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HAPPY SMILES – Winners of a summer contest for children of 'The Island' pose with sponsor Valerie Fairman.

'Island' residents still cleaning up their streets

DOWNEY – Unity in the Community (UITC) of the Treasure Island community in northwest Downey held its monthly meeting last week at The Lord's Grace Church.

Lisa Fox of Gangs Out of Downey spoke to residents about graffiti in the neighborhood. UITC members have formed squads to combat the graffiti problem on their own.

Member Luann Parker spoke of the Quilt Guild of which she is a member and their contribution of quilts to soldiers in Iraq.

Golfers needed to help raise funds

DOWNEY—Downey Rotary Club/Arc's upcoming Charity Golf Tournament, a shotgun scramble affair with lots of prizes up for grabs, is scheduled for Friday, Nov. 3 at the Rio Hondo Golf Club, 10627 Old River School Road. Check-in time is 9 a.m., and the shotgun start is at 11 a.m.

Prizes for a hole-in-one include \$50,000 and a car; the putting grand prize is \$200; the closest to the pin jackpot is \$100; there are many others.

The Downey Rotary Club is celebrating its 82nd "anniversary of service to the community" this year. Arc of Southeast Los Angeles County (formerly Association for Retarded Citizens) continues to be committed to providing for people with mental retardation and other developmental disabilities the opportunity to form and work towards goals—through training and education, based on their individual abilities.

It provides services to over 400 men, women and children everyday in 24 different programs and services. The consumers come from 26 Southeast Los Angeles County cities.

For information/reservations, call Carol at (562) 803-4606.

TV fashion expert giving special seminar

■ Diana Olson has worked with celebrities, including Lisa Rinna on 'Dancing with the Stars.'

DOWNEY – Diana Olson, a recognized fashion expert and etiquette coach who has worked with celebrities and on the show "Dancing with the Stars," will speak at a seminar Oct. 18 at the Rio Hondo Country Club starting at 5:30 p.m.

In addition to her Bachelor of Arts and Master of Arts degrees, Olson holds one of the few advanced certifications as a Certified Image Professional (CIP) from the Association of Image Consultants International. She has done makeovers for Weight Watchers International and even written for its corporate newspaper.



As an etiquette coach, she has worked with Lisa Rinna on "Dancing with the Stars"; Chelsea Handler for "The Chelsea Handler Show"; and

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Finally, Devi Kokaram spoke about the annual UITC garage sale to be held Oct. 7 from 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. Kokaram and Valerie Fairman of Keller Williams Realty in Downey are sponsoring the sale.



'RESTORED HISTORY HOME AWARD' – This house on Myrtle Avenue in Downey was recognized recently by the Downey Historical Society for its restoration back to a 1920s Craftsman home. From left: John Vincent and Ruth, Jennifer and Charlie Anderson.

Craftsman-style home restored to original style

■ Downey Historical Society presents inaugural "Restored History Home Award."

Contributed by Downey Historical Society

DOWNEY—The Craftsman-style house at 10903 Myrtle Avenue in Downey that was built between 1910-1920 and which has been "completely and lovingly restored" by the Andersons, its present owners, has been presented with the first "Restored History Home Award" by the Downey Historical Society.

The presentation was made on Sept. 12. Downey Historical Society President John Vincent and the society's "Man About Town," George Redfox, presented the award to Charlie, Ruth and Jennifer Anderson.

The award citation is a front yard sign that bears the inscription: "Historical Home Restoration Award...1920's...Craftsman Home...Downey Historical Society."

The restored house was located originally on 3rd Street. There were three matching homes, and they were moved to Myrtle Avenue in the late 1940's (the other two were razed). The Craftsman home was bought by John and Amelia Mataruzzo in the early 1950's. The Andersons, who bought it in 1982, had been restoring it ever since.

"We intend to do this sort of recognition of those who have a feeling for and a sense of history," Vincent said.

Search narrows for new music conductor

■ Volunteer committee poring through a 'blizzard of applicants.' Guest conductors still planned.

*By Joyce Sherwin,
Downey Symphony Orchestra*

DOWNEY – The search for a successor to the late Thomas Osborn as Conductor of the Downey Symphony is well under way.

Members of the search committee simply put their normal lives on hold for a few months in order to find guest-conductor replacements for performance dates already in place, set by Dr. Osborn, who died suddenly last July. The committee's e-mail messages fly hourly among them, day and night. They have received gratifying but exhausting blizzard of applicants for the coveted position and have interviewed and narrowed the field.

The diligent search committee includes four Symphony Board officers, President Larry Lewis, Vice-President Lorine Parks, Treasurer Bill Hare and Secretary Ruth Hillecke; plus board member Harold Tseklenis; and Lea Fratello, a longtime supporter of the orchestra, and Mark Artusio, principal bass and contractor/librarian for the orchestra.

Soon Downey audiences will have an opportunity to see, hear and evaluate guest conductors throughout the orchestra's 2006-07 season. Conductors will be announced within the week for the third graders' concerts at the Civic Theater on Oct. 25, and for the first subscription performance on Saturday evening, Oct. 28.

For more information, please call (562) 403-2944.

Thad Phillips: just the right man for the job

*By Henry Veneracion,
Staff Writer*

DOWNEY—Only the third person to occupy the chair of Director of Community Services for the city of Downey, Thad Phillips, a native of Montreal who spent formative years in Illinois, Arizona, and Bakersfield, finds his job "very, very exciting" and feels "greatly honored to serve the community of Downey."

He was City Librarian prior to succeeding popular Bonnie Kehoe in 2005 as acting director, assuming the post on a permanent basis in April 2006. He first came to Downey in 1997 as Senior Librarian, succeeding Vickie Jenkins when she retired in 2003.

Holder of a BA degree in political science from CSU-Bakersfield and a master's in library science from CSU-Fullerton, Thad says he has brought to the department the same "community-centered" philosophy he has always followed while at the helm of the library: "honoring tradition but responsive to and anticipatory of the community's needs and changing preferences. This I enjoy doing, anyway. And I like to evaluate programs through statistics."

He goes on: "We are competing against a lot of things now, so we have to make sure we come up with new and different programs for the youth, for the public at large. We thus strive for a mix of old and new programs every year. I say this is fun for both the staff and the people who use our services."

Thad is one guy who enjoys life. It was while he was visiting a friend in Newport Beach c. 1973, he says, right after graduating from CSU-Bakersfield, that he answered an ad for a clerk in the library at Corona del Mar. "I can do this," he thought to himself. He got the job. Getting to swim in the ocean at lunchtime was a huge plus. The thought, "This beats Bakersfield!", even now brings a smile to his face.

His hobbies, in addition to swimming, include tennis, biking, traveling. Also, he makes it a point to walk five miles a day. This interest in

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Survey shows Downey paying less for water

DOWNEY – Downey residents pay the lowest total monthly charge for water service of any city or water district in Los Angeles County, and approximately 60 percent less per month than the state average, according to a recent water survey.

According to the 2006 California Water Charge Survey, the average residential monthly water charge throughout the state was \$36.39 per month. Downey residents paid only \$22.17 per month on average, with no fee charged for residential water connection.

Black & Veatch Enterprise Management Solutions Division helped in the survey.

"We were extremely pleased to see this reputable survey verify that our aggressive Urban Water Management Plan has resulted in measurable efficiency and cost saving for our residents," said Desi Alvarez, Director of Public Works with the city of Downey.

The survey examined water rates and connection fees for residential

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INTELLIGENCE GATHERING – Congresswoman Lucille Roybal-Allard greets Downey High School senior Caleb Shifflet, with his great aunt Joyce Pitts looking on, at the service academy workshop held last week at the Downey City Library. Shifflet said he is interested in attending the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, NY. Following a highly competitive admissions process, academy students receive a free college education in return for serving at least five years in the military after graduation.

Library already planning holiday sale

DOWNEY – Friends of the Downey City Library are hosting an open house and holiday marketplace on Saturday, Nov. 4, featuring handmade crafts and fall and Christmas decorations, among other items.

The public is welcome to the sale, which will also include baked goods, Walt Disney videos, decorating and holiday craft books, quality recycled gifts, and free wassail punch.

A raffle will also be held that day.

The marketplace will be held in the Cormack Room of the Downey City Library from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. For information, call (562) 904-7360 ext. 30. Proceeds will benefit the library.

Documentary ‘Paper Clips’ at EZRA

DOWNEY—The program of the EZRA Center for Mature Adults when it meets Tuesday, Oct. 17 at Temple Ner Tamid of Downey, 10629 Lakewood Blvd. in Downey, is the widely-acclaimed, award-winning documentary, “Paper Clips,” about an idea which began as a lesson about prejudice, but resulted in a totally unexpected miracle.

When the students in the middle school of a small Tennessee community in 2001 started studying about the Holocaust to learn about intolerance and diversity, they could not foresee that their project of collecting paper clips to visualize the six million victims would attract worldwide attention and their town on the map.

The Center says this is a must-see movie.

The program is from 10 a.m.-12 noon, after which a Kosher luncheon will be served. For further information, call the Temple office, 861-9276.



Elect Mario Guerra Downey City Council

My name is **Mario A. Guerra** and I am asking for your vote to represent you on the Downey City Council.

As a **family man**, I know what my family and others need. As a **business owner**, I have the experience to show fiscal and management leadership. As a member of the clergy, I have the call to serve others.

Downey Police Department
Chaplain Mario Guerra

Mario is involved in our community:

- City of **Downey** Emergency Preparedness Committee
- **Downey** Police Department Chaplain
- **Downey** Unified School District’s Roundtable
- **Downey** YMCA Board of Directors and Chairman’s Roundtable
- West **Downey** Little League - 27 Years
- **Downey** Rotary
- Gangs our of **Downey** (G.O.O.D.)
- **Downey** & District 2 Resident for 27 years.

Mario has management skills and Vocational leadership:

- **Downey** Regional Medical Center Board of Directors
- Chairman of Memorial Trust Foundation
- Foreman of Federal Grand Jury, US Federal District Court Central
- Chairman of National Catastrophe Task Force in Washington, DC
- Served in New Orleans and Houston after Hurricane Katrina and Rita
- St. Raymond Catholic Church Clergy - Ordained Deacon
- Member of International Conference of Police Chaplains

Mario has business experience:

- President of Scanlon, Guerra, Jacobsen & Burke Ins.
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- Past President - Brokers Association
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I offer you my **experience, leadership, enthusiasm, integrity, dedication** and love for our community. It would be an honor and a privilege to serve the Citizens of Downey as your City Council member.

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Group taking a trip to Huntington Library

DOWNEY – The Downey Symphony Guild invites the community on a bus trip to the Huntington Library and Botanical Gardens on Oct. 19. Advance reservations are a must and requested donation is \$15.

Those attending will gather in the strip mall parking lot across the street from the Downey Transportation Depot at 11 a.m. The bus will depart at 11:15 a.m. and return at 4 p.m.

Lunch can be bought at the café inside the library or in the tea room. The tour is a self-guided event, but garden tours are given daily between noon and 2 p.m. Wheelchairs will be available free of charge at the library.

Current exhibitions at the library include Chrysanthemums on the Eastern Hedge; Gardens and Plants in Chinese Art; Treasures from Olana: Landscapes by Frederic E. Church in the Boone Gallery; European Masterpieces of 17th and 19th Centuries including “Pinkie” and “Blue Boy” which are now located in the new Erburu Gallery.

Checks should be mailed to Marie Eckstron, 9700 Garnish Dr., Downey, 90240. For more information, call (562) 869-2120.

Book club to study ‘Cold Mountain’

DOWNEY –The Downey City Library’s Book Lover’s Club, which explores the best in literary fiction, biography and popular nonfiction, will meet again on Oct. 12 from noon to 1 p.m. in the Cormack Room.

This month’s featured selection is *Cold Mountain* by Charles Frazier. The award-winning novel about love and survival set in the Civil War was made into a popular film starring Jude Law, Nicole Kidman and Renee Zellweger.

New book club members are welcome and light refreshments will be served. Reservations are recommended by calling (562) 904-7360, ext. 3.

Books can now be checked out online

DOWNEY – Patrons with a Downey City Library card can now check out electronic books and download audio books from their home or office.

Users may log on to the library’s website, www.downeylibrary.org, and click on “Introducing eBooks”.

The library will offer a class on this new format on Oct. 10 from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. in the Cormack Room. Library staff will explain how to download e-books and audio books on their home computer using the Internet and how to burn audio books onto a CD.

To register for the free class, call (562) 904-7360, ext. 3.

Students invited to take SAT Pre-test

DOWNEY – Students ages 13-19 can gain skills and experience in taking the SAT exam for college entrance when the Downey City Library offers an SAT Pre-test workshop on Oct. 14 from 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Participants in the free workshop will have the opportunity to take a practice test supervised by a proctor. Students should arrive 15 minutes early and bring a calculator and two #2 pencils. No other materials will be permitted inside the workshop.

Space is limited for the event. To register, call (562) 904-7360, ext. 32.



ABBOTT-PUENTES WEDDING – Christopher Abbott, son of Donald and Annette Abbott, and Tessie Puentes, daughter of Herlinda Fernandez, were married on Sept. 2 at Calvary Chapel in Rialto. Christopher is a 2000 graduate of Warren High School while Tessie graduated from the same school in 2001. Tessie also graduated this year from Cal State Long Beach. Following the wedding, the couple moved to Las Cruces, New Mexico.

‘Halloween giggles’ at Downey Library

DOWNEY – Children and parents can prepare for a funny Halloween treat when the Downey City Library offers “Halloween Giggles and Screams” on Oct. 26 from 7 to 7:45 p.m.

The free program is for children ages 3-12 and will be held in the Cormack Room.

Performer and storyteller Ken Frawley will entertain children with Halloween songs and stories suitable for the whole family.

For information, call (562) 904-7360, ext. 27.

Bally’s has plans for ribbon cutting

DOWNEY — Bally Total Fitness, located at 12074 Lakewood Blvd. at the Downey Landing, will hold its ribbon cutting/grand opening ceremony from 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 21, offering complimentary personal training consultations, group exercise demonstration, climbing wall, club tours and more.

Assisting in the ceremony is the Downey Chamber of Commerce.

Radio station Que Buena will be broadcasting live from 12 to 2 p.m. Food and refreshments will be served following the ceremony. For information, call 923-2191.

Charity auction needs donations

DOWNEY – South East Escrow Association’s annual “live” charity auction – with donations going to the City of Hope Cancer Center – will feature Rose Pothier as guest speaker on Oct. 12 at the Rio Hondo Country Club.

Pothier will be speaking on “Real Estate Law Update”.

Donations of new items are still needed for the auction. To contribute, call Debbie Valona at (562) 335-3169.

Downey High ’56 reunion tonight

DOWNEY—A reunion of Downey High’s Class of 1956 is planned for this weekend, Oct. 6-8. Alumni are asked to call (949) 472-4616 for details.

The Downey Patriot has a blog!

Updated regularly with news, updates, columns, announcements and letters that didn’t make it to print.

Check it out:
www.thedowneypatriot.com

CENTURY 21 MY REAL ESTATE COMPANY PAYS TRIBUTE

Century 21 Spotlights Character Counts Around Town

Character Counts is a wave worth catching! The City of Downey is on the move with promoting this outstanding program for the entire community. We are proud to acknowledge Rio Hondo Elementary for putting some good character attributes into action. Damaris Alonzo and Paul Shin are two third-graders from Room 11. They have a huge job of being Rio Hondo Ambassadors – their responsibilities are to welcome all guests, parents, students and staff as they enter the main gates of the campus.

DOWNEY’S BEHIND THE SCENE SUPERSTARS



MINI-FAIR, BIG FUN – Members of the Downey Newcomers Club curiously study items offered at last year's Mini Fair, which will be held this year on Saturday, Oct. 9 at Los Amigos Country Club. The Newcomers plan to double the number of home-baked goods, jams and jellies (offered by Selina Lonie) and books and other items donated by members. A buffet luncheon will be served at 11:30 a.m. For information, call Dottie Fewell at (562) 928-7694.



CHANCE AT A MUSTANG – Charter Ball Co-Chairs Dr. Surendra Jain (left), Susanne Sundberg and Exec. VP Jim Klosterman invite the community to buy raffle tickets for a 2007 Mustang convertible. Proceeds from the drawing, which will be held at the Charter Ball on Nov. 4, will go towards building a new patient care tower on the DRMC campus. For sweepstakes tickets, visit the hospital gift shop.

Warren High '96 reunion approaching

DOWNEY – The Warren High School class of '96 will meet for a reunion on Oct. 14 at the Westin in Long Beach. The cost is \$91 per person. For more information, e-mail warrenbears96@yahoo.com or visit www.myspace.com/warrenbears96. Tickets can be purchased at www.greatreunions.com.

Guided tours at Arc open house tonight

■ Visitors invited to tour Arc's facilities while learning more about their services.

DOWNEY—Arc of Southeast Los Angeles County (formerly Association for Retarded Citizens), 12049 Woodruff Ave., invites the public to its open house tonight, Oct. 6 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., featuring tours of its 24 programs and services throughout the day. Arc's Open Air Boutique will feature items from Arc's Value Village Thrift Stores.

Arc associates will give guided tours so the public can meet Arc consumers and students and review the many services offered.

Arc provides services to over 400 individuals with developmental disabilities including Adult Special Classes with Downey Adult School, Southeast Industries Packaging and Assembly plant, Arc's new seniors program, day programs and much more.

For information, call (562) 803-4606.

Learn to prepare simple letters and documents

DOWNEY – The Downey City Library will offer a course to help students learn how to compose a simple letter or document using your home computer.

"Beginning MS Word" will be taught Oct. 18 from 10:30 a.m. to noon in the library's computer lab. Students will learn how to create, select and modify text, as well as how to edit and save documents.

"This class is ideal for the beginning user," said instructor Claudia Dailey. "Our computer classes offer students time to practice and ask questions as they learn."

For reservations and information call the Adult Desk at (562) 904-7360, ext. 32.

Rotary/YMCA pancake breakfast Oct. 7

DOWNEY—The 58th annual Rotary/YMCA Pancake Breakfast takes place Saturday Oct. 7 at Downey High School, 11040 Brookshire Avenue, from 7:30 to 11 a.m.

Donation is \$5 per ticket, and tickets can be purchased at the YMCA before Oct. 7 or on the day of the event.

For information, call 862-4201.

Preschool children get ready to read

DOWNEY – "Every Child Ready to Read," a free class for parents to help their preschool children with early literacy, will be offered at the Downey City Library Oct. 10 from 10:40 to 11:10 a.m. in the Children's Room.

Instructor Claudia Dailey will give parents techniques for helping young children to read and develop early language skills through picture books.

Register at the Adult Desk or call (562) 904-7360, ext. 23.

Library offering safe Halloween fun

DOWNEY – Preschool children can wear their favorite Halloween costumes while enjoying stories and treats when the Downey City Library hosts a special Trick or Treat Storytime on Halloween, Oct. 31, at 10:30 a.m. in the Children's Room.

After listening to Halloween stories, children will go "trick or treating" throughout the library. Parents are invited to take their cameras.

For more information, call (562) 904-7360, ext. 27.



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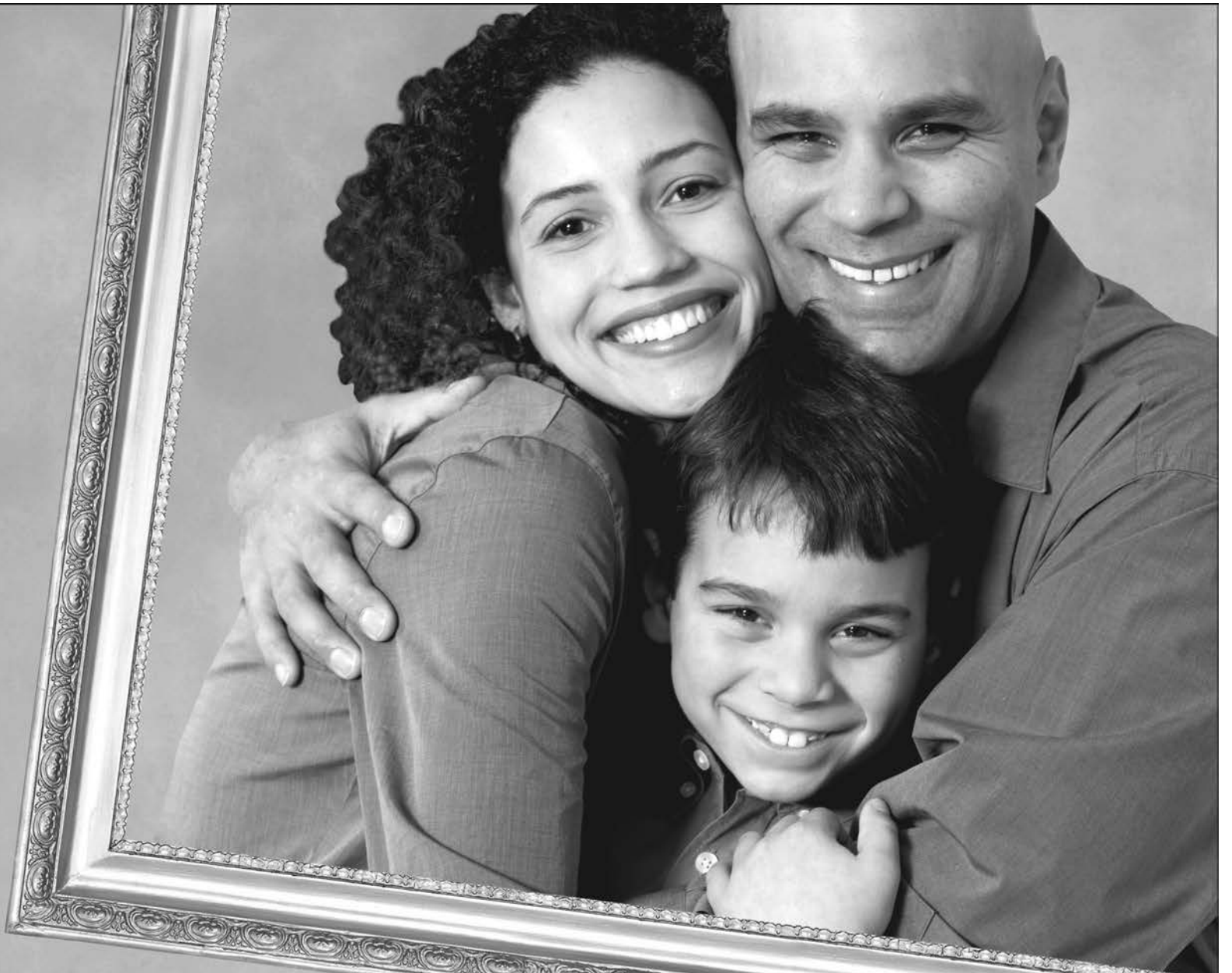
I will be a visible participant at City Council meetings, at City events, at Public Outreach Programs and on Committees that serve your interests.

Here are a few personal experiences which have helped prepare me to be your representative at City Hall.

- Raised in Santa Fe Springs
- Graduated from Pioneer High School
- Served in the United States Army - Sgt. Rubio 1966-1968
- Douglas Aircraft Company, Personnel/Labor Relations 1968-1975
- Long Beach City College, Associate in Arts Degree, Labor Relations 1972
- Long Beach City College, Industrial Technology Certificate Program 1974
- California Community College, Limited Service Teaching Credential 1975
- President, Rubio & Chavira, Inc. Diamond Brokers/ Wholesale Jewelers/Manufacturing 1975-1995
- Chief Professional Officer, Rio Hondo Chapter of Boys and Girls Clubs of America (Manage a 25,000 sq ft Facility and Teen Center w/Computer Lab) Established in 1960. Serves over 1,000 youth per year. 1996-2006

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Handle emergencies better with these tips

Contributed by the Downey Emergency Preparedness Committee

DOWNEY – Each person's needs and abilities are unique, but every individual can take important steps to prepare for all kinds of emergencies and put plans in place. By evaluating your own personal needs and making an emergency plan, you can be better prepared for any situation.

A commitment to planning today will help you prepare for any emergency situation. Preparing makes sense. Get ready now.

- Consider how a disaster might affect your individual needs.
- Plan to make it on your own, at least for a period of 72 hours. It's possible that you will not have access to a medical facility or even a drugstore.
- Identify what kind of resources you use on a daily basis and what you might do if they are limited or not available.
- Get an emergency supply kit.
- If you must evacuate, take your pets with you, if possible. However, if you are going to a public shelter, it is important to understand that animals may not be allowed inside.
- Plan in advance for shelter alternatives that will work for both you and your pets; consider loved ones or friends outside of your immediate area who would be willing to host you and your pets in an emergency.

Create a support network

- If you anticipate needing assistance during a disaster, talk to family, friends and others who will be part of your personal support network.
- Write down and share each aspect of your emergency plan with everyone in your support network.
- Make sure everyone knows how you plan to evacuate your home or workplace and where you will go in case of a disaster.
- Make sure that someone in your local network has an extra key to your home and knows where you keep your emergency supplies.
- Teach those who will help you how to use any lifesaving equipment, administer medicine in case of emergency.
- Practice your plan with those who have agreed to be part of your network.

Medications and medical supplies

If you take your medicine or use a medical treatment on a daily basis, be sure you have what you need to make it on your own for at least a week, maybe longer.

- Make a list of prescription medicines including dosage, treatment and allergy information.
- Talk to your pharmacist or doctor about what else you need to prepare.
- If you undergo routine treatments administered by a clinic or hospital of you receive regular services such as home health care, treatment or transportation, talk to your service provider about their emergency plans. Work with them to identify back-up service providers and incorporate them into your personal support network.
- Consider other personal needs such as eyeglasses, hearing aids and hearing aid batteries, wheelchair batteries, and oxygen.

Emergency documents

Include copies of important documents in your emergency supply kits such as family records, medical records, wills, deeds, social security number, charge and bank accounts information and tax records.

- Have copies of your medical insurance and Medicare cards readily available.
- Keep a list of the style and serial number of medical devices or other life-sustaining devices. Include operating information and instructions.
- Make sure that a friend or family member has copies of these documents.
- Include the names and contact information of your support network, as well as your medical providers.
- If you have a communication disability, make sure your emergency information notes the best way to communicate with you.
- Keep these documents in a water proof container for quick and easy access.

For more information on emergency preparedness, visit www.downeyca.org

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sports and recreation gives him balance and perspective in directing the department's work, no doubt providing a nice counterpoint to his continuing, enriching monitoring of current events.

Thad also has a lucky streak: his taking over his new duties came when City Hall's finances were turning for the better. The number of rounds of golf played at Rio Hondo (which continues to be a cash cow for the city) in the past year, for example, was up—along with revenue—8 percent. No doubt because of the "beautiful golf course and club facility that we have," the clubhouse has booked all the Saturday evenings a year in advance, and "all the service clubs are (again) holding their weekly meetings here." Again, "who can complain when the number of golf tournaments for the month of October alone totals 26, and most of them hold banquets in the clubhouse afterwards?"

The Community Services Department which Thad runs encompasses four divisions: Recreation (headed by Sheila Pautsch), Social Services (Angie Avery), Library (Nancy Messineo), and Theatre (Kevin O'Conner), and he says he has an excellent staff. "Our programs are good, and we try to build on the success our predecessors have established, always mindful to remain current, or stay ahead of the curve." He especially mentioned the Child Care program, which is a "very significant" program, along with the recently concluded Summer Camps, where attendance and "occupancy" at the various locales were "solid and heartwarming." "Where we find signs of lagging attendance or lack of interest, and this is where actual figures and the role of statistics weigh in," he says, "we try to find out why, and if we can figure out how we can improve on it, we try a different approach; otherwise, we drop the program." Also, he says, "we hire the most youth, so we can get feedback."

The big focus next is the park and the Learning Center (at the Downey Landing). "We are working on the plans now," Thad says, "and our energies will before long be channeled towards actual construction."

He noted that his career has come full circle. His office on the second floor at City Hall overlooks the Downey High swimming pool just across the street. "I can go for a swim in the pool in my lunch hour."

Downey Christian Women's Club meets

DOWNEY—The Downey Christian Women's Club next meets at 11:45 a.m. on Oct. 11 at Los Amigos Country Club in Downey. Speaker is Lisa Patterson, who will talk on "How Life Can go from Pieces to Purpose." The buffet luncheon's theme is "Country Fair" with a silent auction as a special feature. Beverly Madru is providing the music. Reservations are requested by calling Ginnie, 927-8488.



INVENTORY CHECK — The Emergency Preparedness Committee recently conducted an inventory of the emergency bins located here in Downey as part of an annual exercise to ensure the inventories are maintained and the equipment in working order in case of an emergency. Each bin can provide emergency supplies and tools for 50 people. Left to right, front row: Mario Guerra, Linda Malme (chairperson), Lela Rios and Lynn Reynolds. Back row: Darren Moon, Roy Beard and Dave Buhler.



IT'S HIPP TO RETIRE — Downey Regional Medical Center CEO Allen Korneff, Corporate Board Chair Ron Kolar and Hospital Chair Mary Lou Schmidt bestow flowers and appreciation upon Nancy Hipp, who retired as Director of Dietary after 28 years.

Hipp retires after 28 years at hospital

DOWNEY — Nancy Hipp, Director of Dietary at Downey Regional Medical Center for 28 years, has retired.

Her retirement marks the end of a long career. Yet, when Hipp came home from her first day of work, she told her husband she didn't think she'd last the week.

"At that time I was pointed to my office and not introduced to anyone," said Hipp. "I didn't even have a phone directory. I had to grope around for a while."

But Hipp persevered that long week, staying on the job for nearly three decades.

"I've never been bored here because I always believe there is something that can be improved, and I see change as the lifeblood of growth," she said. "Having a lot of long-term employees in my department helps tremendously. Getting things done becomes second nature, and coworkers come together as a team family."

Said Administrative Director Bill Stein: "Nancy was always very thorough and accurate which is so important in today's environment. Nancy has proven to be one of the most dependable, well organized, thoughtful, helpful and positive manager I have ever worked with in my career."

"She not only takes care of the cafeteria but she is also a clinical dietitian, a businesswoman and special function planner. Everything she's done was with class and never a complaint or cross word. Her flair for creativity could not be beat."

'Who needs lawyers anyways?'

DOWNEY—Carlos X. Colorado of Jones Day has chosen for his topic, "Lawyers—who needs them anyway!?" when the Downey Chamber of Commerce's Rise 'N Shine Networking Group meets at 7:30 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 24 at Nordic Fox, 10924 Paramount Blvd.

For information/to RSVP, call 923-2191.

Special Care Nursery reunion set

DOWNEY — Graduates and their families of the Special Care Nursery at Downey Regional Medical Center are invited back for a reunion on Oct. 29 from noon to 3 p.m. There will be games, refreshments and a chance to become reacquainted with staff.

Kids are invited to wear costumes.

DRMC's Special Care Nursery (SCN), or neonatal intensive care unit, opened in 1992 and cares for more than 500 newborns each year. SCN's last reunion in 2003 brought together about 200 graduates, their families, and their former caregivers.

Children born prematurely or with health problems, some now taller than the nurses who cared for them, came by to the delight of the DRMC Special Care Nursery staff.

"We share a very vulnerable time with these families and form a real bond with them," said SCN Clinical Coordinator Linda Pace. "What better encouragement could there be for our staff than to see former patients return as healthy, thriving kids, and get reacquainted with proud parents and grandparents?"

Graduates' families are asked to RSVP for the event by calling the hospital at (562) 904-5573.

The Poets' Corner

Horror Etiquette

If a vampire sinks his teeth into you,
Don't run away – he just wants a snack.
If a witch needs a body part or two,
Give her your eyeballs in a sack.
If a ghost haunts your doorstep,
Smile sweetly and welcome him in.
If ogres keep groaning in the halls,
Be gracious and let them continue their din.
If an unspeakable evil asks you to rally up doom,
Go door to door to enlist for troops.
If a zombie asks to eat your brains,
Use a knife to divide it into groups.
If any of these monsters give you a hug,
Don't flinch or cringe, it's just your friends dressed up for Halloween!

- Shaina Marie C. Sta. Cruz,
Downey

The Downey Patriot welcomes submissions to The Poets' Corner. Send your poems to The Downey Patriot, 11525 Downey Avenue, Suite A, Downey, CA 90241 or downeypatriot@yahoo.com

OLSON

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Emma Roberts for "Nancy Drew: Murder in Hollywood Hills" (to be aired in 2007).

All of Olson's workshops, seminars and private consultations reveal how to maximize the effects of color, wardrobe, style and makeup and give people the social skills to project a powerful new visual and social image with heightened confidence and self-esteem in any situation.

Networking at the seminar starts at 5:30 p.m. followed by dinner at 6:30 p.m.

Reservations are due by Oct. 13 and can be made by calling Nada Kabis at (562) 884-4790.

WATER

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customers in 453 California cities and water districts, based on "average" consumption of about 1,500 cubic feet (11,220 gallons) per home per month.

The survey also analyzed trends in rates, rate structures and connection fees, nothing that increasing rates and fees for water may be due to aging infrastructure and rising construction costs.

"By investing in our water services infrastructure and developing multi-faceted programs to conserve, store and treat water, we've been able to avoid excessive rate hikes and fee increases for residents," said Alvarez.

Emergency room visits not always necessary

Contributed by Downey Regional Medical Center

DOWNEY – The best time to educate families about the appropriate use of an emergency room is before the emergency occurs. These actions will help in times of need:

Get a primary care physician. Having a regular doctor who keeps your medical history on file and who is available to see you in a pinch is one of your best recourses in an emergency.

Know your medications. Up to 30 percent of hospitalizations of older Americans occur because of improper use of/not taking routine medications. If not absolutely sure how medicines should be taken, call your doctor. Every Thursday, counting pills to make sure there will be enough to last until Monday may also save a trip to the ER.

Don't wait to call your doctor. This is especially important for older individuals, who often have less physical capacity to deal with illness. This means that a mild cough on Monday can be pneumonia on Wednesday. Early intervention is the key to a rapid recovery.

Have a back-up plan. If no appointment is available at your doctor's office, ask for a referral to another physician, or find out what other urgent care centers or clinics are available to you.

Keep important medical information on you. It's a good idea to carry in your purse or wallet a small card that notes the name and telephone number of your regular doctor, any allergies or chronic medical ailments you may have, and any medications (along with dosage) you may be taking. This will save the ER doctor a lot of guesswork when trying to diagnose and treat your condition, particularly if you are unconscious.

Medication wallet cards are available from Downey Regional Medical Center by calling (562) 904-5580.

Be aware of insurance coverage. Make sure you know which emergency services are covered and what instructions you need to follow in urgent situations. For example, if you go to an ER with an ear infection, your health insurance may not cover the cost. Also, some plans require that you notify them within a few hours of being admitted. If you don't your treatment may not be covered.

DRMC offers a Financial Assistance Program to answer questions for the uninsured at (562) 904-5186, and for those qualifying for charity care or government assistance at (562) 904-5025.

ER advice

Poor reasons to go to an emergency room include minor cuts or animal bites where bleeding is controlled; a broken bone (call your doctor see if he/she can treat you the same day, if not – or if bone is showing, limb is deformed – go to the ER); a sprain, sunburns, skin rash, fever, sexually transmitted disease, colds, cough, sore throat or flu.

Reasons to visit an ER include loss of consciousness; severe shortness of breath; a major injury, signs of a heart attack or stroke that last two minutes or more; bleeding that does not stop after 10 minutes of direct pressure; sudden, severe pain; severe or worsening reaction to an insect bite or sting, or medication, especially if breathing is difficult; a major injury, such as a head trauma; unexplained stupor, drowsiness or disorientation; coughing up or vomiting blood; severe or persistent vomiting, and suicidal or homicidal feelings.

Since 2000, 28 emergency rooms have closed statewide, largely due to losses from uncompensated care. Centinela Freeman Hospital in Inglewood has announced they will be the next ER to close, and King/Drew Medical Center's ER services are in jeopardy due to its failing grades in a recent surprise inspection of the Los Angeles hospital.

Such closures add to the busy workload of other area hospital emergency rooms.

Spina Bifida

By Congresswoman Lucille Roybal-Allard,
CA 34th District

October is National Spina Bifida Awareness Month and I am pleased to take this opportunity to highlight the importance of folic acid in preventing this serious birth defect and to raise awareness about the needs of people living with spina bifida in our communities.

It is estimated that three thousand babies are born in the United States each year with a serious birth defect of the brain or spine called a neural tube defect. Spina bifida - the most common neural tube defect - is the leading cause of childhood paralysis. There are approximately 70 thousand people in the United States currently living with this permanently disabling birth defect.

Spina bifida can be accompanied by significant social, emotional and financial burdens. But with proper medical and family care, people affected by spina bifida can live productive lives with the help of braces and/or a wheelchair. The key to a better life for Americans who live with spina bifida is research and improved quality-of-life, and this goal must be a national priority.

Along with developing new methods for treatment and care, a critical effort must also be aimed at prevention. According to the United States Public Health Service, a daily dose of 400 micrograms of folic acid taken from puberty through a woman's child-bearing years has been scientifically proven in most pregnancies to prevent spina bifida, a leading cause of childhood paralysis.

In response to research that showed the incidence of spina bifida could be reduced by up to 75 percent with the addition of folic acid in a woman's diet, I introduced the *Folic Acid Promotion and Birth Defects Prevention Act*, which was passed into law as part of the Children's Health Act of 2000. This Act authorized a program within the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to provide professional and public education for folic acid awareness.

The good news is that progress has been made in educating women about the importance of consuming folic acid supplements and maintaining diets rich in folic acid. The Food and Drug Administration, for example, responded to the need to increase consumption in the general population by requiring the addition of folic acid to enriched grain products like bread and cereal. While new evidence shows that the current fortification level of grains is not adequate for full protection against birth defects, it is important to note that we have made significant strides over the past 10 years to increase the consumption of folic acid.

However, the majority of women in this country are still not aware of the benefits of folic acid, and only 40 percent of women ages 18 to 45 take a daily vitamin with the recommended level of folic acid. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reports that the rate of spina bifida in the Latino population is almost seven in 10 thousand births, nearly 40 percent higher than the non-Hispanic rate. And tragically, Hispanic women continue to have the lowest reported folic acid consumption of any racial or ethnic group.

To that end, I am happy to report that Gruma - one of the world's largest producers of corn flour and tortillas - has begun researching and conducting product testing with a year-end goal of enriching with folic acid its corn products sold in the United States. Imported corn flours - unlike most wheat flour and cereal products - are currently not enriched with folic acid. This important voluntary action by Gruma has significant implications for improving the health and well-being of the Latino community in this country.

I would also like to highlight the role of the Spina Bifida Association. The Spina Bifida Association is an organization that has helped those affected by this debilitating disease for more than 30 years and is the nation's only organization solely dedicated to advocating on behalf of the spina bifida community. With almost 57 chapters in more than 125 communities, the association brings families together to answer questions, voice concerns, and lend support to one another.

Together, the association and its various local chapters work tirelessly to help families living with spina bifida meet the challenges and enjoy the rewards of raising their children. I thank the association's local chapters for all they do to advance the needs of the spina bifida community.

We have come a long way in the prevention of new incidences of spina bifida, as well as in the treatment and care of those individuals impacted by this serious birth defect. But there is still much more to do.

As our nation observes National Spina Bifida Awareness Month, we must commit ourselves to the goals of increased prevention, expanded health education, more thorough research, and improved quality of life for all those living with spina bifida.

Knabe named chair of freeway committee

LOS ANGELES - Los Angeles County Supervisor Don Knabe has been elected as the new chair of the I-710 Executive Committee, the group responsible for overseeing a project that will make major refurbishments to a 20-mile stretch of the 710 Freeway.

"I appreciate the support of my colleagues in selecting me to Chair this important committee," Knabe said in a statement. "This committee has a difficult task ahead of it, but improving the 710 will be good for the entire region. Reducing congestion and improving safety on this freeway will not only benefit the surrounding neighborhoods, but also the private and commercial drivers that use the freeway daily."

Other members of the committee include Los Angeles County Supervisors Gloria Molina and Yvonne Burke, Long Beach Mayor Bob Foster, Long Beach Vice Mayor Bonnie Lownethal, City of Commerce Mayor Nancy Ramos, Caltrans District 7 Director Doug Failing, Port of Long Beach Commissioner Mike Walter and Port of Los Angeles Commissioner Jerilyn Mendoza.



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR:

Appreciates hospital care

Dear Editor:

I wish to tell your readers about my recent experience with the Downey Regional Medical Center staff.

I was hospitalized at DRMC, for the first time in my life (I'm 82) on Oct. 10. I had very caring doctors, and very wonderful people to help me—from the very first person I met to every single one who helped me through my operation, even the lady who pushed me in a wheelchair to the car.

My hospital stay was two nights, and I can't thank everybody enough. I could hardly walk. I tell all who phone to ask how I'm doing, and I tell them how everybody in the hospital made me comfortable each day.

—**Gonah I.Schreckergrast, Bellflower**

Kids love their picture

Dear Editor:

Thank you so much for all you do for our community! Our kids at Downey First Presbyterian Church were very excited to see the article in the paper regarding their trip to Louisiana (*The Downey Patriot*, 9/22/06). And even more excited to go into your website and see their picture.

Thanks again for all the wonderful work you do.

—**Gina Santana, Downey First Presbyterian Church**

Bias against Downey High?

Dear Editor,

As the parents of one of the captains of the Downey High School varsity football team, a Downey High alum, and Booster Club member, I find it rather disturbing - almost insulting - that the Downey Patriot has repeatedly, week after week, thought Warren High School's football team's successes and failures as newsworthy, while Downey varsity games go unmentioned.

A nice large action picture of Warren players is published each week, while there is hardly a mention of Downey's game - not even their final score!

Downey's record is impressive, yet the Patriot feels no obligation to inform our community of Downey's varsity's successes (or even losses) against tough opponents. Downey won a hard fought battle against a Division I team, Kennedy, last Thursday - a victory that went into triple overtime. The game was very exciting and the details, along with action photos, ought to be published in order that the Downey readers can share in their victory. Hopefully something will be mentioned in this week's Patriot about this fantastic, exciting, action-packed football game.

There are six remaining games left in the school district's football schedule. Let's see if the Patriot can get over its partisanship and at least share the newsprint with both Downey and Warren High's football news-worthy action.

—**Alicia Wheeler, 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

Missing Seal

Dear Editor,

I noticed that your paper did not have any coverage of the recent concert given to Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center patients and staff by Seal. Perhaps it was before your press deadline; the concert was Thursday, Sept. 28.

It was very special for the patients and I hope you have coverage and pictures in your next edition.

—**S. Conners, Downey**

Editor's note: The Downey Patriot never received notice of the concert and therefore did not cover it. We would be more than willing to report on future events there, however, given proper notification.

Thanks to John

Dear Editor:

Special thanks to John Adams for giving us a local newspaper, first as editor of the Eagle then as Editor/Publisher of the Downey Patriot. His excellent writing and coverage of local news and issues met a needed service to our community. He will be missed.

Congratulations to Jennifer DeKay-Givens. I'm delighted to learn that our local paper will continue in the hands of a longtime caring Downey family member.

—**Diane Boggs, Downey**

He's happy for the fence...

Dear Editor:

Finally! Finally! Can you believe 80 senators finally grew a spine on Sept. 29 to vote for the 700-mile fence along the border?

There are still 19 spineless senators who voted against it.

—**Mike Sandoval, Downey**

...this one, not so much

Dear Editor:

Building a 700-mile fence to keep out illegal immigrants is a joke, right? By the time the government gets around to building a fence the entire population of Mexico could have relocated here.

Unless we shut off the free medical, schooling and social security that are bringing them here, a 750-mile fence is less than a Band-Aid. When the huge number of baby boomers retire and find we are giving some security to illegal immigrants who have put in little, or nothing, and the funds for its own medical are nearly depleted, there will be serious problems.

—**J. Hawkins, Downey**

Honoring our veterans

Dear Editor:

As a charter member of The National World War II Museum, I want people in our community to know that those who served in World War II, whether in battle or on the home front, will be honored with America's first National World War II Museum in New Orleans, Louisiana.

Formerly known as The National D-Day Museum, the museum will more than triple in size so it can tell the whole story of World War II.

For more information, call 504-527-6012, ext. 355.

—**Bill and Shirley Walker, Artesia**

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Downey Community Calendar

Events For October

Fri. Oct. 6, 9 p.m.: **Arc open house** offering tours of its programs and services throughout the day.
 Sat. Oct. 7, 7:30 a.m.: **Downey YMCA/Rotary pancake breakfast** at Downey High School.
 Wed. Oct. 11, 7:15 a.m.: **Candidates forum** at Rio Hondo Country Club for upcoming city council elections.

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.
 12 p.m.: **Exchange Club of Downey**, at Sizzler, for information call Don Hollister at 927-5871.
 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 Sambi'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.

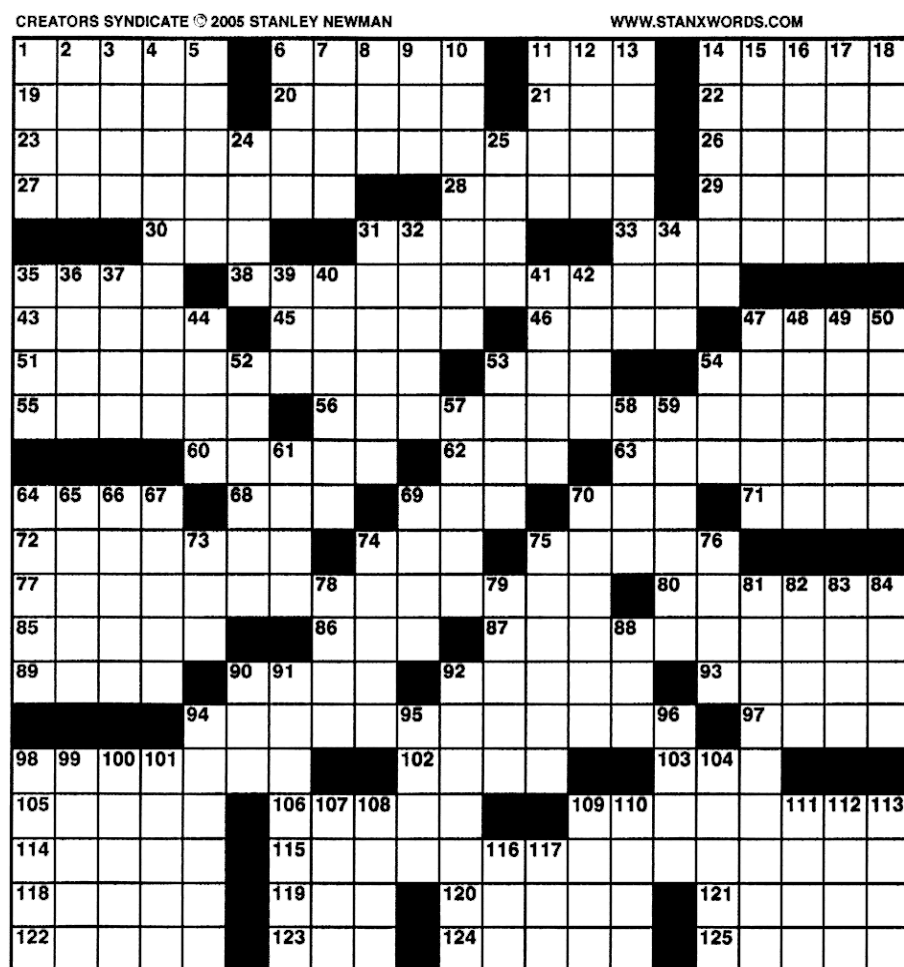
On This Day...

October 6, 1927: "The Jazz Singer," the first feature-length motion picture with talking sequences, is released by Warner Bros. The film, containing only a few minutes of written dialogue, is hailed a "supreme triumph."
1945: Bill Sianis and his pet billy goat are ejected from Wrigley Field during Game 4 of the 1945 World Series, thus beginning the supposed "Curse of the Billy Goat" over the Chicago Cubs.
2000: Slobodan Milosevic, former Serbian and Yugoslavian president, resigns.
2002: Opus Dei founder Josemaria Escriva, whose entity received worldwide attention upon the success of "The Da Vinci Code," is canonized by Pope John Paul II.

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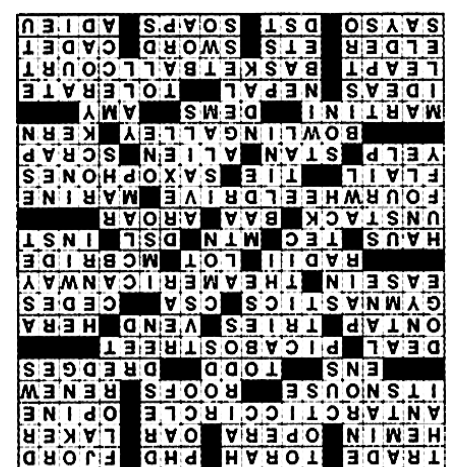
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All points south of the ANTARCTIC CIRCLE (23 Across) see at least 24 consecutive hours of daylight and 24 consecutive hours of darkness at least once during the year. DSL (70 Across) is short for "digital subscriber line." At the time of its 2004 retirement, Oldsmobile/OLDS (110 Down) was the oldest surviving American automobile brand name.





A REAL DOLL – Sara Hone returns to Downey for her 12th Downey Civic Light Opera production, appearing as Dance Captain in “Guys and Dolls,” which opens this weekend at the Downey Theater. Among Hone’s other appearances include “Sound of Music,” “Good News!”, “Fiddler on the Roof,” “The Music Man,” “Bye Bye Birdie,” and “Gypsy.” For ticket information regarding “Guys and Dolls,” call (562) 923-1714. Group rates are available.

Prayer Breakfast will hear police chief

DOWNEY – The 21st annual Downey Mayor’s Prayer Breakfast, the city’s version of the National Prayer Breakfast held annually in Washington, D.C., will be held Nov. 9 at the Rio Hondo Event Center. The speaker at this year’s meeting will be Chief Rick Hicks of the Cypress Police Department. Born and raised in Southern California, Hicks served 22 years as a member of the Santa Ana Police Department, the last 12 as lieutenant. He joined the Cypress PD in 2001 and was appointed Chief in 2003. Hicks has served as a faculty member at Cal State Long Beach and Golden West College, teaching Ethics and Values. He wrote the Basic Academy 80-hour “Community Orientated Policing & Problem Solving” curriculum. Tickets for the prayer breakfast are \$15 and the community is invited. The breakfast buffet opens at 6:30 a.m. For information, call (562) 923-9616.

Barbara Feiereisen bred AKC schnauzers

DOWNEY – Barbara J. Feiereisen, owner and operator of Barbs Kennel where she bred American Kennel Club schnauzers, died Sept. 28. She was 70. Known as “Barb” to family and friends, she was born on Aug. 10, 1936 in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, to Leonard and Dorothy. In addition to her work with dogs, she was also an avid camper and fisher. Feiereisen is survived by her father, Leonard, and companion, Ferris Craig. Funeral services were held Wednesday at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church. She will be interred next to her mother, who preceded her in death in March of 2005. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made in her name to a charity of your choice. Downey Zrelak Family Mortuary handled arrangements.

Rise ‘N Shine Networkers meet Oct. 10

DOWNEY—Speakers at the Tuesday, Oct. 10 meeting of the Rise ‘N Shine Networking Group are Chamber members Maria Mendoza of Maria Mendoza Insurance Agency and Greg Washkul of Rancho Los Amigos. The Rise ‘N Shine Networkers meet at 7:30 a.m. at Nordic Fox Restaurant. For information/to RSVP, call 923-2191.

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Candidates forum for local city council

DOWNEY – Candidates for Downey City Council have been invited by Citizens for Downey to a candidates forum Wednesday, Oct. 11 at Rio Hondo Country Club. The forum starts at 7:15 a.m. and is open to all citizens. Candidates scheduled to take part include Robert Rubio and Mario Guerra (District 2) and Anne M. Bayer (District 4). Bayer is running unopposed. A breakfast buffet will be available starting at 7 a.m.



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Theater cast to hold Q&A session

NORWALK – The Cerritos College Theater Department will present three backstage question-and-answer sessions beginning Oct. 10 that will give audiences an insight on how both productions of Shakespeare's "Hamlet" and Tom Stoppard's "Rosencrantz and Guildenstern are Dead" came to life.

The sessions will be held Oct. 10 (6 p.m.) and Nov. 1 and 2 (8 p.m.), all at the Burnight Center Studio Theater at Cerritos College. The sessions are free.

For reservations, call John Zamora at (562) 860-2451 ext. 2638.

Actual performances of the play will be held Oct. 27 and 28 and Nov. 2, 4 and 5.

Classes are now open for theater classes at Cerritos College, which start in two weeks. Call the school for more information.


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PREPARE TO BE SCARED

By Eric Pierce
CITY EDITOR

Halloween is definitely around the corner.

The Queen Mary's 12th annual Halloween Terror Fest opens for preview this weekend before officially launching next week.

Opening weekend tickets are only \$16 before jumping to \$30.

The Queen Mary will feature seven mazes this year, a large party in the all-new Dome of Doom a three-level dance hall in X-Hall. Live bands will perform in the new Purgatory Park.

Four hundred "monsters" will terrify guests as they navigate the various mazes: Blood of the Buccaneers, Field of Freaks, House of Hallucinations in 3D Terrorvision, Haunted Hull of Horror, Factory of Fears, Corridors of Carnage and Decks of the Doomed.

The mazes extend deep in the Queen Mary and the corridors and hallways of the ship will be decorated as well. Terror Fest is not recommended for children under 12 of the faint of heart.

Costumes and cameras are not permitted and guests enter at their own risk, warns Queen Mary representatives.

Kids invited to Halloween Haunt

DOWNEY – The City of Downey Community Services Department is offering a trip to Knott's Berry Farm and their annual Halloween Haunt, specifically geared towards middle-school age children, on Oct. 13 from 6 p.m. to 1 a.m.

In order to attend, students must either live or go to school in Downey and show proof of residence or a Downey School I.D. The cost is \$40.

A bus will depart and return to the Downey City Hall parking lot on Brookshire Avenue.

To register or for more information, call (562) 904-7238.



GHOULISH INTENTIONS – More than 400 "monsters" will do their best at scaring guests navigating the Queen Mary's seven mazes. Tickets are \$16 this weekend only. Photo courtesy of the Queen Mary

"The Queen Mary is known around the world for her reported haunting. For years, guests, employees and paranormal researchers have witnessed unexplained sounds, voices, apparitions and other phenomena," said Martha Guzman, who's helping to promote Terror Fest. "Shipwreck

visitors have the chance to explore the areas where these sightings have occurred, many not open to the public."

The Queen Mary is currently celebrating the 70th anniversary of its maiden voyage. It's located off the Long Beach Freeway in Long Beach. Tickets can be purchased in

advance at www.ticketmaster.com or at the Queen Mary on the night of the event on a first-come, first-served basis.

12th Annual Queen Mary Terror Fest
1126 Queens Highway, Long Beach. Tickets: (562) 435-3511

'Vampyre Lounge' features ghostly burlesque dancers

LONG BEACH – Vamp the Lounge, a new and innovative interpretation of classic burlesque aboard the Queen Mary, has transformed itself into the Vampyre Lounge for the month of October.

Each Thursday through Sunday the Vamp Vixens, also known as the Queen Bees, will turn themselves into "some of the sexiest creatures anyone has ever seen" and perform at the Queen Mary. Showtimes will be 11 p.m. on Thursdays, 11 p.m. and 12:30 a.m. on Fridays and Saturdays, and 9:30 and 11:30 p.m. on Sundays.

The new show will feature two vignettes, the first of which focuses on four beautiful women, each seeking the role of "Vampire Queen." The vignette will feature classic rock and includes music from Queen, White Snake, Alice Cooper and Ted Nugent.

The second part of the show is titled "Cat Scratch Fever," in which one small scratch from a cat turns into an epidemic. The music of Marilyn Manson, Syx and others will be featured in this performance.

Admission is \$15 with reservations, which can be made by calling (562) 499-6625. Guests attending the GhostFest Expo, also being held at the Queen Mary, will be allowed entrance with a two-drink minimum.

CSULB faculty concert recital tonight

LONG BEACH—Soprano Michelle Murray, with David Murray on the piano, perform The Juliet Letters at Gerald Daniel Recital Hall (located in the Cal State Long Beach Music Complex off Atherton St.) tonight, Oct. 6 at 8 p.m.

The Juliet Letters, the Murrays' second CD, was released on Sujmmit Records in September 2006.

In 1935, the Director of the Verona Civic Museums opened the 13th century cloisters of the Capuccinni monastery to the public, calling them "Juliet's tomb" to increase tourist activity. Shortly afterwards, a letter arrived in Verona, Italy addressed to Juliet Capulet. The curator of Juliet's tomb wrote back, sparking a trend throughout the world and now over 5,000 letters to Juliet are received each year.

In the early 1990s, Elvis Costello and the Brodsky String Quartet were inspired by this correspondence and jointly composed 17 songs for voice and string quartet. The resulting song cycle, entitled The Juliet Letters, explored the types of letters that might have been left at Juliet's tomb. Michelle and David Murray enjoyed the legend of these letters and the songs associated with them and in 2004, David began arranging them for voice and piano.

In December 2005, the Murrays appeared at Carnegie Hall, performing selections from their first recording Blue: the Complete Cabaret Songs of William Bolcom and Arnold Weinstein (Summit 2003). Their performance was described as "first-rate...engaging and authentic" in the New York Concert Review. They will return to Carnegie Hall in December to perform The Juliet Letters.

Michelle Murray is part of the CSULB voice faculty and both she and David are on the School of Music faculty at California Baptist University. For more information about the artists, visit www.murraysmusic.com.

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

Local Concerts

Oct. 6-13

- Friday**
Mariah Carey - Staples Center
Mo' Tenors - Cerritos Center
Killers - Wiltern
Celtic Frost - HOB Anaheim
Too Short - Club Hush (Long Beach)
- Saturday**
Paul Simon - Santa Barbara Bowl
Queensryche - Pechanga
OC Block Party - Grove of Anaheim
David Benoit - Long Beach Arena
Beck, Queens of the Stone Age - Downtown L.A.
Kool & The Gang - Spotlight 29 Casino
- Sunday**
Mariah Carey - Arrowhead Pond
Carlos Mencia - Gibson Amphitheatre
- Monday**
Brooks & Dunn - Gibson Amphitheatre
- Wednesday**
Rancid - House of Blues Anaheim
Blue October - Grove of Anaheim
- Friday**
Def Leppard - Hollywood Bowl
Kenny Loggins - Lancaster P.A.C.
Los Lobos - Disney Concert Hall
Dates and performances subject to change

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LONG BEACH—"The Heiress," a play by Ruth and Augustus Goetz, is scheduled to run at the Long Beach Playhouse Studio Theater, 5021 E. Anaheim St. in Long Beach, Oct. 13-Nov. 18.

The play takes place in New York in the 1850s, and the basic story tells of a shy and plain young girl, Catherine Sloper, who falls desperately in love with a delightful young fortune hunter. Catherine's lack of worldliness prevents her from realizing that the young man proposing to her is not entirely drawn to her by her charm.

Catherine's father, a successful doctor, sees through the fortune hunter and forbids the marriage, but his daughter proposes an elopement which fails to materialize because the young man knows most of her expected fortune will go elsewhere if he marries her. Catherine retires into a little world of her own. But the fortune hunter turns up once more and again proposes to her.

For a moment, Catherine leads him to believe that she will accept him, but when he calls by appointment, she locks the door, blows out all the lights and allows him to realize that she will not be fooled for the second time.

Tickets are \$20 general admission, \$18 for seniors, and student prices are \$10 and Saturday with valid student ID. For information, call the Box Office at (562) 494-1014, option 1. Box office hours are 3-6 p.m. Monday through Wednesday and 3:30-8 p.m. Thursday through Saturday. Tickets are also available online through www.lbph.com.

Regular Friday and Saturday evening performances are at 8 p.m. Sunday matinees are Oct. 22 and Nov. 5 and 12 at 2 p.m.

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DOWNEY – Through the dedicated effort of Mr. Ray Friedrich, second grade teacher at Rio San Gabriel, and the financial support of the Ziegenbein Family, RSG PTA, and a grant from Dr. Mary Stauffer, the Strum and Drum Club is a huge success. Mr. Friedrich volunteers before and after school, providing small group drum and guitar lessons to second through fifth graders at Rio San Gabriel School.



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The students are so fortunate to have Mr. Ray Friedrich as a mentor, teacher and fellow music lover.

OLPH carnival scheduled Oct. 20-22

DOWNEY – Our Lady of Perpetual Help School will hold their annual community carnival from Oct. 20-22, with ride and raffle tickets now on sale.

A noted community event for over 20 years, the carnival will feature live entertainment, games, rides and food.

Our Lady of Perpetual Help School is at 10441 S. Downey Avenue. For information, call (562) 869-0963.

Granata's pushes back their prices

DOWNEY – Granata's Restaurant in Downey is celebrating their 50th anniversary throughout the month of October by offering their lasagna dinner, including soup or salad and fresh bread, at their 1956 price.

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Granata's is at 11032 Downey Avenue.



'BROADWAY'S BEST' – The Vagabonds, a popular Southern California song and dance group, will be at the Community and Senior Center in Downey this Monday, Oct. 9, at 4 p.m.

The Vagabonds ready to shine Monday

DOWNEY – The Vagabonds, a musical revue that incorporates a combination of tap-jazz and soft-shoe – in addition to blues, sentimental and comedy – will entertain at Monday's OASIS meeting at the Barbara J. Riley Community and Senior Center.

The class opens for enrollment at 3 p.m. with the program starting at 4 p.m. A supper of cream of broccoli soup, lemon crumb fish, roasted potatoes, parsley seasoned carrots, pea salad with cheese, sourdough bread, ambrosia, milk and coffee will be available at 5 p.m. for \$2, which must be purchased before 3:45 p.m.

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Bingo will be played on the bus and riders will receive a \$10 food voucher. To attend, mail your check to Downey Emblem Club #309, P.O. Box 562, Downey, CA. For more information, call Nancy Watson at (562) 923-1234.

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Junior Midgets play big to stay undefeated

By Mike Baumann,
Downey Youth Football

DOWNEY – Downey Youth Football's six tackle football teams split last weekend's games, all but one having been played at Downey High School's Allen Layne Stadium.

Downey's three flag football teams remain unbeaten. Flag teams represent Downey's finest 5, 6 and 7-year-olds.

The Junior Pee Wee Razorbacks (8, 9 and 10-year-olds) were shut out by a strong Lakewood team. Downey's Pee Wee Razorbacks (9, 10 and 11-year-olds) were stunned by a surprising Lynwood team. But the biggest surprise of the day was the Midget Razorbacks' (11-14-year-olds) inability to stop a determined Torrance team.

Both the PeeWee and Midget teams have now dropped two games in a row and must bounce back if they hope to make the AYF Conference playoffs.

Both MiteMite Red and White (7-9-year-olds) won their games. The Red team completely dominated their Lakewood opponent, and the Razorback White team scored a late touchdown for a come-from-behind win over the team from TriCity (San Pedro).

The only unbeaten Razorback team is the Junior Midgets. They extended their winning ways (4-0) by completely overwhelming Lakewood. Last year's conference representative in the National Championship game in Tucson, Arizona, they seem to be headed to another successful campaign.

The Razorbacks limited Lakewood to six points by dominating the line of scrimmage, allowing negative 33 yards in rushing. They also ran the double-wing offense to near perfection; linemen were opening holes for running backs and the Razorbacks had a 30-point lead in the second quarter.

The "bacon" team comprised primarily by Junior Midget reserves marched down the field and Alex Martinez pounded the ball into the end zone to start the offensive display. The same group moved deep into Lakewood territory before bogging down.

Darius Powe slashed off left tackle for the second score. A blocked punt by Ryan McFaddin set up a series of touchdowns by the Razorbacks.

Darius Smith had TD runs of 25 and 38 yards and Alex Solis had another from the 26. Shane Baumann added a TD run of 37 yards.

And to top it off, Eddy C. Moreno intercepted a Lakewood pass and returned it in dazzling style for 70 yards.

The Razorbacks meet teams representing Wilmington this weekend. Games will be played at Downey High School beginning at 8 a.m. and will continue all day.

Women's Golf Club seeking members

DOWNEY – The Los Amigos Women's Golf Club is looking for more women golfers to join their club. Tee time for the group is 8 a.m. every Friday at Los Amigos Golf Course, 7295 Quill Dr.

For more information on joining the club, call 634-2816.

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 3. Loyola
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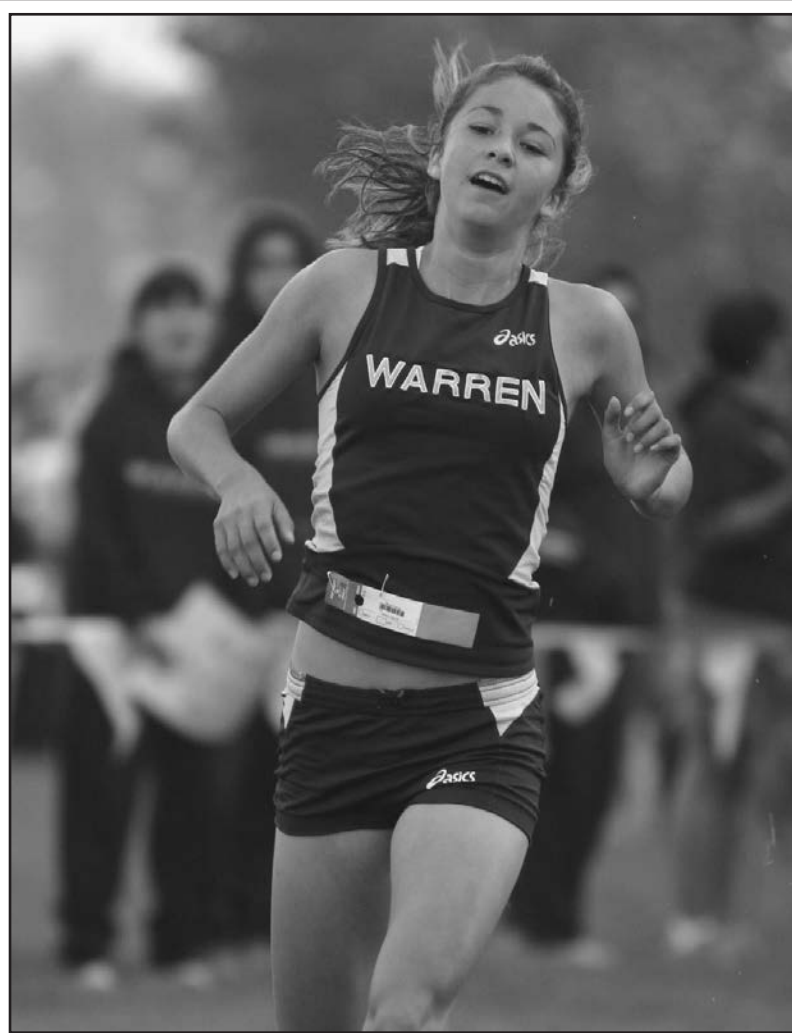
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- Other - Corona

CIF-SS Football

- Western League
1. St. Francis
 2. Dominguez
 3. Culver City
 4. Mira Costa
 5. Chaminade
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 7. Palmdale
 8. Alemany
 9. West Torrance
 10. Santa Monica
- Other - Downey

CIF-SS Girls Volleyball

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 5. Barstow
 6. California
 7. Santa Ynez
 8. Oaks Christian
 9. El Rancho
 10. Beverly Hills
- Other - Cypress



RUNNING AWAY WITH A RECORD – Warren High School freshman Dani Moreno set a course record at Hollydale Park this week with a time of 18:03. Photo by Art Montoya

Warren's Moreno sets course record

DOWNEY – Warren freshman Dani Moreno set a freshman course record this week when she ran three miles in 17:41 at Hollydale Park. The previous record was 18:03 set in 2003.

Earlier this year, Moreno ran a 17:38 at the Division I invitationals, the second fastest time ever by a freshman and third best overall.

Though still just a freshman, Moreno is helping turn Warren into a contender: the Bears were ranked seventh in this week's CIF polls and are battling for a state meet berth.

Downey senior George Torres finished fourth in his race.

Downey High cheer clinic for girls

DOWNEY—Downey High School cheerleaders will offer their annual Cheerleading Clinic on Saturday, Oct. 7 from 9 a.m. to noon at the Downey High School cafeteria. Girls between the ages of 5 to 13 will learn game action cheers and perform during halftime of the varsity football game on Oct. 13. Cost is \$20.

For information and registration, call Shannon at (562) 644-1756.

Downey wins thriller in triple-overtime

■ Vikings rebound from their Millikan debacle last week to outlast Kennedy, 37-34.

By Scott Cobos

DOWNEY – Triple overtime was needed in order for the Vikings to win this one. Downey kicked the game-winning field goal to finish off Kennedy High School 37-34 last Thursday.

In the first overtime, Downey scored and followed up with the extra point. In the Kennedy possession, they fumble the football. Downey thought they had recovered the ball ending the game, but the referees ruled that Kennedy maintained possession. They would then go on to score and tie the game.

In the second overtime, both teams scored and kicked extra points again, evening things up 34-34.

After the second coin toss, Kennedy maintained possession of the ball. During this drive, they fumble the ball again, turning it over to the Vikings. Downey senior running back Darren Tubbs then ran the ball into the end-zone.

But the touchdown is called back after the Vikings were penalized for a holding call during the play. On fourth down, Downey kicker Brian Sandoval kicked a field goal to win the game 37-34.

Tubbs finished the game 263 yards on 40 carries Sandoval had three field goals.

Downey stays on the road this week as they take on Santa Fe High School. The Chiefs will host the visiting Vikings boasting a 3-1 record as well. This is the last non-league game before the Vikings host the defending SGVL champions Dominguez Dons.

Tonight's game starts at 7 p.m.

Warren hires new baseball manager

■ Ariel Gutran, pending his release from Paramount, will be Warren's new manager.

By Scott Cobos

DOWNEY – Warren High School has found the man that will spearhead the future of their baseball program.

Ariel Gutran was named manager of the baseball program this week after his predecessor, Steve Fullerton, stepped down after 13 years earlier this year.

Gutran will have big shoes to fill as Fullerton compiled a 208-126 record during his time at Warren.

The new coach is a Downey High School alumnus where he played under ex-manager Dan Brian. In recent years he has worked as a substitute teacher in the Paramount and Downey school districts.

Gutran has an extensive background in baseball. He has been an assistant coach at Paramount High School and has also played semi-pro ball in the states along with professional baseball in Mexico.

Athletic Director Steve Hill said Gutran is exactly what they have been looking for in a manager being young, enthusiastic, and energetic.

"I believe he will teach fundamentals and a love for the game," Hill said. "Under him, the kids will respect the game."

Hill said he expects Gutran to rebuild the program along with helping rebuild some of the facilities.

Gutran has not joined the program yet due to contract problems with the Paramount School District, according to Hill. Gutran has been a long-term substitute teacher there under contract, and the district has not released him yet because they have not found a replacement.

However, he is expected to join the team Tuesday.

'Viking Sports Reunion' relives title game




DOWNEY – A "Viking Sports Reunion" will be held Nov. 3 to celebrate the 50th anniversary of Downey High School's CIF championship game against Anaheim, which drew a record crowd of over 40,000 people to the Los Angeles Coliseum.

The party will start at 5:30 p.m. at the Embassy Suites in Downey before departing for the Downey/Gahr game at 7 p.m. The reunion is free but game tickets are \$7.

The Embassy Suites is offering a special room rate of \$129 for the night if you reference "Viking Sports Reunion."

To contribute to the Downey football program, make a check payable to Downey High Football Boosters #95-6006586 and mail it to Downey High Football Boosters, 10712 Lesterford Ave., Downey CA 90241.

For more information on the reunion, call Lash Stevenson at (650) 345-5274 or visit www.lashspace.com.

America On the Move Week at the YMCA is a national effort designed to motivate and inspire you to take "small Steps" to promote active living and healthy eating.

YMCAs are tracking the number of participants and steps taken with a goal of reaching one billion steps nationally. You can be a part of this effort that is mobilizing thousands of Americans to take small steps toward a healthier lifestyle!

For more information about this exciting event, please talk to a YMCA Member Services Representative.

DOWNEY YMCA EVENT CALENDAR

<p>SATURDAY, Sept 23 1pm-5pm Family Walk Downey High School Track</p> <p>MONDAY, Sept 25 10am-11am Lecture-at the Downey YMCA "The Good & Bad Cholesterol" Magnolia Hurtado, M.S., R.D.</p> <p>CHILDCARE PROGRAMS Will vary at each site. Check PARENT BOARD for details.</p>	<p>TUESDAY, Sept 26 6pm-7pm Lecture at the Downey YMCA "Proper Snacking" Magnolia Hurtado, M.S., R.D.</p> <p>THURSDAY, Sept 28 10:30am-11am Family Walk, Wilderness Park 11am-11:30am Lecture "Benefits of Walking" Greg Welch, M.S. 11:30am-12pm Family Walk</p>
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11-3	Gahr
11-10	at Paramount
	Warren
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10-13	at Paramount
10-20	Gahr
10-27	at Downey
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High-octane fun at OC Fair

Contributed by Cerritos College

NORWALK – Instructors and students from the Cerritos College Automotive Technology will join auto makers, industry specialists and motor trend enthusiasts this weekend at the 2006 Orange County Auto Show being held at the Anaheim Convention Center.

Cerritos College's display, located in the show's Automotive Underground, will include a Dodge Viper, information on automotive classes and certification programs, and instructors with helpful tips on career and learning opportunities.

"Right now, the auto industry is seeking to hire trained technicians into high-growth, high-wage positions, and our programs get students to the place they need to be to land these jobs," said Cerritos College Automotive Instructor Kevin Taylor.

Also featured at the show is information about the bachelor degree program in automotive marketing offered through an agreement between Northwood University and Cerritos College. Northwood serves as a "campus within a campus" at Cerritos College, providing a means for students who have earned their associate's degree at Cerritos College to enroll in Northwood's program to earn a bachelor's of business administration (BBA) degree.

Students in the new program attend all classes on Cerritos College's campus and take higher-level courses from Northwood University instructors after meeting general degree requirements through Cerritos College courses. Automotive students may also choose to tailor their bachelor's degree to reflect an emphasis in automotive management.

"We want to be there to meet the thousands of automotive enthusiasts—some of whom might be thinking about a career in the industry," said Northwood University Program Manager Javier Garza.

"There are so many different career opportunities available in the industry—jobs in sales and marketing, management, technology, design and promotion are all in demand, and we want to serve as a connection for students to the industry."

The 2006 Orange County Auto Show will be held through Sunday at the Anaheim Convention Center. For more information, visit www.orangecountyautoshow.com.

Cerritos College has offered automotive training technology since the



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college began in 1955. The offerings consist of certificates degrees and special programs in the disciplines of automotive repair, advanced transportation technology, auto collision repair, intelligent transportation systems and alternative fuel and hybrids, making it one of the most comprehensive programs in the U.S.

Cerritos College's Auto Technology Program provides students with hands-on, nationally authorized training for GM, Ford, DaimlerChrysler and import vehicles, and operates a California Advanced Transportation Technology Center to encourage development of alternative fuel sources.

Perhaps most impressively, Cerritos College is physically located just blocks from the world's largest auto mall where it partners with dealers to train and employ technicians and dealer managers.

Cancer survivor and author to speak at health seminar

WHITTIER – Author and breast cancer survivor Carol Edmonston will speak when the Patricia L. Scheifly Breast Health Center at Presbyterian Intercommunity Hospital in Whittier hosts its annual Tea for Triumph in celebration of National Breast Cancer Awareness Month on Oct. 15 from 1 to 3:30 p.m.



Breast cancer survivors and their family and friends are invited to attend.

Author of "Connections...the Sacred Journey Between Two Paths," Edmonston will share how she uses art to reduce stress and embrace life by weaving a creative connection between mind, body and spirit, integrating ancient wisdom with the simple, spontaneous act of doodling.

To make a reservation, call the hospital at (562) 698-0811 ext. 5631 by Oct. 13.

Pio Pico topic at genealogical meeting

WHITTIER—Presenter at the next monthly meeting of the Whittier Area Genealogical Society (WAGS) Saturday, Oct. 21 at the Whittier Masonic Lodge, 7604 Greenleaf Ave. (at Mar Vista) in Whittier will be Fred Andrews, Park Ranger Interpreter of the Pio Pico State Historic Park on Whittier Blvd.

Andrews will speak on "Pio Pico, the last Mexican Governor of California and Early California History." The meeting is scheduled to start at 1 p.m.

Visitors are welcome at the meetings.

For more information, call (562) 941-3184 or (562) 695-5431, or see: <http://www.cagenweb.com/kr/wags>.

Genealogical group going Canadian

LONG BEACH – The Questing Heirs Genealogical Society of Long Beach will have its October meeting on Oct. 15 at 1:15 p.m. in the Parish Hall of Resurrection Lutheran Church, 1900 E. Carson St., in Long Beach. The topic of October's meeting will be "Canadian Census and Vital Records" by Debby Horton.

Horton is a professional genealogist, teacher and lecturer. She is vice president of the Southern California Chapter of the Association of Professional Genealogists and a member of the National Genealogical Society.

Her education includes advanced courses with the National Institute for Genealogical Studies, University of Toronto, in the fields of American, Canadian, English and German records.

For more information, call Jeanette Jones at (562) 421-5610.

Contributions sought for recycling calendar

DOWNEY—Fundraising for the city of Downey's 2007 Used Oil Recycling School Calendar Artwork Contest has begun. The annual event includes Used Oil Recycling presentations to 5th grade students, who are encouraged to enter the competition. In addition to receiving prizes, winners will have their artwork featured in the calendar.

The calendar contest is co-sponsored by the California Integrated Waste Management Board (CIWMB), whose funds pay for calendar development and publication (about 99 percent of the calendar cost). The balance of funds comes from sundry contributors, to defray the cost of awards and prizes.

According to Kathy Simmons, Integrated Waste Coordinator for the city, the calendar is "one of the most effective means to raise awareness among our school youth and adults about the problems of used oil dumping within our city. Do-It-Yourselfers across the nation dump more than 200 million gallons of used oil into the trash, into storm drains, and into backyards, where it can migrate to fresh water and ocean water sources. A single gallon of used oil can pollute a million gallons of water."

To help address the problem, the city of Downey, with the aid of CIWMB, has set up a network of collection centers for the safe collection and recycling of used oil.

The city's Used Oil Recycling School Calendar is distributed throughout the city as well as to the staff and students at the schools. The calendar sends a strong message that, in Simmons' words, "our environment is worth preserving."

For more information/to pledge a contribution, contact the city's Used Oil Consultant, Kevin Sales of KJServices Environmental Consulting, (562) 944-4766, or Simmons, (562) 904-7103.

Tables still available for business expo

DOWNEY—The Downey Chamber of Commerce presents its Mixer & Business Expo "Golden Gala" Wednesday, Oct. 18 from 5:30-8 p.m. at host Downey Regional Medical Center Medical Plaza, 11480 Brookshire Ave., Downey.

The Chamber says the expo provides a great opportunity to "network with other businesses, get business leads, tell your company story, display your product or service, or otherwise reach more prospective clients." Tables are still available for the purpose.

Admission cost is \$3. Valet parking and a hosted bar will be available. For information, call 923-2191.

Registration ongoing for college classes

NORWALK – Registration is underway for Cerritos College's second nine-week session that begins Oct. 16 and lasts through Dec. 15.

Students can access a schedule of classes, complete an application and register online for a variety of classes by visiting www.cerritos.edu/admissions.

All eligible returning students have an option to either register online by using the automated registration system at (562) 865-3276.

ESL program to host open house

NORWALK – The Cerritos College English as a Second Language Program will host an open house on Oct. 21 from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in the Liberal Arts Building.

The event will feature a tour of the technology-equipped classrooms, an introduction courses covering speaking, pronunciation, writing and grammar, and information on financial aid available to students.

Free books, refreshments and prizes will also be provided.

English as a Second Language refers to non-native English speakers. Pronunciation, grammar and proper speech timing is normally taught in these classes.

For more information, call Diane Nakamura at (562) 860-245 ext. 2898.

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'Shemini Atzeret' service at temple

DOWNEY—Temple Ner Tamid of Downey, a Reform Congregation, will conduct a 'Shemini Atzeret' service, including 'Yiskor', Saturday, Oct. 14 at 5 p.m. Officiating will be Rabbi Len Muroff and Cantor Ellen Jaffe-Gill.

Following the service will be a dairy dinner. This will be followed by a 'Simchat Torah' service, when the Torah will be rolled out "in joyous celebration of the gift of the Torah (the law)."

The services will conclude with an Oneg; the community is welcome to attend. Prepaid reservations are \$10 per person.

For more information, call the Temple office, 861-9276. Temple Ner Tamid is located at 10629 Lakewood Blvd. in Downey.

Caregiver support group at Rancho

DOWNEY – Rancho Los Amigos Rehabilitation Center hosts a caregiver support group on the first Tuesday and third Wednesday of every month. Call 401-7991 for times.

Temple sponsoring Mexican Riviera cruise

DOWNEY—Temple Ner Tamid of Downey is sponsoring a trip to the Mexican Riviera Jan. 6-13, 2007 aboard the cruise ship, "MS Oosterdam".

Amenities on board include: nightly shows, lectures, games, movies, art auction, swimming, aside from the fine dining that usually distinguishes such cruises. Other options are a computer room, library, and a card room, as well as dancing in the night clubs.

The Mexican Riviera includes the resort cities of Ensenada, Cabo San Lucas, Mazatlan, Puerto Villarta, Manzanillo, Ixtapa and Acapulco. Cruise ships don't normally visit all cities on one trip.

Paid reservations should be made early to reserve the best cabins. For information/reservations, call Tracie at (714) 236-4242.



BETTING ON FUN – Downey Newcomers Club members are organizing a trip to Santa Anita Race Track on Oct. 18. The cost is \$34 per person which includes admission, valet parking, program and lunch off the menu. A carpool will form at the church parking lot at 8441 Florence Ave., across the street from Downey Savings, at 11 a.m. For more information, call Vickie Augimeri at 862-7562. Members of Newcomers Club celebrate their winnings over wine at last March's trip.

Passports required soon for all international travel

DOWNEY – Beginning Jan. 8, 2007, all American cruise and airplane passengers traveling to any country outside the U.S., including Canada and Mexico, will be required to carry a passport in order to re-enter the United States, the Automobile Club of Southern California warned this week.

Travel to Canada, Mexico, Caribbean nations and countries in Central and South America currently do not require a passport.

"Typically, the U.S. State Department can take six weeks to process a passport application, said Hend Hasrouni, the Auto Club's Downey district manager. "These new requirements are significantly increasing the numbers of applications, so travelers could experience additional delays in obtaining or renewing passports. The Auto Club recommends that anyone planning a cruise or flight outside the U.S. early next year should apply for their passport now to ensure it arrives in time."

First-time passports cost \$82 for citizens less than 16 years of age, and \$97 for those 16 and older, not including the fee to have a picture taken. Passport renewal costs \$67.

First-time applicants, or those with expired or lost passports, must submit their application in person to a passport processing location such as a post office during the hours that service is available. Non-expired passports can be renewed by mail by sending the application, the most recent passport and two identical passport photographs to the Department of State.

For passport applications and renewal forms, visit the Downey Auto Club at 8223 Firestone Blvd. or go to www.state.gov.



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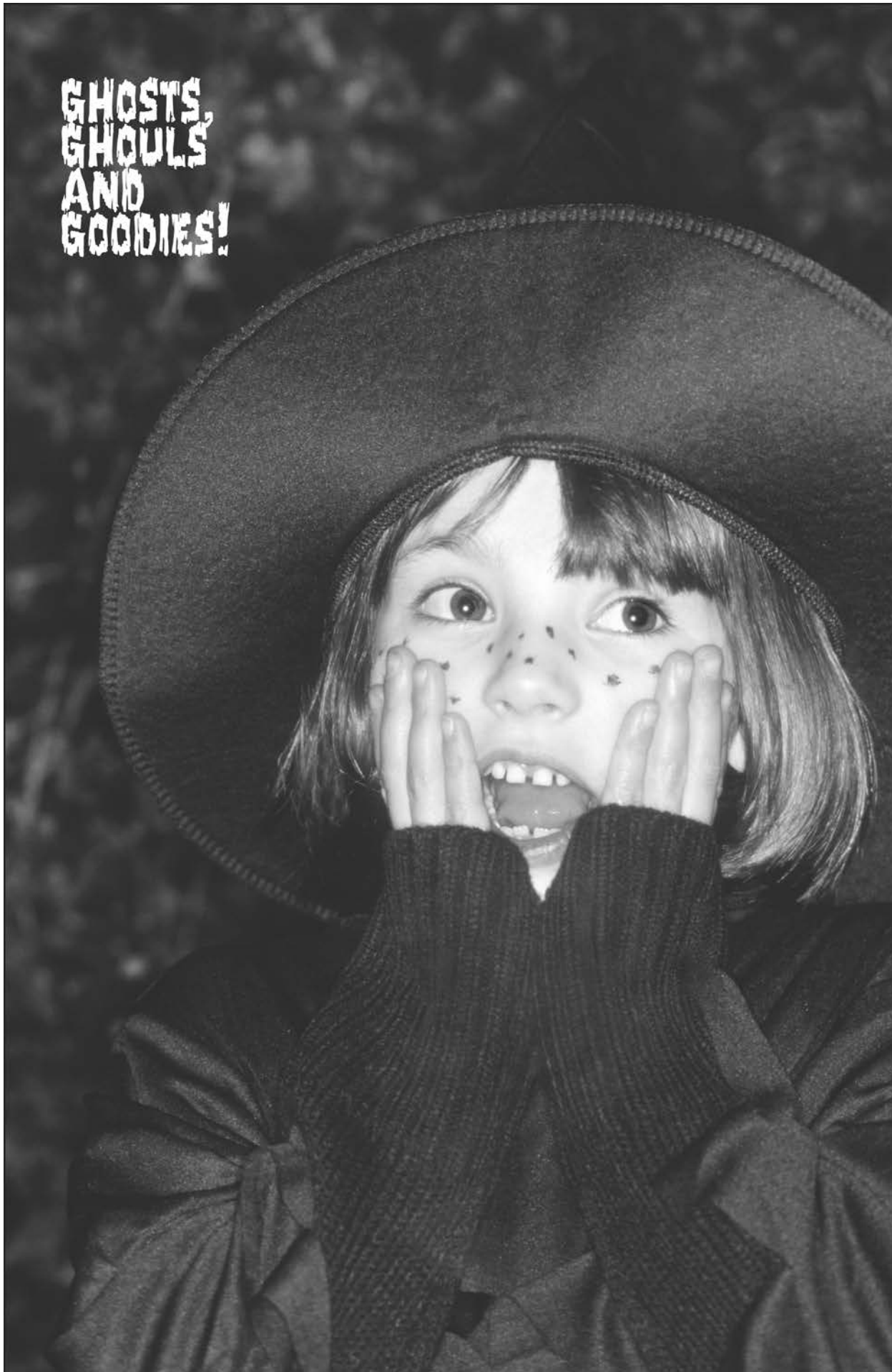
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In addition, that contractor would be considered your employee, so you'd be required to withhold and pay payroll taxes and provide them with workers' compensation insurance. Plus, getting an owner/builder permit means the homeowner becomes the general contractor and assumes all responsibility for the project, including making sure the project meets all building codes and is properly inspected.

If any contractor asks you to become an owner/builder, be skeptical, as this is risky and says something about the quality of the contractor. You can get additional owner/builder information on the Contractors State License Board (CSLB) website at www.cslb.ca.gov.

Q: I was contacted recently by a home improvement salesperson who gave me quotes on installing a pool in my backyard. I'm interested, but wonder why the contractor didn't call me directly, instead of hiring a sales company to do it? Should I trust this third party?

A: Home improvement salespersons are sometimes employed by contractors, and have the authority to contact and solicit homeowners and negotiate and execute contracts with them as well. Anyone who solicits, sells, negotiates or executes contract work with a homeowner on behalf of a contractor, away from the contractor's place of work, such as the homeowner's property, must be registered with the CSLB.

They must also how their home improvement salesperson registration card if you ask.

As always, get three bids before hitting a contractor and check the license of the contractor and registration of the home improvement salesperson at www.cslb.ca.gov. Additionally, it's a good idea to make sure you check references and previous customer satisfaction before finalizing a contract with any contractor.

Q: My home was damaged by a small earthquake. Although the damage was minor I want it repaired quickly. I have heard scam artists who prey on disaster victims. What should I look for in a contractor to make sure I don't get taken advantage of?

A: Scam analysts try to target disaster victims because they look like easy targets. No matter how bad the damage is, don't give in to pressure tactics from individuals offering to "help."

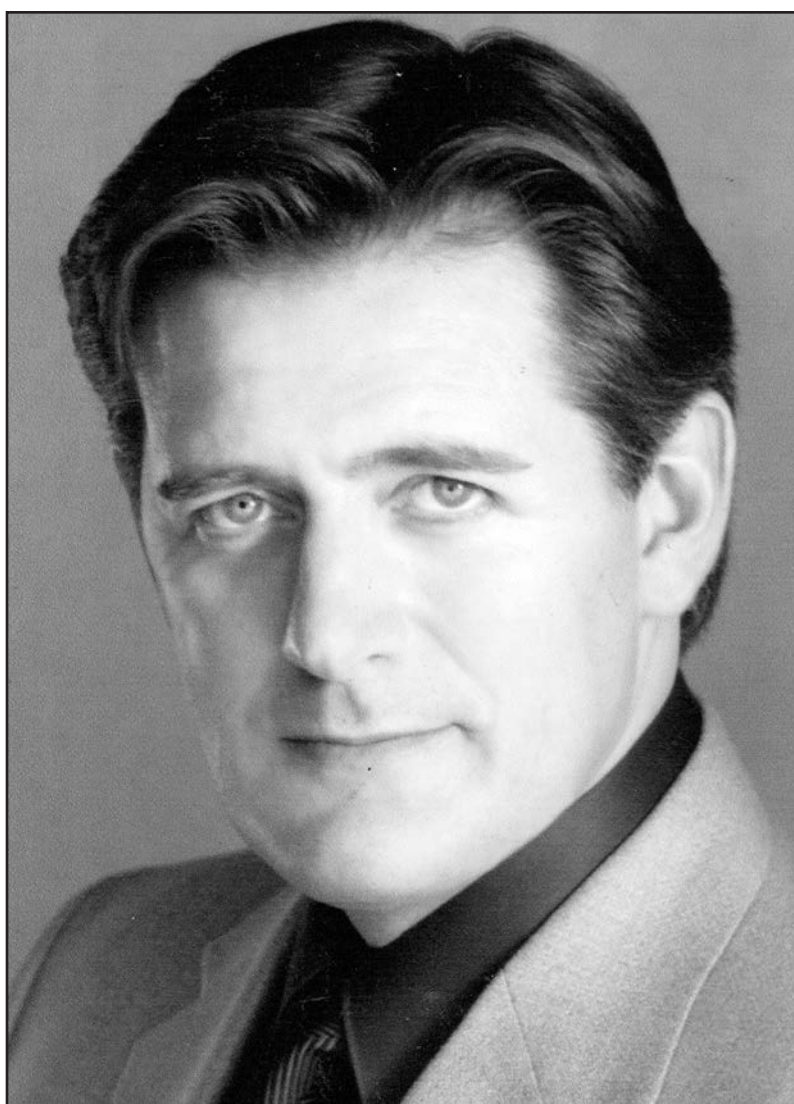
The most important thing is to make sure any contractor you hire is licensed. You can check them out at the CSLB website at www.cslb.ca.gov or by calling 1-800-321-CSLB (2752).

Try to get at least three estimates and ask for references from earlier customers. Also, know the difference between a home improvement contract and a service and repair contract. When you sign a service and repair contract, you waive your right to cancel the contract the moment the work starts.

Under the law, a regular home improvement contract gives you a three-day right to cancel. Make sure you understand everything in the contract before you sign.

The brochure, "After a Disaster, Don't Get Scammed," is also available at the Boards website.

Ask the Contractors Board is a feature provided courtesy of the Contractors State License Board.



GREGORY NORTH – The veteran Broadway and film actor stars as Sky Masterson in the Downey Civic Light Opera production of "Guys and Dolls," now playing at the Downey Theater.

Walk to raise awareness on child abuse

DOWNEY – The 3rd Annual Walk the Talk Against Child Abuse will be held on Saturday, Oct. 21 starting at 8 a.m. at Downey First Baptist Church.

For information, call Shirley Johnson at (562) 862-2378.

Senior citizens invited to join AARP

DOWNEY—Downey AARP Chapter #262 invites senior citizen to its meetings held on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of every month. Meetings are held at the Barbara J. Riley Community & Senior Center in Downey at 11:30 a.m. Bingo follows the meeting.

For more information, call Sally Jones at (562) 927-2201.

Pastor & Wife's appreciation services

DOWNEY—The Love, Peace and Happiness Family Christian Fellowship, 11022 Old River School in Downey, will be celebrating their Pastor & Wife, Bishop Leon & Jacqueline Martin's, 32nd Appreciation Service in the pastoral ministry on Sunday, Oct. 8 at 3:30 p.m.

The public is invited to share in the celebration. Participating are Pastor Charles Smith of Shackelford Miracle Temple, Bishop Napoleon Rhodes of New Jerusalem Christian Fellowship, Apostle Kenneth Green, Sr. of Messiah Full Gospel Bible Fellowship, Dr. Zebede Jackson of New Jerusalem Christian Center and other pastors from the surrounding cities.

For information/transportation, call (562) 806-9890.

Real estate meeting covering vast topics

DOWNEY – Lawrence De Santis, vice president and financial advisor of Bank of America, will be one of two featured speakers at a real estate breakfast meeting Oct. 14 at Rio Hondo Country Club.

Colin Clarke of Century 21 Jervis & Associates will host the meeting, which runs from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.

Topics to be discussed include interest rates, 1031 exchanges, capital gains strategies, mortgage rates, economic cycles, and more.

In addition to De Santis, also speaking will be Earl Salter, chairman of the board and president of Norwalk Business Service, Inc., an announcing firm specializing in real estate tax law.

The breakfast is complimentary but reservations are needed by calling (562) 904-6652.

Church to celebrate homecoming

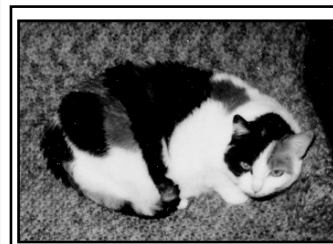
DOWNEY – Forty years ago – on October 9, 1966 – the people of Downey Memorial Christian Church dedicated their new sanctuary on Florence Avenue. On October 8, present and former members will observe the 40th anniversary of that event with a special Homecoming worship service and potluck lunch.

Austin Coe, minister at the time, will share his reflections and remembrances during the 10:30 a.m. service.

A cornerstone box that was sealed at the church 40 years ago will be opened as part of the Homecoming festivities.

Starting next spring, the church will mark its yearlong Jubilee (50th Anniversary) celebration.

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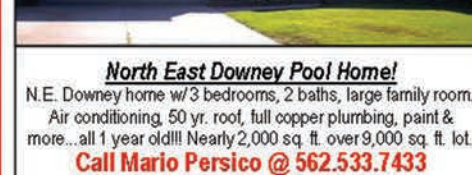
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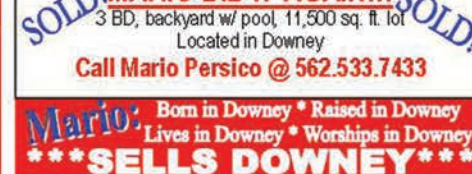
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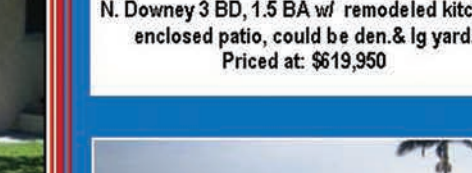
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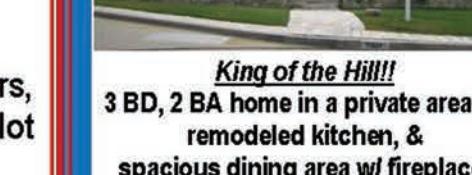
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