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■ **ELECTION:** Nine candidates participate in debate hosted by The Downey Patriot.

By Alex Dominguez
Contributor

DOWNEY – All nine City Council candidates stood front and center Friday at the Downey Civic Theatre for a debate presented by the Downey Patriot.

The event was free and sponsored by PIH Health, Downey Federal Credit Union, and Downey Brewing Company.

This year, three of Downey's five districts – Districts 1, 3, and 5 – are up for reelection. Every district up for election is contested, as every candidate has at least one opponent.

Blanca Pacheco, Alma Marquez, Hector Lujan, Rick Rodriguez, Frine Medrano, Art Montoya, Louis Morales, Mayor Alex Saab, and Art Gonzales all came face to face with a crowd of 300-400 residents and supporters in the Downey Civic Theater, answering question compiled by the debate's moderator, former Downey Patriot staff writer and

current Norwalk Patriot editor Christian Brown.

Several questions were also received from community members through email and social media.

Mayor Saab stood as the sole candidate who was running for reelection, as evident by his opening statement.

"I want to thank the residents of Downey for affording me the opportunity to represent them the last four years, and I ask for another four years to represent them [and] continue the momentum that we

have worked so hard on for the city and the residents of Downey," said Saab.

Saab is running for District 5.

Running opposite of the sole reelection hopeful is Art Gonzales, who could be described as the freshest face to Downey out of the group. Gonzales is still relatively new to the city, having only moved to the city around five years ago.

The other two districts up for election are almost evenly split amongst the candidates: Pacheco, Marquez, and Lujan are running for District 1, while Rodriguez, Medrano, Montoya, and Morales are all vying for the District 3 spot.

Each candidate was allowed a 60-second opening statement, along with 60 seconds to respond to debate questions, and 30 seconds for rebuttal. Most questions were addressed by district.

The possible half-cent sales tax increase was a big topic at the debate, splitting the candidates three to six, with candidates Rodriguez, Montoya, and Gonzales supporting.

"I was at that city council meeting where the fire department pleaded for more funding to

better staff their department, and I know that the fire stations as well – three of four of them – are in need of upgrade. How can they do their jobs if they don't have the right equipment or the right funding to make sure that they can proceed in their daily operations...," said Montoya. "... No one is going to want to come to Downey to buy anything or do business if there's a fear of them getting hurt..."

On the side of the opposed, Pacheco said that the sales tax increase might hinder the continued growth of the city.

"We are a city that is growing. We are continuously expanding. We have a Downtown Downey area, we now have a Promenade, and it's nice; this growth is nice," said Pacheco. "My concern is that this sales tax increase would hinder that growth, and I'm seriously concerned about that..."

Other topics discussed by the candidates included public safety, housing, and homelessness.

For those who missed the event, video of the debate will be posted online in the coming week.

Luis Marquez, accused of having child out of wedlock, apologizes for 'mistake'

■ **ALLEGATIONS:** Downey council member is alleged to have had a child outside his marriage.

By Alex Dominguez
Contributor

DOWNEY – Downey political figures Luis and Alma Marquez have found themselves surrounded in controversy concerning a child that the councilmember allegedly fathered with another woman.

According to an official who spoke to the Patriot on the condition of anonymity, a woman by the name of Maribel Zavala has brought an allegedly out-of-wedlock child of Marquez's to light after the council member supposedly denied that the child is his.

According to this source, Zavala wants Marquez to take responsibility for the child.

The anonymous official also spoke of a meeting between the three parties involved, where Zavala supposedly said she was intimidated by Luis and Alma to not bring the issue to the public.

The source also said that all three parties were recently in court together, and that councilmember Marquez now faces a mandatory paternity test. The court case is sealed.

In a prepared statement, Councilman Marquez acknowledged "making a mistake" but called allegations of a love child "completely false" and "a political attack."

"This is a personal and legal matter that is affecting my family, so on the advice of our attorney, I will not be commenting on this issue any further other than this statement," Marquez said. "I want to publicly apologize to my wife Alma, my children, my entire family and all the residents of Downey. I made a mistake and I am working through it with my wife and family. My number one concern is protecting my children and family."

"I am proud of what I have accomplished as a Councilmember during my nearly 8 years on the council and I want the residents of Downey know that this issue will not keep me from fulfilling my city duties and doing the peoples work during my last two months on the council."

"I made a mistake and my wife Alma should not be paying the consequences with these completely false allegations and political attacks to discredit her candidacy for Downey City Council...These smear and political dirty tactics have no place in our Downey political landscape."

The controversy comes at an interesting time for the Marquez family, as Luis will finish his final City Council term in the next few months, and Alma is currently running to replace him.

The issue was the subject of an article recently published by a local tabloid.

Alma released a statement in response, saying in part:

"This article and what it says about me is baseless and a complete fabrication. It cites 'sources close to Zavala.' As its source of information, the so-called reporter never contacted me, my husband or any of the parties about whom this story is supposed to be about."

"Mr. Brian Hews is a political hitman posing as a newspaper reporter and is a disgrace to all real



Luis Marquez and his wife, Alma. According to a source, a woman has brought a paternity suit against the councilman.

reporters who do their reporting with journalistic integrity. Mr. Hews has put profits before ethics. Anyone who has followed his 'stories' can attest to the fact that he is nothing more than a hired gun for whomever can pay him to run political attack stories."

"...I can only surmise that Mr. Brian Hews has again taken money to publish this despicable and untrue political hit against me in a cowardly attempt to destroy my credibility and ruin my chances of winning a seat in the Downey

City Council.

"I am running a clean campaign based on my merits and experience, this is why I have earned the trust and support of many in my community, including Congressman Alan Lowenthal, Janice Hahn, Senator Tony Mendoza and many other public and private sector leaders and most of my neighbors..."

Zavala did not respond to calls for comment.

Editor's note: Why we reported the Luis Marquez story

The Downey Patriot doesn't deal in tabloid journalism. How many times before this week have you read in the Patriot stories of another person's extramarital affairs?

But the story surrounding Councilman Luis Marquez was too big and too important to ignore, and its reporting was necessary for a couple of different reasons:

1.) Marquez is a public figure, a two-time mayor of Downey. Details of his life that could impact his ability to serve as a City Council

member are crucially important to Downey citizens.

After word of the allegations against Marquez leaked, Marquez skipped Tuesday's City Council meeting and cancelled a planned community forum.

There's no doubt the story was impacting his ability to carry out his duties as a council member, and residents have a right to know that.

2.) Not only does Downey call itself a Character Counts city, council members voted

to inscribe the six "pillars of character" – trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, caring and citizenship – inside council chambers. It renamed street segments after the six pillars of character and basked in the positive publicity.

When City Council members willingly boast of being people of such high moral character, shouldn't they be challenged when those values are breached? I believe the answer is yes.

3.) In his statement,

Marquez specifically requested an opportunity to "publicly" apologize to his wife and children. This article gave him that opportunity.

The article written by Alex Dominguez avoided a lot of the innuendo and unfounded allegations spouted by a Cerritos tabloid last week, which has a history of throwing muck against the wall and hoping something sticks.

To be clear, we're not saying the allegations in the Los Cerritos

News story are untrue, only that there is no evidence to support the claims. At its most basic level it's a story of he-said, she-said.

Like any other story published by the Patriot, it's up to Downey residents to read the article and do with the information what they will. It's the newspaper's job to inform as fairly and objectively as possible.

Eric Pierce, editor

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THINGS TO DO



Pasadena Oktoberfest

Saturday - Rose Bowl, 2 pm

Craft beer festival with 50-plus breweries. Plus live music and food trucks.



Muertos Artwalk

Saturday - Olvera Street, 10 am

More than 30 artists selling original artwork, clothing, jewelry, and more.

FROM OUR FACEBOOK

City Council candidates participate in debate

Julie Ton Fercho: Great job facilitating this debate, The Downey Patriot! Glad to see all candidates in person sharing their respective visions on how they plan on contributing to the city.

It was clear which candidates understood the resources (and successes) of Downey, the challenges it faces, and how to address those challenges - re: homelessness, crime, tax code nuances, continuing to attract businesses and industries that push our city forward. The vague answers (or repetition of other candidates) were very telling, as was the name dropping.

Thank you again Downey Patriot for coordinating this event. I feel more informed as a new resident of Downey

Laurie Tyler: Frine, In the last two years, how have you given back to the community?

Andrew Wahlquist: Alex Saab has shown himself to be a champion of giving more opportunity and access to the arts in our city, supporting and working with our local organizations. I would like to hear from the other candidates what they would like to see improved in the local arts (and performing arts) opportunities here in our community.

Ken Cook: The majority of our civic leaders have some kind of business alignment with the city of Downey. Should they remove their successful businesses from our city as well? I sure hope not.

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TWEET OF THE WEEK

@topnach: #MayorSaab could say he's a SF Giants fan and he would still win this debate. #GetUpAndDab #downeydebate

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Downey High SkillsUSA students put in day of service

DOWNEY – Seventy Downey High School students put their leadership skills to the test on Saturday, Oct. 8, when they volunteered at the Dare 2B Digital exposition, which was hosted at the school.

The daylong event introduced almost 1,000 Downey Unified middle school students and parents to cutting edge digital technologies.

The DHS student volunteers are part of the school's SkillsUSA team. Through the day, they helped register participants, provided directions, assisted program presenters, and documented the event through photography and video.

"They were amazing," said Norma Kropelinicki of Dare 2B Digital. "I work with a lot of volunteers and I would take this group anytime."

At the end of the event, the students hunkered down in the shade for a group photo and a well-earned break. "I couldn't be more proud of your professionalism," teacher Frida J. Vadgama, Downey High's SkillsUSA lead advisor, told the group.

SkillsUSA is a national program that builds leadership skills and supports career and technical education, Vadgama said. Many of the students who worked Saturday will participate in SkillsUSA Leadership and Skills competitions at the regional level, with gold, silver and bronze medalists advancing to the state and possibly even national competitions.

Nicholas Acosta, co-president of Downey High's SkillsUSA team, was happy with the volunteer turnout and with the enthusiasm of his peers. "I like to see students involved not only in school but in the community," he said.

Dare 2B Digital event featured presentations by leaders in cutting-edge technologies such as virtual reality, space exploration and digital entertainment. NASA/Jet Propulsion Laboratory and Southern California Edison were among the presenters. The event also included appearances by celebrities Kevin McHale of "Glee," YouTube stars such as Leo Camacho, and others.

The event was made possible through a partnership between Downey Unified School District and Invent Your Future Enterprises, with grant funding from the California Career Pathways Trust. Promoting careers in science, technology, engineering, arts and math (STEAM), Dare 2B Digital aims to inspire young innovators through interactive, hands-on learning experiences.

Dutch students visit Downey on world tour

DOWNEY – STORM Wave, the electric motorcycle designed by STORM Eindhoven, a team of 24 Dutch students at Eindhoven University of Technology, rode into Downey this week as part of their 80-day world tour.

The goal of the journey is to show the potential of e-mobility worldwide. The team was in Los Angeles, where they visited various events, including a meeting with the Dutch Honorary Consul at the VTBS Architects Office, Downey High School's Engineering Department, and a group of local creatives at Stay Gallery.

The motorcycle runs on a battery pack designed by Eindhoven students. The pack consists of 24 cartridges that have 28.5 kWh of energy, which enables the motorcycle to travel 380 kilometers (236 miles) on a single charge.

Furthermore, it is possible to adapt the whole pack to enable a lighter motorcycle for a more sporting driving style.

STORM Eindhoven left the Netherlands to tour the world on Aug. 14, and traveled through Europe, the Middle East, and China before coming to the US.

The innovative motorcycle started touring the United States in Washington state. The bike will travel down the West Coast and through the South and Midwest before finishing its tour of America in New York on Oct. 26.



STORM will make stops in Sacramento, San Francisco, Phoenix, Dallas, Columbus, and Pittsburgh, among others.

During each stop, the STORM team will meet with universities and companies interested in smart urban planning and sustainability to demonstrate the potential of sustainable transportation and recharge the motorcycle.

Downey Library's October auction items

DOWNEY – The Friends of the Downey City Library holds monthly silent auctions to raise money for library programs.

October's items include:

"Baseball's Insider Library (8 volumes)" – the greatest teams, the greatest pitchers, and the greatest pennant races, along with an insider's look at the World Series, Spring Training, the Hall of Fame and the MLB Draft;

"America the Beautiful – Mid Century Culture in Kodachrome" and **"Southern Californialand"** – a wide ranging look at the people, places and things that were "hip" in the mid Fifties with Downey and several other local communities making an appearance;

"Bluebird Seven" – painted in 1917 and rediscovered in 1978, this series of 33 water colors follows a family of bluebirds from nesting to migration and back to nesting;

"The Pop-Up Bood of Nightmares" – puts you face to face with ten of your most unsettling dreams: naked in public, falling down stairs, being chased by a pack of dogs, and other fun experiences await you;

"Mexice-One Plate at a Time"- Rick Bayless takes you through Mexican markets and home kitchens to bring the great dishes of Mexico;

"The World's Most Haunted Places" – an international tour of

haunted historic locations from Washington D.C. to Chicago to Paris and Ireland's Ballygally Castle Hotel;

"Miracle Dogs-Rescue Stories"- more than 40 uplifting stories of people rescuing dogs on the brink;

"The Haunting of the Presidents-a Paranormal History of the U.S. Presidency" – the history of hauntings and séances in and around the White House;

"John Lennon-Unseen Archives" – Lennon's story in pictures and words;

"Depraved Heart"- the latest novel in Patricia Cornwell's series featuring medical examiner Dr. Kay Scarpetta;

"The Peacemaker-Arms and Adventure in the American West" – a pictorial history of firearms and the people who used them with more than 300 color plates and more than 200 black-and-white photos;

"The Complete Three Stooges" – a tribute to the comic genius of the Three Stooges with lots of pictures, stories, and facts.

Books have opening bids from \$6-\$10 and are on display in the library lobby. Bids can be made through noon, Saturday October 29th, on cards in the Friend's Bookstore located in the young adult section of the library.

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Commentary: Candidates play it safe at City Council debate

■ **ELECTION:** Candidates for Downey City Council mostly fail to deliver past generic talking points.

By Lawrence Christon
Contributor

DOWNEY – When three city council seats are up for grabs in a five-district municipality, you can expect serious change in the making. The question about Downey is whether that change will be for the better, or will it further continue the erosion of identity that's been nipping closer and closer to its core for the past 15 years or more.

That's why it's crucial to try and understand who's running for those seats in the first, third and fifth districts, and hear their ideas and qualifications, what they're offering by way of leadership qualities, and how they want to shape the future.

All of which made last Friday night's debate onstage at the Downey Civic Theater critical. Beyond lawn posters and slick mailers, it's the only chance we'll have had so far to ask, "Who are these people?" and hope to gain some knowledge of what we may be in for.

The Downey Patriot hosted in the figure of editor/reporter Christian Brown, who kept things moving briskly along as nine candidates made their bid for office. The sheer number, along with appearing in public with their competition for the first time, made for a noticeable caution. Everyone of course was obliged to put his or her best foot forward in search of the least objectionable way to pander. If no one embarrassed himself, no one provided a revealing self-portrait either, beyond the normal solid citizen boilerplate.

The password for the night incidentally, as it's been in every election cycle in memory, is Police

and Fire, as in "I pledge greater support for..." That the city's police and fire departments are exemplary is beyond dispute. But mentioning it never seems to hurt, and mention it they did.

There were revealing moments just the same, some unintentionally comical, as when 28-year-old Art Montoya said, "Downey has made me the man I am," to a majority of strangers who didn't know who he was in the first place. Or when Blanca Pacheco expressed her knowledge and approval of the Downey park system because she walks her two little dogs in one of them.

Brown introduced the candidates in order as each strode out onstage and took a high stool beside a small cocktail table:

■ **Blanca Pacheco**, attorney. Past president of Downey Kiwanis and commissioner on Downey Public Works Committee.

■ **Hector Lujan**, assistant principal Paramount Adult School

■ **Alma Marquez**, former district director for State Senator Tony Mendoza.

■ **Rick Rodriguez**, owner of a security firm called RMI International. Past president of Downey Chamber of Commerce, Gangs out of Downey, chairman of Downey's Preparedness Committee. Chaplain with L.A.'s County Sheriff Department.

■ **Frine Medrano**, staff member

for State Senator Kevin de Leon.

■ **Art Montoya**, worker safety specialist for Walt Disney Co.

■ **Louis Morales**, economic development consultant, member of Downey planning Commission.

■ **Alex Saab**, attorney. Fifth District councilman since 2012. Past president of Downey Chamber of Commerce, Los Amigos Kiwanis.

■ **Art Gonzales**, realtor, neighborhood watch captain.

You looked at the roster and wondered how, with a couple of exceptions, anyone's list of virtues and occupations could qualify them for elective office. A safety specialist? A neighborhood watch captain?

But sometimes they surprised you. Gonzalez seemed refreshingly candid and free of dreary political rhetoric, and Rick Rodriguez gave a direct, surprisingly eloquent and even touching response to a question about conflict of interest with his security firm. And when the question of dealing with homelessness came up, he seemed to be (or to say so) the only one who understood it as mainly a mental health issue. There was a time, before the Reagan administration shut down mental clinics in the 1980s, when the sight of someone sleeping on a street was inexplicable and troubling. But if they knew, no one else had anything to say about it.

The terms "transparency," "accountability" and "integrity"

came up a few times, leaving us to wonder what they alluded to. Has the decision-making process of the city been opaque or hidden from us? If so, let's hear examples. Have there been incidents of ethical misconduct the candidates know about and we don't? As there was virtually no follow-up questioning, these interesting issues, to say the least, were left unaddressed.

Once everyone in the lineup understood that no one in their midst was going to erupt in a barrage of savage personal attacks, the candidates warily settled in to a round of questions that included positions on the proposed tax increase, crowded parking conditions, veterans affairs, park and public safety, legalization of marijuana dispensaries, and easing of term limits. As everyone seemed to agree most of the time with everyone else, the questions took on the velocity of lightning rounds and the evening sped by to a premature end.

The answers of what each candidate would do for the city were among the most disappointing. It wasn't enough for Marquez and Medrano to say they'd use their state connections to direct more money toward Downey when they didn't tell us what they'd do with it. Pacheco's statement that a prime objective would be to help any kid who came to her wanting to become a lawyer, suggests that she's out

of touch with the priorities of her higher-crime South Downey district.

The term "pro-business" came up, when business isn't exactly what Downey needs right now. What the city needs is a vision of the future, with amenities that invest the whole human being with larger civilized aims than the satisfaction of mere consumer appetite. Culture would be one of those aims. The word was never mentioned.

Saab, with his innately warm personality and the authority and knowledge of an incumbent, appeared to come off best. But many of the others seemed deeply sincere and genuinely likeable. It was mostly a nice bunch of people.

But nice isn't enough. You came away wishing that at least one of them understood the city as a complex organism with many different components. You wished that someone possessed an understanding of how society works, top to bottom, from

banking to the price of cucumbers to the condition of underground gas pipes.

On this panel and of the three men still sitting on the council, you wished that there were one intellectual, one historian, one person with a comprehensive experience of the world. Because if architecture expresses a society's ruling ethos, you'd have to conclude that Downey is in the process of selling out to commercial developers. It's as if our leadership doesn't know what else to do.

The rest of us are not off the hook. Approximately 300 people came to the debate. That's less than three-hundredths of one percent of Downey's population. If democracy is supposed to be of, for and by the people and the people don't show up, then the democracy can't function.

Once the city becomes unrecognizably generic, we can't come crying.

Parade of Winners tickets on sale

DOWNEY – Tickets are on sale for the Downey Rose Float Association's 39th annual Parade of Winners fundraiser.

Tickets are \$125 and entitle ticket-holders and a guest to lunch Oct. 23 and a chance to win \$10,000.

The event will be held at the Rio Hondo Event Center and begins with cocktails from 12-1 p.m., followed by a buffet lunch at 1 p.m. and games at 2.

For tickets, call Jennifer DeKay at (562) 714-5658.

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Artwork is a big component of Downey Symphony's Oct. 22 concert

DOWNEY – The Downey Symphonic Society, once again in collaboration with the Downey Arts Coalition, will celebrate Downey's 60th anniversary at the opening concert of the 57th season of the Downey Symphony Orchestra at the Downey Theatre on Saturday, Oct. 22.

The orchestra, under the direction of Sharon Lavery, will pay tribute to Downey's important role in space exploration with a concert entitled "The Stars Align" by performing Gustav Holst's The Planets featuring a soprano choir from Chorale Bel Canto of Whittier.

Also on the program is the world premiere of the Downey Celebration Suite composed by longtime Downey resident Lars Clutterham. The performance is supported in part by a prestigious grant from the National Endowment for the Arts.

While the music is the heart of the evening, the concert will be enhanced with art and poetry as well as other festivities. In partnership with the Downey Arts Coalition, an exhibit of work by local artists entitled "Cosmic" will be on view in the Downey Theatre lobby and gallery.

Once again, the art exhibit "Cosmic" has been coordinated by Pat Gil, a member of the Board of Directors of the Downey Symphonic Society and also the vice president of the Downey Arts Coalition. She has been assisted by Andrew Hernandez, curator for this exhibit.

Always excited and enthusiastic when talking about the Downey Symphony Orchestra and/or the art exhibits, Pat explains, "I am so pleased to have such a wide variety of artists participating in our art exhibition; each one of their pieces is so incredible and remarkable they truly demonstrate the idea for the theme."

"We have a total of 32 artists in our show, with 57 art pieces on display. Among these artists we have several returning, and more that are showing for the first time with the Downey Arts Coalition."

"Among our returning artists we have Carolina Estrada Del-Toro and her husband Jorge Del-Toro. Carolina exhibits two new digital photographs called 'Collision Course' and 'Succumbing to Gravity.' Both are pieces that appear to display events that often occur within the cosmos that are never really seen by people in their entire lives, but in reality they are photos of something very organic found on earth, we will leave it up to you to guess what it is."

"As with all of her photos they are astonishing and breathtaking. Jorge adorns the gallery with another one of his amazing ceramic sculptures called Rediscover Mission. This sculpture is a "two-piece" depicting a rocket flying through space towards the Earth. The front is glazed, so that when positioned properly it catches the light, giving it a beautiful shine. The back is made to appear as a meteor that has crashed to Earth."

"Another of our veteran artists is Christopher Landeros with his pieces The Wanderer, Lost in Space, and Reaper of Charon. These are two oil and resin paintings on wooden canvas, and a foam sculpture, that give an expressionist view of the cosmos. They are dark and frightening, yet we are still drawn to them. These pieces display the

idea of being in outer space, alone, and ultimately succumbing to the darkness of it all.

"Jennifer Jones again exhibits with two new mixed-media collages called Cosmic I and Cosmic II. As with her works in the past, her collages are captivating with the use of different objects brought together to create art pieces that takes viewers out of their world in into someplace beyond."

"Also returning is Polaris Castillo with five charcoal drawings on display called Milky Way, Laika, Infinity, Asteroid Belt, and With You 'Til The End. These drawings take a very interesting look at the universe that is astounding and plays with the idea of the cosmos itself such as that it is endless. Bill Rademaker is also a very talented artist returning with us. His piece is a very colorful and interesting graphic design representing possible life on other planets."

Pat Gil continues, "Along with our many returning artists, there are a variety of new artists that are displaying their work with us. The first of these new artists to the Downey Arts Coalition is Trinity Gomez, an artist from Whittier, who has shown in numerous shows in California and is only 14 years old."

"Her acrylic painting Unleashed is a piece that gives light to some of the old theories that often surround space and the objects engulfing it, including our own moon. The painting is a fascinating piece that demonstrates the creativity that this young girl has and is only exemplified by her use of the paints and brushstrokes to create a captivating work of art."

"Lawrence Movera is digital artist from Santa Fe Springs also exhibiting with DAC for the first time with pieces called Bowl Sign July 2016 and It Waits Patiently For Man. His digital pieces are very unique and captivating in their own way. For instance, one appears very sci-fi reminiscent to the film 2001: A Space Odyssey while the other is more a retrospective of the 1950's and 60's which, in turn, can allude back to the early days of Downey when it was home to the aerospace facilities that led to space flight."

"Another new artist with DAC is Aia White-Podue, from Long Beach, displaying acrylic on wood paintings with titles such as Wormhole, Butterfly Nebula, and Veil Nebula. Aia's paintings are all part of a series that she started after viewing pictures on the internet from the Hubble Telescope while adding her own flare that makes them more alluring."

"We also welcome Nancy Huitzil, one of three student artists from California State University Dominguez Hills, who are not only showing with DAC for the first time, but are also participating in their first art exhibition as well. Celestial Shifts are six acrylic paintings on wood panel, cut into triangles, put together to make one whole piece. The piece, as a whole, is meant to represent a cosmic change that happens within the universe; each of the triangles appearing differently than the one before."

"Another new artist participating is Hugo Hidalgo, a very talented person we have been inviting for a while to participate. We are very excited to finally have him exhibit his wonderful piece Die Rakete Junge – The Rocket Boy."

"Another new artist showing with us is Ocean McIntyre. She had many wonderful pieces that were perfect for the exhibit; we had a very hard time narrowing them down to just four amazing works, Lift Off Of The Falcon 9, Orbital Auroral Eclipse, Keeping Looking Up, and Night Launch of Space Shuttle Columbia STS-35, December 2, 1990."

I must mention, while viewing the "Cosmic" art exhibit earlier in the month to prepare for this writing, that this writer was instantly captivated by Lindsay Yost's Neptune while walking up the stairs from the theatre lobby to the gallery.

Lindsay, a crowd favorite, is a local Downey mosaic artist who is very supportive of the Downey Symphony Orchestra and always participates in the art exhibits. Her mixed-media art, a very fun "retro" and vibrantly colored work that includes pieces of broken "Sweet Ceramics" made in Italy, depicts an alien girl in a bikini top that couldn't help but catch my eye. This beautiful work of art looks great when viewed up close, but looks even better when viewed at a distance.



Other artists include Alejandra Garcia, Amanda Boehm-Garcia, Britney Burnet, Chris Paolilli, Daniel Galindo, David De Santis, Denise Moritz, Derek Prado, Giselle Ruiz, Irina Karkov, Joanne Chase-Matillo, Joelle Cooperrider, Julie Mendoza, Kristan Haitz, Liliana Ortega, Nancy Gunther, Parker Winans, Rudy Torres, and Sang Eui Kim.

October 22 is the date of the "Cosmic" art exhibit and "The Planets Align" Downey Symphony Orchestra concert taking place at the Downey Theatre. The lobby doors open at 6:30 p.m.

A lecture about the music being performed and an interview with composer Lars Clutterham will be given from the stage by Music Director/Conductor Sharon Lavery at 7:15 p.m. The concert begins at 8 p.m. There will be a special champagne reception on the theatre patio after the concert. The concert will be performed without an intermission.

This concert is the first of three of the 2016-17 season. Season tickets are still available at the Downey Theatre Box Office open 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., Tuesday through Friday and one hour before the concert.

You may order tickets by phone at (562) 861-8211 or online at downeysymphony.org.

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CalMet Services, Inc., the City's waste hauler, will be providing Downey residents with free mulch on Saturday, October 22 from 8:00 a.m. to noon. Residents may receive up to 32 gallons of mulch, but must bring their own containers. The distribution will be a "drive-thru" only event and there will be no accommodations for walk-up visitors. The give-away will take place in the parking lot area at the Downey City Hall - West Parking 11111 Brookshire Avenue. Vehicles may only enter off of Civic Center Drive. The distribution of mulch will begin at 9:00 a.m. and will end when the supply of mulch is exhausted, or at 12 noon, whichever comes first. For more information, call CalMet Services at 562-259-1239, extension 7.

Jorge Montero for President

Dear Editor:

Two elections ago I offered myself as a better alternative than Barack Obama to be President of the United States (The Downey Patriot, June 13, 2008).

Surprisingly, the Democrats didn't take me up on my offer even though I proved that my credentials were better than Obama's. He got elected and you know the results.

I now feel myself obligated to offer the same alternative to the Republicans because I can do a better job than Donald Trump could do as President.

First, I am not smart so I have paid taxes all my life and will not have to explain why I can't show my tax returns. My taxes, though modest, will contribute to the national budget -- something that Donald will never do.

Second, I am short and homely and rather than seeing me as a threat, I awaken women's maternal protective instincts. This will win me the female vote. I won't have to apologize for misogyny attitudes like Donald did.

Third, I am an immigrant and know how to handle the illegal immigration problem. My solution is simple and effective. Throw in jail the CEO of any company or any individual who hires illegal immigrants. This action will stop the hiring of illegals. Once they realize they can't have jobs in this country, they won't come and the ones here will leave on their own accord.

Fourth, I know international trade. I have exported American products for 34 years and know how to open markets for American products. Donald only talks about trade. I do it every day.

Finally, since I have told upfront that I am an immigrant, there will be no birthism issue to exploit. These are difficult times for the country and my place of birth should not be relevant to this election. I am sure that Congress will pass a temporary exception to the American born rule because they care for the future of the country and see that I can do a better job than Donald and provide real competition to Hilary.

Jorge Montero
Downey

Trump unfit for President

Dear Editor:

I now know the qualifications needed to become President of the United States in 2017:

- 1.) Hate Donald Trump
- 2.) Be a female
- 3.) Be married one time only
- 4.) Be a wife, mother, grandmother extraordinaire
- 5.) Never refuse to hire someone because they are overweight, ugly or old
- 6.) Have your flawed track record excused
- 7.) Allow thousands more unchecked refugees asylum in our country
- 8.) Build bridges, not walls, to accommodate more illegal immigrants entry into our country because our government is only \$20 trillion in debt and can easily afford to continue paying \$340 billion yearly on illegal immigrants for their benefits including welfare, food assistance, food stamps, free lunches, Medicaid, education, birthing anchor babies, paying a mere \$2 million a day to incarcerate illegal immigrants -- 30 percent of federal prisoners being illegal, and paying out \$90 billion a year for social services.

So, Mr. Trump, you are totally disqualified to become President because you are on your third marriage, most importantly you are not female, you do not hire overweight, fat, ugly people for certain positions in your privately owned businesses, you want to secure our borders and thoroughly vet refugees before they are allowed asylum in our country, and you want to decrease, not increase, the national debt.

Martha Morrissy-Call
Downey

Support for Tammy Ashton

Dear Editor:

All seven members of the Downey Unified School District Board of Education are supporting Dr. Tammy Ashton for election to the Cerritos College Board of Trustees.

Dr. Ashton will bring a knowledgeable, deliberative and fair-minded approach to the issues facing Cerritos College. Her only agenda is to do what is best for the students, faculty, employees and taxpayers of the college. Her clear-headed leadership is needed on the Cerritos College Board of Trustees.

On a personal note, Dr. Ashton has every right to use the title of doctor. After all, she earned a valid Juris Doctor degree from Glendale College of Law. For anyone to suggest otherwise is just wrong.

D. Mark Morris
President, Board of Education
Downey Unified School District

Foster Road townhomes

Dear Editor:

I believe that there should be an Environmental Impact Study done on the property that the City of Downey proposes to put in 14 new townhouses (10361 Foster Rd.).

The contractor would build 14 townhouses between the electrical power towers and the riverbed. The study that has been done now was done by Mr. William Davis, the city planner. We need someone outside the city to look at the property and let us know that it is safe to put families there.

I expect a state of federal agency to make that decision. In my opinion it is an unsafe place to build homes.

Donna Siemann
Downey

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Do the debates help us choose wisely?

By Lee H. Hamilton

We're in the middle of the presidential debates, and not surprisingly, they're drawing viewers in great numbers. The contest is close, and the chance to watch the two candidates spar with one another face-to-face makes for entertaining television.

This is hardly a bad thing. Overall, presidential debates are a plus for the public dialogue. They get tremendous coverage throughout the media universe, both while they're taking place and in the days that follow. They let the voters see the candidates under pressure and gauge their performance. As scripted as they can sometimes seem, they still let us watch the candidates think on their feet. They're serious events, and are certainly more substantive than campaign speeches and television commercials.

It's true that they don't usually change the trajectory of a race — although we won't know until Election Night whether this year's debates played a role in the outcome. They can reinforce enthusiasm, but it's rare that they create it from scratch.

Yet I think our focus on debates — at least in the form they currently take — is misplaced. It's not so much that they reward one-upmanship, a quick wit, and clever zingers — although they do. Rather, I think they don't actually help us make a good choice.

Over my years in Congress and afterward, I've sat in on a lot of meetings at the White House where foreign and domestic policy were discussed. For the most part, I came away impressed by the process by which presidents make tough decisions. They go around the room, asking each guest, "What do I do now?" They ask participants to define the issue, lay out the options, identify American interests at stake, and make recommendations. It's usually a sustained, unhurried process, with very little fancy oratory; instead, I've heard sharp debate and thorough discussion characterized by forceful, reasoned, fact-based, and responsible arguments. Presidents pay close attention and sometimes take notes. They want to hear different opinions, seek advice, and then go off and make a decision.

You have to remember that the choices a president has to make are complicated and often very difficult — almost by definition, an issue doesn't get to that level unless it's a tough one. I've sat in on meetings with both Democratic

and Republican presidents, and one of the things that often impressed me is that ideology has played a smaller role than you'd imagine. The conversations are quite pragmatic.

What all this means is that the real quality you're looking for in a President is judgment: the ability to consider issues from all angles, weigh options carefully, and then choose the wisest course — sometimes from among a tangle of unpalatable alternatives.

That is what presidents do. But the qualities necessary to do this do not come through in the debates, which tell us very little about how candidates would do at exercising judgment in the fog of policy-making. A campaign event that calls for impassioned oratory, a quick wit, one-liners, and sharp digs is not especially helpful for helping us choose who is going to make the best decisions.

I think we can do better. Selecting a president is serious business. We want to put control of the process on the voters' side, and not let the candidates get away with fluff.

How do we do this? We change the nature of the debates. To begin with, I believe there should be a series of them, each focused on a single issue — education, say, or national security. Candidates should face a panel of questioners asking them to address the toughest questions on those matters — people who are sharp and incisive and are prepared to follow up and press candidates when they spout mush. Ideally, the candidates should face this panel one at a time, rotating who goes first, and with other rules to assure fairness.

The point is, we want voters to go to the polls not just with a good idea of where the candidates want to take us and how they're going to get there. We also want voters to have a clear sense of how sound the candidates' judgment is, because that's ultimately what will make or break their presidency.

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Prison labor is slavery by another name

By Olivia Alperstein

Right now there's a national movement mobilizing to raise the federal minimum wage to a living wage of \$15 an hour. But imagine if instead of earning even that much, you could only earn a few cents an hour.

If that sounds like something from the developing world, think again. The reality is our prisons are perpetuating slave labor.

Every day, incarcerated people work long hours for barely any money. Meanwhile, prisons charge inmates for everything from telephone calls, to extra food and convenience items, to occupying a bed.

In an official statement announcing the start of the historically largest nationwide prison strike, the IWW Incarcerated Workers Organizing Committee wrote: "In one voice, rising from the cells of long term solitary confinement, echoed in the dormitories and cell blocks from Virginia to Oregon, we prisoners across the United States vow to finally end slavery in 2016."

The prison system profits from mass incarceration. Prisons have numerous incentives to fill beds — including the cheap labor prisoners provide — and very little incentive to treat prisoners like human beings.

Current minimum wage laws don't apply to people in prison, nor do labor rights regulations. So prisoners experiencing grueling hours or cruel treatment don't have any recourse to file complaints or seek restitution.

On the contrary, clear human rights violations — including chain gangs — go unchecked all the time.

And the prison system targets an already incredibly vulnerable population. Most inmates aren't just low-income — they're the poorest of the poor. In 2014, prior to their incarceration, inmates generally made over 40 percent less than their peers.

Much of the prison population only wound up in the system in the first place because of policies that criminalize race, poverty, and mental health.

Some are there because they couldn't afford to post bail after facing minimal charges. Others end up back in the system because of stigma and policies that make it difficult to find a job as an ex-convict.

Others still are locked up for being homeless and sleeping on the street, or

stealing food. Many with mental illnesses end up cycling between the emergency room and a jail cell.

But even those with steady work, once inside prison, can't continue to earn a decent living. On just a few pennies an hour, prisoners can't support themselves or their families, or earn enough to survive once they reenter society.

People who spend years or even decades behind bars lose years worth of wages and have few resources for food or rent post-incarceration. It's easy to see how prisons trap people in a cycle of poverty that helps ensure that even if released, they're likely to end up back in prison.

The majority of these prisoners are people of color who've been disproportionately targeted for imprisonment — from racial profiling to the failed war on drugs that targeted black communities starting in the 1980s.

And it's not just the wages that are reminiscent of slavery.

One in ten prisoners is subject to physical and sexual abuse by guards and fellow inmates, according to the first National Former Prisoners Survey.

There's no real infrastructure to address the physical and mental consequences that come with this abuse. Meanwhile, prison wardens, correction officers, and prison administrators are rarely held accountable for their actions.

Some of these injustices have inspired the Department of Justice to end federal contracts with private prisons, but that's not enough.

The Eighth Amendment states that cruel and unusual punishment is illegal in this country. Yet, today people are slaving away in prison factories, under working conditions that first prompted the rise of the labor movement.

Prisoners are human beings who deserve the same human rights and dignity as the rest of us.

We must end the practice of prison labor. It's slavery by another name, and we have a clear obligation to ensure that slavery is completely eradicated in the United States.

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The best and worst presidents on taxes

By Sarah Anderson

With all the debate over Donald Trump's tax-dodging, I've been wondering how taxes have played into presidential politics in the past.

For some answers, I turned to Bob McIntyre, head of the nonpartisan research and advocacy group Citizens for Tax Justice. For 40 years, McIntyre has been on the frontlines of efforts to make our tax code fairer.

When asked what American president he considers the worst on tax fairness, his initial response was "Yipes, there are so many."

After some consideration, he bestowed that honor on Ronald Reagan, whose 1981 tax act slashed taxes on the rich.

The top marginal tax rate dropped from 70 percent to 50 percent (before being cut even further to 28 percent in 1986). And, even more harmful, according to McIntyre, was the bill's vast expansion of corporate tax loopholes.

Ironically, though, when I asked what president has done the most to advance tax fairness, Reagan's name came up again — not as number 1, but as the runner-up.

While Reagan is a big hero of anti-tax Tea Partiers, later in his presidency, he agreed to raise taxes several times to address mounting budget deficits.

McIntyre was particularly involved in the fight over Reagan's 1986 reform, after cranking out reports for a decade that documented rampant tax-dodging among America's largest corporations and wealthiest individuals.

The loophole-closing 1986 reform was still not enough to solve the problem of insufficient revenue to pay for federal spending. But by creating a broader tax base, Reagan set the stage for President Bill Clinton's increases in the tax rates on the highest earners.

The top marginal rate rose to 39.6 percent in 1993, where it stands today.

The combination of the 1986 and 1993 reforms was essential to the balanced federal budgets that occurred in the late 1990s, according to McIntyre.

But of course, then President George W. Bush blasted a cruise missile-sized hole through all that fiscal responsibility with a new round of tax cuts and a spike in war spending.

So who was the best president for the cause of tax fairness?

Again, the answer was surprising: Teddy Roosevelt, but not because he was a strong advocate of progressive taxes (which indeed he was). Instead, McIntyre says TR deserves the honor because of the unintended consequences of his pettiness.

To understand his argument requires a bit of a history refresher.



In 1912, Roosevelt, who'd held the nation's highest office from 1901 to 1909, decided to throw his hat back in the ring because he was dissatisfied with the presidential performance of his former protégé, William Taft.

When TR failed to beat Taft for the nomination, he founded his own party — the progressive, so-called "Bull Moose" Party — and while he didn't win the election, he succeeded in splitting up the Republican Party.

This, McIntyre points out, led to Democratic takeovers of previously Republican state legislatures, which was critical to delivering the three-quarters of states necessary to ratify the 16th Amendment.

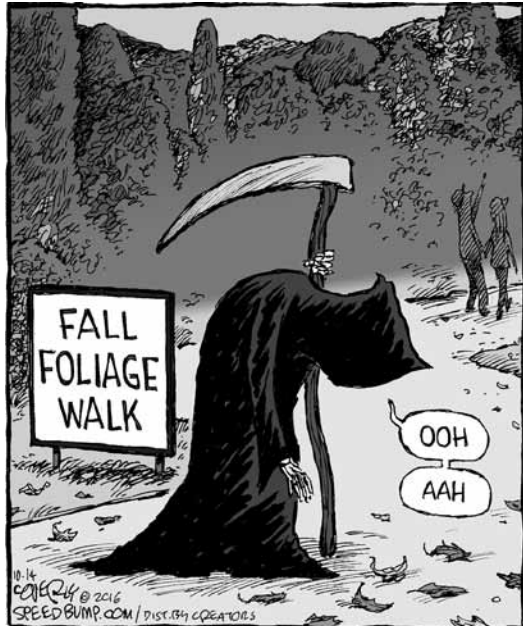
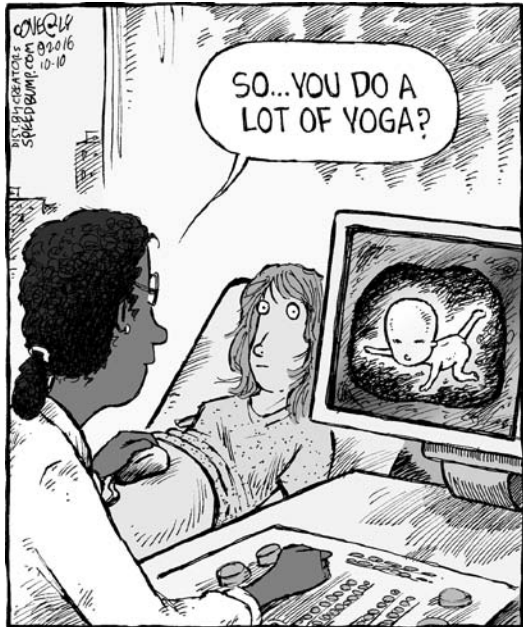
"Without Teddy's petulance," McIntyre told me, "the amendment authorizing a federal income tax would almost certainly have failed to be adopted."

So how does one stay motivated to keep fighting for fair taxation for 40 years? "Perhaps I have Sisyphus as my hero," McIntyre said.

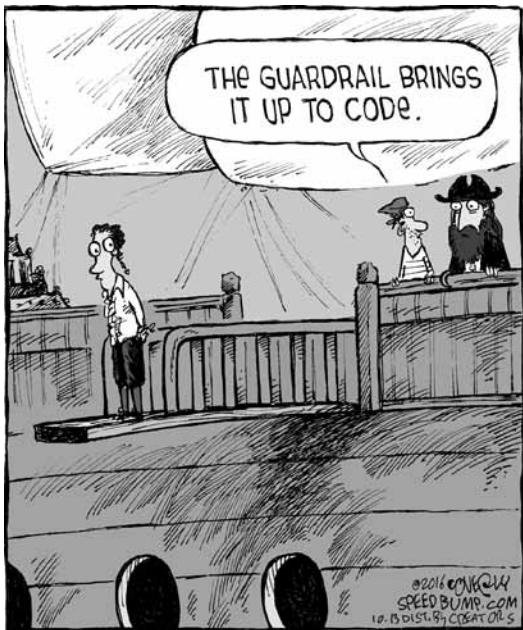
Trying to stop big corporations and billionaires from rigging the system does indeed seem like pushing a rock up a hill over and over. But until we elect public servants willing to stand up to these powerful forces, we have no choice but to keep pushing.

Sarah Anderson directs the Global Economy Project at the Institute for Policy Studies and is a co-editor of Inequality.org.

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Downey Community Calendar

EVENTS FOR OCTOBER

Saturday, Oct. 15: **Live concert by Orquesta Charangoa**, Stonewood Center (courtyard near Buffalo Wild Wings), 2 p.m.
 Monday, Oct. 17: **"Everything Downey," a presentation with Mayor Alex Saab**, Rio Hondo Event Center, 9 a.m.
 Monday, Oct. 17: **Time Capsule Burial**, Promenade at Downey, 4 p.m.

CITY MEETINGS

1st & 3rd Wednesday, 6:30pm: Planning Commission, Council Chamber at City Hall.
 1st Tue., 4:00pm: Recreation and Community Services Commission, Council Chamber, City Hall.
 1st Tue., 6:00pm: Emergency Preparedness Committee, at Fire Station No. 1, 12222 Paramount Blvd.
 2nd & 4th Tue., 6:30pm: City Council, Council Chamber.
 3rd Tue., 6:30pm: Library Advisory Board, at Downey City Library.
 4th Mon., 5 pm: Green Task Force, at City Hall.

Regularly Scheduled Meetings

MONDAYS

7 pm: Boy Scout Troop 2, at Downey United Methodist Church, call 869-6478.
 2nd Mon., 11 am: American Legion Auxiliary #270, at United Methodist Church, call 304-3439.
 3rd Mon., 11:30 am: Downey Newcomers Club, call Nancy 806-1782.
 4th Mon., 7:30 pm: Downey Numismatists, at Downey Retirement Center, call 862-6666.

TUESDAYS

9:30 am: Downey Seniors Club, at Apollo Park, call Irene Vallini at 328-7039.
 10 am: Downey Bocce Club, at 7850 Quill Drive, call John Fiorenza at 652-4399.
 12 pm: Rotary Club, at Rio Hondo Events Center, call Russell Skersick 929-3710.
 6 pm: Toastmasters Club 587, at First Baptist Church, contact Salvador Cervantes: tmsalcpuede@gmail.com.
 7 pm: Downey Knights of Columbus Bingo, at 11231 Rives Ave., call 923-1932.
 7 pm: Healing Room and Prayer, at Desert Reign Church 11610 Lakewood Blvd, call 861-6011.
 7:30 pm: Downey Master Chorale, at Cornerstone Church, contact info@downeymasterchorale.org.
 1st Tues., 7:30 am: Gangs Out of Downey, at City Hall training room.
 2nd Tues., 3:30 pm: Keep Downey Beautiful, at City Hall, call 905-7103.
 2nd and 4th Tues., 6 pm: Sertoma Club, at Rio Hondo Event Center, call 927-6438.
 2nd Tues., 6 pm: Downey Fly Fishers, at Apollo Park, call 425-7936.
 3rd Tues., 6:30 pm: Community Emergency Response Team meeting, Fire station 1, 12222 Paramount.
 3rd Tues., 6 pm: American Legion #270, at Sizzler Restaurant, call 544-0372.
 Tues., Thurs. & Sat., 10 am: Downey Bocce Club, at 7850 Quill Drive, call John Fiorenza 652-4399

WEDNESDAYS

7 am: Kiwanis Club, at Rio Hondo Events Center, call Steve Roberson at 927-2626.
 1 pm: Women's Bocce Club, at 7850 Quill Drive, call Marie Puch at 869-4366.
 7 pm: Out Post 132 Royal Rangers, at Desert Reign Church, call 928-8000.
 1st Wed., 11 am: Woman's Club of Downey, call Cheryl Olson 833-8954.
 1st Wed., 11:30 am: Downey Coordinating Council, Community Center, call Bobbi Bruce 440-5416.
 1st Wed., 7:30 pm: Downey Stamp Club, at Maude Price School cafeteria, call 928-3028.
 2nd Wed., 11:30 am: Christian Women's Club, at Los Amigos Country Club, call Helen 864-7319.
 2nd Wed., 7:30 pm: Downey Model A Club, at Gallatin School Cafeteria, call 928-4132.
 3rd Wed., Downey Dog Obedience Club, at Apollo Park, call Gina 869-5213 or Valerie 420-2972.
 3rd Wed., 10 am: Los Angeles County Quilters Guild, at Women's Club, call (310) 604-0725.
 3rd Wed., 10 am: OLPH Women's Guild, at OLPH School Auditorium, contact Armida Lugo, (562) 715-6142.
 3rd Wed., 6 pm: American Business Women's Association, Rio Hondo Country Club, call Barbara 863-2192.
 4th Wed., 12:00 pm: Retired Federal Employees, at Barbara J Riley Center, call 943-5513.
 4th Wed., 7:30 pm: US Coast Guard Aux. Flotilla 5-10, First Presbyterian Church, call Brian 419-5420.
 Wed. & Fri., 10:15 am: Senior Bingo, at Apollo Park, call 904-7223

THURSDAYS

7:30 am: Connections Networking, at Bob's Big Boy, for info., call Nick Smith, 861-5222.
 7:30 am: Soroptmist Int'l of Downey, for information, call Mia Vasquez, 806-3217.
 9:30 am: Take off Pounds Sensibly, at Barabara Riley Senior Center, call (800) 932-8677.
 12 pm: Kiwanis Club of Downey, at Rio Hondo Events Center, call Roy Jimenez 923-0971.
 12 pm: Optimist Club of Downey, at Rio Hondo Events Center.
 6:30 pm: Downey United Masonic Lodge # 220, 8244 3rd St., call 862-4176.
 7 pm: Troop 351, Boy Scouts of America, at First Baptist Church, call 776-3388.
 1st Thurs., 12:00 pm: Downey Christian & Professional Luncheon, Sizzler's Restaurant, call James 310-1335.
 1st Thurs., 7:30 pm: The Downey Amateur Radio Club, at First Baptist Church room 120.
 2nd Thurs., 7:30 pm: Beaming Rebel Foxes Collectors Club, call Carl D. Jones at 923-2400.
 2nd & 4th Thurs., 6 pm: Lions Club, at Coco's, call Lenora (310) 283-9825.
 3rd Thurs., 4 pm: Public Works Committee, at City Hall Training Room.
 3rd Thurs., 6 pm: Downey CIPAC, at Sizzler's Restaurant, call Rich Tuttle 413-6045.
 4th Thurs., 10 am: Assistance League, at Casa De Parley Johnson, call 869-0232.
 4th Thurs., 7:30 pm: Downey Historical Society programs, at Community Center, call 862-2777.

FRIDAYS

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

SATURDAYS

9 am: Farmers Market, Downey Avenue at 3rd Street, call 904-7246.
 4th Sat., 12:00 pm: Downey Arts Coalition, email contact@downeyarts.org.

On This Day...

October 13, 1998: The NBA canceled the first two weeks of its regular season because of a lockout.
1999: The JonBenet Ramsey grand jury was dismissed after 13 months; prosecutors said there wasn't enough evidence to charge anyone in the 6-year-old's strangulation.
2010: Rescuers in Chile pulled 33 men one by one to freedom 69 days after they were trapped in a collapsed mine a half-mile underground.
BIRTHDAYS: singer Paul Simon (75), Dallos Cowboys owner Jerry Jones (74), rock singer Sammy Hager (69), entertainer Marie Osmond (58), Clippers coach Doc Rivers (55), football hall of famer Jerry Rice (54), actress Kate Walsh (49), actress Tisha Campbell-Martin (48), country singer Rhett Akins (47), actor Sacha Baren Cohen (45), basketball player Paul Pierce (39) and R&B singer Ashanti (36).

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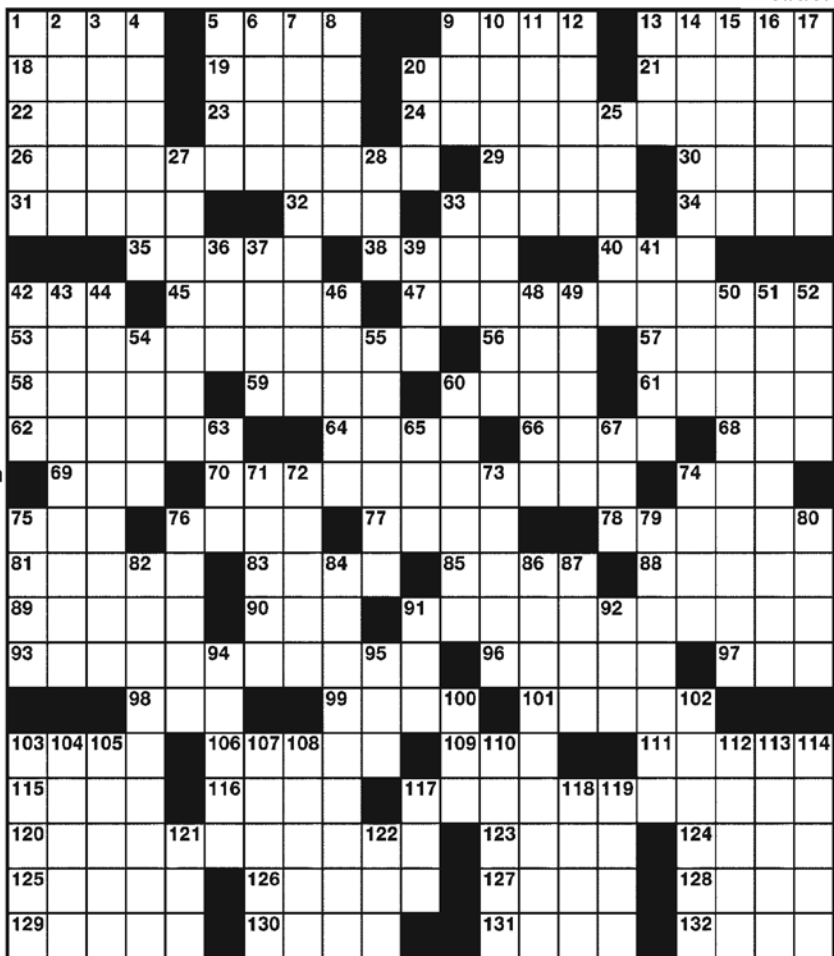
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SHARED STORIES: WHY DO WE WRITE



Last Thursday, this writing group, joined by family and friends, celebrated the release of an anthology commemorating the third anniversary of this column. The previously published work of 39 authors is included in the collection. Kacie Cooper shares her thoughts about this event with her usual inventive comedy. **Shared Stories** is a weekly column featuring articles by participants in a writing class at the Norwalk Senior Center. Bonnie Mansell is the instructor for this free class offered through the Cerritos College Adult Education Program. Curated by Carol Kearns

By Kacie (Kathy) Cooper

You've heard the question I'm sure, "Why are we here?" Did you ever get a solid answer to that question? It's almost like asking the question, "Why do we write?"

Yeah, I know, we can throw out many good reasons, like – we write to educate, to collaborate, to uncomplicate, to teach, to preach, to improve, to explain, to entertain.

The list is endless. But I'm looking for a more concrete answer, the ultimate answer, to why we write.

I think we need to go back in time and see where this writing thing actually began. And in my opinion, it all started with Eve. You know, Eve of Adam and Eve? Yes, I think it might have been Eve who began the first memoir.

It probably started out like an ordinary day (Ha, as if the Garden of Eden could have an ordinary anything). Adam was out and about in the Garden of Eden getting his hands dirty like most men tend to do and Eve was at home with nothing to do but admire the beauty all around her.

And, women, you know how unchallenging that can get, and since the only other hobby (gardening) was already taken, she came up with the idea of writing memoir.

She walked out into the garden, picked up a long, thin branch from a nearby sycamore tree and began the first journal ever recorded right there in the dirt.

The first day her journal read like this: "It was the best of times." Then, wouldn't you know it, the very next day it read: "It was the worst of times." And of course, other writers have used those exact first lines and it paid off for them.

Some of you might not know that it was actually Eve who came up with the idea of the initials P.S. that we often use at the bottom of letters, only back then, P.S. stood for "party sucks."

P.S., Adam, "we're not in Kansas anymore." That line was in L. Frank Baum's novel *The Wizard of Oz* and has been used many times in history.

I've wanted to be a writer most of my life. But that critic in my head stopped me from ever really pursuing writing.

In 2006 my father invited me to join Bonnie Mansell's memoir writing class. Thank you, Dad, thank you, Bonnie. This class is one of the best things to ever happen to me in regard to writing.

During this period I came across this quote: "Don't get it right (r-i-g-h-t), get it written." That little quote has helped me get those stupid critics, Sysco and Ebert, out of my head.

Of course, now I write nonsense, but I don't care. Now I can call myself a writer because at least now I'm getting my thoughts down on paper.

I've watched *American Idol* for years and thought about the answers contestants would offer when the judges asked, "Why do you want to be the next *American Idol*? Why do you sing?"

Some contestants would answer, "Because I love the money," or, "I want to live in Beverly Hills." But there were always a few who responded with, "I want to sing because I have to."

After being in Bonnie Mansell's class for over 10 years now, I tend to think that this great group of writers writes because they have to. That's the answer I love to hear, because I have to.

I think most of us here today write because we have to. I wonder if that was why Ann Frank wrote and kept a diary. Because she had to. I'm so glad she did.

Which brings me to the main reason, the ultimate reason why we write, the most important reason why I think we write. We write because we can. We write because we live in a free country, thank God.

POETRY MATTERS

Cartography of Light

A blood moon
at the water's well.
A cloud cover, hot
burning stars in the eye of the orb
darkening
red to the mare,
fire to the night, and
how it feels to samba on sand.

White caps
purr
a low cosmic moan
erupts into a blinding map of sky.
You've seen it
in textbooks,
on library walls and dioramas.

You understand
that all of us are stardust,
bone deep
and mineral wise. At this hour,
you look up and
the sky sees you.

This giant iris of night
under a beached eclipse
with your unmade plans
and the long shawl of winter on your shoulders.

And your last birth. The one
that caught hold from the breath of this sky
pounding at the gates of pardon.

--Peggy Dobreer

"I'm over the moon." That's how prize-winning poet Peggy Dobreer expressed her delight in coming back to Downey to share her poetry. The theme of the recent contest sponsored by the Downey Symphonic Society was "space," and as this poem shows, Dobreer totally inhabits a plane beyond terra firma. She and the finalists will read their poems on Oct. 20 at Stay Gallery, 11140 Downey Avenue, which is handicapped accessible. Local poets are invited to bring poems about Downey and the public is welcome. Poetry Matters is curated by Lorine Parks.

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Norwalk's Johnston Elementary raises \$10,000 for charity

NORWALK – The American Cancer Society (ACS) honored Johnston Elementary School's Relay For Life Norwalk fundraising team with the Spirit of Relay award, recognizing its efforts to raise \$10,000 in donations during the 2016 Relay For Life event.

Relay For Life Norwalk coordinator Jennifer Perez and ACS representative Sarah Ambrose presented the award to team captain and Johnston first-grade teacher Dan Calma during a flag ceremony at the elementary school on Sept. 23.

"We do this for our family and our friends," Calma said. "The motto of the Relay For Life is that cancer never sleeps. We will continue to relay as long as cancer is an issue."

The team's 53 members reached their \$10,000 fundraising goal by hosting pizza parties, bake sales, selling popsicles and holding other events. Students also raised \$1,000 from filling empty water bottles with dimes via their "Silver Saves Lives" project.

The Johnston Relay For Life Norwalk team was formed in 2012 to honor the elementary school's office secretary, parent and former PTA president, Sue Evangelho, who was a cancer survivor along with Calma and Attendance Clerk Norma Avila. She helped organized Johnston's first fundraising team, which raised \$5,000 in its first year. Evangelho agreed to co-captain the 2013 team after she planned to retire, but unfortunately passed away in 2012.



American Cancer Society representatives presented Johnston Elementary School first-grade teacher Dan Calma, center, with a Spirit of Relay award Sept. 23 at the school's flag ceremony.

To continue the fight against cancer in Evangelho's honor, Team Johnston has since raised nearly \$50,000.

"Team Johnston are truly heroes in the fight against cancer," Norwalk-La Mirada Unified Board of Education President Karen Morrison said. "To see our District rally together in support of Evangelho and continue her mission is an inspiration to us all."

Team Johnston has been recognized with a series of individual and group awards since 2012. The team was named to the Jade Club for raising \$10,000, and won awards for having the largest team and selling the most luminaria bags, which are personalized bags lit by a candle in honor of someone affected by cancer.

Calma and Johnston attendance clerk Norma Avila were named to the Grand Club for raising more than \$1,000 each. Calma was also named to the National All-Star team for raising more than \$2,500 – he raised more than \$3,300 this year.

After the award presentation, Calma and Avila shared an emotional moment with Doug Schiefelbein, whose wife, Peggy, a longtime Johnston attendance clerk, passed away from cancer in January.

"I am so proud of Dan Calma and Team Johnston, who have worked so hard to keep Sue and Peggy's memory alive, and are giving hope to so many battling this disease," Superintendent Dr. Hasmik Danielian said. "Thank you to the American Cancer Society and Relay For Life Norwalk for recognizing their dedication and spirit."

Waite Middle School opens latest college/career center

NORWALK – Decorated with college pennants and motivational words, Waite Middle School launched its College and Career Center with a ribbon-cutting ceremony Sept. 30, providing students with the opportunity to explore academic and career pathways at an early age.

"I am very happy to see this," Waite Associated Student Body Treasurer Joseph Nunez said. "Students will get a chance to learn about colleges all around the country and can make an informed choice on classes and subjects they will study when they begin high school."

The college and career center features computers and college planning guides, and will host industry professionals for talks about their careers. One wall displays three career pathway groups that Waite students can potentially follow: Fire House, a public service pathway; Earth House, a technology pathway; and Wind House, an arts pathway.

"I am so proud that we can provide this opportunity to support our community," Waite Principal Dr. Susan Newcomb said. "It was great to have city representatives for this dedication ceremony. They work collaboratively with us and our District schools in so many ways."

Students can also learn about the college and career paths of Waite teachers and administrators by checking out the "Where Did Your Teachers Go to School?" board. For example, Newcomb received her bachelor's and master's degrees at Cal State Fullerton and her Ph.D. at Claremont Graduate University.



Norwalk-La Mirada Unified administrators, Board of Education members and Norwalk City Councilmember Leonard Shryock joined Waite students, teachers and staff in celebrating Waite's new College and Career Center opening on Sept. 30.

"We thought it would be neat for students to see where our own college and career paths have led us," Newcomb said. "You have to plan, you have to have a starting point, and there are many, many choices."

Waite joins Corvallis, Benton and Hutchinson middle schools in having a college and career center on its campus, a resource typically only available at high schools. Superintendent Dr. Hasmik Danielian pushed to open middle school career centers after listening to a Corvallis student.

"A student said to me, 'I was at Norwalk High and I saw that they had a college and career center and a counselor. Why can't we have one?'" Danielian said. "I always knew that students were smarter than we are."

The College and Career Center will also act as Waite's Positive Behavioral Intervention and Supports student store. Waite students receive "Panther Bucks" throughout the year when they display proper behavior. They can later redeem the Panther Bucks at the store for a game or collectible.

The center will be supervised by Waite intervention counselor Paul Castaños and staff counselor Patty Sierra during lunch and break.

"Norwalk-La Mirada Unified middle school students will receive early guidance from counselors who are attuned to their needs and well-prepared to answer their questions," NLMUSD Board President Karen Morrison said.

Tickets to Christmas Tree Brunch on sale

DOWNEY – Tickets are now on sale to the Assistance League of Downey's annual Christmas Tree Brunch, taking place Sunday, Nov. 20, at 10 a.m.

Tickets are \$50 and include lunch, silent auction, music and chances to win decorated Christmas trees.

Tickets can be purchased at the Second Tyme Around Thrift Shop at 11026 Downey Ave. between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m.

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Paging Dr. Frischer...

By Dr. Alan Frischer



You just left your doctor's office...and are now kicking yourself for forgetting to ask important questions! You're not alone.

I'm quite aware of this, and often find myself instructing my patients, "Here are some questions you should be asking me." My goal is to teach my patients to think like a doctor, and to get the most out of a visit.

Remember that I work for you, and it is up to both of us to help you make the best possible choices regarding your health care.

When you leave a doctor, you should have a good understanding of your overall health picture. Ask any of these questions, as necessary:

- What is wrong with me?
- If my diagnosis is uncertain, what are the possibilities?
- Why do I have this problem?

- How do I get rid of it?
- How can I prevent it from happening again?

Were you prescribed medicine? If you don't know the answer to every question below, then be sure to speak with the doctor, staff, or pharmacist:

- Is this medicine to be taken with or without food or other medications?
- Is it to be taken at a particular time of day?
- What are the side effects?
- What is the likelihood that it will be effective?
- What might happen if I choose not to take it?

Did your doctor recommend a test?

- What is the name of the test(s)?
- What specifically is the doctor looking for?
- Does the test come with any risks?
- What will happen if I choose not to take the test?
- When will I receive test results, and from whom?
- What is the next step?

Did your doctor refer you to a specialist?

- What kind of doctor is the specialist?
- What will they do that is different from what your primary care doctor is doing?
- When will I follow up with the specialist and with my primary care doctor?

Your doctor has been trained to look at the big

picture, and to develop an overall roadmap of where your care is headed. You should have a good understanding of this as well. If you are facing cancer or another serious disease, your care can become quite complex. How will you analyze different courses of treatment? Should you see a specialist, or get a second opinion? When should you be scouring the Internet for information? How should you manage the well meaning, but often-untrained friends and family members who offer their "expert" opinions?

Remember that this is your life, and your care. If you are comfortable with the answers to your questions, than follow the recommended plan. Otherwise, you can choose to look elsewhere for healthcare. When facing serious health issues, you will need to establish a support system made up of your doctor, your family, and your community. Use them, according to their own particular strengths, to help you through a difficult time.

Always remember that your doctor is working for you. He or she wants to make a positive difference in the lives of their patients. Arrive at the appointment prepared. Help your doctor to help you get the very most out of the health care system, and to achieve your very best possible state of health.

Dr. Alan Frischer is former chief of staff and former chief of medicine at Downey Regional Medical Center. Write to him in care of this newspaper at 8301 E. Florence Ave., Suite 100, Downey, CA 90240.

Falls remain leading cause of injury, death among seniors

Every second of every day in the United States an older adult falls, making falls the number one cause of injuries and deaths from injury among older Americans.

In 2014 alone, older Americans experienced 29 million falls causing seven million injuries and costing an estimated \$31 billion in annual Medicare costs, according to a new report published by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

The new numbers are being released in conjunction with the 9th Falls Prevention Awareness Day, sponsored by the National Council on Aging (NCOA). The observance addresses the growing public health issue and promotes evidence-based prevention programs and strategies to reduce the more than 27,000 fall deaths in older adults each year.

"Older adult falls are increasing and, sadly, often herald the end of independence," said CDC Director Tom Frieden,

M.D., M.P.H. "Healthcare providers can make fall prevention a routine part of care in their practice, and older adults can take steps to protect themselves."

With more than 10,000 older Americans turning 65 each day, the number of fall-related injuries and deaths is expected to surge, resulting in cost increases unless preventive measures are taken.

"Falls threaten older Americans' independence and safety and generate enormous economic and personal costs that affect everyone," said Grant Baldwin, Ph.D., M.P.H., director of CDC's Division of Unintentional Injury Prevention. "Together, everyone can reduce the risk of falling and prevent fall injuries."

Reduced muscle strength, increased inactivity, more severe chronic health conditions, and increased use of prescription medications are risk factors for falls among older Americans. Fall injury rates are almost seven

times higher for older adults with poor health than for those with excellent health.

Older adults also can take simple steps to prevent a fall:

Talk to your healthcare provider about falls and fall prevention. Tell your provider if you've had a recent fall. Although one out of four older Americans falls each year, less than half tell their doctor.

Talk to your provider or pharmacist about medications that may make you more likely to fall.

Have your eyes checked by an eye doctor once a year. Update eyeglasses as needed.

Participate in evidence-based programs (like Tai Chi) that can improve your balance and strengthen your legs. Contact your local Council on Aging for information about what is available in your community.

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SPORTS BRIEFS: Downey beats Dominguez in football league opener

By Mark Fetter
Contributor

DOWNEY – The Downey High School football team defeated Dominguez last Friday night at Downey, 54-14.

With the win, Downey improved to 5-1 overall and 1-0 in S.G.V.L. play. With the loss, Dominguez fell to 1-5 overall and 0-1 in S.G.V.L. play.

Downey will travel to Lynwood (3-3, 0-1) later today for their game against the Knights. Lynwood was defeated by Gahr (6-0, 1-0) at Gahr 13-9 last Friday night.

The Vikings will host cross-town rival Warren next week,

will host Gahr on 10/28 and will conclude their regular season when they travel to Paramount on Nov.4.

In the Dominguez game, Viking quarterback Trevor Hill completed 11/14 pass attempts for 266 yards with three touchdowns and no interceptions. Hill also ran three times for 61 yards and scored a touchdown.

Downey rushers accumulated 257 yards on 25 carries. Emari Demercado carried the ball seven times for 119 yards and had three touchdowns and Baraq Ross carried the ball seven times for 55 yards.

The Viking receiving corps were led by Baraq Ross' three

catches for 31 yards and Emari Demercado's two catches for 58 yards. Joseph Alex also had one catch for 33 yards in the winning effort.

The Viking defense played solid defense as well. Malcom Perry had seven solo and five assisted tackles, Josh Cooper had five solo and three assisted tackles and Michael Cabrera had four solo and four assisted tackles.

Coach Williams, his staff and players will look to improve to 6-1 overall and 2-0 in league play later today.

■ The Warren High School football team was defeated by Paramount last Friday night at Paramount, 26-13, dropping the Bears to 0-5-1 overall and 0-1 in S.G.V.L. play.

With the win, Paramount improved to 4-2 overall and 1-0 in S.G.V.L. play.

Warren will host an undefeated Gahr team (6-0, 1-0) later today. Gahr defeated Lynwood (3-3, 0-1) at Gahr 13-9 last Friday night.

Warren will travel to cross-town rival Downey next week for their much anticipated showdown with the Vikings, will host Dominguez on 10/28 and will conclude their regular season when they travel to Lynwood on Nov.4.

Through five games this season, Bear quarterback Chris Venegas has completed 54/120 pass attempts for 640 yards with five touchdowns and four interceptions. Venegas has also ran 30 times for 126 yards. Sebastian Valencia has led the Bear ground attack with 33 carries for 217 yards and two touchdowns.

The Warren receiving corps have been led Jordan Mayes' 17 receptions for 201 yards with three touchdowns and Robbie Colenzo's 14 receptions for 196 yards. The Bears are averaging 14.5 points per game.

The Bear defense has been led by tackling machine Jorge Valderrama's 45 solo and 35 assisted tackles, Donovan Taylor's 24 solo and 16 assisted tackles and Sirahn Fields' 23 solo and 16 assisted tackles.

Coach Lara, his staff and players are looking for their first win of the season tonight against a much improved Gahr team.

■ The Downey-Warren football game begins at 7 p.m. next Friday, Oct. 21, at Downey High.

The ticket office opens at 5 p.m. No line-ups prior to 4:30 p.m. are allowed.

Tickets will be sold on a first-come, first-served basis. All members of the party must be present to purchase tickets.

No pre-sale tickets will be sold.

■ The Downey Calvary Chapel football team defeated Lucerne Valley at Downey High School last Saturday night, 22-6, improving to 4-3 overall and 2-0 in 8-Man Freelance League play.

With the loss, the Mustangs fell to 2-4.

The Grizzlies will travel to Fliintridge Prep of La Canada tomorrow afternoon for their game against the Rebels. The Rebels are currently 4-1 overall and 1-0 in 8-Man Freelance League play. Fliintridge Prep is coming off their first loss of the season to Cate of Carpinteria last Saturday afternoon 55-48.

In the Lucerne Valley game, the Grizzlies scored first and took an early 6-0 lead. The conversion was unsuccessful and the score was 6-0 Grizzlies at the end of the first quarter. The Mustangs answered back in the second quarter and tied the game at six. The Lucerne Valley conversion was unsuccessful.

DCC did not score in the second quarter and the score was 6-6 going into the locker rooms at halftime.

DCC scored a touchdown and was successful on the two-point conversion in the third quarter. Lucerne Valley did not score in the third quarter and the score remained 14-6 as the fourth quarter started.

DCC added another touchdown and two-point conversion in the fourth quarter and pulled away for the 22-6 win.

DCC will conclude their regular season schedule when they travel to Chadwick of Palos Verdes Peninsula next Saturday afternoon. Chadwick is currently 5-1 overall and 1-0 in 8-Man Freelance League play.

■ The Warren High School girls' volleyball team currently has an overall record of 6-10 and are 2-4 in S.G.V.L. play.

The Lady Bears were defeated by Paramount on Tuesday in a tight, five set match 21-25, 25-23, 25-19, 22-25 and 16-14. The two teams served, passed and hit their way to an exciting, nail biting finish.

Warren traveled to Gahr yesterday for their much anticipated rematch with the Lady Gladiators (score unavailable at press time). The Lady Bears were defeated by Gahr in their first match in five sets on October 27th 21-25, 23-25, 25-10, 25-19 and 16-14.

As it stands now, Gahr is on top of the San Gabriel Valley League standings with an overall record of 10-7 and league record of 6-0. Downey is in second place with an overall record of 7-12 and league record of 5-1 and Paramount is in third place with an overall record of 7-8 and a league record of 4-2.

To round out the S.G.V.L. standings, Warren is currently in fourth place with an overall record of 6-10 and a league record of 2-4. Lynwood is in fifth place with an overall record of 7-6 and a league record of 1-5 and Dominguez is in sixth place with an overall record of 0-8 and a league record of 0-6.

Each team has three league matches remaining before the C.I.F. playoff brackets are released. Coach Lane, his staff and players are looking forward to finishing S.G.V.L. play strong and making a run at a C.I.F. Southern Section Division 4 playoff spot.

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Downey News Briefs: Walking tour of historic Downey

DOWNEY – The Downey Conservancy will lead a walking tour of historic Downtown Downey next Saturday, Oct. 22, beginning at 9 a.m.

The tour will begin at Firestone Boulevard and Downey Avenue, and will provide an overview of the historical and cultural landmarks downtown.

The tour lasts about two hours; participants should bring walking shoes and bottled water. Cost is free.

DRUG TAKE-BACK: Downey residents can safely dispose of expired or unwanted medications at a drug take-back event Saturday, Oct. 22, outside the police station.

From 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., police department personnel and volunteers will be collecting prescription and over-the-counter medication for proper disposal.

Liquids will only be accepted in fully sealed, unopened plastic containers. Needles, sharps and glass containers will not be accepted.

The event is co-sponsored by the Los Angeles division of the Drug Enforcement Agency.

For questions, contact Jennifer Burkhardt at (562) 904-2374 or jpreda@downeyca.org.

BALLOT ISSUES: The League of Women Voters will discuss the

items on next month's ballot at its Oct. 19 meeting at the Rio Hondo Event Center.

The meeting begins at 6 p.m. The public is invited but reservations are required by calling Ilda Veja at (562) 865-2011 or (562) 229-6349.

GOLF TOURNAMENT: The LivingHelp Center, a crisis pregnancy center in Downey, will host its 28th annual Harold G. Frenz Memorial Golf Tournament on Friday, Oct. 28, at the Rio Hondo Golf Club.

Cost is \$135 per player and includes green fees, golf cart and a buffet dinner. Golfers can also purchase mulligans and raffle tickets.

Registration starts at 11 a.m. with a shotgun start at noon.

Sponsorship opportunities are available and range in price from \$60-\$1,000.

For more information, call Jim Miller at (562) 928-3539 or Dennis Pagenkopp at (562) 928-1429.

OBITUARIES: Shelly Montgomery passed away Oct. 2 at the age of 49.

She is survived by her daughter, Brooke; son, Cory; mother, Berry Ord; stepfather, Don Ord; brother, Todd Herman; and her sister, Kelly Henderson.

She was predeceased by her father, Jack Herman.

Services were held Oct. 14 at Miller-Mies Mortuary at 11 a.m.

REAL ESTATE: The Downey Association of Realtors has released August statistics from the local housing market.

In August, 2016 Downey had 71 new listings (+20% from 2015) and 53 closed listings, (up 43% from 2015).

The average sales price was \$599,726 which is up 26% from August of 2015. There is currently an inventory of 133 Downey homes for sale.

Year to date, 343 homes averaging a selling price of \$520,000 have sold in the city of Downey.

JAZZ CONCERT: The Downey High School Music Department, under the direction of Cory Olariu and Eric Patterson, will present its fall jazz concert Wednesday, Oct. 26, at the school theater.

Featuring the jazz choir, combo, jazz band and jazz ensemble, the concert begins at 7 p.m.

MUSIC IN THE SCHOOLS: The Downey Symphony Orchestra will be treating nearly 1,600 Downey Unified third-grade students and their teachers to a performance at the Downey Theatre on Oct. 19.

The "Music in the Schools" outreach concert has been made possible by donated funds from the Music Performance Trust Fund (MPTF) and support from Downey Unified.

During this concert, the conductor Sharon Lavery and various members of the Downey Symphony Orchestra, will explain musical terms and concepts before playing the pieces of music to the students. Each piece will include an exciting story.

"We would really like to thank MPTF, this will truly be a thrilling experience for all of our third-grade students," said Downey Unified's Assistant Superintendent Wayne Shannon. "We know there may be future symphony musicians in the audience who will be very inspired by such an enriching opportunity."

Established in 1948, MPTF is a nonprofit independent public service organization whose mission includes contributing to the public knowledge and appreciation of music, as well as making music a part of every child's life experience.

BASIC TRAINING: U.S. Air Force Airman Joshua T. Cordova-Onken graduated from basic military training at Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland, San Antonio, Texas.

The airman completed an intensive, eight-week program that included training in military discipline and studies, Air Force core values, physical fitness, and basic warfare principles and skills.

Airmen who complete basic training also earn four credits toward an associate in applied science degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

Cordova-Onken is the son of Isabel Cordova of Bellflower, and Roberta Cordova and Scott Onken of Downey. He is also the grandson of Filbert Cordova of Bellflower, and Janice and Dwayne Onken of Downey.

The airman graduated in 2016 from Warren High School.

TIME CAPSULE: As part of its 60th anniversary celebration, city of Downey will bury a time capsule this Monday, Oct. 17, at the Promenade shopping center.

The time capsule contains items that represent Downey in 2016. It will be opened in the year 2056, on Downey's 100th anniversary.

The ceremony begins at 4 p.m. in front of Cinemark. The public is invited.

For questions or more information, call (562) 904-7284.

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To the 2016 Downey City Council Candidates and our partners, we'd like to thank you for your participation in the October 7th debate at the Downey Civic Theatre. We also thank the approximately 400 guests in attendance and nearly 1,000 people who watched the debate live online.

We hope the debate will help Downey voters make informed choices at the ballot box. Please don't forget to vote on November 8th!

"Building a Better Downey!"

Memory of Ricky Galvez stays alive at GOOD golf tournament

■ **GOOD:** Golf tournament raises money for scholarships in late police officer's name.

By Alex Dominguez
Contributor

DOWNEY – Nearly an entire year after his passing, Downey fallen police officer Ricky Galvez was honored at the annual Gangs out of Downey (G.O.O.D.) golf tournament fundraiser.

The event was held Friday afternoon through the evening at Rio Hondo Golf Club.

G.O.O.D. has annually held golf tournaments in years past, however this year's was established as the first "Officer Ricardo 'Ricky Galvez' Memorial Golf Tournament."

According to G.O.O.D. President Lt. Mark McDaniel, the tournament was established in order to keep the memory of Officer Galvez alive.

"Shortly after Rickey was taken from us, I thought it was the right thing to do to keep his memory ongoing and keep his memory with us all," said McDaniel. "It was fitting to name the golf tournament in his honor."

Galvez was tragically murdered just outside of the Downey Police Station last year in what officials have called a botched robbery attempt.

Despite it being a busy day in the city of Downey with the annual Sate of School's address that morning and the highly anticipated City Council debate in the evening, many of the community's political figures and notable residents still came to play a few holes and honor the city's fallen hero.

Former Mayor Mario Guerra described it as a "magnificent day."

"Ricky is so special to us, not only by what he represents, but by the kind of person he was," said Guerra. "So today we're here

preserving his legacy and passing it on to another generation..."

Current Mayor Alex Saab also gave his thoughts, emphasizing the work that G.O.O.D. does for the community.

"G.O.O.D. does an invaluable service for our community," said Saab. "Not only does it collaborate with all the different organizations in the community, but it also motivates our young people [and] educates them why they shouldn't get involved in crime or gangs... it's a model organization."

A handful of DPD officers also attended, many of which were close to Galvez.

One such officer, Whinkler Zamora, was Galvez's roommate.

"He was a big brother towards me," said Zamora. "He never had a bad day, or at least that you could see. Always smiling, always cracking jokes, always looking for a great time even if it was in a dark setting. He was always thinking about others before himself. He wanted to see others succeed

before he did...he was a great friend."

Zamora had seen Galvez the night of his murder. Zamora said he was "in shock" when he learned of the tragedy.

"I had just seen him leave to work that same night...when I came home around 6 p.m. he was going to work," said Zamora. "I got a call like at one in the morning from my supervisor to come into work because he needed me. He didn't explain why. When I got to work I was told what happened.

"I don't think I had ever felt that way in my life. It was a new feeling for me. I felt like I had lost a family member – a close brother. It's a piece of me that will never be given back, but he affected all of us in a big way."

Zamora did however find comfort in the outpouring of support from the community, much like many of the other officers affected by the loss.

"It was very heartwarming," said Zamora. "It was something



Photo by Eric Pierce

that was unexpected because I had never been like something like this before... so many people are out there that still love their law enforcement officials and they care a lot about their police officers, and they came out and showed us that. That meant a lot to us, because it showed that we

still had people out in the world that really cared about us and really believed in what we're trying to do and in the peace that we're trying to keep around our city."

Proceeds from Friday's event will go towards a scholarship in Galvez's name, and to the Downey School Resource Officer Program.

DUSD celebrates achievements at State of the Schools event

DOWNEY – The Downey Unified School District held its 4th annual State of the Schools Friday morning.

The event was held at the Los Angeles County of Education West Conference Center. Several City officials, school teachers and administration, members of the DUSD School Board, and notable Downey residents were all in attendance.

DUSD's mission statement was repeatedly emphasized throughout the meeting. Officially, the district's mission is recognized as to be committed to developing

all students to be self-motivated learners and productive, responsible and compassionate members of an ever-changing global society.

During the event, Downey Unified Superintendent Dr. John Garcia gave mention to many of the accomplishments achieved by the district and Downey schools in the past year, including an increased attendance and graduation rate.

Graduation rates for Downey unified were the highest compared to other school districts in the region, according to the data that

was presented Friday morning.

"Our last year for 2015 was 96 percent [graduation rate], up over the last few years," said Garcia. "In our particular region, our little corner of southeast LA County...Downey Unified is by far the highest in regards to our graduation rates."

Student and parent satisfaction rates were an also particularly high stat that were highlighted, often times sitting in the 90 and beyond percentages and surpassing other district and regional data numbers by large amounts.

Garcia also noted that there has also been an increase in Advanced Placement enrollment and passing of over 50 percent from 2011 to 2015.

Over 12,000 technological devices have also been added and integrated into district classrooms.

It was also announced that Downey Unified had recently been acknowledged one of two of the 2017 Partnership for 21st Century Learning (P21) Exemplar districts.

The gathering was also used as an opportunity to honor Gaudin

Elementary School Fourth Grade Teacher Lisa Mitchner, who has been selected as Downey Unified Teacher of the Year.

Proceeds from the event benefit the True Lasting Connection Resource Center.

Alex Dominguez

Downey Real Estate Market

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Son charged with murdering elderly mom

VAN NUYS – A man was charged Wednesday with murder after he is accused of throwing his elderly mother out a window and then beating her.

Fernando Vargas, 40, was charged with one count of murder and a special allegation that the victim was elderly.

On Oct. 10, Vargas was arguing with his 70-year-old mother, Carlota Vargas, when he allegedly pushed her out a second-story window at a Van Nuys apartment. Vargas jumped out of the window and attacked his mother, who was lying on the ground.

The elder Vargas was taken to a nearby hospital where she died.

If convicted as charged, the defendant faces 26 years to life in state prison.

Woman admits killing mother-in-law

DIAMOND BAR – A San Dimas woman was sentenced Tuesday to nine years in state prison after pleading guilty to a charge in connection with the death of her mother-in-law last year.

Un Young Lee, 44, entered her plea to one count each of elder abuse causing death and arson of inhabited dwelling. She was immediately sentenced by Los Angeles County Superior Court Judge Salvatore Sirna.

On March 25, 2015, firefighters responded to a blaze at the victim's home in the 1200 block of North Diamond Bar Boulevard in Diamond Bar. No one was found inside.

Lee was found later that day driving her SUV in Orange County. The remains of her 77-year-old mother-in-law, Young Ja Lee, were found inside the vehicle.

Prosecutors believe the elder Lee died sometime between March 23 and March 25.

Man accused of trying to stab police

SANTA MONICA – A 31-year-old man was charged Wednesday with trying to stab two Los Angeles County sheriff's deputies at a Metro train station in Santa Monica.

Thomas Francis Napack (dob 4/5/85) of Los Angeles faces two counts each of attempted murder of a peace officer with a knife use allegation and assault upon a peace officer.

Napack is accused of charging at two deputies monitoring the transit station with a knife in each hand on Oct. 4, the prosecutor said. The defendant was shot by one of the deputies as they evaded the alleged stabbing attack, the prosecutor added.

Bail is expected at more than \$2 million. If convicted as charged, Napack faces a possible maximum sentence of life in state prison.

Whittier couple charged with toddler's death

WHITTIER – A Whittier couple has been charged with murder, torture and other felony counts in connection with a child's body discovered in a duffel bag while the two were attempting to cross the U.S.-Mexican border.

Mercy Mary Becerra, 43, and Johnny Lewis Hartley, 39, were arraigned Friday at the Foltz Criminal Justice Center.

The defendants are each charged with four felony counts: murder, human trafficking to commit pimping/pandering, torture and assault on a child causing death. The felony complaint for arrest warrant was filed on Sept. 27.

Deputy District Attorney Lisa Coen of the Sex Crimes Division is assigned to the case.

Prosecutors said Becerra and Hartley allegedly trafficked a woman between November 2012 and August 2016.

In that time, the defendants reportedly seized the woman's daughter, severely abused the child and ultimately killed the minor victim on or about Aug. 9, according to prosecutors.

On Aug. 9, Becerra and Hartley attempted to cross the San Ysidro Port of Entry with the child's body in a duffel bag, but the defendants were stopped by authorities and taken into custody, prosecutors said.

If convicted as charged, each defendant faces a maximum possible sentence of life in state prison.

Three found guilty of killing neighbor who complained about graffiti

ARLETA – Three gang members have been found guilty of the murder of an Arleta man who had complained about graffiti in front of his house.

Christopher Adauta aka Piso, 21, was found guilty of one count of first-degree murder and Javier Garcia aka Fects, 23, and Oscar Sanchez aka Crudo, 30, were both found guilty of second-degree murder.

Deputy District Attorney Robert Rabbani of the Hardcore Gang Division said sentencing is scheduled for Nov. 15.

At about 4 a.m. on December 21, 2014, Garcia, Adauta and Sanchez did donuts in their car in front of Edgar Barrientos's house in an effort to lure him out of his home, the prosecutor said. Once the victim came out of his house all three defendants beat him to the ground on two separate occasions, according to court testimony.

When two neighbors came to his aid, the three defendants turned their attention to them. Barrientos then came to the aid of his neighbors but was stabbed to death by defendant Adauta, the prosecutor added.

According to witness testimony, Garcia and Barrientos were neighbors. Barrientos complained days before his murder about graffiti in front of his house put there by one of Garcia's fellow gang members. The attack on Barrientos was in response to the complaint about the graffiti, the prosecutor said.

All three defendants also were found guilty of the willful, deliberate and premeditated attempted murder and the assault with a knife on the two neighbors that came to help Barrientos. The jury also found true that all of the crimes were committed for the benefit of, at the direction of, or in association with a criminal street gang.

Pill mill doctor sentenced to 5 years

RANCHO PALOS VERDES – A Rancho Palos Verdes physician convicted of illegally prescribing drugs to undercover operatives was sentenced last week to three years in county jail followed by two years of mandatory supervision.

Dr. Richard Seongjun Kim, 44, was convicted on Sept. 20 of 17 felony counts of of unlawfully prescribing controlled substances without a legitimate medical need to undercover operatives working with the Drug Enforcement Administration.

Deputy District Attorney Emily Street of the Major Narcotics Division, who prosecuted the case, said Kim would ask the operatives to bring in prior medical charts and X-rays to justify the prescribing. On one occasion, an operative brought in a chest X-ray of a dog that was used to justify his prescriptions, prosecutors said.

Over the course of three months in 2014, the general practitioner wrote prescriptions for Norco, Xanax, Soma and Adderall without ever conducting a physical exam, taking any vital signs or completing any medical charts at his clinic on Western Avenue in Rancho Palos Verdes, prosecutors said.

Sex offender charged with rape

GLENDALE – A 48-year-old homeless man has been charged with raping a woman at a closed grocery store parking lot in Glendale.

Michael Zinzun (dob 5/28/68) faces one count each of forcible rape, forcible oral copulation, sexual penetration by foreign object, kidnapping to commit rape and resisting arrest.

Zinzun was convicted in Florida for a sexual assault in 1998 and burglary in 2005.

In the early hours of Sept. 29, Zinzun is accused of dragging a woman who was sleeping on a bench to a parking lot and sexually assaulting her, the prosecutor said. A witness called 911 and when police arrived the defendant fled but was arrested soon after, the prosecutor added.

If convicted as charged, Zinzun faces a possible maximum sentence of life in state prison. Bail has been set at more than \$3.3 million.

Man ordered to stand trial in death of Lyft driver

TORRANCE – A 21-year-old man has been ordered to stand trial on a vehicular manslaughter charge for a New Year's Day crash in which a Lyft driver was killed.

Arturo Martinez Conchas (dob 10/23/94), of Hawthorne, pleaded not guilty last week to one felony count each of gross vehicular manslaughter while intoxicated, driving under the influence of an alcoholic beverage causing death and driving with a .08 percent blood alcohol content causing injury.

The charges include an additional misdemeanor count of possessing a controlled substance, MDMA.

Conchas was held to answer to the charges on Sept. 15 and is due back in court on Oct. 26 in Department W81 of the Los Angeles County Superior Court, Airport Branch.

On Jan. 1, victim Thor Anderson, 21, was making a U-Turn near 182nd Street and Doty Avenue in Torrance when the defendant allegedly broadsided him, prosecutors said. Anderson died as a result of his injuries, prosecutors added.

Bail for Martinez is set at \$130,000. If convicted as charged, he faces a possible maximum sentence of 10 years in state prison.

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Commentary: Transparency starts at the top, yes on Prop 54

By Mario Guerra
Former Mayor of Downey

One of the most straight forward yet impactful measures on this November's ballot is Proposition 54, the California Legislature Transparency Act.

It's been said that a basic tenet of a healthy democracy is open dialog and transparency. Allowing transparency in government is vital to the public trust. Secrecy breeds desperation and concern, that is why this proposition is so important.

If approved, Prop. 54 will stop an egregious and far too common practice from happening in the state Legislature. Without this law state legislators and special interest can continue to replace the entire contents of a proposed law with new language and then ram it through at the last minute (literally at times) for passage before most legislators or the public have a chance to even read a bill.

This happens regularly every year. They call it "gut and amend" bills.

This lack of transparency at our state capitol should stop. We, the

people, have every right to know what's in a bill before it's signed into law. And legislators should know what they're voting on before casting their votes. These last minute, back-door maneuvers far too often create policies that only serve a select few special interests at the expense of families, businesses, and communities.

This is not the way our state legislative process was designed to operate, and it's the voters who end up paying the price for the lack of accountability of their elected leaders. Fortunately, we will have a chance to solve this problem by voting on Proposition 54. The measure will create more transparency in the state Legislature by making three simple changes to California's Constitution:

- Require all proposed laws to be distributed to all legislators and posted online at least 72 hours before a final vote by either house.
- Require the legislature to post online within 24 hours a video recording of every legislative meeting that is supposed to be open to the public.
- Allow all individuals to create and share their own recordings of

legislative proceedings without fear of criminal consequences.

I am constantly amazed that this is not currently the law. These are simple and effective ways to help the culture of openness and good government to work. If we want the legislature to operate fairly and open, I strongly encourage voters to read about Prop 54.

All legislative hearings will be available for viewing online (not just the ones the legislators wants you to see) and everyone would be able to follow a bill throughout the entire process. Nothing should be hidden from the citizens who vote to elect their representatives.

No longer will proposed laws be rushed through the Legislature without the ability for the public to know what is going on and weigh in on policy that impacts our livelihoods.

Secrecy is an enabling force to abuse of power and transparency is one of the answers in providing greater accountability. The currency of true leadership is an open government and trust in the process of transparency and that is something that Proposition 54 addresses.

The large bipartisan coalition of supporters includes the League of Women Voters of California, California Chamber of Commerce, National Federation of Independent Business of California, the Latin Business Association, Hispanic 100, California State Conference of the NAACP, the First Amendment Coalition, Orange County Business Council, and the Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association, among many others.

The only opposition I can imagine would only be from special interest or legislators that like to keep their own special agendas private. Accountability and transparency is vital for our state. I will be demanding more transparency in our State Legislature because I will be voting Yes on Prop 54. There is more information on the web site YesProp54.org.

Mario A. Guerra is a former mayor of Downey, past president of Independent Cities Association and current treasurer of the California Republican Party. He can be reach at marioaguerra.com

Downey Federal Credit Union launches free community workshops

DOWNEY – Downey Federal Credit Union is hosting free Community Education Workshops in partnership with Collegiate Coaching LLC, a college admissions and career pathway coaching company.

Workshops will begin Wednesday, Oct. 19, and continue through Wednesday, Jan. 18, and will be held at the Barbara J. Riley Community & Senior Center at Apollo Park.

This series of workshops will cover a variety of topics such as College 101; Financial Aid; the California State University application process; adults and veterans going back to college; and more.

As college, career, and financial aid information is generally only touched on in a school setting, these workshops seek to cater to a larger audience beyond the school environment, and offer this information to the community at large. They are intended to reach residents of all ages and diverse backgrounds.

"DFCU believes that this

information should be available to all people, whether you are a high school senior going into college, or an adult planning to go back to school to earn your Masters,"

officials with Downey Federal Credit Union said."

This series of classes is just one of many endeavors DFCU offers Downey in educating the community

they serve."
To view the full schedule of classes, go to dfcuworkshops.eventbrite.com

NEW AGENTS - CENTURY 21 MY REAL ESTATE COMPANY

Century 21 My Real Estate would like to welcome Ramiro Pare to their office. Ramiro has a degree in Law, and an MBA in International Trade. He works as an interpreter, and speaks English, Spanish and Portuguese. Ramiro is also a Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu World Champion! He is very enthusiastic and excited to begin his new real estate career. Ramiro can be reached at (562) 927-2626.

Century 21 My Real Estate would like to welcome Chanel Page to their office. Chanel has an extensive background in customer service and sales, which will serve her well in her real estate career. She is motivated and is looking forward to serving her community with any real estate needs. Chanel can be reached at (562) 927 2626.

Cristina Lopez recently joined the team at Century 21 My Real Estate Co, after completing the training she received by attending our accredited Real Estate School. She has a background as a Legal Assistant, is bilingual, and is ready to provide exceptional service to her clients. To contact Cristina, call (562) 927 2626.

Century 21 My Real Estate welcomes Jose Becerra, to the office. Jose will be joining his wife Yolanda Becerra, who is already an experienced Realtor. Jose has a Bachelor Degree from UCSB and has been an engineer for the last 18 years. This dynamic duo can be reached at (562) 927 2626.

Century 21 My Real Estate welcomes Kathleen Ryan to the office. Kathleen has been a RN for the past 11 years and holds a Bachelors Degree in Psychology and a Masters Degree in Nursing. Clients looking to receive the highest level of professionalism should consider Kathleen Ryan. To reach Kathleen, call (562) 927 2626.

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Broadway veterans taking the stage for collaboration

CERRITOS – The Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts (CCPA) presents award-winning Broadway gurus “3 Girls & 1 Guy” in an evening of music, laughter, and memories on Saturday, Nov. 12, at 8 p.m.

Tickets, which start at \$50, are available at the CCPA Ticket Office and cerritoscenter.com or by calling (562) 467-8818. The show features Maureen McGovern, Andrea McArdle, Faith Prince, and Billy Stritch.

Called “a musical tour de force” by the Los Angeles Times, Maureen McGovern collected an Oscar for “The Morning After” and a Grammy nod for the album “The Pleasure of His Company.”

The singer, who earned a Drama Desk Award for her role in the Broadway musical “Little Women,” is celebrated for the songs “Can You Read My Mind” from Superman, the Oscar-winning “We May Never Love Like This Again” from The Towering Inferno, and “Different Worlds” from the television series Angie.

The New York Times called McGovern’s “A Long and Winding Road” album “a captivating musical scrapbook from the 1960’s to the early ’70s.”

Andrea McArdle first charmed audiences as the little orphan in the mega musical Annie, earning the distinction of being the youngest performer ever to garner a Tony nomination for “Best Lead Actress in a Musical.”

McArdle received the Theater World and Outer Critics’ Circle Awards for her performance. Since then, she has graced stages all over the world in “Jerry’s Girls,” “Les Miserables,” and “Beauty and the Beast,” working with entertainment legends such as Ethel Merman,

Liza Minnelli, Julie Andrews, Bob Hope, Liberace, and Frank Sinatra.

McArdle has appeared on television’s “All My Children” and headlining her own PBS special, “Andrea McArdle on Broadway.”

Faith Prince “delights in Guys & Dolls” and “Bells Are Ringing” with her “sublime vocal virtuosity,” praised Newsday. Her performance in “Guys and Dolls” scored Prince a Tony, Drama Desk, and Outer Critics Circle awards.

Her role in “A Catered Affair” earned nods for Tony, Drama Desk, and Outer Critics Circle awards. She has also appeared in the Broadway musicals “Annie,” “The Little Mermaid,” “Bells Are Ringing,” “Noises Off,” and “Disaster!”

Prince has collaborated with the Boston Pops, Utah Symphony, Cincinnati Pops, and Philly Pops. Her albums include Total Faith and the award-winning A Leap of Faith.

Music director-composer-vocalist and jazz pianist Billy Stritch has worked on a series of acclaimed productions, including “The Mel Tormé Songbook,” “The Jazz of Cy Coleman,” and Liza Minnelli’s Tony-winning show “Liza’s at the Palace.”

His latest solo release is “Billy Stritch Sings Mel Tormé,” a salute to one of his musical heroes. Stritch is also featured on Linda Lavin’s “Possibilities” and “Sunday in New York” with Christine Ebersole. He received a Grammy nod for “Does He Love You,” recorded by Reba McEntire.

For tickets or more information on the performance, call (562) 467-8818 or go to cerritoscenter.com.



Maureen McGovern will be joined on stage by Andrea McArdle, Faith Prince and Bill Stritch in a Nov. 12 show at the Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts.

LEGAL NOTICES

BULK SALES

NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF BULK SALE AND OF INTENTION TO TRANSFER ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LICENSE

(UCC Sec. 6101 et seq., and B & P 24073 et seq.)

Escrow No. 8941-AK

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a bulk sale of assets and a transfer of alcoholic beverage license is about to be made. The name(s) and business address of the Seller(s)/Licensee(s) are: ZYDUS CORP., A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION, 9522 FIRESTONE BLVD, DOWNEY, CA 90241. Doing Business as: ARCO OF DOWNEY. 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:

The name(s) and address of the Buyer(s)/Applicant(s) is/are: INSITE PETROLEUM, INC., A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION, 9522 FIRESTONE BLVD, DOWNEY, CA 90241.

The assets being sold are generally described as: FURNITURE, FIXTURES, EQUIPMENT, TRADE NAME, GOODWILL, LEASE, LEASEHOLD IMPROVEMENTS, ABC LICENSE, FRANCHISE AGREEMENT and is/are located at: 9522 FIRESTONE BLVD, DOWNEY, CA 90241.

The type of license to be transferred is/are: Type: OFF-SALE BEER AND WINE, License Number: 20-514319 now issued for the premises located at: SAME.

The bulk sale and transfer of alcoholic beverage license(s) is/are intended to be consummated at the office of: DETAIL ESCROW, INC., 13017 ARTESIA BLVD., #D106 CERRITOS, CA 90703 and the anticipated sale date is NOVEMBER 8, 2016. The bulk sale subject to California Uniform Commercial Code Section 6106.2.

The purchase price of consideration in connection with the sale of the business and transfer of the license, is the sum of \$2,090,000.00, including inventory estimated at \$125,000.00, which consists of the following: DESCRIPTION, AMOUNT: CASH \$1,016,000.00; CHECK \$1,074,000.00, TOTAL \$2,090,000.00.

It has been agreed between the Seller(s)/Licensee(s) and the intended Buyer(s)/ transferee(s), as required by Sec. 24073 of the Business and Professions code, that the consideration for transfer of the business and license is to be paid only after the transfer has been approved by the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control.

Dated: SEPTEMBER 28, 2016
ZYDUS CORP., Seller(s)/Licensee(s)
INSITE PETROLEUM, INC., Buyer(s)/ Applicant(s)
LA1715442 DOWNEY PATRIOT 10/13/16

The Downey Patriot
10/13/16

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2016238323

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) CORNMET, 9733 PLANTER ST, PICO RIVERA CA 90660, LA COUNTY

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) FRANCISCO JAVIER PELAYO JR, 9733 PLANTER ST, PICO RIVERA CA 90660 State of Incorporation: (1) N/A

This business is conducted by an 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 true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) S/ FRANCISCO JAVIER PELAYO JR, OWNER

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on SEPTEMBER 13, 2016

NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A New Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.

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
9/22/16, 9/29/16, 10/6/16, 10/13/16

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2016236386

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) LIDERATO, 9260 ELM VISTA DR UNIT D, DOWNEY CA 90242, LA COUNTY

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

REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) JESUS M OTERO, 9260 ELM VISTA DR UNIT D, DOWNEY CA 90242

State of Incorporation: (1) N/A This business is conducted by an 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 true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) S/ JESUS M OTERO, OWNER

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on SEPTEMBER 26, 2016

NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A New Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.

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The Downey Patriot
10/6/16, 10/13/16, 10/20/16, 10/27/16

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2016213992

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) GLOBOTECH ENGINE REBUILDING, 1768 E. 42ND STREET, LOS ANGELES CA 90058, LA COUNTY, 13244 DUNROBIN AVE, DOWNEY CA 90242

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) RONALD R RAMIREZ LEMUS, 13244 DUNROBIN AVE, DOWNEY CA 90242 (2) ALMA LORENA LOZANO, 13244 DUNROBIN AVE, DOWNEY CA 90242

State of Incorporation: (1) N/A This business is conducted by a Married Couple

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 08/2016

I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) S/ RONALD R RAMIREZ LEMUS, HUSBAND

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on AUGUST 29, 2016

NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A New Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.

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
9/22/16, 9/29/16, 10/6/16, 10/13/16

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2016239210

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) THE NERENBERG LEGACY THERAPY INSTITUTE (2) THE NERENBERG LEGACY COACHING INSTITUTE (3) THE NERENBERG INSTITUTE FOR AGGRESSIVE DRIVING & ROAD RAGE (4) THE NERENBERG INSTITUTE FOR THE PSYCHOLOGICAL BAIL BONDS (5) THE NERENBERG INSTITUTE FOR THE PSYCHOLOGY OF THE PLEA BARGAIN (6) THE NERENBERG INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR HOLISTIC MEDICINE & PSYCHOLOGY, 7238 S. PAINTER AVE., WHITTIER CA 90602, LA COUNTY

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) NATURAL POWER SCIENCES, 7238 S. PAINTER AVE., WHITTIER CA 90602

State of Incorporation: (1) CA This business is conducted by a Corporation

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 02/2014

I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) S/ NATURAL POWER SCIENCES, PRESIDENT, ARNOLD NERENBERG

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on SEPTEMBER 28, 2016

NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name

Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A New Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.

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
10/6/16, 10/13/16, 10/20/16, 10/27/16

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2016228772

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) THE CRUNCHETY TACO, 11934 HERITAGE CIRCLE, DOWNEY CA 90241, LA COUNTY

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) TIFFANEE DEE CERDA, 2115 GRANDEUR DR, SAN PEDRO CA 90732 (2) SIMON CARPIO, 11934 HERITAGE CIRCLE, DOWNEY CA 90241

State of Incorporation: (1) N/A 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 true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) S/ TIFFANEE DEE CERDA, GENERAL PARTNER

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on SEPTEMBER 15, 2016

NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A New Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.

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
9/22/16, 10/6/16, 10/13/16, 10/13/16

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2016220805

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) ISELAS TRUCKING LLC, 7400 WALNUT AVE, PARAMOUNT CA 90723, LA COUNTY

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: 201623110397

REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) ISELAS TRUCKING LLC, 7400 WALNUT AVE, PARAMOUNT CA 90723

State of Incorporation: (1) CA This business is conducted by a Limited Liability Company

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 09/2016

I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) S/ ISELAS TRUCKING LLC, PRESIDENT, ROGELIO GOMEZ JR

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on SEPTEMBER 7, 2016

NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A New Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.

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
9/29/16, 10/6/16, 10/13/16, 10/20/16

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2016241793

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) JR MEAT MARKET, 616 W. ALONDRA BLVD., COMPTON CA 90220, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: 3450699 REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) DIANE MEAT MARKET, 616 W. ALONDRA BLVD. E. LOS ANGELES CA 90220

State of Incorporation: (1) CA This business is conducted by a Corporation

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 09/2016

I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) S/ DIANE MEAT MARKET, PRESIDENT, ALBA RAMIREZ

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on SEPTEMBER 30, 2016

NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A New Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.

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
10/13/16, 10/20/16, 10/27/16, 11/3/16

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2016227766

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) LITTLE LEARNERS FAMILY CHILDCARE, 9086

LYNDORA ST, DOWNEY CA 90242, LA COUNTY

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) MICHELLE DOMINGUEZ, 9086 LYNDORA ST, DOWNEY CA 90242

State of Incorporation: (1) N/A This business is conducted by an 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 true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) S/ MICHELLE DOMINGUEZ, OWNER

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on SEPTEMBER 15, 2016

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THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) KEY PIECES, 8356 5TH STREET #113, DOWNEY CA 90241, LA COUNTY

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) NATALIA SOLANO, 8356 5TH STREET #113, DOWNEY CA 90241 (2) OMAR SOLANO, 8356 5TH STREET #113, DOWNEY CA 90241

State of Incorporation: (1) N/A This business is conducted by a Married Couple

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 true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) S/ NATALIA SOLANO, WIFE

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on SEPTEMBER 2, 2016

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THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) KEIKO TSURUMI, 3240 HUTCHISON AVENUE, LOS ANGELES CA 90034

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) KEIKO TSURUMI, 3240 HUTCHISON AVENUE, LOS ANGELES CA 90034

State of Incorporation: (1) N/A This business is conducted by an Individual

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 10/2016

I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) S/ KEIKO TSURUMI, OWNER

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on OCTOBER 11, 2016

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THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) GREENLEAF MOTORS, 8022 SORENSEN AVENUE, SANTA FE SPRINGS CA 90670, LA COUNTY, 6543 WASHINGTON AVENUE, WHITTIER CA 90601

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) GREENLEAF MOTORS, LLC, 6543 WASHINGTON AVENUE, WHITTIER CA 90601

State of Incorporation: (1) CA This business is conducted by a Limited Liability Company

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 true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) S/ GREENLEAF MOTORS, LLC, MANAGING MEMBER, CARL THEODORE GOTTIS III

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles

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another under Federal, State, or common law (see Section 14411 et. seq., Business Professions Code).

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2016244927
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) **POME & CONFETTI, 432 CENTERVIEW DRIVE, CARSON CA 90746, LA COUNTY**

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #0N: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) JACQUELINE SMITH, 432 CENTERVIEW DRIVE, CARSON CA 90746
State of Incorporation: (1) N/A
This business is conducted by an Individual
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 10/2/2016
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) S/ JACQUELINE SMITH, OWNER
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on SEPTEMBER 23, 2016
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2016228781
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) **THE ROYAL SPA (2) THE ROYAL SPA MOBILE DOG GROOMING, 7051 DINWIDDIE ST., DOWNEY CA 90241, LA COUNTY**

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #0N: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) JOSEPH DANIEL QUILES, 7051 DINWIDDIE ST., DOWNEY CA 90241 (2) BESSY IRENE LARA, 7051 DINWIDDIE ST., DOWNEY CA 90241
State of Incorporation: (1) N/A
This business is conducted by a Married Couple
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 10/2/2016
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) S/ BESSY IRENE LARA, WIFE
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on SEPTEMBER 15, 2016
NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A New Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2016247198
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) **BIG LEAGUE FLOORING, 8537 CHESTER ST., PARAMOUNT CA 90723, LA COUNTY**

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #0N: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) JOSHUA LOPEZ, 8537 CHESTER ST., PARAMOUNT CA 90723
State of Incorporation: (1) N/A
This business is conducted by an Individual
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 10/2/2016
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) S/ JOSHUA LOPEZ, OWNER
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on OCTOBER 7, 2016
NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A New Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2016234269
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) **EVE, 6655 OBISPO AVE # 281, LONG BEACH CA 90805, LA COUNTY**

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #0N: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) AGNES NEWSOME, 6655 OBISPO AVE 281, LONG BEACH CA 90805
State of Incorporation: (1) CA
This business is conducted by an Individual
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 05/01/2015
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) S/ AGNES NEWSOME, OWNER, AGNES NEWSOME
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on SEPTEMBER 22, 2016
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2016235896
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) **COMUNIDAD MUSLULMANA AHMADIA, 2608 E FLORENCE AVE, WALNUT PARK CA 90255, LA COUNTY**

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #0N: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) THE AHMADIYYA MOVEMENT IN ISLAM INC, 15000 GOOD HOPE ROAD, SILVER SPRING MD 20905
State of Incorporation: (1) IL
This business is conducted by a Corporation
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 09/2016
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) S/ AHMADIYYA MOVEMENT IN ISLAM INC, SECRETARY, MANSOOR ISHFAQ
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on SEPTEMBER 23, 2016
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2016248648
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) **ALL-MED MEDICAL SUPPLIES (2) ALL-MED MEDICAL SUPPLY (3) BSD CARE (4) BSD CARE DME (5) DAV MAR MEDICAL PRODUCTS, 11333 GREENSTONE AVE, SANTA FE SPRINGS CA 90670, LA COUNTY**

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #0N: 200407310036 REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) TWIN MED, LLC, 11333 GREENSTONE AVE, SANTA FE SPRINGS CA 90670
State of Incorporation: (1) DE
This business is conducted by a Limited Liability Company
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 12/2015
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) S/ TWIN MED, LLC, CFO, DAVID KLARNER
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on OCTOBER 11, 2016
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2016239819
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) **CONSTANTINE KLEANS, 5582 CONIFER DRIVE, LA PALMA CA 90623, ORANGE CO**

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #0N: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) MARC CONSTANTINE, 5582 CONIFER DR, LA PALMA CA 90623
State of Incorporation: (1) N/A
This business is conducted by an Individual
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 09/2016
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) S/ MARC CONSTANTINE, OWNER
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on SEPTEMBER 28, 2016
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2016240161
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) **GENESIS DIGITAL PRINTING, 8361 FLORENCE AVE SUITE 101, DOWNEY CA 90240, LA COUNTY**

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #0N: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) EVELYN CERVANTES, 8361 FLORENCE AVE SUITE 101, DOWNEY CA 90240
State of Incorporation: (1) N/A
This business is conducted by an Individual
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 09/2016
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) S/ EVELYN CERVANTES, OWNER
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on SEPTEMBER 29, 2016
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2016248317
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) **DISCOUNT GARAGE DOOR REPAIR, 10401 ANZAC AVE, LOS ANGELES CA 90002, LA COUNTY**

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #0N: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) DONALD DWAYNE FRANKLIN, 10401 ANZAC SVE, LOS ANGELES CA 90002
State of Incorporation: (1) N/A
This business is conducted by an 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 true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) S/ DONALD DWAYNE FRANKLIN, OWNER
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on OCTOBER 11, 2016
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2016237817
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) **DIOSA, 18300 GRIDLEY ROAD, ARTESIA CA 90701, LA COUNTY, 18300 GRIDLEY ROAD, ARTESIA CA 90701**

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #0N: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) DIOCELINE PARRA MENDEZ, 5192 VERNER DR, LA PALMA CA 90623
State of Incorporation: (1) N/A
This business is conducted by an Individual
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 09/2016
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) S/ DIOCELINE PARRA MENDEZ, OWNER
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on SEPTEMBER 27, 2016
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2016225997
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) **DOWNEY YOGA, 8036 3RD STREET UNIT 104, DOWNEY CA 90241, LA COUNTY**

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #0N: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) JOVON BERNAL, 10639 HORTON AVENUE, DOWNEY CA 90241
State of Incorporation: (1) N/A
This business is conducted by an 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 true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) S/ JOVON BERNAL, OWNER
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on SEPTEMBER 13, 2016
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2016234648
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) **21ST CENTURY FOOD CONSULTING, 7950 DEVENIR AVE, DOWNEY CA 90242, LA COUNTY**

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #0N: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) MAURIE THOMAS, 7950 DEVENIR AVE., DOWNEY CA 90242
State of Incorporation: (1) N/A
This business is conducted by an Individual
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 09/2016
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) S/ MAURIE THOMAS, OWNER
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on SEPTEMBER 22, 2016
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GOVERNMENT

CITY OF DOWNEY NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON A PROPOSED MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION, GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT AND ZONE CHANGE
PLN-14-00210

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held before the DOWNEY CITY COUNCIL on the 25th day of October, 2016, at 6:30 p.m., in the Council Chamber of Downey City Hall, 11111 Brookshire Avenue, Downey, California. At that time and place, consideration will be given to the following:

PLN-14-00210 (Mitigated Negative Declaration, General Plan Amendment and Zone Change): - A proposal to change the General Plan land use designation of the southerly half of the Planning Area (9525-9601 Firestone Blvd, 11016-11100 Pangborn Ave, and 11017-11121 Newville Ave), excluding the area's southeast corner (9601 Firestone Blvd.), from General Commercial (GC) to Medium-Density Residential (MDR); to rezone the Planning Area from Neighborhood Commercial (C-1) and (PB) Parking Buffer to R-3 (Multiple-Family Residential), excluding the area's southeast corner (9601 Firestone Blvd), which would rezone the P-B portion of the site to C-1.

All interested parties are invited to submit written comments and/or to attend and give testimony.

In accordance with the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), a Mitigated Negative Declaration of Environmental Impacts for the proposed project was previously circulated for public comment from May 13, 2016 to June 2, 2016.

If you challenge the proposed actions in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City Council at, or prior to, the public hearing.

For more information contact City Planner William Davis at 562-904-7154.

Adria M. Jimenez, City Clerk
Published: October 13, 2016

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CITY OF DOWNEY SUMMARY OF ORDINANCES INTRODUCED

On October 11, 2016, the City Council of the City of Downey introduced an Ordinance Rezoning the Property at 7940 Telegraph Rd from General Commercial (C-2) and Parking Buffer (P-B) to R-3 (Multiple-Family Residential).

On October 11, 2016, the City Council of the City of Downey introduced an Ordinance Approving A Zone Change (PLN-16-00018), thereby Rezoning the Southerly Sixty-Six (66') Feet of the Property Located at 8104 Stewart & Gray Rd From P-B (Parking Buffer) To R-3 (Multiple-Family Residential).

Copies of the full texts are available in the City Clerk's Office.

Adria M. Jimenez, MMC, City Clerk
October 12, 2016

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10/13/16

LIEN SALES

NOTICE OF SALE
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Dated this 6th Day of October 2016 and 13th day of October 2016.
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NOTICES

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
CASE NUMBER: **KS020254**

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner Andrew Joseph Martinez filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

Present name (1) Andrew Joseph Martinez to Proposed name (1) Andrew Jose Flores THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
NOTICE OF HEARING
Date: **November 18, 2016, Time: 8:30, Department 0**
The address of the court is **400 Civic Center Plaza, Pomona CA 91766**
A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once a week for four

successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in the county: **DOWNEY PATRIOT**
September 20, 2016
Robert R. Duds
Judge Of The Superior Court
Petitioner or Attorney, In Pro Per
Andrew J Martinez
2855 E. Valley Bl #70
West Covina CA 91792
(626) 502-2108

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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
CASE NUMBER: **VS029035**

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner Rachel Lila Gallegos filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

Present name (1) Rachel Lila Gallegos to Proposed name (1) Rachel Gina Gallegos THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.

NOTICE OF HEARING
Date: **November 23, 2016, Time: 1:30 pm, Department SE-C**
The address of the court is **12720 Norwalk Blvd., Norwalk, California, 90650**

A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in the county: **DOWNEY PATRIOT**
September 28, 2016
Judge Margaret M. Bernal
Judge Of The Superior Court
Petitioner or Attorney, In Pro Per
Rachel Lila Gallegos
7108 Nada St
Downey, CA 90242
(562) 928-7945

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PROBATE

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF CARLA ANN WHEELER
Case No. 16STPB04638

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of CARLA ANN WHEELER A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Gerald D. Wheeler and Kimberly Lynn Dorio in the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that Gerald D. Wheeler and Kimberly Lynn Dorio be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

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 Oct. 28, 2016 at 8:30 AM in Dept. No. 5 located at 111 N. Hill St., Los Angeles, CA 90012.

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 decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.

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 (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 125

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The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is \$742,942.85. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written Declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned caused said 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 800-758-8052 for information regarding the trustee's sale or visit this Internet Web site www.servicelinkASAP.com for information regarding the sale of this property, using the file number assigned to this case 00000006074553. 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. 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.servicelinkASAP.com, using the file number assigned to this case 2016-03702. 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: 9/21/2016

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE T.S. No.: 2016-03702 Loan No.: 522335643 A.P.N.: 6245-032-018 NOTE: THERE IS A SUMMARY OF THE INFORMATION IN THIS DOCUMENT ATTACHED [PURSUANT TO CIVIL CODE 2923.3(a), THE SUMMARY OF INFORMATION REFERRED TO ABOVE IS NOT ATTACHED TO THE RECORDED COPY OF THIS DOCUMENT BUT ONLY TO THE COPIES PROVIDED TO THE TRUSTOR.] YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 9/5/2007. 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. A PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH, CASHIER'S CHECK/CASH EQUIVALENT or other form of payment authorized by 2424(h), (payable at the time of sale in lawful money of the United States), 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, 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: Lisa M Battisti, a single woman. Duly Appointed Trustee: Entra Default Solutions, LLC 1355 Willow Way, Suite 115, Concord, California 94520 Recorded 9/12/2007 as Instrument No. 20072102245 in book , page of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Los Angeles County, California, Date of Sale: 10/21/2016 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: \$454,053.83 Street Address or other common designation of real property: 12742 ORILLA AVE DOWNEY, CA 90242 A.P.N.: 6245-032-018 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address or other common designation, if any, shown above. We are attempting to collect a debt and any information we obtain will be used for that purpose. 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.servicelinkASAP.com, using the file number assigned to this case 2016-03702. 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: 9/21/2016

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE T.S. No. 15-32186-PM-CA Title No. 150321819 CA-VOI A.P.N. 6367-011-005 ATTENTION RECORDER: THE FOLLOWING REFERENCE TO AN ATTACHED SUMMARY IS APPLICABLE TO THE NOTICE PROVIDED TO THE TRUSTOR ONLY PURSUANT TO CIVIL CODE 2923.3 NOTE: THERE IS A SUMMARY OF THE INFORMATION IN THIS DOCUMENT ATTACHED. YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 02/26/2007. 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. 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 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 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: Ricardo Soto, a single man Duly Appointed Trustee: National Default Servicing Corporation Recorded 03/06/2007 as Instrument No. 20070485658 (or Book, Page) of the Official Records of Los Angeles County, California. Date of Sale: 11/02/2016 at 11:00 AM Place of Sale: By the fountain located at 400 Civic Center Plaza, Pomona, CA 91766 Estimated amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$622,634.98 Street Address or other common designation of real property: 8009 Brookgreen Road, Downey, CA 90240 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 requirements of California Civil Code Section 2923.5(b)(2)(9293.55) were fulfilled when the Notice of Default was recorded. 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.ndscorp.com/sales, using the file number assigned to this case 15-32186-PM-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: 10/06/2016 National Default Servicing Corporation c/o Tiffany and Bosco, P.A., its agent, 1230 Columbia Street, Suite 680 San Diego, CA 92101 Toll Free Phone: 888-264-4010 Sales Line 714-730-2727; Sales Website: www.ndscorp.com/sales Zahara Joyner, Trustee Sales Representative A-4594744 10/13/2016, 10/20/2016, 10/27/2016

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE Trustee's Sale No. CA-BVS-15016677 NOTE: PURSUANT TO 2923.3(C) THERE IS A SUMMARY OF THE INFORMATION IN THIS DOCUMENT ATTACHED [PURSUANT TO CIVIL CODE Section 2923.3(a), THE SUMMARY OF INFORMATION REFERRED TO ABOVE IS NOT ATTACHED TO THE RECORDED COPY OF THIS DOCUMENT BUT ONLY TO THE COPIES PROVIDED TO THE TRUSTOR.] YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 1/12/2007. 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. 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.lpsasap.com, using the file number assigned to this case CA-BVS-15016677. 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. On November 2, 2016, at 11:00 AM, BY THE FOUNTAIN LOCATED AT, 400 CIVIC CENTER PLAZA, in the City of POMONA, County of LOS ANGELES, State of CALIFORNIA, PEAK FORECLOSURE SERVICES, INC., a California corporation, as duly appointed Trustee under that certain Deed of Trust executed by ARTHUR C SANVICTORES AND TERESITA C SANVICTORES, HUSBAND AND WIFE AS JOINT TENANTS, as Truators, recorded on 11/19/2007, as Instrument No. 20070109195, of Official Records in the office of the

Recorder of LOS ANGELES County, State of CALIFORNIA, under the power of sale therein contained, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER, for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a 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 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, 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. Property is being sold "as is - where is", TAX PARCEL NO. 6287-029-007 From information which the Trustee deems reliable, but for which Trustee makes no representation or warranty, the street address or other common designation of the above described property is purported to be 10215 PICO VISTA RD., DOWNEY, CA 90241. Said property is being sold for the purpose of paying the obligations secured by said Deed of Trust, including fees and expenses of sale. The total

amount of the unpaid principal balance, interest thereon, together with reasonably estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Trustee's Sale is \$1,489,981.16. 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. WE ARE ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. SALE INFORMATION LINE: 714-730-2727 or www.lpsasap.com Dated: 9/30/2016 PEAK FORECLOSURE SERVICES, INC., AS TRUSTEE By Georgina Rodriguez, Trustee Sales Officer A-4594287 10/13/2016, 10/20/2016, 10/27/2016

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Realtors forecast strong home sales in 2017

According to forecasts just released from the National Association of REALTORS® (NAR), the Mortgage Bankers' Association (MBA), and Freddie Mac and Fannie Mae, "We can expect a hot year for home sales in 2017," said Realtor Mag, the NAR's official magazine.

"NAR is predicting existing-home sales to reach 6 million in 2017, higher than its 5.8 million forecast for this year. But other entities are even more bullish. MBA is predicting home sales to eclipse 6.5 million next year, while Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac are both predicting 6.2 million."

What's driving this trend? "A huge wave of Generation Yers," otherwise known as millennials, whose long-overdue march into homeownership may finally be happening. A strong showing from this group can prop up the real estate market not just next year, but for several years to come. "They are predicted to keep home sales and condo sales strong well in to 2020, according to economists," they said.

While the overall picture for home sales next year and into 2020 looks rosy, sales and price appreciation will, obviously, vary depending

on the market, with some of the usual suspects at the top.

"The top markets for price appreciation likely will be in Seattle, Wash.; Portland, Ore.; Denver, Colo.; and Boston, predicts Eric Fox, vice president of statistical and economic modeling at VeroForecast," they said. "These markets' robust economies have growing populations but a tight supply of homes for sale on the market that will likely lead to some of the largest price increases across the country."

Gord Collins notes that, "The top forecast markets show price appreciation in the 10% to 11% range," with Seattle at 11.2%, followed by Portland, Oregon at 11.1% and Denver, Colorado at 9.9%.

The California Association of Realtors' forecast shows "modest gains next year amid tight supplies and the lowest housing affordability in six years," said the San Jose Mercury News. "Sales of existing single-family homes -- which make up about 68 percent of the overall market -- are projected to rise 1.4 percent in 2017 to 413,000 transactions. Meanwhile, the median house price -- or price at the midpoint of all sales -- is projected to rise 4.3 percent to \$525,600. That's the smallest percentage gain in six years."



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FEATURED PROPERTY



North Downey!

Nice home on Cul De Sac street. Large dining area, rock fireplace family room, utility room, park like back yard, 2 car attached garage. **Call Today!!!**

TOP PRODUCERS



TOP LISTING
Patricia Morris



TOP PRODUCTION
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Orange Estates!

This beautiful 5 bedroom, 4 bathroom pool home is well maintained and updated. It features a very spacious formal dining room with hardwood floors and crown molding, large den with wood burning fireplace and master bedroom that has two wardrobe closets. Too much to list. This is a must see! **Call Today!!!**



Fantastic Opportunity!

Move in condition! New interior paint and carpet. New copper plumbing under house. Central air & heating, dining room or den and eating area in the kitchen. **Call Today!!!**



Beautiful Home!

Newer home built in 2005. One level with lots of upgrades. Granite throughout. Large formal dining used as den. Court yard with fireplace. Backyard with BBQ and firepit. Play area for kids. Garden on side yard. Bedrooms are very large. Lots of storage. **Call Today!!!**



Downey Delight!

Great Downey home! This property features 2 bedrooms, 1 bathroom and a 2 car garage. This home was recently remodeled and is ready for you to move in. **Call Today!!!**



Won't Last!

Beautiful 2 story home. 5 bedrooms 3 baths with marble travertine flooring. Gorgeous floor plan for entertainment. **Call Today!!!**



Beautiful Custom Home!

This beautiful 3 bedroom, 4 bathroom home is made up of 3,334 sq.ft. of living space. It features near-new carpet, custom lighting, custom drapery throughout. Library/optional 4th bedroom has mahogany built in bookcases with matching plantation shutters. Upstairs loft can be used as a den or 5th bedroom. **Call Today!!!**



Downey Delight!

Bring your buyers to this large 4 bedroom 2 bath and 2 family room home with almost 2100 sq ft. Updated gourmet kitchen has granite counters, stainless appliances, and beautiful wood cabinetry with an eating area in the kitchen. Kitchen opens into step down den. **Call Today!!!**



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Downey.

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OPEN HOUSE!
SAT 11AM-3PM
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Wow! Large living room, formal dining
room, upgraded kitchen! Large yard!
Call Now!! \$475,000

FOR SALE!
 "This Could Be Your Home"
Your home could be
listed "FOR SALE" here.
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Downey.

Box Top For Education Contest!
Contest Winners! Total of 26!
1st PRIZE: 2 Knott's Berry Farm Tickets
2nd PRIZE: 2 Movie Tickets
3rd PRIZE: \$20 Starbucks Gift Card
THANK YOU!

9,000+ LOT!
 Custom Beauty!
5 BD, 6 BA, plus large bonus room or
guest quarters! Downstairs bedroom!
Call to set up an appointment to see!!

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LIST PRICE: \$1,599,000



Luxurious & Elegant

Spectacular 6 BD (5 up & 1 down), 7 BA, 5,528 sq. ft. home built in 2009! Dual staircase entry, beautiful kitchen, family room & a luxurious master suite.

LIST PRICE: \$1,375,000



A-1 Neighborhood

Tri-level 4 BD, 4.5 BA, office, 3,828 sq ft, 9,383 sq ft lot, pool, 3 car garage, cul-de-sac location in Charloma Estates.

LIST PRICE \$989,000



OPEN HOUSE

"Land" of Opportunity

A 23,967 sq ft lot in Downey with potential to add a 2nd unit. Currently a 1,990 sq ft home with 2 car garage, bonus room & pool. Lots of potential and perfect for a savvy investor.

LIST PRICE: \$799,000



Move Right In!

4 BD, 2 BA home near Gallatin Elementary features new kitchen, refinished hardwood floors, fresh paint, newer windows & remodeled bathroom.

LIST PRICE: \$699,950



OPEN HOUSE

9 Brand New Townhomes

Each one is 4 BD, 2.5 BA, kitchen includes all new appliances, granite counters, hardwood floors & carpet. Master BD with walk-in closet & bath.

STARTING AT \$509,500



OPEN HOUSE

Walking Distance To School

3 BD, 2 BA home near Gaudin Elementary The home has a spacious living room & dining room, family room with fireplace, and master bedroom. Close to Downey Landing & new Downey Promenade.

LIST PRICE \$499,950

Text Michael for property videos of any of these homes 562-818-6111