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WRD can't shut off cities' water supply, judge rules

DOWNEY – An L.A. County judge last week rejected for a fourth time a water agency's request that municipal water wells in Downey and neighboring cities be turned off due to non-payment, Downey officials said Monday.

The Water Replenishment District of Southern California had asked the court to discontinue water service to Downey, Cerritos, Signal Hill, Bellflower and Pico Rivera for non-payment.

The cities stopped paying WRD last year after alleging the water agency illegally raised its rates by 400 percent.

"The cities have been forced to pass the overcharge on to their consumers," Downey officials said in a statement. "It is estimated that approximately 40 percent of the average residential water bill is made up of WRD's illegal assessment."

Judge Raul Sahagun ruled that the WRD cannot shut down municipal water wells "for non-payment of an illegally levied assessment" and last Wednesday another judge rejected the WRD's fourth request to reconsider the original ruling.

A judge initially ruled against the WRD in April 2011, when it found that WRD violated Prop. 218 when it levied "excessive water replenishment assessments against the cities without allowing them to protest," Downey officials said.

"Our cities have stopped paying these illegal assessments because doing so would constitute a gift of public funds," said John Oskoui, assistant city manager for Downey.

According to Downey officials, more cities are considering withholding payment to WRD.

"These multiple lawsuits by WRD are unnecessary and abuse the court system and mock the taxpayers," said Vince Brar, senior assistant city manager for Cerritos. "The WRD would be better served in working with the cities and comply with the law."



Members of Downey Cadette Girl Scout Troop 2485 received the Silver Award at a recent regional ceremony in Redondo Beach. The Silver Award is the highest award Cadette Girl Scouts can earn. The theme of the Silver Award project was "Helping Animals" and included several volunteer efforts and contributions to SEAACA. Award recipients included (back row, from left): Anna Collier, Jessica Torres, Nicolette Aguilar, Elena Santana, Taylor Finn, Kailey Tomas, Allyson Johnson, Sabrina Canales and Kelly Knowles. Front row: Ashlyn Booth and Isabel Isham-Silva. Not pictured: Mikayla Minning and Hayley Sartor.

Downey High alumni reminisce at reunion

• Reunion brings together Downey High alumni going back as far as 1935.

By Henry Veneracion
Staff Writer

DOWNEY – In planning for a combined reunion of mainly 1940s-'50s Downey High School alumni for June 15, none of its chief organizers ever imagined a sizable number would be interested in the proposal, much less turn up for the event.

But as contacted alumni residing in such far-flung places as Virginia, Wisconsin, Oklahoma, Missouri, Texas, Utah, Idaho, New Mexico and Tulare, signified their keen openness to the idea and, after a couple of e-mail exchanges back and forth confirmed their intention to attend, it became clear that this wasn't going to be the usual backslapping, regular-type reunion, featuring time-consuming speeches and the conferring of recognitions and the like. So they had to plan accordingly.

The committee could only commit to a total of 262 attendees, and 32 people had to be turned away, because of the limited capacity of the Rio Hondo Event Center, said Jeannette Kemp, a '50 alumna and one of the reunion's three organizers. A resident of Indio, she said the organizing committee was not really surprised at the gratifying response since "People do love reunions" even though the committee promised "no frills but only a sit-down chance to talk to one another."

She told the alumni: "The whole premise was simply for everybody to have a good time. You accepted

this idea, and while some people helped us [organizing committee] with all this preparation, it was you who did this because you called each other up."

And indeed when June 15 finally rolled around last week, everybody seemed very relaxed and at ease with the informal and natural way the gathering unfolded, and everybody most definitely seemed to have a jolly good time of it.

The alumni were grouped according to the year of their graduation. The classes with the biggest representation were the classes of '50 and '51, who occupied several tables, with a smattering of '41, '43-'46 graduates all lumped together in one table. The classes of '47, '48, '49, '52, '54, and '55, also had a relatively substantial presence, with the '56-'59 graduates sharing a table with other adjoining alumni.

The Downey Historical Society's Bob Thompson, class of '59, provided an extra touch to the proceedings: among his contributions was a mounted pictorial display of '50s Downey; a few class and individual photos; individual postcard-pictures of Downey's past, including a 1930 photograph of Charles and Anne Lindbergh as they were about to board their new Lockheed Sirius for an eventual record-setting transcontinental flight, as well as its designer Jerry Vultee—which Thompson said was there for the taking.

Emceeding was Charles Carpenter, another of the organizers and '50 senior class president, who said it was inevitable to see fellow alumni "go in different directions" and it was nice to "see you back so we can talk about old times." He then introduced 95-year old Catherine Corkum Eckstrom, class of '35 and a

resident of Balboa Island, who was in her wheelchair; it was learned that she earlier wrote to the committee that "I really want to come."

Two '38 graduates also in their nineties were present as well: when asked to narrate the highlight of her high school experience as a cheerleader, (still) Downey resident Jane Terrel Bessent said, "I can't remember"; the other was Ruth Lang Bonham of Simi Valley.

Alfonso Cabrera, class of '41 or '42 and now residing in Compton, was popular among the alumni: they apparently knew or heard about his exploits as a high school track and field standout as well as his stories about his role in WWII. He said he could not in conscience talk about himself at length and wanted to defer to the other speakers.

Rev. Bill Hansen, class of '46, who gave an eloquent invocation, said he's the retired pastor of Hollywood Presbyterian, and still volunteers there for one of the church's pet projects. He said driving down Firestone Boulevard "brought back a lot of memories."

Guest speaker Tom Houts, current Downey High principal, wowed the former (and older) students with his mention of the 964-member graduating class this year, when the graduating seniors of yesteryear barely approached 50; the number of graduates getting acceptance letters from prestigious colleges and universities such as Cornell and others; and the great variety of courses and programs now available to students. He assured them, "The kids [here today] are great, and Downey High is a great, great school," to loud applause.

Addressing future alumni, Houts suggested it will mean a tremendous amount to their teachers

if their former students were to let them know how they're doing after leaving Downey High.

Speaking prior to Houts, Lisa Guerrero, ASB president and about to graduate, didn't need to say much about the school's current 4,000-student population, and held up a copy of this year's practically coffee table-sized Downey High yearbook and said it costs \$100 apiece, as compared to the older versions.

Updating the gathered alumni further, the other scheduled student speaker, David Saenz, who's this year's senior class president and also due to graduate, noted Downey High has a farm on campus and that his senior class has also fashioned and secured a time capsule containing 2012 items of interest and artifacts that won't be opened until 50 or 100 years into the future.

This reporter came upon a time capsule of sorts when he flipped the pages of a thin 1952 yearbook laid out on a table alongside some other denser-looking yearbooks representing different years. This was what he read: 1952 median family income -- \$3,890; price of a gallon of gas -- 27 cents; loaf of bread -- 19 cents; postage stamp -- 3 cents; minimum wage -- 75 cents.

In looking at future reunions, Kemp said they don't have to be regular, cyclical, 10-year or 25-year affairs: "It could be held any time." If the classes from the '40s and '50s really love reunions, they know the numbers to call, or send their e-mails to, next time.

Raytheon gets contract to replace dispatch consoles

DOWNEY – Raytheon Company has been chosen by Los Angeles County to replace legacy emergency dispatch consoles with new ones that can easily be expanded for emerging public safety technologies such as Long Term Evolution, a high-speed, wireless broadband data network.

Under a \$12.5 million contract, Raytheon will replace all public safety communications consoles for the sheriff and fire departments, allowing them to be more responsive to their communities while raising efficiency and lowering maintenance costs.

"Our first responders deserve the best equipment to save lives," said Mike Prout, vice president of Security and Transportation Systems for Raytheon's Network Centric Systems business. "Raytheon provides innovative technologies that every sheriff's deputy or firefighter can rely on."

When the twin-screen consoles are in place, public safety dispatchers can readily see which units are available and have the shortest response time in handling both routine and emergency incidents. For L.A. County, the changes will also bring about increased interoperability between jurisdictions.

For example, county Fire Department dispatchers will now have the ability to directly connect with nearby fire agencies at the touch of a button. The California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL-Fire) and Riverside, San Bernardino and Orange counties can form talk groups on radio channels that provide immediate communications with dispatchers. This will enhance both efficiency and safety in responding to multi-agency wildfires and other emergency situations.

"This type of interoperability is exactly what first responders need in this era of multi-agency, multi-discipline responses," said John Lenihan, Battalion chief, L.A. County Fire Department.

"These radio consoles are the first step in improving interoperability throughout the region," added Capt. Scott Edson, commander of the Sheriff's Department Communications and Fleet Management Bureau. "They allow our Public Response Dispatchers to more efficiently serve the deputies in the field, including 'patching' other radio systems together in a time of need. Raytheon is again helping us do even more to protect our deputies and the communities we serve."

TJ Kennedy, director of Public Safety and Security at Raytheon's Network Centric Systems business, noted that, "The hardware and software integration will be done at Raytheon's Public Safety Regional Technology Center in Downey, Calif., near Los Angeles. It is the only one of its kind in the country focused on developing open architecture and open communications standards for public safety professionals. And, it was designed to help first responders integrate new solutions and learn how future technologies can benefit their communities."

Raytheon is currently installing new mobile data laptop computers in more than 2,000 Sheriff's Department vehicles to increase safety and help deputies perform more efficiently.

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West Nile virus confirmed in elderly woman

LOS ANGELES – A 70-year-old Kern County woman is the first confirmed human case of West Nile virus infection in California this year, state health officials announced.

The woman was hospitalized but is now recovering. “The first confirmed West Nile virus case reminds us that we must take precautions to protect ourselves and our families from mosquito bites,” said Dr. Ron Chapman, state health officer and director of the California Department of Public Health. “West Nile virus activity is greatest during the summertime.”

West Nile virus is transmitted to people and animals through the bite of an infected mosquito. One in five people infected with West Nile virus will exhibit symptoms that usually occur between 5-15 days from infection and can include fever, headache, body aches, nausea, or skin rash.

One in 150 people with the virus will require hospitalization. Severe symptoms include high fever, muscle weakness, neck stiffness, coma, paralysis and even death. The risk of serious illness to most people is low but some people – less than 1 percent – can develop a serious neurologic illness such as encephalitis or meningitis.

People ages 50 and older have a higher chance of getting sick and are more likely to develop complications. Recent data also indicates that those with diabetes or hypertension are at greatest risk for serious illness.

To date in 2012, West Nile virus has been found in 15 California counties.

The state health department recommends people prevent exposure to mosquito bites and West Nile virus by practicing the “Three Ds”:

DEET – Apply insect repellent containing DEET, picaridin, oil of lemon eucalyptus or IR3535. DEET can be used safely on infants and children 2 months of age or older, health officials said.

Dawn and Dusk – Mosquitoes bite in the early morning and evening so it is important to wear proper clothing and repellent if outside during these times. Make sure that your doors and windows have tight-fitting screens to keep mosquitoes out. Repair or replace screens with tears or holes.

Drain – Mosquitoes lay their eggs on standing water. Eliminate all sources of standing water on your property, including flower pots, old car tires, rain gutters and pet bowls. If you know of a swimming pool that is not being properly maintained, contact your local mosquito and vector control agency.

Residents are encouraged to report all dead birds and tree squirrels by calling (877) 968-2473.

Meanwhile, West Nile virus was confirmed in a mosquito sample collected in Encino last week. Statewide, there have been 91 positive mosquito samples identified across six counties, a “dramatic increase” from the five samples confirmed statewide at this time last year, vector control officials said.

“This is a reminder that West Nile virus continues to be a problem here in Los Angeles County,” said Susanne Klueh, director of scientific technical services for the Greater Los Angeles County Vector Control District. “We can anticipate more activity as the season progresses.”



Robert Rubio was installed as president of Downey Sister Cities Association during an installation ceremony last Thursday at the Knights of Columbus. Mike Murray, who served as president of the group in 2009, installed the new officers. Pictured above, from left: Rubio, Murray, second vice president Maria Guerrero, treasurer Maria Avila and first vice president Denise Juarez. Not pictured is secretary Samantha Wooddell.

Downey man pleads guilty to mail fraud

DOWNEY – A former tax preparer who scammed Latino homeowners out of their homes was sentenced to two years in federal prison on Monday.

Pablo Araque, 41, pleaded guilty in January to identity theft and mail fraud.

Working out of his office in Downey, Araque admitted using fake employment and income records to secure the title to victims' homes before draining the equity.

Araque sold phony income records to straw buyers, resulting in more than \$1 million in losses to lenders.

Prosecutors said the operation was managed by Juan Rangel, who is currently in prison serving a 22-year prison term for a separate Ponzi scheme that bilked investors out of \$30 million.

A third defendant, Javier Juanchi, is scheduled to be sentenced Sept. 24.

Woman's Club hands out \$4K scholarships

DOWNEY – Sarabeth Schibler, who graduated this week from Warren High School with a 4.7 grade point average, has been awarded a \$4,000 scholarship from the Woman's Club of Downey. Schibler will attend Cornell University in the fall.

The Woman's Club, through its foundation, awards academic and vocational scholarships worth \$4,000 each year. The scholarship is paid through four annual payments of \$1,000.

Past scholarship recipients include Warren High students Richard Lee (Princeton), Natalie Bertinelli (UCLA) and Dana Kendall (Brigham Young), and Downey High students Dora Alvarez (Berkeley), Victoria Beyrooty (UCLA) and Megan Newbold (UCLA).

Pam Pontes and Juana Garcia, who are scheduled to graduate from Downey Adult School's nursing program this December, also received scholarships.

Dana Kendall, who just completed her third year at Brigham Young, said the scholarship provided her an opportunity to study in Spain.

“Most importantly for me, I have been able to live in a special dorm for two years – a language immersion program where I only speak Spanish in my apartment so that I can learn to be fluent,” Kendall wrote in a letter to the Woman's Club. “I now have one year left until I graduate with a bachelor's degree in Spanish translation, and the Woman's Club scholarship has helped make it possible for me to truly become fluent. I hope to follow your example one day and help other students when I am in a position to do so.”

Downey High pool opens Monday

DOWNEY – Just in time for summer, Downey High School's swimming pool will open to the public Monday for recreational swim.

The pool will be open Monday through Saturday from 1-4:30 p.m. and Friday nights from 7-9 p.m.

Admission is \$3 per person.

Swim lessons are offered daily for different skill levels, including Mommy & Me Swim, Intro to Water, Learn to Swim and adult courses.

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Osteoporosis screenings next week

DOWNEY – Dr. Joel Bird of the Integrative Wellness Center in Downey will conduct free osteoporosis screenings Monday and Thursday next week.

Bird uses a machine called the Schick AccuDexa Osteoporosis Testing Device, which takes a radiograph of a person's middle finger and compares the bone density to a database of other people of the same age, sex and ethnicity.

The database is updated regularly and is based on research provided by the World Health Organization.

According to Bird, this type of screening uses a lower dose of radiation than traditional methods and without messy creams or gels. There is also no need for patients to remove clothing.

For more information on the free screenings, call (562) 658-7956. The Integrative Wellness Center is at 8036 3rd St.



Downey Adult School students Patty Kwee, Edith Navas, Isabel DeLuna, Eva Myers and Mayra Perez qualified recently to take the California Shorthand Reporters Examination to be held June 22 in Los Angeles. The exam is given three times a year and is the equivalent to a bar exam. It is a two-day test, with academic subjects tested on one day and machine dictation a different day. To be eligible for the state test, students must have completed 660 hours of academic training in English, legal studies, medical terminology, court procedures, California codes and computers.

Discount tennis classes for kids

DOWNEY – The city of Downey is offering a low-cost tennis class for first-time players ages 8-17.

Classes start July 3 and meet Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1:30-3:30 p.m.

Cost is \$10; the city will provide tennis racquets and tennis balls.

Parents should register their children at the Community Services Department at City Hall.

For more information, call (562) 904-7238.

Summer classes still open

DOWNEY – The city of Downey's Community Services Department has open spots for a variety of classes, including line dancing, zumba gold, tap dance, youth chess, cooking, Polynesian dancing and more.

Learn about class schedules and details by calling (562) 904-7223 or go online to downeyca.org and click the "Community Services Department" tab.

Parks to host summer camps

DOWNEY – Downey residents in need of full-day summer childcare may want to consider the city's camp program being offered at several Downey parks.

Camp Independence (ages 11-13), Performing Arts Camp (ages 8-14) and Wilderness Camp (ages 6-10) offer daily childcare from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m., along with a mid-week excursion and daily snack.

There are also partial-day camps for ages 7-12, including Ooey Gooley Camp, Top Chef Camp and Photography Camp.

New this year is Spanish Camp, where kids will learn to read simple words in Spanish while learning traditional folk songs.

Camps start July 9 and conclude Aug. 10. For more information, call the Community Services Department at (562) 904-7223.

City plans summer excursions

DOWNEY – Tickets are now on sale at the Barbara J. Riley Community and Senior Center for several planned excursions this summer.

A July 25 trip to Sea World is \$70 per person for ages 10 and up. The bus departs at 7:30 a.m. and is scheduled to return at 7:30 p.m.

Tickets to concerts at the Hollywood Bowl are \$10 per person. All buses leave at 6 p.m.

The concert lineup includes Frozen Planet on July 6, Carmina Burana on Aug. 28 and the Los Angeles Philharmonic on Sept. 11.

Tickets are now on sale for adults ages 50 and older. Adults under the age of 50 can purchase tickets beginning July 5.

All excursions depart and return from the senior center.

Library group installs officers

DOWNEY – The Friends of the Downey City Library installed its executive board for 2012-13 last Wednesday during an installation ceremony at the library.

Returning board members include Pat Smith, president; Marilyn Van Dyke, program chair; Sharon Macias, membership chair; Eunice Hammond, co-treasurer; Colette Stallcup, bookstore director; and Kathy Callahan, publicity.

New board members include Alison Stafford, fundraising; Steve Perez, secretary; Susan Bouris, co-treasurer; and Leonor Marroquin, newsletter editor.

Board members serve a one-year term from July through June of the following year.

Alleged prostitution ring recruited European women

LOS ANGELES – A Los Angeles man, along with his current wife and ex-wife, face federal charges following a 10-month probe that allegedly revealed they recruited women in Eastern Europe and arranged for them to come to the Los Angeles area to work as prostitutes.

Mher "Mike" Hakopyan, 38; his current wife, Natalya Muravyeva, 31; and his ex-wife, Alla Kassianova, 43, are accused in a federal complaint of conspiracy to transport in furtherance of prostitution. According to the case affidavit, the defendants operated a large-scale prostitution enterprise that brought women, primarily from Eastern Europe, to Southern California to work in the sex trade.

Hakopyan and Muravyeva were arrested by special agents with U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement's (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) and detectives from the Santa Monica Police Department Monday. Kassianova is still being sought at this time and investigators believe she may be out of the country.

The charges are the culmination of a joint probe by HSI and the Santa Monica Police Department. The two agencies received substantial assistance with the investigation from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP). The case is being prosecuted by the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Central District of California.

"The Department of Justice is committed to protecting vulnerable victims from ruthless profiteers," said U.S. Attorney André Birotte Jr. "International prostitution rings like the one alleged in this case span jurisdictions and have a direct negative impact on both the women involved and also on our local communities. That is why partnerships with local law enforcement agencies, like the Santa Monica Police Department, are vital to our continued success in investigating and in prosecuting this criminal behavior."

According to the case affidavit, the defendants used recruiters in Eastern Europe to identify women who were potentially interested in working for the criminal organization. The defendants then allegedly purchased the women plane tick-

ets and coached them how to enter the United States through the Visa Waiver Program.

Once the women arrived in the Los Angeles area, it is alleged the defendants helped them find housing and arranged for them to be professionally photographed. The provocative pictures were subsequently posted on various websites the defendants used to promote the ring's services, including eros-guide.com, cityvibe.com and thatmall.com. The case affidavit references 14 women definitively identified by agents during the investigation whom the defendants either brought to the U.S. or attempted to bring to the U.S. to work as prostitutes.

"Criminal ventures like this degrade the quality of life in our neighborhoods, as well as the women involved," said Claude Arnold, special agent in charge of HSI Los Angeles. "HSI will continue to work closely with federal prosecutors and our law enforcement partners to attack and dismantle these types of enterprises that prey on the vulnerable and often bring other criminal activity into our area."

"If the allegations in this case prove true, the defendants' actions were reprehensible," said Santa Monica Police Chief Jacqueline Seabrooks.

During Monday's enforcement action, agents executed search warrants at a Los Angeles residence and two area apartments that are suspected of serving as brothels for the ring.

The probe began in September 2011 after CBP officers intercepted two Latvian women at Los Angeles International Airport who were attempting to enter the United States under the Visa Waiver Program. When questioned by CBP officers about the purpose of their trip, the women's stories included many inconsistencies. Subsequently, a query of DHS databases indicated the women's travel reservations had been made by defendant Hakopyan. The women were ultimately refused entry and returned to Moscow.

Hakopyan and Muravyeva made their initial appearance in federal court in Santa Ana Monday afternoon. Both were ordered held without bail.

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Knott's historian to speak at library

DOWNEY – Author J. Eric Lynxwiler will present a history of Knott's Berry Farm at the Downey City Library this Saturday at 2 p.m.

Lynxwiler will discuss his book, "Knott's Preserved: from Boysenberry to Theme Park."

The book explores the Walter Knott family business, established in 1920, and its development into a world famous chicken dinner restaurant and theme park.

Copies of the book will be available for purchase and signing at the free event, which is sponsored by the Friends of the Downey City Library.

To register, call (562) 904-7360, ext. 132.

Bible school at Moravian church

DOWNEY – The Moravian Church of Downey will host a free vacation Bible school for children in preschool through fifth grade.

This year's theme is "Jesus Is Always With Us." It runs July 2-6 from 9-11 a.m. daily.

The program includes music, Bible stories, games, crafts and more.

To register, call Karla Duarte at (562) 927-0718 or e-mail office@downeymoravian.org.

Senior talent show this weekend

DOWNEY – The ninth annual Downey Senior Follies, a talent show featuring senior citizen residents, takes place this weekend at the Barbara J. Riley Community and Senior Center.

Performances are scheduled for Friday at 6 p.m., and Saturday and Sunday at 3 p.m.

Tickets are \$6 and must be purchased in advance from the senior center. No tickets will be sold at the door.

Summer reading programs at the library

DOWNEY – "Dream Big: Read" is the theme of the Downey City Library's summer reading program for kids up to 12 years old.

The program encourages kids to read independently at home to earn prizes.

Registration begins June 25 at the library. The first 75 kids to sign-up each day from June 25-27 will receive a balloon.

The library will also host special performances Thursdays at 2 p.m. during the month of July.

The theme for the teen summer reading program is "Feed Your Brain" and runs through July 28.

Young adults who register for the program can earn prizes for up to 12 hours of readings. Teen who complete the program are eligible for a pizza party on July 27.

Adults can sign up for their own reading program, "Between the Covers," to receive a book bingo card. After reading five books, adults will have the chance to win gift baskets on display in the library lobby.

For more information on any of the programs, call (562) 904-7360, ext. 132.

Parks have programs for kids

DOWNEY – Kids ages 6-12 are invited to stop by Downey parks this summer to take part in free city-sponsored programs and activities.

The outdoor program, titled "Let's Go Play," is offered from 12-5 p.m. at Apollo, Dennis the Menace, Furman, Golden and Rio San Gabriel parks.

The program is offered at Brookshire Park from 12:30 to 4:30 p.m. The Brookshire Park program is co-sponsored by Gangs Out of Downey.

A daily schedule of activities is available at the Community Services Department located on the second floor of City Hall and at participating parks.

For details, call (562) 904-7238.

Law office collecting suit donations

DOWNEY – Local law firm Tredway Lumsdaine & Doyle (TLD) has partnered with a local nonprofit, Working Wardrobes, to launch "Law Suits & Legal Briefs," which provides gently-used business suits and accessories to men and women seeking employment.

Along with the clothing, TLD and Working Wardrobes provide monetary gifts to purchase underwear.

All four TLD offices – Downey, Long Beach, Irvine and Beverly Hills – are accepting donations through the end of July.

The campaign started June 5 with an event in Costa Mesa in which 40 TLC employees – including attorneys and administrative staff – worked with 20 people to help them select the right "law suit."

The 20 individuals came from Phoenix House, a nonprofit drug and alcohol rehabilitation center. In addition to the suits, they also received career guidance and personal grooming services to help boost their confidence as they strive to get their lives back on track.

TLD officials said they hope the program catches on with other area law firms.

For more information on how to donate a suit, call Working Wardrobes at (714) 210-2460 or TLD at (949) 756-0684.

Car show at Excelsior High

NORWALK – Pharaohs South Bay car club will host its 20th annual car show Sept. 16 at Excelsior High School in Norwalk.

The show will feature live performances by Rocky Padilla and MC Magic, along with food, raffles and fun for the kids.

Admission is \$10; free for kids 10 and younger.

To enter a car into the show, call David at (562) 760-8515. Entry fee is \$10 for lowrider bicycles, \$15 for motorcycles and \$25 for a car or truck if paid in advance.

Excelsior High School is at 15711 Pioneer Blvd.



Downey Conservancy honors Stox for preserving its architecture

DOWNEY – The Downey Conservancy saluted Stox restaurant on Monday with a cluster of gold-hued balloons and a commemorative plaque as the "oldest eating establishment in Downey" marking its 50th anniversary at its corner location on Imperial Highway and Bellflower Boulevard.

Downey Conservancy president George Redfox said the preservation group wanted to show its appreciation for Stox's continued efforts at preserving its "mid-century modern architecture" as well as for serving its clientele with an array of well-received home-concocted pies and more traditional fare over the years.

"With the help of our architect, we'll soon have a list of other business properties in Downey that we'll submit to the state as candidates for inclusion in its official historic property list," he said.

Redfox added that next on the Conservancy's to-do list is identifying residential buildings in the city that could also meet "historic property" criteria.

Other Downey Conservancy board members in attendance were Harold Tseklenis, Mark Echmalian, Kathy Perez, Don Lamkin and Meribeth Paulino.

–Henry Veneracion, staff writer

Golf pros to lead power clinic

DOWNEY – John Marshall, a two-time super senior national long drive champion who, at age 64, routinely sends golf balls more than 300 yards, will lead a free golf clinic at Los Amigos Country Club on July 21 at 11 a.m.

Marshall will explain the fundamentals of power golf and demonstrate them as well. Marshall, of Atlanta, has competed in long drive for the past eight years and was a finalist in championship competitions from 2004-07 and then 2010. He won the American Long Drivers Association national championship in 2005 and 2006.

After the clinic, Marshall will be joined by former PGA Tour teaching professional and performance advisor Bob Cisco and sports medicine specialist Dr. Alfred Garbutt for an "Effortless Power Workshop" that starts at 1 p.m.

Cisco is widely regarded as one of the top golf instructors in the country and has literally written the book ("Perfect Balance") on the importance of balance in a golf swing. His "plant and pivot" swing method is used by most world class professionals but few amateurs.

Garbutt is a well-known chiropractor and nutritionist. He will demonstrate core stabilization drills that will help golfers increase club head speed and distance on the course.

The workshop is \$147. For reservations or information, call Bob Cisco at (818) 448-9694.



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Letters to the Editor:

Marine service

Dear Editor:

My name is Staff Sergeant Matthew Jones. I am a native of Downey, Calif. I was born in Downey Community Hospital on April 21, 1980. I attended Gauldin Elementary, East Middle and Warren High School where I graduated in 1998. I immediately enlisted in the Marine Corps' delayed entry program and shipped to the Marine Corps Recruit Depot in San Diego in October 1998.

I have moved from one duty station to another six times since I enlisted, serving on both coasts of the United States, Japan and deploying to Iraq. My current duties are as a curriculum developer for the Digital Wideband Repair Course at the Marine Corps Communications Electronic School on the Marine Corps Air Ground Combat Center in Twenty-nine Palms, Calif.

It is my mission to create and manage the courseware used to train our new Marines in their entry level Military Occupational Specialty of 2831, Digital Wideband Repairmen.

The Marines we train will provide the crucial role in our Fleet Marine Force of repairing and maintaining the equipment which forms the backbone of our communications infrastructure. I know that my efforts and commitment to mission accomplishment directly effect how well these Marines perform their duties, and whether or not their fleet units can accomplish their missions.

I take pride in the success of each of these brave Americans that completes our course, knowing they are prepared for the challenges that face them in the Fleet Marine Force and in service to our great country.

Semper Fidelis,

Matthew S. Jones
Downey

Greek success

Dear Editor:

The Festival Committee, indeed the entire parish of St. George Greek Orthodox Church, wishes to express publicly their thanks to the Downey City Council and City staff, including the Police Department and Fire Department personnel, for their cooperation and help in making this year's Greek Food Festival a great success.

Together with the support of the residents of Downey the festival was the best ever. Thousands of visitors from as far away as Santa Barbara, San Diego, Hesperia and the beach cities flocked to Downey to enjoy the outstanding food and cultural exhibitions of the Festival. We are happy to report the event went off without a single untoward incident.

The hundred or so parishioners who worked for weeks preparing the food and pastries and cooked and served, were gratified with the positive response of the festival visitors and are encouraged to continue to make the festival offerings better each year. As one of our hard working ladies put it "we are happy to show the hospitality of St. George and our City of Downey to all of southern California".

The St. George parish is happy to showcase Downey's cultural richness in a so well attended Downey event.

Harold Tseklenis

On behalf of the Festival Committee

Graffiti removal

Dear Editor:

I am writing to say a big thank you to the city of Downey for the wonderful graffiti removal program they have.

Last week I was putting my trash cans out for pick up at approximately 6:30 a.m.; I live on 8th Street so the trash gets picked up from the alley behind our house. I was absolutely shocked to see graffiti on my wall and several of my neighbors' walls and garages.

I immediately called the graffiti hotline and a very nice lady answered and assured me they would be out soon. By 10 a.m. the same lady that answered the phone and her partner had our alley looking as good as new! They did an outstanding job and I am grateful to know there is such an efficient program to eradicate graffiti so quickly.

Sandy Wells

Downey

Bluebird shortage

Dear Editor:

It is well that bluebirds raise two or three broods each season because the number of these birds in the world has grown smaller.

Bird men say that there is a serious shortage of bluebird houses. People seem to be chopping down all the dead trees and as a result the snug nesting holes are cut down too. In some places bluebirds have actually been forced to build their nests in rural mail boxes.

To make up for this house shortage, people are now building thousands of bluebird nest boxes each year. They are rent-free to the bird "with the sky on his back and the red earth on his breast." No birds are finer guests than bluebirds as they help clean up garden pests. Their voices are never harsh and their blue feathers are like flowers in the garden. They seem to enjoy every minute of their stay as they are among the first birds to arrive and the last to leave.

They never will be windowsill birds like sparrows or chickadees as they are half wild, half tame creatures; the blue forget-me-nots of the air. Now we try for more broods with new nests for our bluebird friends.

Randy Renner

Downey

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Romancing the garbage:
business recycling and AB341

By Lars Clutterham

For the last two weeks in this space we've looked at nature's basic recycling process of composting as practiced on a personal level by Nancy Swenson, DUSD School Board President. At the far end of this individual scale are global, national, regional, and local industries devoted to the management of our human waste products, from penicillin to plastics and everything in between--as we've already detailed to some extent in past columns. "Waste management" isn't very romantic at a casual glance, but it's a topic of monumental daily concern to those responsible for handling, marketing and disposing of waste products. These participial designations suggest the very real intersection between business and government practices regarding waste management.

In Downey specifically there's a four-way collaboration between businesses, the City of Downey, CalMet Services, and the Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County, all under the jurisdiction of State and Federal laws. Looming just ahead for these four entities is the July 1 implementation of CA AB341 which adopts a goal of 75% waste diversion for certain businesses and multi-family residences.

The evolution of these goals reads as follows in the statute:
"SECTION 1. (a) The Legislature finds and declares both of the following:

(1) Since the enactment of the California Integrated Waste Management Act of 1989 . . . , local governments and private industries have worked jointly to create an extensive material collection and recycling infrastructure and have implemented effective programs to achieve a statewide diversion rate above 50 percent.

(2) Although the state now leads the nation in solid waste reduction and recycling, the state continues to dispose of more than 40 million tons of solid waste each year, which is more than the national average on a per capita basis. Additional efforts must be undertaken to divert more solid waste from disposal in order to conserve scarce natural resources.

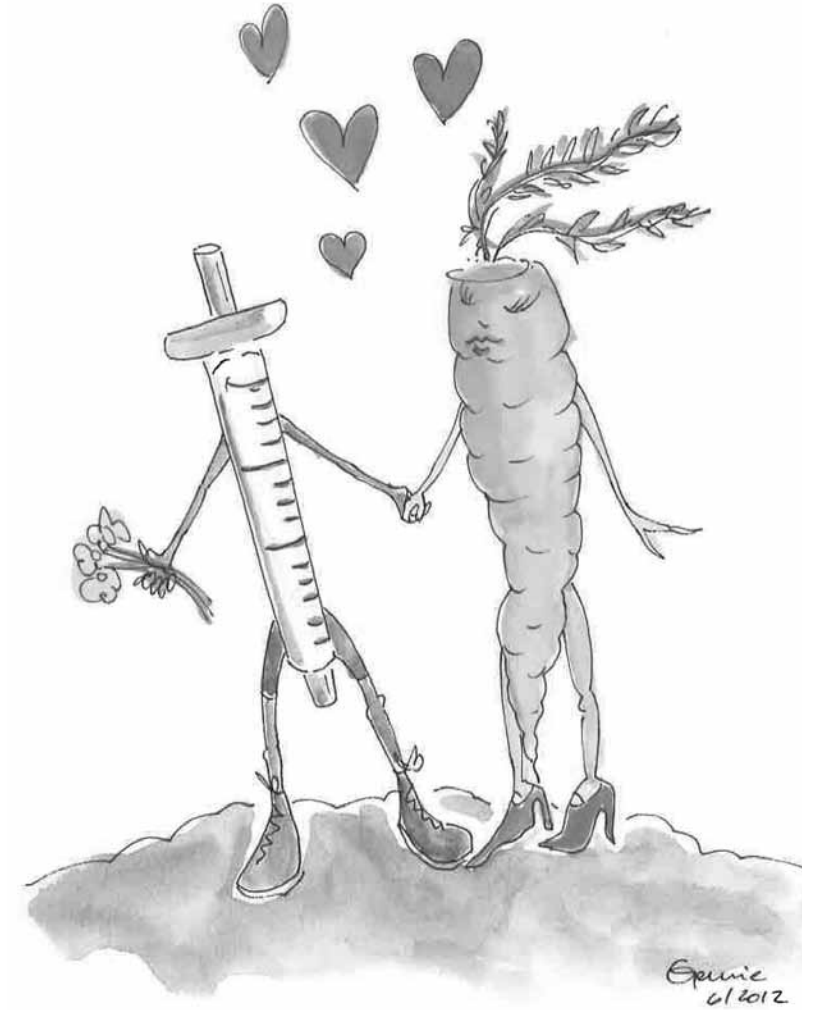
(b) The Legislature further finds and declares all of the following:

(1) Approximately 64 percent of the state's solid waste disposal is from commercial sources, including commercial, industrial, construction, and demolition activities. In addition, 8 percent of the state's solid waste disposal is from multifamily residential housing that is often collected along with the commercial waste stream.

(2) The state's local governments have made significant progress in reducing the amount of solid waste disposal from single-family residential sources that make up 28 percent of the state's disposal, but have faced more challenges in reducing disposal from the commercial and multifamily sources."

This introductory rationale for the new legislation is chock full of significant figures underlining the reasons for ramping up a 50% diversion rate to 75%. And the crux of the legislation is expressed in the bill as follows: "41780.01. (a) The Legislature hereby declares that it is the policy goal of the state that not less than 75 percent of solid waste generated be source reduced, recycled, or composted by the year 2020, and annually thereafter." Most striking here are the realities that businesses and multi-family residences constitute nearly three-quarters of the state's solid waste disposal stream and therefore have become the focus of these increased statewide goals.

Quoting further, the new law requires that, "on and after July 1, 2012, a business that generates more than four cubic yards of commercial solid



waste per week or is a multifamily residential dwelling of five units or more shall arrange for recycling services, consistent with state or local laws or requirements, including a local ordinance or agreement, applicable to the collection, handling, or recycling of solid waste, to the extent that these services are offered and reasonably available from a local service provider."

In Downey that service provider is CalMet Services, which collects business waste--trash and recycling--as contracted with the City, and transports most of it to CalMet's Paramount facility for sorting and transfer. (A certain amount also ends up at the local DART site, now owned and administered by the Sanitation Districts of L.A. County.)

Despite its ominous title, "Mandatory Commercial Recycling" (MCR), AB341 is actually a lot more about education and encouragement, at least in its early stages, than about enforcement. This perspective is confirmed not only by the wording of the statute, but also by City of Downey Integrated Waste Coordinator Kathy Simmons.

In our next installment on romancing the garbage, we'll further detail the 4-way collaboration outlined above that Downey businesses will be engaging, in order to achieve AB341's ambitious 75% diversion goals.

Defending debt - why it's good

When it comes to the best ways to use money, too many Americans operate under a key misconception, says investment adviser and financial planner Ike Ikkoku.

"Money is opportunity, and having a blind spot for maximizing investment can drastically reduce one's future options," says Ikkoku, author of *Winning the Money Game: Separating the Myths from the Truth* (www.winningthemoneygame.net).

That blind spot is debt, he says. Just as Americans have learned there are such things as good fats and good cholesterol, so too is there good debt for a prosperous financial future.

"The three most common ways people in this country get rich all involve using debt," he says. "They use it to launch businesses, invest in real estate, or pay for advanced degrees in order to become high-income earners."

Some myths born from the idea that all debt is bad include:

- Paying off your home mortgage provides financial security.
- A 15-year mortgage is always the quickest way to pay off your home.
- Putting money in your 401K or other qualified plan saves you taxes.
- The stock market is the only place to generate high, double-digit re-

turns.

Admonishments to "stay out of debt" prevent people from gaining financial independence, Ikkoku says. Investing in education, a new career in another state or a new business may be more lucrative than paying down a mortgage.

"My definition of being 'debt-free' is to have enough money so that you can pay off your debt at any time -- if you need to," he says. "But you don't necessarily want to do that. Good debt can save you money on taxes, increase your investment gains and allow you to take advantage of wealth-building opportunities. Bad debt, on the other hand, is like having a big hole in your money bucket."

Ikkoku developed a new personal financial plan after a period of successful investing imploded following the market crash in 2001. After filing for bankruptcy in 2003, he rebuilt his wealth -- using his new plan -- in five years. Today he is financially independent and his wealth secure.

"To a greater extent than many Americans suppose, money is plastic," he says. "That means you do not have to be rich in order to gain more wealth, and we do not have to follow old, outdated paths. We can all mold the money we have to a shape that yields better return."

Letters to the Editor:

Space shuttle mock-up

Dear Editor:

How exciting to see the Space Shuttle mock-up picture in Friday's L.A. Times.

What wonderful memories it brought back to me just before Father's Day. My father spent a good part of his life working at that facility. And on family open house day we were able to view the plant and see the mock-up.

This is a priceless artifact that we have. This was a dream. Men sat in their cubicles with their drawing boards, slide rulers and pencils to create a space truck. No computers yet. These dreams were the plans for the mock up, which was handmade in the shop.

We have an amazing one-of-a-kind Space Learning Center. Some of us were a little disappointed -- we were thinking more museum. But now with the mock-up we have our museum.

Whatever it takes we need to fight and fundraise to keep this treasure where it belongs here in Downey. And I hope the part of the article that said children would be climbing in that delicate cock pit was a misprint.

Gracie Eshilian

Downey

Park emergency

Dear Editor:

On my morning Wednesday walk at approximately 9:30 a.m. at San Gabriel Park (near the dog park area) I was flagged down by another walker looking for a phone.

We eventually found a phone and called the Downey paramedics and fire department, whom were extremely professional and showed genuine concern and appreciation for the patient while doing the same for bystanders, including myself.

The lady was only 34, in serious obvious psychological and physical stress. She asked that I not leave her side and hold her hands until the paramedics arrived. Even though this lady was in distress, she kept repeating "I want to see my daughter as she graduates from middle school today in Costa Mesa. I'm attempting to get there by bus and now I may not get to see her."

After paramedics arrived, they respectfully relieved us of our Good Samaritan duties in a very reassuring manner. And they took the patient.

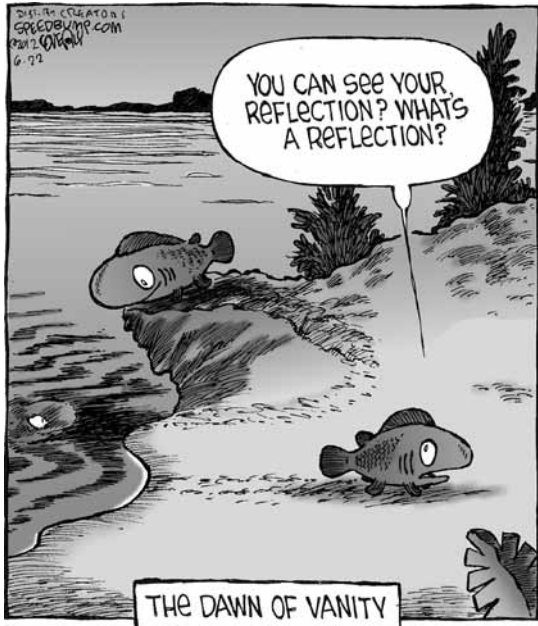
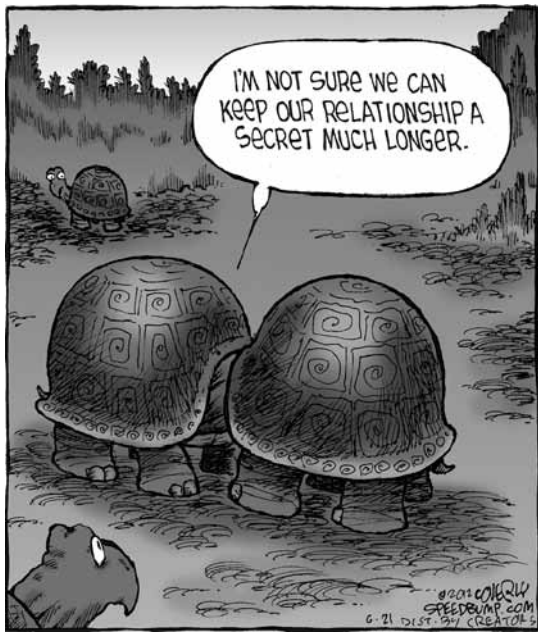
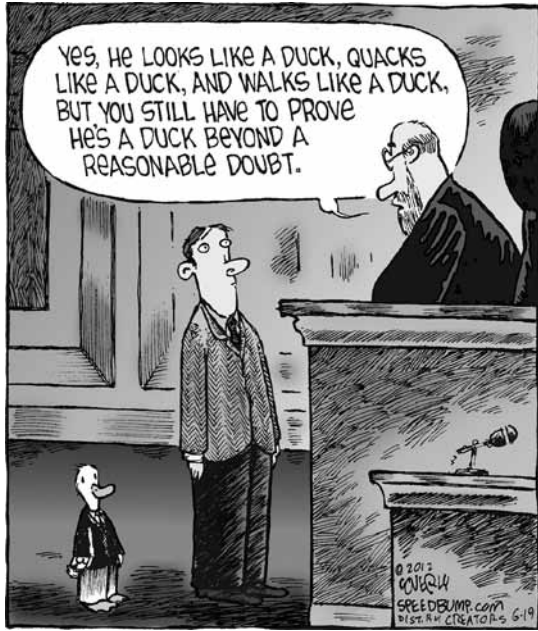
Downey paramedics and firefighters do deserve the recognition they receive for many reasons.

Leonard Zuniga

Downey

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Downey Community Calendar

Events For June

Fri. - Sun. June 22 - 24: **Senior Follies**, Barbara J. Riley Community & Senior Center, times vary
 Sat. June 23: **Author J. Eric Lynxwiler**, Downey City Library, 2 p.m.
 Tues. June 26: **Grand opening celebration**, Hometown Hardware & Garden, 12 p.m.
 Thurs. June 28: **Grand opening celebration**, Fantastic Sam's inside Stonewood Center, 5 p.m.

City Meetings

1st Tuesday, 6:30 p.m.: **Redevelopment Project Area Committee**, Cornack Meeting Room at Downey Library.
 1st & 3rd Wednesday, 6:30 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 Tuesday, 6:00 p.m.: **Emergency Preparedness Committee**, at Fire Station No. 1, 12222 Paramount Blvd.
 2nd & 4th Tuesday, 7:30 p.m.: **City Council/Community Development Commission**, Council Chamber.
 3rd Tuesday, 6:30 p.m.: **Library Advisory Board**, at Downey City Library.

Regularly Scheduled Meetings

Mondays

2nd Mon., 11 a.m.: **American Legion Auxiliary #270**, at United Methodist Church.
 3rd Mon., 7 p.m.: **American Legion Post #270**, at Rio Hondo Event Center, for more info. call (562) 400-6244.
 4th Mon., 7:30 p.m.: **Downey Numismatists**, at Downey Retirement Center, call 862-6666.

Tuesdays

9:30 a.m.: **Downey Seniors Club**, at Apollo Park, for information call Nadine Morris at 923-9422.
 10 a.m.: **Downey Bocce Club**, at 7850 Quill Drive, for information call John Fiorenza at 652-4399.
 12 p.m.: **Rotary Club**, at Rio Hondo, for information e-mail Diane Davis at ddavis87@me.com.
 6 p.m.: **Toastmasters Club 587**, at First Baptist Church, for info call John McAllister 869-0928.
 6:15 p.m.: **Downey Knights of Columbus Bingo**, at 11231 Rives, for info call 923-1932.
 7 p.m.: **Boy Scout Troop 2**, at Downey United Methodist Church, for information call 869-6478.
 1st Tues., 7:30 a.m.: **Gangs Out of Downey**, at City Hall training room.
 2nd Tues., 3 p.m.: **Keep Downey Beautiful**, at City Hall, for more information call 904-7117.
 2nd and 4th Tues., 6 p.m.: **Sertoma Club**, at Cafe 'N Stuff, for information call 927-6438.
 2nd Tues., 6 p.m.: **Downey Fly Fishers**, at Apollo Park, for information call 425-7936.
 3rd Tues., 6:30 p.m.: **Community Emergency Response Team meeting**, Fire station 1, 12222 Paramount.
 3rd Tues., 7:30 p.m.: **Writer's Workshop West**, at at Downey High School library, for info call 862-3106.
 Tues., Thurs. & Sat., 10 a.m.: **Downey Bocce Club**, at 7850 Quill Drive, for info. call John Fiorenza 652-4399.

Wednesdays

7 a.m.: **Kiwanis Club**, at Rio Hondo Events Center. Call Steve Roberson at 927-2626.
 1 p.m.: **Women's Bocce Club**, at 7850 Quill Drive, for information call Marie Puch at 869-4366.
 7 p.m.: **Out Post 132 Royal Rangers**, at Desert Reign Church, for info call 928-8000.
 1st Weds., 11 a.m.: **Woman's Club of Downey**, for information call Cheryl Olson 833-8954.
 1st Weds., 11:30 a.m.: **Downey Coordinating Council**, at Community Center, for information call 923-4357.
 1st Weds., 7:30 p.m.: **Downey Stamp Club**, at Maude Price School cafeteria, for information call 928-3028.
 2nd Weds., 11:30 a.m.: **Christian Women's Club**, at Los Amigos Country Club, call Anita 861-3414.
 2nd Weds., 7:30 p.m.: **Downey Model A Club**, at Gallatin School Cafeteria, for information call 928-4132.
 2nd & 4th Weds., 5:30 p.m.: **Lions Club**, at Sunrise Realty, for information call 577-1104.
 3rd Weds., - **Downey Dog Obedience Club**, at Apollo Park, for info. call Gina 869-5213 or Valerie 420-2972.
 3rd Weds., 10 a.m.: **Los Angeles County Quilters Guild**, at Women's Club, for information call 426-2418.
 3rd Weds., 6 p.m.: **American Business Women's Association**, Rio Hondo Country Club, Call Barbara Carlson 863-2192.
 4th Weds., 12:00 noon: **Retired Federal Employees**, at Barbara J Riley Center, call 943-5513.
 Wed. & Fri., 10:15 a.m.: **Senior Bingo**, at Apollo Park, for information call 904-7223.

Thursdays

7:30 a.m.: **Connections Networking**, at Bob's Big Boy, for info., call Nick Smith, 861-5222.
 7:30 a.m.: **Soroptimist Int'l of Downey**, for information, call Mia Vasquez, 806-3217.
 12 p.m.: **Kiwanis Club of Downey**, at Rio Hondo Events Center, call Roy Jimenez 923-0971.
 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.
 1st Thurs., 12:00 noon: **Downey Christian & Professional Luncheon**, at Sizzler's Restaurant, call James Vanlengan 310-1335.
 2nd Thurs., 7:30 p.m.: **Beaming Rebel Foxes Collectors Club**, for more information call Carl D. Jones at 923-2400.
 3rd Thurs., 4 p.m.: **Public Works Committee**, at City Hall Training Room.
 3rd Thurs., 6 p.m.: **Downey CIPAC**, at Sizzler's Restaurant, for information call Rich Tuttle 413-6045.
 4th Thurs., 10 a.m.: **Assistance League**, at Casa De Parley Johnson. for information call 869-0232.
 4th Thurs., 7:30 p.m.: **Downey Historical Society programs**, at Community Center. Call 862-2777.

Fridays

7:30 a.m.: **Pro Networkers**, at Mimi's Cafe, for information call Barbara Briley Beard at 869-7618
 3rd Fri., 8:30 a.m.: **Women's "In His Glory" Ministry** at Los Amigos C. C. 622-3785.

Saturdays

9 a.m.: **Farmers Market**, Second Street at New Avenue, for information call 904-7246.
 2nd Sat., 12:30 p.m.: **AAUW**, Los Amigos Country Club.

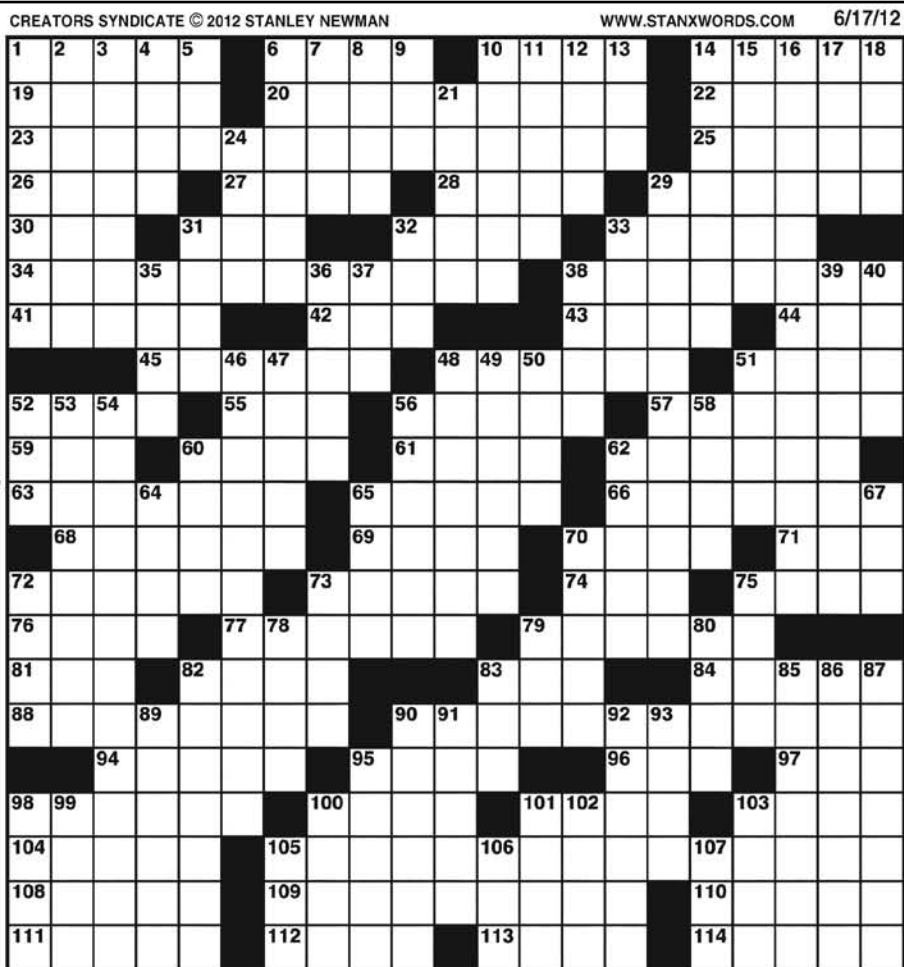
On This Day...

June 21, 1964: Three civil rights workers disappeared in Philadelphia, Miss. Their bodies were found buried in an earthen dam six weeks later. Eight members of the Ku Klux Klan went to prison on federal conspiracy charges; none served more than six years.
1982: John Hinckley Jr. was found innocent by reason of insanity in the shooting of President Ronald Reagan.
1989: The Supreme Court ruled that burning the American flag as a form of political protest is protected by the First Amendment.
Birthdays: Actress Meredith Baxter (65), actor Michael Gross (65), actor Doug Savant (48), Prince William (30) and singer Kris Allen (27).

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Hometown Hardware to cut ribbon

DOWNEY – Hometown Hardware & Garden will celebrate its impending grand opening Tuesday at noon.

The Downey Chamber of Commerce is handling the ribbon-cutting ceremony.

The company is owned by Greg Fuller, Ray Brown and Rob Morck, formerly of All American Home Center. It is located at 10001 Paramount Blvd. in the former Vons building.

Bastards ribbon cutting

DOWNEY – Bastards sports bar opened in time for Memorial Day but will formally celebrate its grand opening with a ribbon cutting ceremony July 3 at noon.

The celebration is organized by the Downey Chamber of Commerce.

The restaurant is owned by Nick Velez and Calvin Spencer.

Fantastic Sams opens in mall

DOWNEY – A ribbon-cutting ceremony will be held June 28 at 5 p.m. for a new Fantastic Sams location inside Stonewood Center.

The salon is owned by Kim Chang and located near the food court.

Senior Fair takes place Aug. 14

CERRITOS – Local senior citizens are invited to attend the 10th annual Senior Fair on Aug. 14 sponsored by Rep. Linda Sanchez.

Local organizations and agencies will be providing resources, including free health screenings, health education, information on food assistance programs, veterans assistance, consumer protection education, housing assistance, utility assistance, details on job training programs and elder law information.

Admission is free and no RSVP is required. Free lunch will be provided.

The Senior Fair takes place from 9 a.m. to noon at the Cerritos Center for Performing Arts in Cerritos.

For more information, call (562) 860-5050.

Arts complex hosting open house

NORWALK – The Norwalk Arts & Sports Complex will host an open house Saturday from 9 a.m. to noon and will feature demonstrations and performances by various class instructors, along with entertainment, crafts and raffles.

There will also be informational booths for aquatics, therapeutics, tots, parks, boxing, youth and adult sports, the Teen Center, Nature Center, Golf Center and more.

The Norwalk Arts & Sports Complex is at 13000 Clarkdale Ave. For more information, call (562) 929-5566.

Security firm honored by Honda

DOWNEY – RMI International, the security firm that last year was awarded the contract to patrol Downtown Downey, was honored by American Honda Motor Co. last week with its Premier Partner Award for “demonstrating excellence in quality, value and customer service.”

RMI was among 14 other honorees selected from 15 suppliers nominated by American Honda associates, out of more than 1,000 eligible companies.

The awards program was established in 1998 to recognize suppliers who embrace American Honda’s philosophy of exceeding customer expectations with quality and exceptional service.

RMI, based in Paramount, supplies security and related services to American Honda.

Credit union launches pre-paid debit card

DOWNEY – Capitalizing on today’s prepaid, reloadable card trend, Financial Partners Credit Union has launched its own reloadable debit card for its membership.

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Superintendent takes USC job

NORWALK – Maria Ott, former superintendent of the Little Lake School District, will leave her superintendent job with Rowland Unified to teach at USC, Walnut Patch reported this week.

Her last day is in August. “My experiences as Superintendent of Rowland Unified have truly enriched my life, and it has been an honor to serve,” Ott told the news website. “I am retiring knowing that the District has made outstanding progress on every level.”

Ott is expected to become an “executive in residence” at USC, teaching at the USC School of Education.

She previously worked as superintendent of the Little Lake School District, overseeing schools that serve Norwalk, Santa Fe Springs and portions of Downey.

She left to become senior deputy superintendent in the Los Angeles Unified School District.

FBI arrests 3 for real estate fraud

TUSTIN – Agents with the FBI and Secret Service arrested three men who allegedly defrauded homeowners, banks and investors in schemes that targeted the distressed homeowner market and caused more than \$10 million in losses, federal officials announced last week.

Those arrested included Atiqulla Nabizada, 29, of Coto de Caza; Kenneth Moore, 49, of Tustin; and Ahmed Tariq Asghari, 32, of Sherman Oaks.

A federal grand jury returned two indictments on June 1 that charge the three men with fraud violations and identity theft in connection with a variety of schemes utilizing real or purported short sale real estate transactions and home loans.

According to court documents, the trio created fake short sale approval letters purportedly issued by a bank. Many of the properties targeted were distressed homes.

In some cases, the defendants claimed to have insiders working at the bank who, in exchange for cash, would authorize short sales for far less than the fair market value. This allowed the defendants to “flip” the house for a significant profit.

As a result, homebuyers and investors purchased homes they thought had a clear title but were actually devalued and subject to hundreds of thousands of dollars worth of liens.

In some cases, the defendants would assume the identities of property owners and then sell or refinance the properties without permission. In one case, a home owned by people in Saudi Arabia was transferred multiple times and resulted in more than \$1 million in losses, authorities said.

Court documents indicate that many co-conspirators knowingly played roles in the schemes, including escrow officers and others who would conceal documents to hide the fraud.

All three defendants were arrested last week and are in federal custody awaiting court appearances.

Federal agents also executed search warrants and residential and business locations in Los Angeles and Orange counties. Agents seized more than \$1.7 million held in bank accounts, \$548,937 in cash, two Bentleys and one Mercedes. Various jewels were also seized, including diamond encrusted watches.

Authorities think there may be more victims. Anyone with additional information should call FBI investigators at (888) 226-8443.

Ex-Bellflower mayor resigns and retires

• Randy Bomgaars resigns from City Council and retires as a teacher to reap maximum pension benefits.

BELLFLOWER – Bellflower Councilman Randy Bomgaars resigned from the City Council on Tuesday and retired from his teaching position Wednesday, a move that will help him maximize pension benefits in retirement.

“One of the reasons I am retiring from both the City Council and school district at the same time is to make use of certain pension benefits afforded me and my family which would not be available unless I retire from both positions simultaneously,” Bomgaars said. “While I regret leaving the council in the middle of my term, I feel I owe it to my family to take care of them the best I can.”

Bomgaars, Bellflower’s longest serving council member having been first elected in 1988, is slated to receive at least \$84,827 from his annual pension.

For the past 40 years he has worked as a fifth grade teacher at Thomas Jefferson Elementary in Bellflower.

“It has been a tremendous honor and privilege to serve every citizen and business in this great community,” Bomgaars said. “Despite my retirement, I will continue to promote Bellflower and its future growth and economic development.”

According to state law, the City Council can either appoint a resident to Bomgaars’ seat or call for a special election. Bomgaars’ seat is not due for reelection until March 2015.

In either case, state law requires the City Council to act promptly. The remaining council members -- Mayor Dan Koops, Mayor Pro Tem Ray Dunton and councilmen Scott Larsen and Sonny Santa Ines -- will hold a public meeting to discuss their options before making any decision, city officials said.

The council can even reappoint Bomgaars to the position he just resigned from, a suggestion Bomgaars seemed to favor.

“It is my understanding the council has 60 days from my retirement date to decide about filling my vacancy,” Bomgaars said. “According to PERS regulations, I could be appointed to serve a portion of all my remaining term, or a portion of it. I would be able to collect council salary but not, and I repeat not, my PERS retirement during that time. If this is seen as a political imposition, I understand the council not considering this option. I love public service. My second love is serving as a city councilmember in our great city.”

Mayor Koops said he was “saddened” to see Bomgaars resign his post.

For the past 22 years, he has been an outstanding advocate in our community; he has served on many boards and has been active with several civic organizations both at the local and state levels,” Koops said.



“In his teaching career, he has been a terrific mentor to the thousands of children he has taught over the years and a positive role model to all that know him. He has served our great City of Bellflower with the utmost professionalism, dedication and solid leadership for many years.”

City manager Jeff Stewart praised Bomgaars for his leadership on multiple city projects, including the downtown area, 2.5-mile walking path along the MTA corridor, train depot, Pirate Park, and the soon-to-be completed \$7 million Belmont Court mixed-use development.

“He has always been a tremendous supporter of our community and an integral part of our leadership team,” Stewart said. “We will all miss his leadership.”

According to Bomgaars, his resignation and retirement had everything to do with pension benefits and nothing to do with his personal health.

“I have had an extremely rewarding teaching career for the past 40 years and a strong City Council career over the last 22 years. However, I now have the opportunity to retire this month from all public service which will allow me the chance to travel, enjoy life a bit more, and spend more time with my family and four beautiful grandchildren,” he said. “I want to assure everyone I am

not resigning due to any health problem. Although I underwent some surgery last year, I am presently in good health.

“I want to thank the people of Bellflower for the extraordinary trust and confidence they have given me during my time on the City Council,” he added. “I also want to thank my council colleagues, past and present, for their friendship and support. Bellflower is a great community of outstanding people, civic-minded community groups, and a talented and dedicated city staff.

“God Bless Bellflower and God Bless the United States of America.”

Bomgaars was born in Sheldon, Iowa and his family moved to Bellflower when he was a young boy. He graduated from Valley Christian High School and then went on to receive an associate’s degree from Cerritos College, a bachelor of arts degree from Cal State Long Beach and a master’s degree from Pepperdine University in 1979.

He is married to his wife Jennie and they have three children and four grandchildren.

He is currently a member of the executive board of the California Contract Cities Association, a delegate with the League of California Cities and a long time delegate of the Sister Cities organization with Los Mochis, Mexico.

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Pro wrestling seminar next week

BELL GARDENS – Joe Franciosi, a writer and producer at NWA Championship Wrestling, will lead a seminar June 28 for persons wanting to break into the professional wrestling industry.

Franciosi has 13 years experience directing, producing and writing professional wrestling television shows.

At the seminar, he will give insight into promos, character development and acting techniques sought by professional wrestling promotions.

The seminar begins at 7 p.m. Santino Bros. Wrestling Academy in Bell Gardens.

Cost is \$20 per person. All levels are welcome.

Cypress Car Show set for July 28

CYPRESS – The 17th annual Cypress Car Show takes place July 28 as part of the Cypress Community Festival.

The car show will feature muscle cars, Corvettes, classics, trucks, vintage vehicles, sports cars and more.

The car show and festival take place at Oak Knoll Park in Cypress. Along with the car show, there will be vendors, rides, games, food and more.

Festivities are from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Sebastian Sidi in concert

DOWNEY – Musician Sebastian Sidi will perform a concert at the Woman's Club of Downey on Sept. 7 at 8 p.m.

The concert will include an opening performance by 8-year-old singing sensation Analise Hoveyda.

Seating is limited to 300 people. For tickets, go online to sebastiansidi.com.

Teacher goes to trial on molestation charges

LA MIRADA – A substitute teacher accused of committing lewd acts on a female student during class will go to trial Aug. 6, officials with the district attorney's office said this week.

Ted Nishihara, 29, was a substitute teacher at Los Coyotes Middle School in La Mirada when he allegedly touched a girl inappropriately, authorities said.

The girl told her mother, who reported the alleged incident to the Norwalk Sheriff's Station.

School guidance counselors had previously received complaints from female students that Nishihara stared at their breasts and made them uncomfortable, according to reports.

Nishihara was arrested March 12 and released on \$200,000 bond.

Concert series at Cerritos College

NORWALK – Cerritos College will host a three-part concert series this summer that is free and open to the public.

The series started Wednesday with a performance by the Cerritos College Community Band – playing traditional and contemporary music – and the Cerritos College Pop/Rock Ensemble, featuring music from the 1970s to the present.

A second concert is scheduled for this Wednesday, June 27, at 7 p.m. with bands High Risk and Welcome to Concrete performing punk, grunge and metal.

The concert series wraps up July 31 with a concert by Little Willie G. and the East L.A. Philharmonic playing Christian, gospel and R&B.

All concerts are held in the college's Falcon Square. Admission is free and guests are encouraged to bring chairs and blankets.

For more information, call Gary Pritchard at (562) 860-2451.



Abused dog finds new home

BALDWIN PARK – Gordo, a four-month-old pit bull mix who was repeatedly kicked and thrown against a wall by its former owner, has been placed in a new home, animal control officials announced this week.

Gordo was brought to the county animal shelter in Baldwin Park earlier this year but his injuries were too extensive to be repaired with the routine resources of shelter medicine.

However, donors contributed enough money to pay for the specialized medical care Gordo needed. He received surgery at the Westminster Veterinary Group and has since recovered.

Gordo went home with his new family Tuesday.

Animal control officials said they were "overwhelmed by the public's generosity and for the care, concern and good wishes expressed for Gordo."

Animal control warns of impending heat

DOWNEY – Wednesday officially marked the first day of summer in Southern California. Although we may be experiencing a bit of "June gloom," the County of Los Angeles Department of Animal Care and Control (DACC) would like to advise pet owners to be mindful of the rising temperatures, as the summer heat approaches us.

"The temperature inside a vehicle can rise 20 to 30 degrees above the outside temperature in a matter of minutes, putting your pet at risk if left in the car on a warm day," said Maria Mayeda, Director of DACC. "If you like to take your pet with you while running errands or when you travel, make sure you can bring your pet with you when you exit the vehicle. Otherwise, it's best to leave your pets at home," Mayeda said.

DACC receives several dozen rescue calls for pets left inside vehicles during the warm months. "Fortunately, we have not had a pet casualty in recent memory, but some have been close calls," cautioned Mayeda. "Our animal control officers have had much success with counseling pet owners on scene. However, we do log their information in our database and advise of criminal charges should it happen again," Mayeda said.

Dogs have limited means to cool themselves and can be overcome by heat exhaustion in just a few minutes. Department officials ask that you call your local animal control agency right away if you see a pet locked in a car on a warm day. If the pet appears to be in immediate danger, call 911.

Here are some tips to help keep your pets cool during the summer heat:

- Always use a safety harness when travelling with a dog in the car.
- Bring water and a travel bowl (for dog and cats) to keep them hydrated while traveling.
- Never leave pets inside a vehicle, even if parked in the shade or windows left cracked open.
- Limit strenuous activity during the warmer hours of the day.
- Always have plenty of fresh, cool water available for your pets and a place to escape the heat, while at home.

For more information about how to keep your pets cool and comfortable this summer, stop by your local animal care center, visit our website, <http://animalcare.lacounty.gov>, find us on Facebook <http://www.facebook.com/CountyofLosAngelesAnimalCare> or follow us on Twitter @LACoAnimalCare.

Kaiser hospital donates \$20K

DOWNEY – Cerritos College Student Health and Wellness Center received a \$20,000 grant from Kaiser Permanente for the college's health education program.

Kaiser Permanente's Downey Service Area Chief Operating Officer Jim Branchick and Sheri Bathurst, Community Benefit Manager at Kaiser Permanente Downey Medical Center presented the check to Steve Richardson, Cerritos College Foundation Executive Director on May 24.

The funds will be used to support the campus health center in developing a targeted health outreach campaign to address the prevention and treatment of sexually transmitted diseases. This is part of a health education program that highlights health issues including obesity, diabetes, dietary needs and how to eat properly.

"Prevention is the key in our education," said Nancy Montgomery, Associate Dean of Student Health, Wellness & Veterans, who formed the concept of the health education program. "Our focus is to educate students about using prevention in their health care and to empower them with educational tools so they can make better decisions and choices."

"A healthy community is critical to individual health and wellness," said Sheri Bathurst, Community Benefit Manager at Kaiser Permanente Downey Medical Center. "Kaiser Permanente Downey Medical center applauds Cerritos College for supporting a healthy college community through the STD awareness initiative."

Country western BBQ to benefit symphony

DOWNEY – With a hoot and a "yee haw" holler, Katie Hare and her band of outlaws are at it again!

Yes, the Downey Symphony Guild board members are once again rolling up their sleeves to present A Country Western Barbecue on Tuesday, July 10 at the Rio Hondo Event Center at 6 p.m.

The western motif will be evident throughout the evening of fine food and frolic.

A rib-stickin' buffet featuring fish, steak, ribs, chicken, salads—you name it—will tickle your taste buds as you participate in this fundraising extravaganza to benefit Music in the Schools and the Downey Symphony.

Reservations at \$22 per adult and \$12 for children ages 4-11 are requested on or before July 7 and mailed to Downey Symphony Guild, 9700 Garnish Dr., Downey, CA 90240.

Price at the door is \$25 per adult.

Opportunity tickets, prizes, and auctions will keep things lively throughout the evening, so saddle up your favorite pony, leave your shootin' irons at the door, and prepare to have a rootin', tootin' fun evening.

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—Rosalie Sciortino, Downey Symphony Guild



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The Angels are the West Downey Little League Major Division champions after finishing their season 17-2. They also earned the top seed in the District 29 Tournament of Champions hosted at Furman Park. Top row, from left: Coach Greg Corona, Mike Hallinan, manager John Hardin, coach Bert Lopez, Russ Lunsford and Benjamin Garcia. Middle row: Steven Hallinan, Steven Jauregui, Noah Lunsford, Joseph Alamos-Gomez, Connor Freire and Alex Perez. Bottom row: Jacob Lopez, Edgar Sillas, Isaac Corona, Danny Garcia, Zack Hardin and Andrew Esquivel.

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Downey football prepares for youth movement

DOWNEY – Downey High School recently completed its spring football practices in preparation for their summer workouts and the fall football season.

Head Coach Jack Williams and his staff are excited as the season is quickly approaching and the potential he sees in his team.

Running backs coach Charles Lozano said that “as a staff, we were impressed with the entire team.” Lozano went on to say that “coming into spring ball, there were a lot of questions that needed to be answered. There were several key contributors from last season that we lost to graduation, so we were looking for younger players to step up, not just with their ability on the field, but to become leaders and help guide the younger players and show them what hard work is really about.”

Overall, the Downey High staff was very pleased with how their players competed and got better each day as a team.

With the loss of players such as Jabari Ruffin, Dallas Lopez, Ralph Regalado and Alex Martinez to graduation, Downey will certainly be young in key positions. Lozano stated that “each player brings their own unique set of skills and leadership capabilities.”

With this year’s team, the staff are asking their players to prepare hard and learn as much as they can and most importantly, establish their own legacies. Coach Lozano went on to say that “it is important that they do not try to be like players from the past, but to play within their own abilities and let the chips fall where they may.”

Lozano said that the quarterback position will be young this fall with the departure of standout signal-caller Dallas Lopez. Lozano said that the guys who have been taking snaps from center have been working extremely hard but will need to get as many reps as possible.

Coach Lozano really liked how the offensive and defensive linemen competed against each other in every drill, as did the wide receivers and defensive backs.

Head Coach Williams embraces the idea of competition and believes that brings out the best in each athlete and prepares them to become better players. Williams and his staff believe that all players need to step up, no matter what their role is on the team. The coaching staff believes that no one person is bigger than the team, so every player needs to be ready to be a leader.

The Downey Vikings are certainly looking forward to winning another league title and perhaps, a nice run in the C.I.F. playoffs.

–Mark Fetter, contributor

Warren football coach likes what he sees thus far

DOWNEY – Warren High School recently completed its spring football practices in preparation for their summer workouts and the fall football season.

Head Coach Gil Jimenez said he is excited for the upcoming season and was pleased that no one got hurt throughout the spring workouts or in the spring game itself.

Jimenez believes that Warren football is ahead of where they were last year and that his kids have come together and are uniting as one. According to Jimenez, “this is what it takes to be successful.”

Coach Jimenez believes that his running back core has gotten stronger and quicker this off-season. Daryl Donerson, Michael San Angelo and Jonathan Vaalu will all run the ball for the Bears.

Jimenez also likes his defensive line and secondary. Moses Alaniz has really impressed the Warren staff from his free safety position. Jimenez maintains that he is a solid tackler and has a great instinct for the ball.

Several other players have performed well this spring. Linebacker and fullback Daniel Sanchez, offensive lineman Christian Farran and defensive lineman Ricky Leyva will all make nice contributions to the team. Andres Rojas and Darwin Walker will also be asked to play key roles for the Bears.

Offensive and defensive lineman Ricky Vichot will play a vital role in helping move the ball on offense and stopping the ball on defense. Summerville must show leadership and composure at the quarterback position and Rojas, Vaalu, Sanchez and Herrera must be steady at the linebacker position.

Overall, the Bear staff is pleased with their team’s progress and how well they are bonding as a team. The Bears are very much looking forward to making a run at the S.G.V.L. title and a nice run in the C.I.F. playoffs.

–Mark Fetter, contributor

Pop Warner football sign-ups

DOWNEY – Downey Mustangs Youth Football & Cheer, the official Pop Warner program in Downey, is holding registration the next two Fridays at Shakey’s Pizza on Paramount Boulevard.

Registration is \$180 per player. Last day to register is June 29 for all tackle football levels. The league is open to kids ages 5-15.

Baseball players named to Dream Team

DOWNEY – The 2012 Press-Telegram Dream Team was announced last Sunday and both Downey and Warren high schools were well represented.

Earning first team honors for the 2012 S.G.V.L. champions were Downey senior outfielder Anthony Cortez (CSUN) and fellow Viking teammate and pitcher, David Espindola. Cortez hit .393 with 35 hits and 14 runs scored. He was also 4-4 with a 2.52 ERA, and had 58 strikeouts.

Espindola, the S.G.V.L. Pitcher of the Year, went 8-3 with a 1.11 ERA and recorded 68 strikeouts.

Warren High School had two players selected to the second team. Senior outfielder Aaron Chavez (Biola University) hit .363 with 26 hits, 22 runs scored and had 11 RBIs. Bear teammate and third baseman Daniel Roman hit .392 with 29 hits, 23 RBIs and scored 13 runs.

Downey Head Coach Jess Gonzalez and Warren Head Coach Dan Noonan said they are extremely proud of their respective players and the way they represented their respective programs. Both coaches wished these standout seniors continued success in their respective futures.

Other S.G.V.L. players earning first team Dream Team honors were Gahr shortstop Jaime Estrada, third baseman Kevin Franklin and outfielder Edgar Morales. Earning second team honors for the Gladiators was pitcher Andrew Encinas.

First team selections from Paramount included pitcher Alex Navarette and third baseman Frankie Gonzalez. The Pirates lone second team selection was pitcher Steven Espinoza.

Lynwood and Dominguez, the two other S.G.V.L. teams, did not produce a Dream Team player.

–Mark Fetter, contributor

Teen boxer advances

NORWALK – Norwalk resident Victor Vela defeated Caleb Chesternut of Eastpoint, Mich., in Olympic-style boxing at the 2012 Junior National Championships held this week in Mobile, Ala.

Vela, 16, defeated his opponent, 11-6, in a contest fought at 125 pounds.

The Junior National Championships feature the top 15 and 16-year-old boxers in the nation.

The tournament is governed by USA Boxing.

European soccer continues this weekend

DOWNEY – The 2012 UEFA European soccer tournament is underway and group play finished on Tuesday. Sixteen teams competed in this European tournament in a four team per group format, much like the World Cup, with half as many nations competing.

Poland and the Ukraine are serving as host nations with Gdansk, Poznan, Warsaw and Wroclaw providing venues in Poland and Donetsk, Kharkiv, Kiev and Lviv providing venues in the Ukraine.

Group A consisted of the Czech Republic, Greece, Russia and Poland. Group B, also known as the “group of death” due to the quality of the teams, featured tournament favorite Germany, Portugal, Denmark and the Netherlands. Group C consisted of World Cup 2010 champion Spain, Italy, Croatia and Ireland. Group D featured England, France, the Ukraine and Sweden.

There have been a few mild upsets with the Netherlands unable to win a game in group play and Russia getting eliminated by Greece in a 1-0 nail-biter. The single-elimination quarterfinals began yesterday and will continue through Sunday. The semi-finals will follow next week with the championship game scheduled for Sunday, July 1.

Group A number one saw the Czech Republic (6 points) face Group B number two Portugal (6 points) Wednesday (INSERT SCORE HERE). Group B number one Germany (9 points) faced Group A number two Greece (4 points) Thursday (score unavailable at press time).

Group C number one Spain (7 points) faces Group D number two France (4 points) on Saturday and Group D number one England (7 points) will face Group C number two Italy (5 points) on Sunday.

–Mark Fetter, contributor



Downey High School senior Andrew Gonzales broke the San Gabriel Valley League’s long-standing record for the pole vault by jumping 14 feet, 10 inches at the SGVL finals recently. Gonzalez broke the previous record of 14 feet, 9 inches set 38 years ago by Kenny Cooper of Bellflower High School. When Cooper, who is the track coach at Upland High School, found out his record had been broken, he congratulated Gonzales in person after he competed at the CIF-SS Track & Field Masters Meet at Cerritos College on May 25.

Molina scores unanimous decision

NORWALK – Norwalk resident and professional boxer Carlos Molina improved his undefeated record to 17-0-1 after earning a 10-round unanimous decision over Puerto Rico’s Marcos Jimenez last Saturday in McAllen, Tex.

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Doctor has five tips for safe summer fun

Summer has arrived. As the weather heats up, it's critical for beachgoers and outdoor fun-seekers to be sun-safe.

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portant are these five simple tips from the Skin Cancer Foundation, which also will help you mitigate sun damage and reduce the risk of skin cancer.

First, seek the shade. Simply minimizing exposure to UVA and UVB rays can go a long way toward

protecting your skin. Taking a break from direct sun is especially important between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m., when rays are strongest. And remember, clouds don't block UV rays.

Infants under 6 months should

always be kept out of the sun -- protected with clothing, an umbrella or a stroller hood. Children and adults should wear protective clothing, including wide-brimmed hats and UV-blocking sunglasses.

Second, use a broad spectrum

(UVA/UVB) sunscreen with SPF 15 or higher. Regardless of the season, this kind of sun protection should be used on a daily basis. Most people understand the importance of sun safety during the summer months, but many underestimate the need for year-round protection. The temperature may drop, but UV rays remains strong. And the cooler temperatures may actually prevent people from realizing the extent of the damage the sun is doing to their skin.

Next year, new regulations from the Food and Drug Administration will help consumers know they're getting the right protection by prohibiting manufacturers from labeling their sunscreens as "broad spectrum" or making claims about protecting against skin cancer and aging unless they're SPF 15 or higher. And sunscreens with lower SPF values will have to sport a warning that the product may not offer protection against the harmful effects of exposure to the sun.

Third, apply 1 ounce of sunscreen

to the entire body 30 minutes before going outside.

According to the Skin Cancer Foundation, for full SPF protection, sunscreen must be applied half an hour before sun exposure. If you are average size, you'll need a full ounce -- or about two tablespoons -- to adequately cover your skin. Studies show that most people apply less than half that amount, losing the full benefit of the SPF protection.

Reapplication is just as important as putting sunscreen on in the first place, as sunscreens tend to break down with exposure and can be rubbed off or washed off by sweat or water. So sunscreen should be applied every two hours, and immediately after swimming or a set of tennis. During a full day at the beach, one person should expect to use at least a quarter of an 8 oz. bottle of sunscreen.

Fourth, do not let yourself burn. Sunburn is the most immediate and obvious sign of UV damage. When immune cells race to the injured skin site to start healing the damage, they produce the reddening and swelling.

Tanning is the skin's response to this damage and may permanently affect skin cells. While many believe a "base tan" will prevent damaging burns, that's not the case. There is no such thing as a healthy or base tan.

Finally, check your skin regularly and ask your doctor for a skin cancer exam annually. One in five Americans will develop skin cancer. Tans and burns can be the first step. Intermittent but intense UV exposure is more closely associated with melanoma, the most deadly variety of skin cancer, than chronic sun exposure. One blistering sunburn in childhood or five in a lifetime doubles the risk of melanoma.

Dr. Kevin Ronneberg is the associate medical director at Target.

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Services Friday for Lenna Ann Lockhart

DOWNEY – Lenna Ann (Dearden) Lockhart, longtime resident of Downey, passed away on June 14 in San Diego at the age of 94.

She was born in Henefer, Utah, on April 10, 1918. She and her late husband, Ray Edwin Lockhart, were married for 70 years.

She leaves behind four children: Sharon (Ted) Jackman (Highland, Utah), Nancy Collins (San Diego), Marilyn Lockhart (Sacramento) and Clinton (Sue) Lockhart (San Diego); 18 grandchildren; and numerous great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren.

She was a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints (Downey 4th Ward).

Services will be held June 22 at 10 a.m. at Allen-English & Estrada Funeral Services in Bell Gardens, with graveside dedication to follow at Rose Hills.

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Norwalk passes balanced budget

• City Council slashes spending and increases fees to balance next year's spending plan.

By Christian Brown
Staff Writer

NORWALK – In a chorus of ayes, the Norwalk City Council unanimously approved the fiscal year 2012-13 budget, which includes sharp service fee increases and tight spending reductions in order to maintain city services while bolstering the city's reserve fund during a sluggish economic recovery.

City officials praised the balanced budget, which estimates the city will collect \$38,684,729 in revenues, a 1.5% increase from this fiscal year, mostly from fee increases and sales and property taxes.

City expenditures, which also increased by 1.6% due to employee wages and benefits, the city's contract with the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, and other service contracts and expenses, are expected to reach \$38,605,247.

During budget discussions last month, the city council made reductions in the amount of \$136,407, which eliminated the beginning deficit of nearly \$57,000 and left a surplus of \$79,482.

"We have a balanced budget that maintains the high level of services and programming with less resources, maximizing technology to maintain services," said Jana Stuard, the city director of finance.

The city general fund balance is projected to be \$9,342,556 by the end of the fiscal year.

Projected revenues for the city's water system are estimated to decrease by \$257,753, or 3% from the prior fiscal year budget, according to Stuard. The decrease is mainly due to a decrease in federal funding and consumption charges, \$158,553 and \$155,200 respectively.

Even though consumption charges will increase effective July 15, staff anticipates increased water conservation efforts which will result in overall lower revenues.

The Norwalk Golf Course currently projects annual revenues in the

amount of \$180,000, and estimated expenses of \$354,770, resulting in a projected annual deficit of \$174,770, which will be subsidized from the general fund and could be lower due to fee increases.

The Norwalk Transit system suffers from the effects of the downturn in the economy and reduction in state funding. The operational expenses total \$11,615,345 and are \$124,082 higher than estimated revenues. However, with seven vacant positions frozen, staff anticipates saving \$669,000, which creates a surplus of \$544,918.

With city staff recommendations in mind, the city council weighed its options during budget sessions, removing several items of less priority while adding others.

While the original budget called for a \$5,000 city marketing project using "Norwalk Is Our City," a city anthem song written by community leader Arturo Sanchez, the city council removed the item.

The council instead advocated for three Wi-Fi access points at city hall and the Norwalk Arts and Sports Complex for a cost of \$10,000.

A \$5,000 traffic study of Rosecrans and Crossdale was also added to the budget along with the funding of a youth intervention program for \$2,500.

The council also relocated one specific capital project, new caulking, windows and skylights at the Norwalk Arts and Sports Complex, from the general fund to the building replacement fund, saving \$98,065.

On June 5, the council, noting the absence of Councilman Marcel Rodarte, voted unanimously to raise fees for services and programs, adding an additional \$100,000 to next year's budget.

According to Stuard, the fee increases, which affect nearly every department, raising prices on everything from building permits and senior center rates to recreation costs and public safety fines, are a direct response to gradual increases in labor costs since 2009.

Mayor Cheri Kelley praised the city staff for working diligently to produce a balanced budget that maintains city services, noting the process was difficult at best under the current economic situation.

The fresh stir of 'Catalina Eddy'

• Lorine Parks' newly-published book of poetry is language at its best.

By Lawrence Christon
Contributor

DOWNEY – Those familiar with Lorine Parks' new book of poems, "Catalina Eddy," have commented on what a novel and entertaining idea she's come up with to make personalities of weather patterns, giving them names and character traits, some epic, some evoking noir melodramas. But "Catalina Eddy" is far more than an amusement. It's a rich, highly accomplished work that should establish Parks as an important voice in American poetry.

It's no secret that poetry, once ranked among the highest forms of human expression (think Homer and Shakespeare), has taken such a beating for such a long time that it's become an exceedingly minor art form in the popular mind, hovering somewhere near Medieval heraldry and songs of the didgeridoo. Blame industrialization, blame declining education, blame TV, the ubiquity of screens and the inexorable dumbing down of the consumer public. Blame the poets themselves.

"For most people who engage in it," a critic wrote in the 1990s, "the detailed praise of the simple is a posture of philosophical integrity; a secular creed, stripped of faith in any idea or ideal, they fall back on the mere facticity of the world, and try to make facts into a source of joy."

Meaning that, if you're especially skilled at describing what it's like to bite into a juicy peach, minor prestige publication and maybe a year-end award await you. As for explorations into outer realities that have inner resonances, leave that to the scientists and technocrats. Poetry in the American mind, as Saul Bellow observed in "Humboldt's Gift," "is a skirt thing. What's a poem compared to a rocketship?"

As it turns out, maybe more than

we think. Those most preoccupied with the voyages to the center and outer edges of the universe, that is, the theoretical physicists, the people who bring us fractals, string theory, chaos theory, dark matter, black holes and sub-atomic recurrence, are suggesting that there may be no single center and therefore no sure circumference and that, in the end, poetry may wind up our most astute expression after all. Somehow, pit stop dialogues between astronauts and ground control engineers don't quite cut it.

Is it fair to drag Lorine Parks into this kind of conversation? Maybe, maybe not. The artist creates a work, the world makes of it what it will. But two things about "Catalina Eddy" merit serious consideration. One is her reconversion of natural phenomena into the vocabulary of human experience. The ancient Greeks had Aello, Helios, Neptune, Okeanus and Zephyr. Parks has, among others, Eddy ("a lovable but petty small-time con man"), June Gloom and Mae Gray ("deep marine layers of clouds"), Polar Flo, and Lull:

"...like a colt nuzzling for its mother Lull disappears into that vast warm current dissolving as easy and smooth

as a choice that's made without knowing it matters."

In both worlds, ancient and Parks' modern, humanity and the natural elements are scarcely separated, if at all. Each expresses the other, which is why we can call someone mercurial, or volcanic, or saturnine, without realizing that these are not initial human properties. We name the universe so that it can turn around and express us. There is no such thing as alienation in the modern sense. The world has meaning and proximity, two key elements of spirituality (Parks e-mailed that her life on a Paiute reservation contributed to her pantheistic outlook).

The other distinctive element of "Catalina Eddy" is the sheer beauty of its language. "Catalina Eddy" isn't perfectly realized—a colt doesn't nuzzle

for, either it nuzzles or it doesn't. But Parks is a born poet, with an acute sensitivity to the delicious stresses among vowels and consonants amid rhythmic flow. She understands tone. She ranges from the evocative (note the following spacing that denotes gaps in perception, particularly between "sun" and "gone"),

"twilight fog unrolls like an indigo ribbon
a veil of moisture blown in over the dunes
the diluted red glow of a sun gone down"

to the powerfully dramatic. Of the Galveston hurricane of 1900, the most devastating in American history, she writes,

"unsuspected I come
through the strait between Yucatan and the Florida Keys and through their open arms into the Gulf I enter in majesty like the Pope in white satin when the bronze doors open and il Papa comes out
and one hundred thousand pilgrims surge like foam in St. Peter's Square..."

Galveston is a long skinny sandbar of an island And before I came it was the biggest port in Texas I make landfall there at five in the evening hitting its puny sea wall with an oratorio of Aeolian shrieks and the organ moan of humanity forsook my cross-current waves surge fifteen feet over the city I leave a few pretty mansions to remember me by
but at dawn Galveston is gone"

This is great stuff, best read out loud. A fine poet like Parks reminds us of how language at its best becomes a sixth sense, a palpable culmination of the other five. "Catalina Eddy" – even the title has pizzazz – is a fresh, rewarding experience.

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Norwalk golf program helps kids from low-income families find their place

• Luis Batson works to make golf accessible to all kids, regardless of income.

By Christian Brown
Staff Writer

NORWALK— Luis Batson Sr. never thought he'd be at the helm of a non-profit organization, but after meeting Carlos Herrera, the 58-year-old army veteran discovered a new passion helping kids, one swing at a time.

Batson was just a volunteer, teaching weekly golf lessons at the Norwalk Golf Course when he noticed then 14-year-old Herrera.

"This kid Carlos showed up one day and wanted to play golf," said Batson who quickly learned that the teenager had no means to pay for his classes. "I started teaching the kid and he was getting good in his first year."

Soon Batson saw Herrera, who had transferred from Bellflower to John Glenn High School, on the par 3 golf course practicing daily. Batson felt inspired to do something to assist young people like Carlos.

"We want to help the kids who can't afford it. Ninety percent of the parents can't afford it," he said. "I thought we need to start a non-profit to provide equipment and lessons for free. I want to make sure money is never an issue for a child who wants to play golf."

Today, Help Youths Through Golf, Batson's non-profit organization, provides equipment and supplements the cost of golf lessons for nearly 100 children every month. With the help of more donors and volunteers, Batson hopes to teach more kids golf and the practical values of patience and discipline it embodies.

"I grew up playing soccer, football, basketball, baseball. They're physically demanding," said Luis Batson Jr., who currently serves as the chief finance officer and treasurer for HYTG.

Luis Batson Jr. believes golf might just be the right sport for some urban minorities who may feel lost in the world of football and basketball.

"African-Americans and Latinos don't play golf," he said. "We want to expose other groups to golf. There's a lot of talent that needs to be discovered."

The lessons not only focus on golf, but also tie in the importance of scholastics, said Batson Jr.

"As a kid, I didn't have time to get in trouble. When I wanted to play, I had to keep my grades up. That doesn't seem as impor-

tant now," said Batson Jr., 35. "We want these kids to stay in school, get good grades, and possibly get a scholarship."

"In Norwalk, I wouldn't say the gang influence is prominent, but it's present. This will help lots of kids get off the streets," he said.

In the future, HYTG is hoping it will be able to offer scholarships to any kid who wants to go to college.

While the non-profit has received some monetary donations since it began in 2010, most contributions have come in the form of equipment. Pro Kids of San Diego donated nearly 2000 clubs to the organization, which are now made available to students, like Carlos, who cannot afford their own.

HYTG now has 96 kids enrolled in its program, many who travel from the surrounding cities of Compton, Lynwood, Bell Gardens and Cerritos to attend the lessons, which are every Saturday from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. and the first and third Wednesdays of every month from 4 – 6 p.m.

Both Herrera, now 16, and student Hanty Olea, also 16, have made the golf team at John Glenn High School, ranking in their division and earning their way into the playoffs.

"They're hitting 70-80, most people don't break 90," said Batson Sr.

Batson Sr., 58, has held several golf tournaments for his kids and their parents in order to promote the organization and encourage his students to strive for masteries on the golf course.

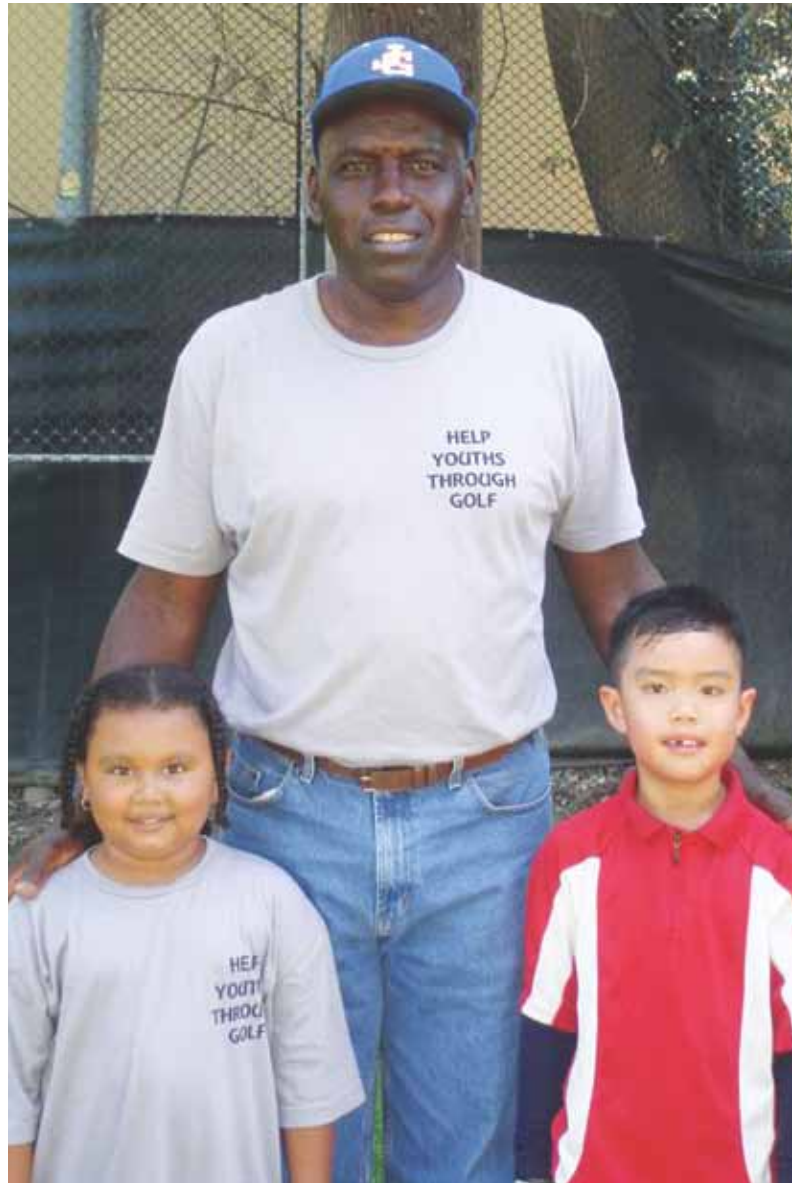
Help Youth Through Golf is now working with La Mirada-based A Better Tomorrow Education, a one-on-one tutoring service for K-12 students, that is sponsoring HYTG events and helping to publicize the organization.

Batson Sr., a resident of Bellflower, is hoping to take the organization to Moreno Valley and Compton this year, where he will also offer lessons for students.

Batson Sr., who grew up in Panama, spent nearly 20 years in the service, stationed in Germany and various locations across the United States. For 17 years, Batson who speaks fluent English and Spanish, volunteered to coach basketball and soccer as part of the youth service in the army, but upon retirement his mother suggested he take up an "old man's sport."

"She tricked me into golf...and bought me some clubs," he said. "I got hooked on the game. I'm not a PGA pro, but I enjoy teaching it. I can do this for the rest of my life."

Batson Sr. is hopeful people in the community will support the organization, which is in need of do-



Luis Batson runs Helping Youth Through Golf at the Norwalk Golf Course, which provides golf lessons to nearly 100 children.



nations and volunteers as more kids join the program.

"Golf is expensive, but we want to take the expense out of the equation," he said. "Summer's coming up, just bring the kids out. Don't let money be a reason why you can't do something. There are a lot of kids to be helped."

"Golf is just a tool to keep them

off the streets and get them off to college."

For more information on Help Youths Through Golf, visit www.HYTG2011.com or e-mail Luis Batson Sr. at helpkidsgolf@yahoo.com.

Resident organizing July 4 bike parade

DOWNEY – With summer at its finest, the sun shining at its brightest, it's that time of year again, to knock the cobwebs off your bicycle, dust off the seat, and take it for a spin.

Steve Perez, a Downey local, is organizing a bike parade that is scheduled to take place on the fourth of July. The event will take place around the track at Downey high school with registration beginning at 4:30 p.m. and the parade starting promptly at 5:30 p.m. A few laps will be done around the track by the contestants who will later be judged by the audience.

Prizes will be given out to those who excel in the following categories: best decorated, most patriotic, youngest rider, and oldest rider. "I am expecting local bike shops to contribute bike related items for prizes, this is to this day undetermined," Perez stated.

When Perez first came up with the idea of planning this event, he had an overall theme in mind, adding perspective to the bike parade itself. "The idea of the bike parade is to promote bicycling awareness," Perez said. "One thing I want to stress is that all minors should wear helmets."

The event is open to anyone who would like to participate and is willing to have some fun. "The parade is open to anyone of all ages, races, and species," Perez joked.

–Jovanna Madrigal, contributor

Doty announces promotions within school district

DOWNEY – A few important personnel changes at the Downey Unified School District effective July 1 have been announced by superintendent Dr. Wendy Doty triggered by the retirement of Jerilyn King-Brown from her post as assistant superintendent of educational services.

King-Brown's retirement, to take effect July 31, comes after nine years of service at the district and 38 years overall in the field of education.

"We will miss her leadership," Doty said.

Roger Brossmer, serving concurrently as city mayor, has been promoted from senior director of certificated personnel to assistant superintendent of certificated human resources. In addition, Doty said, Brossmer will be the chief negotiator for the district.

Leslie Jones has also been promoted, from current director of instructional support programs to assistant superintendent of educational services. She replaces King-Brown.

Other promotions include: Janice Hobson, from current principal at Old River Elementary School to director of instructional support programs, taking over Jones' old position; and Allison Israwi, from current vice principal at Rio Hondo to principal at Ward Elementary.

Jennifer Robbins, current principal at Ward, is moving to Old River Elementary as principal; Denise Taylor, current program administrator for special education, is moving to Rio Hondo as vice principal; and Mayra Bardales has been hired to take Denise Taylor's position.

"I have every confidence that these individuals will do outstanding work in their new leadership positions," Doty said.

–Henry Veneracion, staff writer

Downey High hosting summer camps

DOWNEY – Local teens interested in attending a summer camp at Downey High are invited to an orientation meeting Saturday in the campus gym.

The session is from 9 a.m. to noon and includes a video presentation from athletic director Mark Rand, coach introductions, a meet-and-greet with coaches, physical clearance exams (\$25) and lunch.

Physical exams are available for incoming freshmen and returners. Clearance forms must be filled out and can be downloaded from downey.dusd.net.

Summer cardio at Downey High

DOWNEY – Local residents are invited to sign-up for a Cardio Plus summer session that starts July 2 at Downey High.

The class meets Monday through Thursday from 6:30-8:30 p.m. until Aug. 30.

Cost is \$50 before July 9. The price goes up to \$60 after July 9. Registration can be paid in cash only.

Residents can register now in the Downey High dance room. Nancy Jones is the instructor.

'Million Dollar Quartet' brings rock 'n roll to life

HOLLYWOOD – The Tony Award-winning musical "Million Dollar Quartet" opened Tuesday at the Pantages Theatre for a two-week engagement.

"Million Dollar Quartet" is based on true events that occurred on Dec. 4, 1956, when an auspicious twist of fate brought Johnny Cash, Jerry Lee Lewis, Carl Perkins and Elvis Presley together.

Sam Phillips, the "father of rock and roll" who was responsible for launching the careers of each icon, brought the four legendary musicians together at the Sun Records storefront studio in Memphis for the first and only time. The resulting evening became known as one of the greatest rock and roll jam sessions in history.

Tickets to see "Million Dollar Quartet" start at \$25. The show is recommended for audiences ages 6 and up.

Tickets can be purchased at the Pantages box office, at all Ticketmaster outlets, online at broadwayla.org or by calling (800) 982-2787.

Kindergarten Enrollment 2012-2013 School Year

Traditional Kindergarten
For students turning 5 on or before November 1, 2012
The following elementary schools are accepting registration packets for kindergarten:
Alameda, Gallatin, Gauldin, Imperial, Lewis, Price, Rio Hondo, Rio San Gabriel, Unsworth, Ward, and Williams.

Get your child enrolled today to guarantee placement at your neighborhood school.

New Program -- Transitional Kindergarten
For students turning 5 November 2 through December 2, 2012
The following elementary schools are accepting registration packets for transitional kindergarten: **Alameda, Gallatin, & Williams**

Transitional Kindergarten is the first year of a two year kindergarten program. Information is available at all elementary schools that have kindergarten programs. Transportation to Transitional Kindergarten sites must be provided by parents.

For additional information
Visit the District's website at www.dusd.net or call (562) 469-6500

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Ham radio demonstration Saturday

DOWNEY – The Downey Amateur Radio Club will give a public demonstration of amateur radio for 24 hours straight at a parking lot behind City Hall this Saturday.

The public is invited to come and see ham radio capabilities and learn how to get their own FCC radio license before the next disaster strikes.

The demonstration starts at 11 a.m. Saturday and ends Sunday morning.

The demonstration is part of Field Day, an annual event in which ham operators across the nation hold public demonstrations of emergency communications abilities.

Rocket launcher seized from Paramount home

PARAMOUNT – Sheriff's gang detectives seized a rocket launcher, handgun, silencer, ammunition for an assault weapon, body armor and suspected methamphetamine after conducting search warrants in Paramount, Compton and Long Beach on Wednesday.

The rocket launcher, which appears to be an anti-tank military weapon, was designed to be fired only one time and cannot be re-loaded.

It was deemed inoperable by arson detectives, who found it at a home in Paramount. It lacks a serial number, meaning its origins may never be determined.

Detectives arrested Jose Gutierrez, 30, of Paramount, for illegal possession of a rocket launcher and other weapons, as well as drug charges.

Jimmy Regalado, 25, also of Paramount, was arrested for possession of meth for sales.

Armando Nunez, 34, of Long Beach, was arrested for illegal possession of ammunition and vandalism.

The final suspect, Jorge Galvan, 29, of Paramount, was arrested for an outstanding warrant. All four are gang members, authorities said.

County officials removed two young children from the Paramount Home while SEAACA removed "several" pitbull puppies from the same address.



Downey and Warren high schools were recognized at a school board meeting earlier this month for their fundraising efforts in support of the TLC Family Resource Center. TLC is a social services program that helps students and children in need, and relies heavily on grants and fundraisers. Thousands of students have been helped by TLC over the last 10 years with an array of services, including counseling, eye glasses, physicals and more. "What a great example of schools supporting our own community," said TLC coordinator Luz Perez. "Way to go Warren and Downey High! Character counts at the Downey Unified School District."



Trinity Christian School in Norwalk graduated its class of 2012 last week. With only nine students, it was the smallest class ever to graduate from Trinity and, as such, were "a tight knit group of kids," school officials said. They are pictured with Principal Jeff Jepsen (left) and eighth grade teacher Phil Langford (right). The graduation ceremony was held June 8 in the chapel with a dinner reception following.



The Italian Catholic Federation awarded \$200 scholarships to six graduating students at St. Raymond's School, and one \$400 scholarship to a high school student, at its annuals scholarship and awards night held June 4. Scholarship recipients from St. Raymond's included Robert Nevarez, Julian Reoyo, Gustavo Valle, Viviana Gonzalez, Andreina Hampton and Jessica Vazquez. Scott Ragusa earned the high school scholarship. Donations were also handed out to St. Raymond's Church, school and sports programs, St. John Seminary, Cooley's Anemia and local charities. More than \$8,000 was donated in all.



The Downey boys 10U AYSO soccer team went into last week's Spring Select Tournament as an underdog with a .500 regular season record and two injured players but they still managed to advance to the semifinals and finish the tournament in third place. The Downey team was down 2-0 in their first game but rallied for a tie and won their next two games by scores of 4-1 and 2-1. They lost in the semifinals to a strong Pico Rivera team. Back row, from left: Coach William Moreno, Angel Parra, Sebastian Carranza, Nathan Garcia, Bernie De Leon and Coach Oscar Hernandez. Front row: Jonathan Salazar, Eddie Moreno, Jared Andalón, Andrew Alatorre and Aaron Hernandez.



Roger Brossmer and Janice Hobson were among the new promotions at the Downey Unified School District announced this week by Superintendent Dr. Wendy Doty. Read the story on page 12.

LEGAL NOTICES

BULK SALES

ESCROW NO. 7122012
NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF BULK SALE BY AUCTION OR LIQUIDATION (UCC SECS. 6105, 6109)

Notice is hereby given to creditors of the within named seller that a bulk sale by auction or liquidation is about to be made of the assets described below.

Sheet Metal Fabrication Equipment, 2) Accupress press brakes, 2) Wysong press brakes, 2) Wysong power shears, 3) Strippit cnc turret punches, 2) Haeger insertion presses, welders, 2) Fadal cnc machines, forming dies, drying oven, materials, racks, punch press, sanders, band saws, inspection tools, all small tools and support.

The names and business addresses of the seller are: Airport Fabrication Inc., Albert Kessel, 14301 Alondra Blvd., La Mirada, CA 90638

As listed by the seller, all other business names and addresses used by the seller within three years before the date such list was sent or delivered to the auctioneer are: (If none, so state): None.

The assets to be sold are described in general as: Sheet Metal Fabrication and Machining equipment and support. Manufacturing equipment for the aerospace industry, Metal Forming, shearing, welding, stamping, cnc machining and assembly.

and are located at: 14301 Alondra Blvd., La Mirada, CA 90638

The name of the auctioneer or liquidator is: American Auctioneers Group, Inc., 1146 N. Central Avenue, #535, Glendale, CA 91202

The auction or liquidation will commence on or after July 12, 2012 at 11:00 a.m.

Dated: June 18, 2012
HARRY SHIRIKCHIAN, Auctioneer

The Downey Patriot 6/21/12

NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF BULK SALE AND OF INTENTION TO TRANSFER ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LICENSE(S) (UCC Sec. 6101 et seq. and B & P Sec. 24073 et seq.)

Escrow No. 5046899-SH

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a bulk sale of assets and a transfer of alcoholic beverage license(s) is about to be made. The name(s), and business address of the seller(s)/licensee(s) are: HYE RYUN JEON AND MOON HOAN JEON AND HYON CHA NAMKUNG, 11112 PARAMOUNT BLVD, DOWNEY, CA 90241

Doing business as: STEWARTS LIQUOR

All other business names(s) and address(es) used by the seller(s)/licensee(s) within the past three years, as stated by the seller(s)/licensee(s), is/are: NONE

The name(s) and address of the buyer(s)/applicant(s) is/are: SHAKI GROUP INC, 11112 PARAMOUNT BLVD, DOWNEY, CA 90241

The assets being sold are generally described as: FURNITURE, FIXTURES, EQUIPMENT,

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2012106749

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) TERESTRONIC, 14731 WOODRUFF AVE., BELLFLOWER, CA 90706, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A

REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) MARIA T. CARANTO, 14731 WOODRUFF AVE., LOS ANGELES, CA 90706

State of Incorporation: CA

This business is conducted by a Individual

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 02/09/2012

I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as false is guilty of a crime.)

S/MARIA T. CARANTO, OWNER

This statement was filed with the County Clerk

of Los Angeles on JUNE 1, 2012

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The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (see Section 14411 et. seq., Business Professions Code).

The Downey Patriot 6/14/12, 6/21/12, 6/28/12, 7/5/12

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2012121900

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) POWER LEGAL SERVICES, 12623 IMPERIAL HWY, SUITE 201, SANTA FE SPRINGS, CA 90670, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A

REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) BRITTANY ACUNA, 1616 WORKMAN MILL RD #L, WHITTIER, CA 90601

State of Incorporation: N/A

This business is conducted by a Individual

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A

I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as false is guilty of a crime.)

S/BRITTANY ACUNA

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on JUNE 18, 2012

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The Downey Patriot 6/7/12, 6/14/12, 6/21/12, 6/28/12

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2012104770

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) PAPA J'S LECHON, 15956 ELAINE AVE, NORWALK, CA 90650, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A

REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) ROMMEL JUANICO, 15956 ELAINE AVE, NORWALK, CA 90650 (2) AVELINO JUANICO, 15956 ELAINE AVE, NORWALK, CA 90650 (3) SIRENO ESTOYA JR, 19309 CANEY AVE, CARSON, CA 90746

The Downey Patriot 6/21/12, 6/28/12, 7/5/12, 7/12/12

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2012103632

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) GERINET HEALTHCARE, 12620 ERICKSON AVE, SUITE A, DOWNEY, CA 90242, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A

REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) GERINET PHYSICIAN SERVICES INC., 3401 W. SUNFLOWER AVE., SUITE 275, SANTA ANA, CA 92704

State of Incorporation: California

This business is conducted by a Corporation

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 6/1/2010

I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as false is guilty of a crime.)

S/KIM PHAN, PRESIDENT/CEO, GERINET PHYSICIAN SERVICES, INC.

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on MAY 29, 2012

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The Downey Patriot 6/7/12, 6/14/12, 6/21/12, 6/28/12

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2012114244

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) KNOCKOUT BAIL BONDS, 3821 GAGE AVE, BELL, CA 90201, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A

REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) RICHARD MOTA, 3821 GAGE AVE, BELL, CA 90201 (2) VERONICA LOMELI, 3821 GAGE AVE, BELL, CA 90201

State of Incorporation: CA

This business is conducted by Copartners

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A

I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as false is guilty of a crime.)

S/VERONICA LOMELI, CO OWNER

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on JUNE 11, 2012

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State of Incorporation: CA

This business is conducted by a General Partnership

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A

I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as false is guilty of a crime.)

S/ROMMEL JUANICO, OWNER

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on MAY 30, 2012

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The Downey Patriot 6/21/12, 6/28/12, 7/5/12, 7/12/12

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2012114244

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Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A

REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) RICHARD MOTA, 3821 GAGE AVE, BELL, CA 90201 (2) VERONICA LOMELI, 3821 GAGE AVE, BELL, CA 90201

State of Incorporation: CA

This business is conducted by Copartners

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A

I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as false is guilty of a crime.)

S/VERONICA LOMELI, CO OWNER

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on JUNE 11, 2012

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2012088269

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) MPA INTERNATIONAL, 10121 PINEHURST AVE, SOUTH GATE, CA 90280, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A

REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) KARINA GALVEZ, 10121 PINEHURST AVE, SOUTH GATE, CA 90280

State of Incorporation: N/A

This business is conducted by a Individual

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A

I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as false is guilty of a crime.)

S/KARINA GALVEZ, OWNER

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on MAY 9, 2012

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2012101735

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) MSB GRAPHICS,

decident.
THE PETITION requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A HEARING on the petition will be held on July 31, 2012 at 8:30 AM in Dept. No. L located at 12720 Norwalk Bl., Norwalk, CA 90650.

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the deceased, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within four months from the date of first issuance of letters as provided in Probate Code section 9100. The time for filing claims will not expire before four months from the hearing date noticed above.

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice and Order to Allow Filing of an Inventory and Appraisal of Estate Assets of any petitioner or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

Attorney for petitioner:
RICHARD A LEHN ESQ
ABN 145731
9530 E IMPERIAL HWY
STE J
DOWNEY CA 90242-3041

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TRUSTEE SALES

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE T.S. No. 11-37032-JP-CA YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 12/02/2005. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, (cashier's check/s) must be made payable to National Default Servicing Corporation, drawn on a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn on a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state; will be held by the duly appointed trustee as shown below, of all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by the trustee in the hereinafter described property under and pursuant to a Deed of Trust described below. The sale will be made in an "as is" condition, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. Trustor: DANIEL SWIFT AND FRANCIS SWIFT, HUSBAND AND WIFE AS JOINT TENANTS Div Appointed Trustee: MERIDIAN DEFAULT SERVICING CORPORATION Recorded 12/21/2005 as Instrument No. 05 3144048 (or Book, Page) of the Official Records of LOS ANGELES COUNTY, California. Date of Sale: 07/05/2012 at 11:00 a.m. Place of Sale: By the fountain located at 400 Civic Center Plaza, Pomona, CA 91766 Estimated amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$597,630 Street Address or other common designation of real property: 11539 STAMY ROAD, LA MIRADA, CA 90638 A.P.N.: 0400-008-012 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address or other common designation, if any, shown above. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. The undersigned mortgagee, beneficiary or authorized agent for the mortgagee or beneficiary pursuant to California Civil Code § 2923.5(b) declares that the mortgagee, beneficiary or the mortgagee's or beneficiary's authorized agent has either contacted the borrower or tried with due diligence to contact the borrower as required by California Civil Code § 2923.5(b) and that POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call 714-730-2727 or visit this Internet Web site www.ndsccorp.com/sales, using the file number assigned to this case 11-37032-JP-CA. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. Date: 06/11/2012 NATIONAL DEFAULT SERVICING CORPORATION 7720 N. 16th Street, Suite 300 Phoenix, AZ 85020 phone 602-264-6101 Sales Line 714-730-2727, Sales Website www.ndsccorp.com/installs/installs.htm OFFICIAL TRUSTEE SALES REPRESENTATIVE A-4253519 06/14/2012, 06/21/2012, 06/28/2012

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE T.S. No. 1356022-02 APN: 6284-009-002 TRA: 0033048 LOAN NO: XXXXXX0326 REF: Rodolfo, Concepcion IMPORTANT NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 07/27/2007. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. ON July 05, 2012, at 09:00am, Cal-Western Reconveyance and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell, to be recorded in the county where the real property is located. NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call 714-730-2727 or visit this Internet Web site www.ndsccorp.com/sales, using the file number assigned to this case 11-37032-JP-CA. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. Date: 06/11/2012 NATIONAL DEFAULT SERVICING CORPORATION 7720 N. 16th Street, Suite 300 Phoenix, AZ 85020 phone 602-264-6101 Sales Line 714-730-2727, Sales Website www.ndsccorp.com/installs/installs.htm OFFICIAL TRUSTEE SALES REPRESENTATIVE A-4253519 06/14/2012, 06/21/2012, 06/28/2012

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Trustee Sale No. 18492CA Title Order No. 110010640-CA-MAI NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 3/24/2006. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDINGS AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. ON 6/27/2012 AT 09:00 AM, MERIDIAN FORECLOSURE SERVICE f/k/a MTDs, INC., A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION DBA MERIDIAN TRUST DEED SERVICE as the duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust Recorded 04/04/2006, Book Page Instrument No. 0717267 of Official Records in the Office of the Recorder of Los Angeles County, California, executed by PRESLEY E. BECERRA AND REGEANIE S. BECERRA, HUSBAND AND WIFE AS JOINT TENANTS as Trustor, MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., AS NOMINEE FOR HOME LOAN

CENTER, INC., DBA LENDINGTREE LOANS, as Beneficiary, will sell at public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn by a state or national bank, a cashier's check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a cashier's check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state. Sale will be held by the duly appointed trustee as shown below, of all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by the trustee in the hereinafter described property under and pursuant to the Deed of Trust. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the notes (s) secured by the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, estimated fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. Place of Sale: Behind the fountain located in Civic Center Plaza, 400 Civic Center Plaza, Pomona CA 91766 Legal Description: As more fully described in said Deed of Trust Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$741,254.44 The street address and other common designation of the real property purported as: 13715 CAPITRANO ROAD - MIRADA, CA 90638 APN Number: 8037-058-024 NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call (714) 573-1965 or visit this Internet Web site www. Priorityposting.com, using the file number assigned to this case 18492CA. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. As more fully described in said Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. Trustor: DANIEL SWIFT AND FRANCIS SWIFT, HUSBAND AND WIFE AS JOINT TENANTS Div Appointed Trustee: MERIDIAN FORECLOSURE SERVICE f/k/a MTDs, INC., A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION DBA MERIDIAN TRUST DEED SERVICE 3 SAN JOAQUIN PLAZA, SUITE 215, NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660 Sales Line: (714) 573-1965 DR (702) 586-4500 STEPHANIE GARCIA, FORECLOSURE SERVICE IS ASSISTING THE BENEFICIARY TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. P953679 6/7, 6/14, 06/21/2012

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE T.S. No. 1356022-02 APN: 6284-009-002 TRA: 0033048 LOAN NO: XXXXXX0326 REF: Rodolfo, Concepcion IMPORTANT NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 07/27/2007. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. ON July 05, 2012, at 09:00am, Cal-Western Reconveyance and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell, to be recorded in the county where the real property is located. NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call (714) 573-1965 or visit this Internet Web site www. Priorityposting.com, using the file number assigned to this case 18492CA. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. As more fully described in said Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. Trustor: DANIEL SWIFT AND FRANCIS SWIFT, HUSBAND AND WIFE AS JOINT TENANTS Div Appointed Trustee: MERIDIAN FORECLOSURE SERVICE f/k/a MTDs, INC., A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION DBA MERIDIAN TRUST DEED SERVICE 3 SAN JOAQUIN PLAZA, SUITE 215, NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660 Sales Line: (714) 573-1965 DR (702) 586-4500 STEPHANIE GARCIA, FORECLOSURE SERVICE IS ASSISTING THE BENEFICIARY TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. P953679 6/7, 6/14, 06/21/2012

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE T.S. No. CA-08-149306-VF Order No.: E818090 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 09/18/2002. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn by a state or national bank, a cashier's check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state, will be held by duly appointed trustee. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. BENEFICIARY MAY ELECT TO BID LESS THAN THE TOTAL AMOUNT DUE. Trustor(s): ROSA B. PARADA, A MARRIED WOMAN AS HER SOLE AND SEPARATE PROPERTY Recorded: 2/7/2007 as Instrument No. 20070267208 of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of LOS ANGELES County, California. Date of Sale: 7/9/2012 at 11:00 AM Place of Sale: By the fountain located at 400 Civic Center Plaza, Pomona, CA 91766 Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$716,308.23 The purported property address is: 7175 DE PALMA ST., DOWNEY, CA 90241 Assessor's Parcel No. 6359-029-029 NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call 714-730-2727 for information regarding the trustee's sale or visit this Internet Web site http://www.qualityloan.com, using the file number assigned to this case 1356022-02. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. Date: 06/19/2012 NATIONAL DEFAULT SERVICING CORPORATION 7720 N. 16th Street, Suite 300 Phoenix, AZ 85020 phone 602-264-6101 Sales Line 714-730-2727, Sales Website www.ndsccorp.com/installs/installs.htm OFFICIAL TRUSTEE SALES REPRESENTATIVE A-4253519 06/14/2012, 06/21/2012, 06/28/2012

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE T.S. No. CA-11-452038-VF Order No.: 870583 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 9/18/2002. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn by a state or national bank, check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state, will be held by duly appointed trustee. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. BENEFICIARY MAY ELECT TO BID LESS THAN THE TOTAL AMOUNT DUE. Trustor(s): HYUNG SUP BYUN, AN UNMARRIED MAN Recorded: 9/26/2002 as Instrument No. 02 2262528 of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of LOS ANGELES County, California. Date of Sale: 6/20/12 at 11:00 AM Place of Sale: At the Doubletree Hotel Los Angeles-Norwalk, 13111 Sycamore Drive, Norwalk, CA 90650, in the Vineyard Ballroom Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$115,655.93 The purported property address is: 7951 QUILL DRIVE, DOWNEY, CA 90242 Assessor's Parcel No. 6245-005-041 NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call 714-730-2727 for information regarding the trustee's sale or visit this Internet Web site http://www.qualityloan.com, using the file number assigned to this foreclosure by the Trustee: CA-11-452038-VF. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the property address or other common designation, if any, shown herein. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. The undersigned mortgagee, beneficiary or authorized agent hereby notified that a negative credit report reflecting on your credit record may be submitted to a credit report agency if you fail to fulfill the terms of your credit obligations. A-4255096 06/14/2012, 06/21/2012, 06/28/2012

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE T.S. No. CA-11-473175-CL Order No.: 110475575-CA-LPI YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 10/18/2005. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state, will be held by duly appointed trustee. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. BENEFICIARY MAY ELECT TO BID LESS THAN THE TOTAL AMOUNT DUE. Trustor(s): SALVADOR JAIME AND ROSA ARACELY JAIME, HUSBAND AND WIFE AS JOINT TENANTS Recorded: 10/24/2005 as Instrument No. 05 2549906 of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of LOS ANGELES County, California. Date of Sale: 6/22/2012 at 11:00 AM Place of Sale: By the fountain located at 400 Civic Center Plaza, Pomona, CA 91766 Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$596,273.15 The purported property address is: 10027 SUSAN AVENUE, DOWNEY, CA 90240 Assessor's Parcel No. 6359-029-029 NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call 714-730-2727 for information regarding the trustee's sale or visit this Internet Web site http://www.qualityloan.com, using the file number assigned to this case 11-473175-CL. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the property address or other common designation, if any, shown herein. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. The undersigned mortgagee, beneficiary or authorized agent hereby notified that a negative credit report reflecting on your credit record may be submitted to a credit report agency if you fail to fulfill the terms of your credit obligations. A-4255096 06/14/2012, 06/21/2012, 06/28/2012

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE T.S. No. CA-08-149306-VF Order No.: E818090 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 09/18/2002. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn by a state or national bank, a cashier's check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state, will be held by duly appointed trustee. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. BENEFICIARY MAY ELECT TO BID LESS THAN THE TOTAL AMOUNT DUE. Trustor(s): ROSA B. PARADA, A MARRIED WOMAN AS HER SOLE AND SEPARATE PROPERTY Recorded: 2/7/2007 as Instrument No. 20070267208 of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of LOS ANGELES County, California. Date of Sale: 7/9/2012 at 11:00 AM Place of Sale: By the fountain located at 400 Civic Center Plaza, Pomona, CA 91766 Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$716,308.23 The purported property address is: 7175 DE PALMA ST., DOWNEY, CA 90241 Assessor's Parcel No. 6359-029-029 NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call 714-730-2727 for information regarding the trustee's sale or visit this Internet Web site http://www.qualityloan.com, using the file number assigned to this case 11-473175-CL. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the property address or other common designation, if any, shown herein. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. The undersigned mortgagee, beneficiary or authorized agent hereby notified that a negative credit report reflecting on your credit record may be submitted to a credit report agency if you fail to fulfill the terms of your credit obligations. A-4255096 06/14/2012, 06/21/2012, 06/28/2012

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE T.S. No. CA-09-23391-P Order No.: 400016530 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 3/17/2005. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state, will be held by duly appointed trustee. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. BENEFICIARY MAY ELECT TO BID LESS THAN THE TOTAL AMOUNT DUE. Trustor(s): FATIMA GUTIERREZ, A SINGLE WOMAN Recorded: 4/4/2005 as Instrument No. 05-0768113 of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of LOS ANGELES County, California. Date of Sale: 7/9/2012 at 11:00 AM Place of Sale: By the fountain located at 400 Civic Center Plaza, Pomona, CA 91766 Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$504,338.16 The purported property address is: 10752 LITTLE LAKE RD, DOWNEY, CA 90241 Assessor's Parcel No. 8020-018-021 NOTICE TO



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