This full length Broadway show runs from Sept. 22 through Oct. 14.

Award-winning director/choreographer T.J. Dawson will oversea the production. His hit production of *Cabaret* at the Costa Mesa Civic Playhouse was the recipient of "Best Show/Best Direction in 2004" in the *L.A. Times* year end review.

Musical director Arie Gonzalez and assistant choreographer Kami Seymour round out the team. Gonzalez, among many credits, is slated to musically direct the Definitely Dickens Holiday Carolers for the Disneyland Resort this upcoming season.

Seymour, who was T.J.'s co-choreographer for the Stage Under the Stars critically acclaimed production of *Anything Goes*, is a professionally working actress.

This powerful drama is suitable for the entire family, but recommended for ages 15 and up.

Performances are Friday and Saturday nights at 8:00 p.m. and Sunday matinees at 2:30 p.m. Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$12 for children, students and seniors. Reservations can be made by calling (562) 905-9625.

Free rides to Hollywood Bowl concerts

DOWNEY—Los Angeles County is offering free rides to the Hollywood Bowl's summer concerts.

Nonstop rides are available on Line 661 from the Downey Green Line Station, 12801 Lakewood Blvd. For information, call (323) 850-2000.

Philly's Best host Chamber 'mixer'

DOWNEY—Philly's Best, the "authentic Cheesesteak and Hoagie shop" at 12008 Lakewood Blvd. at the Downey Landing, is hosting a Downey Chamber of Commerce Mixer Thursday, Sept. 14 from 5 to 7 p.m. \$3 admission includes door prizes and a hosted bar.

OASIS announces September events

DOWNEY—The OASIS program, directed by Harriett Paine, will be moving to the Barbara J. Riley Community/Senior Center at Apollo Park for the month of September due to cafeteria renovations at Downey Adult School.

OASIS highlights for September are as follows:

•Sept. 11 – "Remembering 9-11: Memories and Patriotic Songs of Freedom," with Casey Brooks, musician and Jim Jackson, actor.

•Sept. 18 – "An Artistic Musical Afternoon," with Nick Oriondo, virtuoso accordionist and composer.

•Sept. 25 – "Let Me Tell You About Downey Regional Medical Center Volunteer Auxiliary," with Tracy Nordbal, director of volunteer services and volunteer friends.

Monday, Sept. 11, the class will open for enrollment at 3 p.m., with Dr. Robert Flynn providing piano entertainment (you may purchase a \$3.50 Boxed Picnic Supper at this time). There is no enrollment fee and no pre-registration. The program proper starts at 4 p.m., followed by supper.

Downey Dial-a-Ride will provide transportation to attend the class. For information, call (562) 940-6200.

Special guests join L.A. Philharmonic

LOS ANGELES – Lucas Richman, Music Director and Conductor of the Knoxville Symphony Orchestra, makes his Bowl debut this weekend, Aug. 25 and 26, at 8:30 p.m. when he leads the Los Angeles Philharmonic with special guests the Smothers Brothers, comedienne Julia Sweeney, narrator Peri Gilpin, and pianists Joanne Pearce Martin with Gavin Martin in the "Comedy Tonight" programs.

Richman replaces conductor Leonard Slatkin, who was originally scheduled to lead these programs; Slatkin is replacing an ailing Sir Andrew Davis on the Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra's European Festival tour.

Tickets are available by calling (213) 480-3232 or at any Ticketmaster outlet.

Bianchi THEATRES
7770 Rosecrans Ave. @ Paramount Blvd.

Phone: (562) 630-SHOW (7469)

CRANK R	(10:20 12:40 3:00) 5:20 7:40 10:00
WICKER MAN PG13	(10:10 12:45 3:20) 5:55 8:30
CROSSOVER PG13	(10:25 12:55 3:25) 5:55 8:25 10:55
INVINCIBLE PG	(11:30 2:10 4:50) 7:30 10:10
IDLEWILD R	(11:00 1:55 4:50) 7:45 10:40
BEERFEST R	(11:45 2:30) 5:15 8:00 10:45
HOW TO EAT FRIED WORMS PG	5:35 7:55 10:15
SNAKES ON A PLANE R	7:10 9:45
ACCEPTED PG13	(10:15 12:45 3:15) 5:45 8:15 10:45
PULSE PG13	(10:25 12:50 3:15)
STEP UP PG13	(11:00 1:40 4:20) 7:00 9:40
WORLD TRADE CENTER PG13	(10:10 1:15 4:20) 7:25 10:30
BARNYARD PG	(11:25 2:00 4:35)

krikorian theatres
www.kptmovies.com

Downey Cinema 10
8200 3rd Street
562.622.3999 ALL STADIUM SEATING

CRANK PG (11:00, 1:10, 3:20, 5:30, 7:45, 10:05)
THE WICKER MAN PG13 (11:30, 2:15, 4:50, 7:30, 10:10)
BEERFEST PG (11:20, 2:00, 5:00, 7:50, 10:30)
HOW TO EAT FRIED WORMS PG (12:15, 2:30, 4:45, 7:00, 9:15)
INVINCIBLE PG (11:15, 1:55, 4:35, 7:25, 10:00)
ACCEPTED PG13 (11:55, 2:25, 4:55, 7:35, 9:55)
SNAKES ON A PLANE PG (11:10, 1:50, 4:35, 7:15, 10:00)
STEP UP PG13 9:30 PM
WORLD TRADE CENTER PG13 (10:50, 1:45, 4:45, 7:40, 10:35)
BARNYARD: THE ORIGINAL PARTY ANIMALS PG (11:05, 1:35, 4:10, 7:10)
TALLADEGA NIGHTS: THE BALLAD OF RICKY BOBBY PG13 (11:40, 2:20, 5:10, 7:55, 10:35)

Times for Friday-Thursday, September 1-7, 2006
Bargain Matinee () Advance ticket sales
Special Engagement/No Passes * www.kptmovies.com

LOCAL MOVIE TIMES
PUBLISHED EVERY
FRIDAY IN
THE DOWNEY PATRIOT

SOUTHEAST ENTERTAINMENT FUN BUS
Southeast Entertainment
11838 Pomeroy Rd., Downey, CA 90241
QUALITY TOURS • TOURS FOR INDIVIDUALS

Gold Strike Hotel & Casino
Jean, Nevada
Sat. Sept. 16th
Includes Buffet
8-Hour Turn-Around
Departing: Downey High School at 6:00 am Back at 10:30 pm

River Palms Resort & Casino
Laughlin, Nevada
3 days and 2 nights
\$98.50 p.p. Dbl. Occ. Oct. 10th, 11th, & 12th
Tues., Wed., Thurs
Includes room, transportation, taxes, baggage handling & 2 buffets
Departing: Downey High School at 6:00 am

ENTERTAINMENT FUN BUS
For Reservations or information on Other Tours
Call Alen
(562) 923-1755

IT'S JUST GOOD BUSINESS!

Join The
DOWNEY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
(562) 923-2191

ENJOYABLE AFFORDABLE
THURSDAY AFTERNOON BINGO

Woman's Club of Downey
9813 Paramount Blvd
Early Birds 12 noon
Regular Games start 12:30
~Prizes, Surprises Galore~
Benefits Rancho patients

Try our new
Garlic Flat
Iron Steak
\$15.95

Granata's

HAPPY HOUR
Monday - Friday
4:30p.m.-6:30p.m.
Two for one

\$2 off ANY pasta dish!
11032 Downey Ave., Downey 90241
(562) 861-2997
Now Open on Sat. & Sun. at 11:30 a.m.

DINING-OUT DEALS IN DOWNEY

It's All About Life's Simple Pleasures at **George's**
Great Food. A Glass of Wine. Your Favorite Beer.
Sports T.V. Live Entertainment.

George's is
the Perfect Antidote
to the Hectic Pace of Life
562-776-9959
7857 Florence Ave., Downey

Entertainment:
Monday: Karaoke
Wednesday: Comedy
Thursday: Jazz / Blues
Friday: Jazz / Latin Jazz
Saturday: Varies
Sunday: Blues

The Most Diverse Menu: American, Italian, Asian, Mexican Dishes

Peloon 10822 LAKEWOOD BLVD.,
DOWNEY • 862-0223
"Best Prime Rib in Town"

Your choice of any item on the Dinner or Pasta section of our menu.
valid only with purchase of two beverages 2 coupons per table • No take-out

**BUY ONE DINNER AT REGULAR PRICE
GET ONE DINNER FREE!**
of equal value or less (with coupon only)

Offer Good through 9-11-06 Excludes Labor Day Not good with any other offer

5% OFF In open and fantastic atmosphere,
BANQUET for your **WEDDING, BIRTHDAY, QUINCEANERA and ANNIVERSARY**

562-861-1900 **Tero's Tapas**
in Embassy Suites Hotel
8425 E. Firestone Blvd. Downey 90241 562-862-3900
BRING THIS COUPON with you (Mon.-Thu. only)

Gourmet Restaurant Cafe 8250 Firestone Blvd.
(562) 923-2812

Beef Kabob \$5.49
w/ rice, vegetables, and soup or salad

Chicken or Beef Fried Steak \$5.49
w/ rice, vegetables, and soup or salad

Coupon Excludes Specials Noon to Closing Expires 9/29/06

FOOTBALL and **Philly's Best**
Sit in Real Stadium Seats & Watch the Game on Plasma T.V.
Real Philly...Real Good!

Fresh Made Authentic
Philly Steak Sandwich
Hoagies, Burgers
Onion Rings, Fries
...and much more

Downey Landing Shopping Center
14008 Lakewood Blvd.
562-803-1314

Owned and operated by Philly's Best Franchisee, Nick Adams

8724 Garfield Ave., Suite 101
South Gate
LE CHEF (562) 776-6067
Continental Cuisine & Full Bar

Weddings • Anniversaries
Birthdays • XMas
Dance Floor w/DJ
Reasonable Price
Maximum Capacity 120 People

Formerly Le Chef in Downey
Across from Edwards Cinema

Dr. Edward D'Orazio was founding doctor

DOWNEY — Dr. Edward S. D'Orazio, one of the founding doctors of Gallatin Medical Group and a practicing pediatrician for over 30 years, died Aug. 24. He was 88.

A vigil will be held Tuesday, Sept. 5 at 7 p.m. at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church in Downey. The funeral mass will take place Wednesday, Sept. 6, also at Our Lady, with burial immediately following at All Souls Cemetery in Long Beach.

D'Orazio was born June 5, 1918 in Steubenville, Ohio. He graduated from Ohio State University and completed medical school at the University of Cincinnati.

He was called into service for the U.S. Navy as a Lieutenant Commander during World War II and served on a hospital ship where he reportedly saved many soldiers during the invasion of Normandy (D-Day).

After his military service, D'Orazio completed his residency in pediatrics at Boston Children's Hospital. He moved to Downey in the early 1950's where he helped found Gallatin Medical Group.

He was married to his wife, Maria, for 53 years and they had four children: Stanley, Grace, Edward and Rita.

D'Orazio was active in many groups and organizations, especially his fraternity alumni association and the Our Lady of Perpetual Help parish.

He is survived by his wife, Maria; son Edward; daughter Rita; granddaughter Jaclyn Grace; and brother Alfred Cocumelli.

In lieu of flowers, the family requested donations be made in his name to the Miller Children's Building Campaign, c/o Miller Children's Foundation, 2801 Atlantic Ave., Long Beach, CA 90806.

Services were entrusted to Downey Zrelak Family Mortuary.



DR. EDWARD D'ORAZIO — A Downey pediatrician for over 30 years, he died Aug. 24.

James Fergus obituary correction

An obituary in last week's Downey Patriot stated James Edward Fergus passed away a month before his 80th birthday. It should have read 90th birthday.

Also, Fergus was raised on an orange ranch, not an organ ranch. The Downey Patriot apologizes for the error.

Hearing loss support group meeting

LAKEWOOD—The Hearing Loss Association meets Sept. 14 at the Weingart Senior Center, 5220 Oliva Ave. in Lakewood, at 6:30 p.m. The meeting is free to attend. Information: (562) 433-6509.

Downey student named a President's Scholar

DOWNEY—Tabatha Graves of Downey is one of 50 incoming President's Scholars at CSU-Long Beach. The daughter of Timothy and Jackie Graves of Downey, she graduated valedictorian of the 2006 class at St. Joseph High and was selected for the program from an applicant pool of more than 600 students statewide.

Established in 1995, the President's Scholars Program is recognized as the premier program of its kind in the state. It was created to bring valedictorians and National Merit scholars from California high schools to CSU-Long Beach.

As part of the program, the graduated senior from St. Joseph High has received a four-year scholarship from the university worth about \$35,000.

As a President's Scholar, Graves is attending (fall classes started Aug. 28) CSULB on a full scholarship that covers general student fees, an annual book allowance and paid housing in the campus residence halls for four years. In addition, she receives priority registration, personal academic counseling and more.

The benefits for qualifying valedictorians and National Merit scholars from accredited California high schools are made possible through the support of the CSULB Alumni Association, President's Associates and the Corporate Scholars Council.

Graduates of the program are attending prestigious graduate and professional schools such as Yale, Harvard, Dartmouth, UC-Berkeley Law School, Stanford, Duke and Johns Hopkins medical schools, UYCLA Dental School and CSULB. Others have started successful careers at companies like Disney, Boeing and TRW.

Graves is planning to major in psychology and liberal studies.

Hume Foundation to discuss luncheon

DOWNEY—Due to scheduling conflicts for most of the John Hume Performing Arts Foundation board, the August meeting has been cancelled and rescheduled for September.

The new proposed meeting date is Saturday, Sept. 9 at 10 a.m. at the private home of Pauline Hume. It will be a major planning meeting for this year's Margene Glenn Award luncheon. As this year's recipient of the Margene Glenn Award is Arlene Szabo, any memories, stories, or anecdotes of Arlene, and her involvement with the Downey Children's Theatre, are to be e-mailed to Pauline Hume.

RSVP to Floyd Riggles, friggles@adelphia.net.

Lifegate Foursquare celebrates 60th year

PARAMOUNT—The Lifegate Foursquare Church, 13376 Downey Ave. in Paramount, celebrates 60 years of ministry to the community Saturday-Sunday, Sept. 2-3, with a carnival Saturday on the church campus and a special service at 10 Sunday morning. The public is invited.

Saturday there will be games for children, blow-up items such as a jumper, slide, rock climbing wall for youth. At the service Sunday morning, the Lifegate Worship Team, along with their youth worship band, "Breaking Free," will be leading all the music.

Revs. Arthur Gray and Jim Scott from the International Church of the Foursquare Gospel will be ministering. Daryl Hofmeyer, mayor of the City of Paramount, will speak in the morning; other city staff and City Councilmembers will be in attendance, along with some Chamber of Commerce members.

Pastors Larry and Deborah Jameson will at the same time be celebrating their 20th year of ministry at Lifegate.

Downey Church Directory

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

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

Education 9:00 a.m.
Worship 10:00 a.m.

10711 Paramount Blvd. Downey (562) 923-1215

MESSIAH LUTHERAN CHURCH

- TRADITIONAL WORSHIP Sundays at 8 a.m.
- ESPANOL SERVICE 9:30 a.m.
- PRAISE SERVICE 11 a.m.

MOBILE PET GROOMING
FULL SERVICE GROOMING ALL BREEDS, CATS TOO!

Ask about the Fabulous Furminator!
(reduces shedding 60-80% when done every four to six weeks)

\$5.00 Off
With paid 15-Step Grooming Process. Applies To First Time Appointment Only.

1-800-PET-MOBILE
www.ozziepetmobile.com (1-800-738-6624)

YOU WILL ALSO BE COMPENSATED FOR TIME AND TRAVEL

Chronic Pain?

If you have chronic pain in your lower back or chronic osteoarthritis pain in your hips or knees of which you must take pain medication, you may be eligible to participate in a clinical research trial for an investigational medication.

You must be between the ages of 18 and 75 to participate. If you qualify, all study-related physical exams, study-related procedures, and study medication will be provided to you at no charge.

If you are interested or have questions, please call:
Ritchard Fishman, MD
9505 E. Telegraph Rd., Pico Rivera (562) 949-6565

QWEST Homework Assistance & Learning Center
YOUTH EDUCATIONAL AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM
Math - Reading - Writing and Homework Help ... and more

Do you want your child to stay on track with their studies for the school year?
Does your child need extra help in Reading, Writing and Arithmetic, Phonics, Grammar, Spelling or Reading Comprehension?

Taking pride in every child with whom we work generates a very high success rate of student accomplishment.
The QWEST state-of-the-art After-School Program is the one for your child.

QWEST Programs Include: Spelling ~ Language Skills
Reading Comprehension ~ Algebra 1 & 2
Exit Exam Prep ~ Self Motivation Tools... and more

www.qwesthomework.com Located at 11530 Lakewood Blvd., Downey
Call today for details 562-861-9119 Enrollment is Limited. Hours: 3:30p.m.- 7:30p.m.

BULLETIN BOARD

McKinnon & Sons
Lic. # 759646

Full Service Plumbing
Same Day Service
562-904-3616

10% Off With Ad (max. \$25.00 value)
Senior Citizen Discount • Available 24 Hours

Pennine Plumbing, Inc.
(Formerly Hoffner Plumbing, Inc.)
Serving this neighborhood for over 30 years

• SERVICE • REPAIR •

Free Estimates
(562) 803-5406 or (800) 400-5145

Drain & sewer cleaning, water heaters, copper re-pipes, heating & toilet repairs

Lic. # 844663 **10% OFF** with this coupon (after price has been quoted)

1-800-4-MAYTAG

WE REPAIR ALL BRANDS!
1-800-462-9824

CALL US! WE'LL ANSWER

MAYTAG ALL BRANDS ALL PARTS ALL APPLIANCES!

Dependability. It's the promise Maytag® has made to its customers for nearly a century, and the commitment we'll make to you as an employee of Maytag Services. To join the dependability team, contact:

Maytag Services Staffing
403 West Fourth St. N. Newton, IA 50208
www.maytag.com

Employment Line
1-888-388-2470
Career Center
www.careers.maytag.com

Maytag Services is an equal opportunity employer M/F/D/V.

SUMMER IS A GREAT TIME TO GET A MASSAGE

Natural Health Services - 7444 Suite H, Florence Ave. Downey, CA 90241

With all the activities you take part in, you may find you need a **Therapeutic Sports Massage** or a relaxing **Deep Tissue Massage**. Or **Foot Reflexology**: a therapy which works on the feet to help heal the whole person.

CALL TODAY
562-776-1727

Member of AMA

LOOKING FOR GOOD EMPLOYEES?
CALL THE EXPERTS 562-928-6600

Employment Service Agency

Applications Taken
Monday - Thursday
9:00 - 11:00 a.m.
1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

8041 Florence Ave. #104, Downey, CA 90240

Story of the 100-year-old farmhouse finally told

By JoAnn Dennis

DOWNEY — On Saturday, Aug. 26, more than 80 guests from Bell Gardens and surrounding cities joined the Ellen and Clarence Peterson Foundation, the Walter and Alma Peterson Support Foundation, and El Rancho San Antonio Historical Society of Bell Gardens to commemorate the George and Anne Marie Peterson family and their 100-year-old farmhouse. The event also gave us an opportunity to express appreciation to all who have worked so hard to save this historic museum.

Going back in time, on March 24, 1887, George Peterson traveled by steamship from his Danish homeland to America. He spoke Danish, German, and a little English. George and his wife, Anne Marie ("Mary") settled in what is now known as "Bell Gardens" and farmed the land. They did not own land at first. A 1900 record of Indenture shows that George farmed 310 acres of land (known as "Laguna Rancho") owned by Arcadia B. de Baker. Compensation of one-fourth of the harvested crops was paid to Mrs. de Baker. The Petersons saved their money and were able to purchase several acres of farming land with a little house on it. The west boundary of their farm was Jaboneria Rd. and the east boundary was Perry Rd. They moved their little house from Jaboneria to its present location at 7535 Perry Rd. and built the larger two-story house in front of it.

Solar power

The larger house was completed in 1906, and was unique in that it used a windmill rather than a steam pump to provide water inside the house; it had a solar heating system located on the southwest side of the roof for making hot water; and, it was wired for electricity, which was way ahead of its time. Electrical hook-up was not available for several years later, but George Peterson wanted to be ready for it upon its arrival.

George and Mary Peterson had two surviving sons, Walter and Clarence. Walter married Alma and moved away from Bell Gardens, but Clarence stayed and lived a full life in the Bell Gardens house. Clarence was 56 years old when he married 52-year-old Ellen Judd Moss in May 1957. If Ellen were alive, she would be 101 years old on the day of the Aug. 26 event.

Ellen loved to talk and socialize. Clarence also known as "Pete," was a bit shy and soft-spoken. In the 1960s, Ellen began actively participating in and contributing to charitable organizations in the communities of Bell Gardens and Downey. She was a founder of and served as president of the El Rancho San Antonio Historical Society of Bell Gardens. She was also president of the Downey Historical Society. She served on the boards of the Boy Scouts of America and the Boys and Girls Club of Bell Gardens; and, she was a member of the Downey Community Hospital Board of Trustees. The lovely marble statues in the hospital's lobby were sculpted by Ellen Peterson's friend, Charlotte Troesch, and donated to the hospital by the Petersons.

Charity work

In the 1980s she founded the Walter and Alma Peterson Support Foundation that gives monetary support to five community charitable organizations. They are: The Boys and Girls Club of Bell Gardens; the Boy Scouts of America, Frontier District; the Downey Historical Society; the Downey Regional Medical Center; and La Sierra University in Riverside. A year later, she founded the Ellen and Clarence Peterson



THE PETERSON FARMHOUSE—A gift of the Ellen and Clarence Peterson Foundation to the El Rancho San Antonio Historical Society of Bell Gardens. The Farmhouse was completed 100 years ago and was innovative for its time, featuring a solar heating system for heat. It was also wired for electricity.

Foundation. This foundation gives grants to charitable organizations throughout California.

It was also in the 1980s that Ellen Peterson began to pursue a dream. She wanted very much to preserve the Peterson property as a historical site. The gathering last Saturday played an important part in this 20-year-old dream.

I would like to say "Thank You" to Rick Murata, trustee of the Peterson Foundations, and Dennis Grizzle of El Rancho San Antonio Historical Society, for moving forward and not giving up when so many obstacles came their way. Through it all, they continued onward towards the fulfillment of not only Ellen Peterson's dream, but the actual preservation of this historical property.

Thank you, Robert Rubio, of El Rancho San Antonio Historical Society, for doing a great job as Master of Ceremonies; and, thank you, Assemblyman Hector De La Torre, the Honorable Mayors Pedro Aceituno (Bell Gardens) and Meredith Perkins (Downey), Councilmembers Daniel Crespo, and all representatives of the City of Bell Gardens in attendance, members of the foundations, friends, relatives, and neighbors for coming on Saturday, Aug. 26, to take part in this historic event.

JoAnn Dennis is the niece of Ellen Peterson, founder of the El Rancho San Antonio Historical Society of Bell Gardens.

Golf tournament to help in battle against cancer

DOWNEY—The four-man scramble Elizabeth Miller Memorial Golf Tournament, which will benefit the Gilda Radner Familial Ovarian Cancer Registry for ovarian cancer research, has been scheduled for Wednesday, Sept. 6 at the Rio Hondo Golf Club.

The event is open to men and women.

Entry fee is \$125, which includes 18 holes of golf, lunch and awards dinner. The tournament features "The Mulligan Man"—Eric Tracy, the usual complement of long drive, putting, and hole-in-one contests, raffles, and silent and live auctions. The hole-in-one prize is a brand-new Toyota Camry.

Would-be participants are advised to sign up early as the tournament is limited to 144 golfers. Checks are payable to: Elizabeth Miller Memorial Golf Tournament, 86-Q Calle Aragon, Laguna Woods, CA 92637. Contact: Charles Miller, (949) 588-5879 or (562) 896-5481.

Huntington Park class of '46 reunion

HUNTINGTON PARK—The Huntington Park High School class of 1946 will hold a 60th Anniversary Luncheon at Four Points Sheraton Hotel in Fullerton at 11 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 23.

For more information, call Maxine Hood Luck at (760) 727-0279, or e-mail hoodluck@pacbell.net.

QUINCINERA CELEBRATION

Celebrate your Daughter's Sweet Fifteen in the style to which she should be accustomed. Start the Quincinera party with

A FIRST CLASS LIMOUSINE



FIREPLACE - BUBBLE FOUNTAINS - DirectTV® / TracVision®. Interior Running Lights - Seats up to 20 People - Drinks for All Book Early for Preferred Hours, Rates and Discounts

A FIRST CLASS LIMOUSINE COMPANY

800-553-9183 / 562-862-1192

Ride In Style & Safety - Forget Traffic V.I.P. Service, Airport Transportation Wedding, Birthday, Anniversary, Corp. Events

Las Vegas, Pechanga or Morongo Casino turn around trips. Call for details.

For Classified Advertising Information Call Linda Larson

Phone (562) 904-3668

DOWNEY PLUMBING, HEATING, AND AIR CONDITIONING (562)

- Air Conditioning • Drains and Sewers Cleaned
- Copper Repiping • Furnaces • Hydrojetting
- Water Heaters • Water Piping • Leak Detections
- Water Softeners • Disposals • Bath Remodeling

State Contractor Lic. #731172

\$10 OFF ALL REPAIRS

Senior Discounts



Imagine a health plan named after its greatest benefit.

Introducing CareMore Health Plan.



Soon, California Health Plan will be changing its name to CareMore Health Plan. Like so many of our members, we believe the name "CareMore" embodies the philosophy that inspired our proactive care model and generous benefits.

Call us at 1-877-211-6614 (TDD 1-800-577-5586) to learn more.

CAREMORE
Believe it.

California Health Plan is a state licensed provider sponsored organization (PSO) with a Medicare Advantage contract open to all Medicare beneficiaries with Medicare Parts A and B who reside within the designated service area. Members must pay Part B premiums and use contracted network providers for routine care. Limitations, co-payments and coinsurance will apply.

CMS Approval # H0544_06300608A CHP (08/06) Material ID A009

Classes Begin Tuesday Sept. 5th

Pre-Register Now to Save Your Seat

On-Line Registration Available

Check Out Our NEW Classes

- Chinese for Business
- eBay the Easy Way
- Accounting with QuickBooks
- Real Estate
- Restorative Nursing
- Acute Care Nursing

And much, much MORE!!

SEPT. 5 - DEC. 16

DAS DOWNEY ADULT SCHOOL

CAREER AND EDUCATION CENTER

Established 1940



ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT



CERTIFIED NURSE ASSISTANT



EXERCISE & FITNESS



COURT REPORTING



PHARMACY TECHNICIAN



CLASSES DE INGLE

Train for a new career Now!

Classes Start September 5
www.downeyadultschool.com (562) 940-6200

Registration Fee Only

DAS Fall 2006 Session DAS

\$5 Off Coupon

Bring this coupon to the first class meeting or fax/mail in with pre-registration form and receive \$5 off your registration fee!

Not Valid with any other discount. Expires Sept. 16, 2006

(562) 940-6200 www.downeyadultschool.com

12340 Woodruff Avenue, Downey, CA 90241

Naturalization bill to help immigrants

SACRAMENTO—Assemblymember Hector De la Torre (D-South Gate) announced that the California Senate passed Assembly Bill 2060 Aug. 17 by a bi-partisan vote of 27 to 13. The bill will now return to the State Assembly in order to be sent to Gov. Schwarzenegger for his signature.

Assembly Bill 2060 strengthens California's current naturalization services program in order to encourage more permanent resident immigrants to become citizens of the United States. The bill provides comprehensive, community-based services to permanent residents eligible to naturalize.

In California, there are currently 2.7 million immigrants eligible to naturalize, but there are not enough services to assist them through a process that can be difficult and expensive. Through the work of Assemblymember De La Torre earlier this year, the state budget includes \$3 million of the current Naturalization Service Program.

"Resident immigrants often do not know where to seek assistance to become citizens," declared De La Torre. "This has resulted in California having one of the lowest naturalization rates in the country - limiting the ability of millions of Californians to fully participate in civic life."

Bill would benefit Medi-Cal recipients

SACRAMENTO - Assembly Bill 2639 by Assemblymember Lloyd Levine (D-Van Nuys), which would ensure that Medi-Cal eligible persons are not denied the ability to pay for additional adult day health care services from other sources, cleared the Senate and is now on its way to the Governor's desk.

"Many seniors on Medi-Cal are struggling to make ends meet, and caring providers attempt to combine every available resource to offer them as many services as they can under the law," Assemblymember Levine said. "It is often the case that Medi-Cal authorizes less care for a recipient than a provider requests. But current law prohibits adult day health care providers from supplying any more care than is sanctioned by Medi-Cal."

"AB 2639 permits a consumer who is receiving adult day healthcare services paid for by Medi-Cal to also obtain supplemental adult daycare services that are provided by an outside source without having their Medi-Cal benefits diminished or eliminated," Levine continued.

Under current law, when a new client insured under Medi-Cal enrolls at an adult day health care (ADHC) facility, the ADHC traditionally performs an assessment lasting three days.



JOHN GOLISANO - Century 21 My Real Estate welcomes John Golisano to their office. Golisano holds a Doctorate of Chiropractic Degree from Southern California University of Health & Science. "John is a dynamo. Excellent people skills, a self-starter and making client needs a priority are just a few reasons Century 21 is happy to welcome him to the team," stated Laurie Mac Isaac, vice president of relocation and marketing. To contact Golisano, call (562) 927-2626.

WAGS to meet in Whittier Sept. 16

WHITTIER—The meeting Saturday, Sept. 16 at 1 p.m. of the Whittier Area Genealogical Society (WAGS) at the Whittier Masonic Lodge, 7604 Greenleaf Ave. in Whittier, will feature a presentation by WAGS member Frances Holt of "How Quilts Connect the Past, Present, and Future."

In addition to sharing her unique collection of quilts she will challenge the group to find out who made their family quilts, why they were made, and where the family lived at the time they were made. She will share how census records and relatives' stories helped her in gathering the facts. The history of quilting and the care and preservation of quilts will also be covered.

A Computer Workshop, "How to Protect Your Computer," will meet at 9:30 a.m., led by Roger Mount. Jean Bogart will give an Overview for Beginners at 11 a.m., for the Beginner-Refresher Class.

Visitors are welcome at these monthly meetings. For information, see www.cagenweb.com/kr/wags, or call (562) 941-3184 or (562) 695-5431.

Rise 'N Shine networkers meet Sept. 12

DOWNEY—Chamber members Dr. Dan Fox of Fox Chiropractic and Jorge Navarro of George's Restaurant are the speakers at the Rise 'N Shine Networking Group meeting Tuesday, Sept. 12 at 7:30 a.m. at Nordic Fox, 10924 Paramount Blvd.

RSVP: 923-2191.

Planning to sell your home?
How much is it worth?
Find Out Free at:
HouseValues.com
www.HouseValues.com

CLASSIFIED
904-3668

Marlene Rodriguez
For the Professional & Personal advice you need the attention YOU deserve
Realtor, Notary
19 Years of Experience
Hablo Español
(562) 824-7333
Century 21 My Real Estate Co.

SUPERMARKET
Bell market - meat market, restaurant, beer and wine license, 3,029 sq. ft. - great location!

NORTH DOWNEY UNITS
Four Units: Three Units - 2 Bedrooms, 2 Bathrooms. One Unit - 1 Bedroom, 1 Bathroom.

DOWNEY
2 Bedrooms, 1 Bathroom, formal dining room, enclosed patio.

BRABANT REALTY & MANAGEMENT, INC.
"60 Years serving Downey & The Southeast Area"

9308 Farm St., Downey
- Beautiful 1,680 sq. ft. - 3 bedroom, 1 3/4 bath with spa, central air conditioning. Asking \$799,500.

9910 Casanes Ave., Downey - Immaculate 3 bedroom and den, 2 1/2 bath home located on quiet Northeast Downey cul-de-sac. Nearly 2,500 sq. ft. of living area on 10,000 sq. ft. lot. Asking \$1,009,500

PRICE REDUCED

NEW LISTING: 12306 Brock Ave., Downey. Nearly 1,500 sq. ft. 3 bedroom and family room with 1 3/4 baths. Fireplace, covered patio and double garage. Great location close to St. Raymond's. Only \$599,500.
(323) 587-5156 (562) 760-5156

CARRIE UVA
Attorney at Law

- Living Trusts
- Real Estate Law
- Real Estate Agent

FREE CONSULTATION
(562) 382-1252
8635 Florence Ave. Suite 101
DOWNEY, CA 90240

Lucy Guastella
Broker, CRS, GRI

Location, Location, Location
3 Bedrooms, 2 Bathrooms, front room with fireplace and a great view of a large backyard! North Downey near schools and shopping!
Call Lucy for more information!
(562) 618-0391 Direct
(562) 923-5401 Office

Ask the Contractors Board

By Matt Kelly,

Chair, California Contractors State License Board

Q: Is it against the law to hire a contractor who doesn't have a state license?

A: It is not against the law, but it is risky. An unlicensed operator doesn't carry workers' compensation insurance, which would protect you and their workers should they be injured on the job. Without this the injured worker could come after you to pay their medical bills.

They also don't carry general liability insurance, which protects you should they damage your property. That unlicensed operator would also be considered your employee, so you'd be required to withhold and pay payroll taxes and provide them with workers' compensation insurance. Plus, if you have a problem with an unlicensed operator, there's very little the Contractors State License Board (CSLB) can do to help. The CSLB can investigate and work with a local District Attorney to prosecute. Or, the homeowner could be left to pursue the matter in Small Claims Court.

It's important to note that it is against the law for an unlicensed operator someone to work on home improvement jobs that cost \$500 or more in materials and labor without having a state license. Make sure your contractor has a valid license by visiting the CSLB website at www.cslb.ca.gov or by calling 1-800-321-CSLB (2752).

Q: Our neighbors are having their house remodeled by a licensed contractor. However, there has been damage done to our house from the scaffolding they erected. Consequently, a drain has been torn off of our roof. What can I do to ensure that the damage is repaired?

A: This problem highlights the importance of making sure your contractor has General Liability Insurance. Although it's not required by California law, the CSLB recommends that your contractor have it. General Liability Insurance covers any damage done by the contractor. If your contractor doesn't carry general liability insurance, you or your homeowner's insurance policy could end up paying for any damages.

Q: Please help me settle this dispute with my children. I am an elderly gentleman who lives alone in my own home. A few weeks ago, I called in a landscaper to help me repair damage to my front yard caused by a recent flood. I watched him perform the work. Because of my failing eyesight, I had him write his own check payment. My children argue that I should never do this and that it is a good way to get scammed. Do you have suggestions for the elderly who don't always have someone around to handle contractors?

A: First of all, never let a contractor help you with a payment, whether it is writing a check out for themselves or driving you to the bank so you can withdraw cash. Allowing a contractor to help you make payments opens the door to get scammed in many different ways. Unscrupulous contractors could take advantage of the situation and write themselves checks well over and above the amount of the agreed upon work.

Scammers have been known to drive the elderly to the bank in order to withdraw cash payments for a job that isn't done. These crooks then take the homeowner's money and run, leaving the project unfinished and the homeowner stuck.

Instead of having the contractor help you write out your check, ask them to invoice you, so a family member or friend can help you make the payment. It is also important to know that you should never pay cash to any contractor. There is no way of tracking cash payments and should something go wrong, it makes the restitution process much more difficult.

Last, remember to only pay the contractor when the job is complete and you are fully satisfied. If the project is big, you can pay the contractor in set amounts after specific jobs are completed to your satisfaction. This payment schedule must be spelled out in writing in your contract.

For more information on tips seniors should know when hiring or managing a contractor, visit the CSLB website at www.cslb.ca.gov or call 1-800-321-CSLB (2752).

'Midwest Research' meeting topic

LONG BEACH - The Questing Heirs Genealogical Society of Long Beach will have its September meeting on Sunday, Sept. 17 at 1:15 p.m. in the Parish Hall of the Resurrection Lutheran Church, 1900 East Carson Street in Long Beach.

The topic for September's meeting will be "Midwest Research," presented by Caroline Braxton Rober.

Rober is a professional genealogical lecturer, teacher and researcher. She has been doing genealogical research for 36 years. She is president of the Southern California Chapter of the Association of Professional Genealogists. She is a member of the National Genealogical Society, New England Historical Genealogical Society and the Kentucky Historical Society.

Rober is a native southern Californian.

For more information call Jeanette Jones at (562) 421-5610 or visit www.qhgs.info.

'Connections' meets Thursdays

DOWNEY - Connections, a local business networking group, meets every Thursday at 7:30 a.m. for breakfast at Nordic Fox restaurant, 10924 Paramount Blvd.

For information call Nick Smith, president of the group, at 861-5222.

Blanca Pacheco
Attorney At Law
Need A Living Trust?
Avoid Probate!
Save Thousands of Dollars!!
(562) 843-8949
"Español es Mi primer Idioma"
6505 Rosemead Blvd. Suite 101 Pico Rivera, CA 90660 Real Estate Broker - Realtor

OPEN HOUSE

Arlene Garcia-Hanner
Real Estate Broker
(562) 904-4325

OPEN HOUSE:
10116 Karmont Avenue, SOG
Saturday & Sunday, Sept. 2 & 3,
from 1 to 5 pm

Spacious 2bdrm/2bath with oversized 2 car garage in Karmon Townhome community. Low HOA & award-winning Downey school district.

www.Downeyagent.com

OLPH community cookbook now here

DOWNEY—The community cookbook bulging with recipes collected from here and abroad and that took almost two years for the Women's Guild of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church to complete has arrived from the printer.

The quality, limited edition cookbook contains 477 (exceeding the original expectation of 450) recipes of gourmet meals and desserts, collected from the local community as well as contributed by family and friends from as far away as England and Ireland.

Although many of the cookbooks have already been pre-ordered and sold, extra cookbooks are available for \$10 each. Guild members anticipate selling out the remaining supply within two months. If you missed the opportunity to order your cookbooks and wish to order a book or so for yourself or to give as a gift, call Paula Mayfield, (562) 923-3518.

New venue for DUHS '53 class reunion

DOWNEY—There's been a change of venue for the Downey Union High School class of 1953 reunion scheduled for Saturday, Sept. 30.

The site has been moved to El Dorado Park East in Long Beach. The class' 53rd anniversary picnic Sept. 30 is a Bring-Your-Own no-host affair. Anyone interested from nearby classes is also invited to attend.

For further information/location specifics, contact (562) 923-0544, or e-mail DUHS53@gmail.com.

Downey AARP seeks new members

DOWNEY—Downey AARP Chapter #262 invites you to its meetings held on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of every month to "enjoy interesting speakers and entertainers." Meetings are held at the Community/Senior Center at 7810 Quill Drive in Downey at 11:30 a.m. Bingo follows the meeting.

For more detailed information, call Sally Jones at (562) 927-2201 or Dorothy Wilson at (562) 928-6935.

'What's the Story' in Santa Monica

SANTA MONICA—'What's the Story,' an evening of theater work created by local writers and performers, will be held Monday, Oct. 23 at the Powerhouse Theater in Santa Monica beginning at 8 p.m.

Admission is \$10 or pay-what-you can. The Powerhouse Theater is at 3116 2nd St., one block east of Main. For more information call (310) 450-1312.



REP. GRACE F. NAPOLITANO (D-NORWALK)—(Center), recently toured the newly-opened Presbyterian Intercommunity Hospital (PIH)-Santa Fe Springs Family Health Center to learn how the center is meeting the healthcare needs of the residents of Santa Fe Springs, Whittier and surrounding areas. She met with the center's physicians, administrators and staff, which included, from left: Thomas Raycraft, PIH Foundation vice-president; Blanca Arroyo, MA; Andrea Mason, MD; Julie Reback, vice-president, PIH marketing and planning; Anna Eastman, MD; Dana Molina, vice-president, clinic operations; Virag Shah, MD; and Paul Salsameda, RN.

Pro Networkers meets Fridays

DOWNEY—Pro Networkers, a Downey-based professional business networking group, meets every Friday at 7:30 a.m. for breakfast at Mimi's Cafe, Firestone at Brookshire. For information call Barbara Briley Beard at 869-7618.

Downey Christian Club meets Sept. 13

DOWNEY—The Downey Christian Women's Club, which enjoys a buffet luncheon at their second Wednesday of each month's meetings (usually held at Los Amigos Country Club, 7295 Quill Drive), says men are also welcome to these meetings.

The next luncheon meeting is at 11:45 a.m. Sept. 13, with a presentation on "Fire Safety" by a representative from the Downey Fire Department as the special feature. Speaker is Luanne Hunt, whose topic is "How Broken Hearts are Mended by Unconditional Love."

Reservations are requested by the Monday before the luncheon, by calling either Ginnie, 927-8488, or Delores, 868-7135.

Warren Pep Squad plans reunion

DOWNEY—In celebration of Warren High School's 50th anniversary, the Warren Pep Squad is inviting all former cheerleaders, song leaders, and mascots to the homecoming game on Friday, Oct. 20. A huge reunion is being planned next year for all the cheer squads from the past 50 years.

Contact Kellie Acosta at warrencheeralumni@yahoo.com or (562) 469-7001, ext. 87889 for more information.

'Driving Miss Daisy' opens today

LONG BEACH—The Long Beach Playhouse Studio Theater will present 'Driving Miss Daisy,' which opens today, Sept. 1, and will continue until Oct. 7.

The play won a Pulitzer Prize in 1988 and the Outer Critics Circle Award for Best Off-Broadway Play. It had a long run Off-Broadway and was produced into an Academy Award-winning feature film.

Phyllis B. Gitlin directs this production which features Teri Cirana, Bob Fetes, Lawrence C. Gamell, Jr and Darryl R. Adams.

Tickets for the Sept. 1 preview performance are \$12 each or two for \$20. The official opening is Sept. 2 with a champagne receptions to follow.

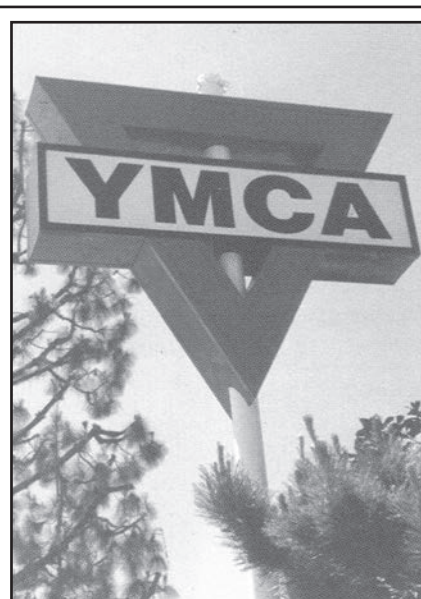
For ticket information, call (562) 494-1014.



COLIN'S CORNER
By Colin Clarke
Relationship Advice

Why are realty professionals called "agents?" What is the meaning of the term "agent" in the context of real estate? Real estate is practiced under the "Law of Agency," in which one party - the agent - represents the interests of another - the principal. The association is termed an "agency relationship." As the sellers' agent, the representative acts on the sellers' behalf, with their best interests in mind, to locate a buyer. The buyers must be treated honestly and fairly, but they are not "represented" by that agent. The sellers' agent is always faithful to the sellers' best interests (but not necessarily those of the buyer). In the past, most buyers were not represented by an agent - they made their buying decisions using factual information presented to them by the sellers or their agent. Because of the increasingly complicated nature of real estate transactions, however, "buyer agency" has become more common. To gain representation in their purchase, buyers may employ an agent to represent their interests and fulfill the obligation to faithfully serve them. What's the real message about agency? Both buyers and sellers should know whether they are represented and by whom. To find out, ask the agent(s), "Who are you representing in this transaction?" Inform yourself and make confident decisions by learning the facts about agency relationships before you buy or sell.

I'll be pleased to help you with any of your real estate needs.
Call Colin
(562) 904-6652



**FUN
ACTIVITIES
FOR EVERYONE
IN THE
FAMILY!**

**WANT TO LOSE WEIGHT
PERMANENTLY?
COME JOIN US FOR A
HEALTHIER, HAPPIER
YOU!**

DOWNEY FAMILY YMCA

11531 DOWNEY AVE.

DOWNEY

(562) 862-4201

Y We build strong kids,
strong families,
strong communities

TREE SERVICE • TREE SERVICE • TREE SERVICE

the original
George's
tree & landscaping service

Trimming Topping Stump Grinding Removing

Residential • Commercial • Apartments • Condominium
Free Estimates
FULLY INSURED
Same Owner Over 30 Years

(562) 923-8911 (800) 695-5237

TREE SERVICE • TREE SERVICE • TREE SERVICE

RED CARPET HERITAGE REALTY



Best Buy In Popular Area of Downey

Because this house has it all! 3 Bedrooms (master has .75 bath), total 1.75 Bathrooms, copper plumbing throughout, fireplace in living room, forced air heating, double-detached garage, spacious private backyard, 1,179 sq. ft., lot 6,050 sq. ft., even includes a washer and dryer! All for **\$619,000!**

Award Franchise Top Listing and Selling Office 2005
For further information or private viewing, please call

Red Carpet Heritage Realty
(562) 923-5401

All listings can be found at www.downeyrealestate.com



Sign On! www.DaleJervis.com

Your link to Downey's Top Producing CENTURY 21® Realtor and all available homes throughout Downey.

IF YOU'RE THINKING ABOUT BUYING OR SELLING, WE'RE YOUR COMPANY!

BUYERS:

- ★ FREE LOAN QUALIFICATION
- ★ FIND OUT EXACTLY WHAT YOU CAN QUALIFY FOR IN SEEKING YOUR NEW HOME
- ★ GET INFORMATION ON DOWN PAYMENT AND CLOSING COSTS

SELLERS:

- ★ SEE WHAT YOUR HOME IS WORTH WITH A "FREE" MARKET EVALUATION
- ★ "FREE" HOME PROTECTION POLICY WHEN YOU LIST YOUR HOME WITH US
- ★ FIND OUT WHAT YOUR NET PROCEEDS WILL BE AFTER ALL YOUR EXPENSES

CALL US TODAY...

(562) 923-5507



HOME AND INVESTMENT
11600 PARAMOUNT BLVD.
DOWNEY SUITE A

VISIT US ON OUR WEBSITE: www.C21HI.com

EMPLOYMENT

A OR B CLASS DRIVER
W/passenger endorsement, C class ok, need DMV print out for interview. A First Class Limouseine Co. Call (562) 862-1192

CLASSES

DRE APPROVED REAL ESTATE SCHOOL
Live sessions \$199 reimbursed. Call Darlene Century 21 My Real Estate Co. (800) 641-2111 x 119

ANIMALS/PETS

LOST CAT
Reward For Safe Return F., mostly black w/some beige & white, has white paws & belly. Last seen 8-23 near Chaney & Muller. (562) 869-2358

SERVICES

MACHADO CONSTRUCTION CO.
Room additions, roofing, kitchen and bath remodeling, window replacement, paint. Senior discount. Lic#574972 (562) 803-8630 (323) 294-8745

FOR RENT

4 BED, 2 BATH N. DWY.
New floors, remodeled kitchen, lg. back yd., nice area. (562) 449-5027

FOR RENT

SMALL ROOM
W/full bath, separate entrance \$650 mo. Hablo Español. (562) 923-9158

THE **DOWNEY GRAFFITI HOTLINE NUMBER** 923-4484
Report graffiti or persons performing the act to this number.

PERSONALS

ST. JUDE NOVENA
May the Sacred Heart of Jesus be adored and glorified, loved and preserved throughout the world now and forever. Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, pray for us. St. Jude worker of miracles, pray for us. Helper of the hopeless, pray for us. Thank you for granting my petition. L.I.

ACTION PAINTING & CONSTRUCTION
Int. & ext. painting, stucco, windows & remodeling. Lic. 456722. Call Steve (562) 928-7680

2 BED, BELLFLOWER
9333 1/2 Rose, spacious, carport, patio balcony \$1,125. Call (562) 867-4710

DOWNEY
Extra lg. apt. 1 bed, 1 bath, big kitchen & liv. rm., walk-in closet \$860 mo. (562) 923-3698

SALES

MEDICARE REPRESENTATIVE 
A year round position, salary + Responsible for contacting IEHP's dual eligible members and educate them about the-new Medicare plan. Requires 3 years expo in Medicare/Medi-Cal Sales. BS degree preferred, additional years of experience may compensate. Bilingual (E/Sp) a plus. IEHP offers a competitive compensation and benefits package. Please FAX your resume:
INLAND EMPIRE HEALTH PLAN
San Bernardino, CA
FAX (909) 890-2929
www.iehp.com
EOE

1 BED, NORWALK
11544 Imperial, A/C, new floors, stove \$845. Call Joan. (562) 863-6599

1 BED APT.
Carpet, drapes, AC, stove, refrigerator, 1 off street parking, coin laundry. \$875 mo. 9448 Nance, Downey Call Jim (562) 803-1467

PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT


You who made me see everything and showed me the way to reach my ideals. You who gave me the divine gift to forgive and forget the wrong that is done to me, and You who are in all instances of my life, with me. I thank You for everything and confirm once more that I never want to be separated from You no matter how great the material desires may be. I want to be with You and my loved ones in Your perpetual glory. Thank You for Your love towards me and my loved ones. AMEN. Person must pray this prayer 3 consecutive days without asking the favor. After the 3rd day the favor will be granted no matter how difficult it may be. Promise to publish this as soon as the favor is granted. My favor was granted L.I.

TIRED OF YOUR TENANTS?
Let us manage & maximize your rentals.
Across The Street Property Management
(562) 895-3509

SERVICES

CARPET, LINO. & LAMINATE
Serving Downey since 1968. LIC# 421455. Call Kent (562) 776-9933

TOWNHOUSE STYLE
2 story apt. in 4 plex. 2 bed, 1 1/2 bath, stove, D/W washer/dryer hkuaps., 2 car gar. No pets. No Sec. 8 program. Excellent credit history/credit check required. \$1,550 mo. + \$1,000 sec. dep. (714) 637-3110

 IF YOU MISSED YOUR COPY OF **The Downey Patriot** YOU CAN OBTAIN A COPY AT ONE OF THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS ON FRIDAY MORNINGS

DOWNEY PATRIOT OFFICE, 11525 DOWNEY AVE.. SUITE A
DOWNEY CITY HALL, 11111 BROOKSHIRE AVE.
DOWNEY LIBRARY, 11121 BROOKSHIRE AVE.
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, 11131 BROOKSHIRE AVE.
EMBASSY SUITES, 8425 FIRESTONE BLVD.
MIMI'S CAFE, 8455 FIRESTONE BLVD.
YMCA, 11531 DOWNEY AVE.
BEACH'S MARKET, 7900 IMPERIAL HWY.
THIRD STREET COFFEE, 8221 THIRD ST.
BARBARA RILEY SENIOR CENTER, 7810 QUILL DR.
NORDIC FOX, 10942 PARAMOUNT BLVD.
PACIFIC WESTERN BANK, 10245 PARAMOUNT BLVD.

CARPET 4 U
Carpet & vinyl. Free in home estimates. Mohawk, Shaw, Beaulieu, Kane, Congoleum. Showroom at 9303 Alondra Blvd. in Bellflower. (562) 866-2195

MIKE THE ELECTRICIAN
Recessed lighting, remodel home and office, service upgrade 120-600 volts. FREE NO OBLIGATION ESTIMATE. Lic. #829705 (562) 861-4266

SHARE HOME
\$450 mo. share air cond. Downey home w/older woman. Private bed, bath and liv. room w/ DirecTV, kitchen & Indry. privlgs. All utilities paid except phone. Non smoking woman. Must love dogs and be home most nights. (562) 928-8982

HOMES FOR SALE

PRICE REDUCED DOWNEY
3 bed, 2 bath & more. \$529,000. (562) 243-2681

SUPERB PAINTING
Exterior, Interior, senior discounts, differences, dependable & reliable. Free estimates. Lic. #634063. Wayne. (562) 863-5478

DWY. 2 BED, 1 BATH
Upstairs, carport, pool, blinds \$1,150 mo. 12527 Paramount. (562) 923-0850 (562) 577-0308

PALM DESERT
55 + gated, manufactured home, 3 bed, 2 bath, 1,990 sq. ft., 2 car gar. Call (562) 754-3797

ARMAS PATCHING
Exterior & interior plaster patching, matching all stucco textures. Very clean. 25 years exp. No patch too small. Free estimates. Ask for Ray Armas (562) 923-8227

SMALL HOUSE
1 bed, \$950 mo. 8247 1/2 E. Priscilla, Dwy. (562) 923-9158

CONDO FOR SALE

2 BED, 2 1/2 BATH
Over 1,400 sq. ft. ready to move-in. Call Pat agt. (562) 806-4000 or (562) 896-0238

 **RE/MAX Online** 562-904-8844 www.onlinerealty.us


Great Business Opportunity!
Max Muscle of Downey has been in business since 2001. 1,090 sq. ft. space with plenty of parking and a great clientele. Located in complex on corner of Old River School Rd. & Firestone Blvd. Price includes 2 tanning beds, 1 infrared sauna & much more!
www.LutherSanchez.com
Luther Sanchez (562) 755-9387


Investment Opportunity!
East Los angeles duplex! Great opportunity for first time buyers & investors Each unit is 2 bedrooms, 1 bathroom & 2 car garage. For more information please call.
Jaime Artega (562) 307-0755


Let The Fun Shine
Into this lovely 3 bd, 2br home. Brand new large master Suite with master br brand new kitchen with granite countertops, Stainless steel sink. Listed for \$585,000.
Lourdes Cotaya (562) 644-7094


Probate Fixer SOLD "AS-IS"
3 Bedrooms, 1 Bath, Built in 1924 884 Sqft of Living space on a 5,120 Sqft Lot CALL NOW for more Details!
Wilson Ruiz (562) 869-4111



Gorgeous Home At Gorgeous Price
Perfect Home for a Firsttime Buyer. 3 bed 1 bath. New windows stucco, copper plumbing, ect. Only \$399,999.
Armando Mendez (562) 307-2852


Beautiful 2 Unit Property
1st Unit 2 Bed 1 Bath, But is Currently being used as a 4 Bed 2nd Unit has 1 bed 1 bath. Has plenty of Parking space. Owner motivated to sell. No rent Control.
Jorge Enciso (562) 806-7232


Huge Horse Property
Located on 1/2 acre in the city of chino 3,500 sq. Ft. Of living space including 8 bedrooms 4 baths Master bedroom has a whirlpool tub separate showers and A walk in closet.
Max or Letty Galvan (562)261-1924


Single Family Residence \$325,000
2 bd/1 ba house, completely remodeled. Perfect for 1st time buyers.
www.ramonpenado.com
Ray Penado (562) 569-8488


Remodelled 4 Beroom Home
Come and see this completely remodelled home, 4bedrooms, 2 baths with a double detached garage-1,312 square feet. 17810 Downey Ave., Bellflower. OFFERED AT \$569,000.
Dene M. Molina (562) 904-9729


Prime N. Downey Location
Great charming home located in the North Prime location of downey. It has hardwood floors through out, a huge lot of 11650, a new roof with life time gurantee, central air, a family room with fireplace, and a solar assited with back up battery.
Memo Gamboa (562) 577-1085


Beautiful Hollydale Area
4 bed - 2 baths, 2 car garage. \$500 lot size, Fully renovated! Priced at \$549,000.
Maria Fernandez (562) 577-1104


Great Starter in Pico Rivera
2 bed, 1 bath, 1car garage, fireplace, large lot, central heat, great for first time buyer. Call Luis for more info.
www.luismartinez.net
Luis Martinez (562) 261.1922

A NEW TEAM COMES TO TOWN



7201 E. Firestone
Downey, CA 90240
(562) 927-8666

- Making Your House A Home -



My Real Estate Co.

7834 E. Florence Ave.
Downey, CA 90240
(562) 927-2626

- The Best Move You'll Ever Make -

Two Companies ONE TEAM

— Serving Downey and Surrounding Communities for over 76 years —



2 Ways To Team With Us

1. Everyone Can Enter For A Chance To Win A \$500.00 Gift Certificate.
Drawing To Be Held September 30, 2006.

2. List Your Home With Century 21 My Real Estate And Receive A \$500.00 Gift Card At Close Of Escrow.
(Good through November 1, 2006)

ENTER to WIN

Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____

Zip: _____ Phone: _____ E-mail Address: _____

Return to: Century 21 My Real Estate
7834 Florence Ave.
Downey, CA 90240

- YES-I Would Like Some Professional Real Estate Information
- YES-I Would Like A Free Professional Price On My Home

Downey's Largest Most Prestigious Real Estate Office

Visit Us Online:  www.Prudential24Hours.com

"The 24 Hour Brokers"
Mel & Rita Berdelis
8635 Florence Ave., Suite 101
Downey, CA 90240 **562-861-7257**



Sweet Deal!!!
3 bedrooms, 2 bath, 900 sq. ft. mobile home.
Priced @ \$79,950
Call Russell Skersick @ 562-619-8280
www.RussellSkersick.com



A Super Buy!!!
3 bedrooms, 2 baths, 1,189 sq. ft., 6, 840 sq. ft. lot.
Remodeled kitchen w/ granite counter tops,
remodeled bathrooms, new roof, paint & windows.
Call Frank Moreno @ 562-949-8139
www.FrankMoreno.com



R-3 Lot!
Build Units or Condo's on this 14,810 sq. ft. lot!
Has large single family home currently rented
(must tear down to build.) Call for more details!
Marie Picarelli @ 562-618-0033
www.MariePicarelli.com



Investment Opportunity!!!
Completely renovated 4 unit property that
features a 3 bedroom, 1 bath unit &
3-2 bedroom, 1 bath units. Three of the four can be
delivered vacant at the close of escrow!
Call Roger Beltran @ 562-477-4527
or www.RogerBeltran.com



Reduced Price!
North East Downey Home!!!
3 bedrooms, 1.75 baths, open floor plan,
huge family room w/ fireplace, hardwood floors,
2 car garage, & great location.
Call for Price!
Call Christina Davilas @ 562-761-6080



INVESTORS DELIGHT!
Commercial building is 4,754 Sq. Ft. on 30,066
Sq. Ft. lot. Located on a busy corner in
Bellflower. Asking Price is \$1,900,000
For more details, please call
Mary Jane Lee @ 562-618-0390

Mario Persico
"Mario Moves You... 24 Hours a Day!"
562-533-7433

Mario: Born in Downey * Raised in Downey
Lives in Downey * Worships in Downey
SELLS DOWNEY
Win Dinner for Two!
GO TO:
www.MarioPersico.com
Enter to WIN Dinner for 2 at The Elephant Bar



7921 4th Place-Downey
Downey Spanish Villa located on a huge 11,500 sq. ft. lot
family room w/ fireplace, bright living room w/ fireplace,
library/office, 3 baths, AMAZING backyard w/ pool.



7336 Hannon-Downey
Immaculate 3 bedroom, 2 bath home, large living room w/
central air/heat, full copper plumbing, light & bright kitchen,
beautiful hardwood floors, new carpet, on Cul-de-Sac.
Call Mario TODAY to See!!



12721 Brock-Downey
Unbelievable! 3 bedrooms, living room & family room each
w/ fireplaces, new carpet, new interior & exterior paint,
and much more! Call MARIO to SEE!!

More of Mario's Listings!

Bdrms	Baths	Sq. Ft.	City	Price
3	1	1,138	Downey	PENDING
4	2	1,675	Downey	SOLD
3	2	1,782	Downey	PENDING
4	3	2,441	Downey	PENDING
5	4	3,311	Downey	\$1,425,000
5	4	4,300	Downey	\$1,595,000

Call Mario for More Info!
www.MarioPersico.com

Carrie Uva
"Let's Talk Real Estate...and Law Too!"
562-382-1252
www.CarrieUva.com
Attorney at Law, Realtor, Notary Public



Summer Delight!
Daring 3 bedroom,
1 remodeled bath home
in Lakewood w/ a spacious
living room, lovely backyard
w/ large patio
& 2 car garage.
Priced @ \$499,900



Priced for a Quick Sale!
La Mirada home w/ 3 bed-
rooms, 1.75 baths, living
room w/ fireplace, dining
room, family room, central
air/heat, patio, 1,610 sq. ft. of
house on a 6,530 sq. ft. lot
Priced @ \$534,900



Like To Entertain!
Charming Downey Home with
4 bedroom, 4 bath, Large formal
dining room, living room, family
room, bonus room upstairs, super
large balcony overlooking
backyard, 2,781 Sq. Ft. of living
Space on a 9,515 Sq. Ft. lot.
Priced @ \$99,900



Build 2 Homes!!!
Orange Estates Downey Home
w/ 3 bedroom, 1.75 bath, large
living room, dining room, family
room+pool, 2,364 Sq. Ft. of living
Space on a 11,500 Sq. Ft. Lot.
Can Build 2 Houses
on the Lot!!!
Priced @ \$1,150,000



View! View!
4 bedroom, 3 baths, living room w/
fireplace, formal dining room,
family room w/ marble fireplace,
kitchen, 180 degree patio view of
Friendly Hill Golf Course &
much, much more!!!
Priced @ \$1,500,000



Location! Location! Location!!!
Exquisite N.E. Downey home w/ 5
bedrooms, 6 baths, gourmet
kitchen w/ Viking appliances,
granite counter tops, Travertine
floors, formal living & dining rooms,
family room & pool w/ fountains.
Built in 2005, 5,846 sq. ft. on a
10,064 sq. ft. lot.
Priced @ \$2,100,000

MICHAEL BERDELIS 562-818-6111
"The 24 Hour Agent" www.MichaelBerdelis.com



**89 HOMES
SOLD IN 2005!**
**Over \$57,000,000
in real estate sold
in 2005**
**Prudential's
Chairman Circle Award
Winner 2000-2005**

Call for
a **FREE**
MARKET EVALUATION
(562) 818-6111



OPEN HOUSE
New Construction in North Downey with Pool!
5 bedroom, 3 bath, 3700 sq. ft. North Downey home built in 2006!
Home includes granite counter tops & stainless steel appliances in
kitchen and travertine flooring throughout spacious living room with
high ceiling & formal dining room. The upstairs has a 2nd family room
and master suite features retreat, balcony with view of pool/spa/BBQ,
and modern full bathroom. Price \$1,299,000.
Call Michael @ 562-818-6111
Check out the virtual tour at www.MichaelBerdelis.com



The Party is Here!
Spectacular 3 bed, 2 bath North Downey pool home with a great floor
plan including formal living room, family room with fireplace off kitchen,
master bedroom with private bath, and inside laundry room. Other
amenities: hardwood floors, central air/heat, and copper plumbing.
Entertain guests in the backyard with a built-in BBQ, private grass
area, and large pool. Bonus room with private bath is perfect for that
overnight guest, mother-in-law, or just some extra storage! \$ 785,000.
Call Michael @ 562-818-6111
Check out the virtual tour at www.MichaelBerdelis.com



Great Investment Opportunity on a Large Lot!
Large 3 bedroom, 3 bath house in front with a 2 car
attached garage plus a spacious 1 bed, 1 bath
house in back. The lot size of 19,000 sq ft should
allow someone to build 3 units or enjoy the immense
backyard. Priced to sell at \$849,900.
Call Michael @ 562-818-6111



Smart buy!
3 bed, 2 bath home on a large lot in the NE Downey area. With
spacious bedrooms (including master bedroom w/private bath), large
living room with view of backyard, and den with fireplace, this is a
beautiful home that you want to miss. Other details include newer
cement tile floor, central air and heat and inside laundry room. The
property has a carport and 2 car detached garage priced \$779,900.
Call Michael @ 562-818-6111



Summer Delight!
5 bedroom, 4 bath remodeled like new in 05 POOL home. This 3700 sq. ft.
home has a living room w/vaulted ceilings, family room with wet bar, and
kitchen with granite counter tops and island. Home includes travertine
flooring throughout, 1 bedroom down, 4 bedrooms upstairs including
a spectacular master bedroom w/ fireplace, balcony, & a master bath with
jetted tub & separate shower. In these hot summer months the backyard is
perfect, with a built-in BBQ & never gated pool/spa. \$1,299,900
Call Michael @ 562-818-6111
Check out the virtual tour at www.MichaelBerdelis.com



Custom Built Beauty!
3 bedrooms, 2.5 bath home in Cherokee Estates with fireplaces in both
the living room and family room, a remodeled kitchen with built-in
stainless steel appliances, formal dining room, and large master
bedroom with private bath. Home also features hardwood floors, newer
copper plumbing, central air & heat, and crown molding. Property is set
on a corner lot with a large backyard and covered patio. \$875,000.
Call Michael @ 562-818-6111
Check out the virtual tour at www.MichaelBerdelis.com



PENDING
Budget Beater!
3 bedroom, 1 bath home with nice hardwood floors,
large covered patio, 2 car attached garage, and
spacious backyard. This home, with new stove and
freshly painted exterior, is in move-in condition and a
must see! Price: \$529,900.
Call Michael @ 562-818-6111



OPEN HOUSE
Custom Built Beauty!
Spacious 3 bed, 2.5 bath in N. W. Downey on a
Large lot with detached guest house. Home has a
remodeled kitchen, newer dual pane windows,
concrete tile roof and copper plumbing. Priced to sell
at \$824,500.
Call Michael @ 562-818-6111
Check out the virtual tour at www.MichaelBerdelis.com



OPEN HOUSE
Quality & Elegance
Beautiful 5 bedroom 4 bath newly constructed home in the NE section of
Downey. With marble flooring & granite counter tops in kitchen & baths,
the seller spared no expense in delivering this lavish home. The floor
plan has 1 bedroom down & 4 bedrooms upstairs & has a wonderful
vaulted ceiling entry that will take your buyers breath away. This home
combines modern features with a very traditional floor plan. \$1,299,900.
Call Michael @ 562-818-6111
Check out the virtual tour at www.MichaelBerdelis.com