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Fitness Fair, 8 am to 12 pm. A community event to encourage healthy lifestyles, with 15-plus challenges to test your fitness, yoga sessions, dance party, food, vendors, raffles, and DJ music. Hosted by TLF Fitness Center. Warren High School football field, 8141 De Palma St.

Backpack Giveaway, 9 am to 1 pm. Bring your child to receive a free backpack for the new school year. Calvary Chapel of Downey, 12808 Woodruff Ave.

Movie Night with the Mayor, 7 pm. Join Downey Mayor Rick Rodriguez for an outdoor screening of "Star Wars: Episode IV A New Hope." Come dressed as your favorite Star Wars character for a costume contest. Free admission, food and drinks available for purchase. Columbia Memorial Space Center, 12400 Columbia Way

Power of Sound Tour, 9 pm to 2 am. Featuring performances by Chief Kaya, MiKrodot and others. Epic Lounge, 8239 2nd St.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 13

Flower Arrangement Workshop, 6 pm. Learn about the different scents and types of flowers while creating a real / live flower arrangement. All skill levels welcome. Michael's, 12100 Lakewood Blvd.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 17

Rocket Fever, 10 am. L.A.'s first and only urban rocket festival returns. Build and fly your own rocket (\$5 for this class). Columbia Memorial Space Center, 12400 Columbia Way

KidsCreate: Family Paint Day, 10:30 am. Bring your little one and create a work of art. \$35 fee includes guided workshop, two seats (parent and child), two take-home canvases, paint supplies, snacks and refreshments. \$12 each additional child. Stay Gallery, 11140 Downey Ave.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 21

Sheriff's Department Job Fair, 8 am to 12 pm. Meet with Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department recruiters and learn about a career in law enforcement. Columbia Memorial Space Center, 12400 Columbia Way

MONDAY, AUGUST 26

Optimist Club Golf Tournament, 10

am. The largest annual fundraising event for the Cerritos Optimist Club. Rio Hondo Golf Club, 10627 Old River School Rd.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 29

Empower Hour, 6-8 pm. A women's empowerment networking event with special guest Judge Shelly Baron Torrealba, and "Breaking Barriers Award" recipient Dr. Sandra Salazar. Rio Hondo Event Center, 10627 Old River School Rd.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 30

Stars & Stripes Golf Tournament, 11 am. Eighteen holes of golf, plus lunch and an awards dinner. Benefiting the Veterans Association of Real Estate Professionals. Rio Hondo Golf Club, 10627 Old River School Rd.

THURSDAY, SEPT. 5

Bon Fire. The Downey Razorbacks hold their annual bon fire, pep rally and raffle in advance of their season-opener.

SATURDAY, SEPT. 7

Season Opener. The Downey Razorbacks kick off their 2019 football season with games at Downey and Warren high schools.

Senior Follies Show, 1 pm and 5 pm. Now in its 16th year, the Senior Follies is a talent show for local senior citizens. (For details on how to participate, call (562) 904-7223). Barbara J. Riley Center, 7810 Quill Dr.

MONDAY, SEPT. 9

Surviving the Holidays, 7 pm. No matter how long it's been since your loved one died, grief can make the holidays a painful time. Learn how to cope and prepare. Calvary Chapel Downey, 12808 Woodruff Ave.

FRIDAY, SEPT. 13

Sublime Tribute, 8 pm. Sublime tribute band Doin' Time performs live. 21 and older, \$5 cover charge. Bastards Canteen, 11045 Downey Ave.

SATURDAY, SEPT. 21

Alpha Omega Con, 10 am to 6 pm. A Christian comic book, art and pop culture convention. First Baptist Church of Downey, 8348 3rd St.

KidsCreate: Family Paint Day, 10:30 am. Bring your little one and create a work of art. \$35 fee includes guided workshop, two seats (parent and child), two take-home canvases, paint supplies, snacks and refreshments. \$12 each additional child. Stay Gallery, 11140 Downey Ave.

Low-Cost Vaccines, 11 am to 3 pm. Low cost pet vaccinations, deworming, microchips, and flea and tick treatments. Iglesia del Nazareno, 9520 Telegraph Rd.

International Food & Music Festival, 4-10 pm. Live music from six bands, face painting, henna artists, photo booth, and food from local restaurants and food trucks. Downey Avenue between 2nd and 4th Streets

SUNDAY, SEPT. 22

Downey Symphony Garden Party, 3 pm to 7 pm. Price tba. Rio Hondo Event Center, 10627 Old River Rd.

SATURDAY, SEPT. 28

Emergency Preparedness Fair, 10 am to 2 pm. Learn hands-only CPR, put out small fires, and learn how to properly prepare for an emergency. Calvary Chapel Downey, 12808 Woodruff Ave.

Miss Downey Pageant, 5 pm. Young women compete to become Downey royalty. Downey Theatre, 8435 Firestone Blvd.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 9

State of the City, 12 pm. Mayor Rick Rodriguez delivers Downey's annual State of the City address. Rio Hondo Event Center, 10627 Old River School Rd.

THURSDAY, OCT. 10

Havana Nights, 6-9:30 pm. La Charanga performs at this rooftop concert. Food vendors, arts and crafts for kids, artist exhibits, and festival seating (bring your own chair). Downtown Parking Structure, 2nd St. and New St.

SATURDAY, OCT. 19

Downey Symphony Concert, 8 pm. Titled "Passport to Passion," this concert features a solo by violinist Strauss Shi. Downey Theatre, 8435 Firestone Blvd.

SUNDAY, OCT. 20

Princess Trunk or Treat, 1-4 pm. Pumpkin carving, a spooky dance party, costume contest, vendors, and trick-or-treat with princesses. \$5-\$25. Belle's Enchantment Princess Parties, 12830 Paramount Blvd.

FRIDAY, OCT. 25

Latina Empowerment Day, 8:30 am to 3 pm. A one day intensive workshop series created to empower Latinas to increase their community impact and strengthen their skills and knowledge on a variety of issues. So Cal Gas Energy Resource Center, 9240 Firestone Blvd.

SATURDAY, OCT. 26

Wheelchair Seminar, 7:30 am to 5 pm. This two day course provides participants with basic concepts of seating and positioning, wheelchair mobility, and assistive technology for every day use. Rancho Los Amigos

National Rehabilitation Center, 7601 Imperial Hwy.

SUNDAY, OCT. 27

Dia de los Muertos Taco Festival, 12-6 pm. 30+ vegan taco vendors, plus live music, costume contests, and more. \$20 admission includes one taco from each vendor. Los Amigos Golf Club, 7295 Quill Dr.

SUNDAY, DEC. 1

5K Elf Run, 9 am. Dress in your favorite elf attire for this fun 5K run/walk through Downey. Civic Center, 11111 Brookshire Ave.

Christmas Parade, 1 pm. Downey's annual Christmas Parade, put on by the Downey Chamber of Commerce. Downey Avenue, between Florence and 5th Street.

SATURDAY, JAN. 18

Downey Symphony Concert, 8 pm. Titled "Happy 250th, Beethoven!," this concert features a solo by pianist Sung Chang. Downey Theatre, 8435 Firestone Blvd.

SATURDAY, FEB. 29

Downey TLC 5K, 9 am. A 5K run/walk to benefit the TLC Family Resource Center. Apollo Park, 12544 Rives Ave.

SATURDAY, APRIL 11

Downey Symphony Concert, 8 pm. Titled "Sounds of America," this concert features a solo by percussionist Eric Guinivan. Downey Theatre, 8435 Firestone Blvd.

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Bea Romano remembered as an artist and community advocate

By Lorine Parks
Society Columnist

Bea Romano, community activist in all things musical, inspired her own memorial service at St. Raymond's Catholic Church in Downey.

Family and friends walked

out of the church to the lively hymn, "Dance, then, wherever you may be, I am the Lord of the Dance, said he." The words follow a traditional carol that portrays Jesus' life and mission as a dance. Bea's musical group, When Pigs Fly, loved to perform it.

Earlier, in part of the service,

Father John Higgins had read the Beatitudes from The Sermon on the Mount, appropriate because beatitude comes from the same root word as Beatrice, both meaning blessed.

Then, on the patio, husband Jim Romano and family released a cageful of white doves, who flew out and upward in a V formation, till they disappeared against the blue cloud-laced sky. A beautiful way of expressing a final goodbye and of letting go. Actually white homing pigeons, they will return home where they will be rewarded with fresh water and food.

Bea was born Beatrice Platt in Johnston, Pennsylvania and when she was seven, the family moved to Maywood. "We grew up together in Maywood," said Kathie Blackburn, a childhood friend who remembered Bea fondly, "a little square place bounded on all four sides by railroad tracks."

Bea came to Downey in 1968, when at 19 she married Jim. Here she raised her family.

Almost 20 years ago Bea learned to play an old-fashioned

musical instrument, the hammered dulcimer, and the music scene in Downey has never been the same since. "Dulcimer" originally just meant sweet-sounding lyre, but a hammered dulcimer is a percussion-stringed instrument with strings stretched over a trapezoidal resonant sound board, played with mallets. A rich, full sound and unique energy are produced by the mallets hammering the strings.

As soon as Bea was proficient, she, husband Jim on guitar, Marianne Scanlon also on dulcimer and Jim Cope on fiddle, formed the group, When Pigs Fly, a name that can suggest an impossibility come true. They delighted audiences with sweet Celtic aires, Irish melodies, historical selections from Early Americana, jigs, reels, sea chanties, folk, bluegrass, Appalachian and cowboy songs.

Bea enjoyed sharing her knowledge of these arcane sounds in educational musical programs for clubs, organizations and libraries. I remember her soloing at a Friends of the Downey Library luncheon, smiling and explaining

her instrument while hammering at the same time.

Bea's group played everywhere, at parties, in homes, at work, at restaurants like the Mambo Grill, the Hollydale Library, for weddings and anniversaries, art walks, in beer and wine gardens, museums, festivals. Under the management of Celticana, they also produced a CD of their songs.

"My next mission," Bea said, "is to work with the city to bring more music to restaurants and businesses and events in Downey."

One remarkable project that Bea managed to achieve was Make Music Downey, a free all-day music festival similar to music festivals in New York and Paris. The purpose was to make downtown Downey vibrate from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. with the sounds of music of various genres from six different sites, like the lawn of the First Presbyterian Church, the Epic Lounge and Stay Gallery. The First Baptist Church and Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church helped by providing parking and lawn canopies.

"Bea and I partnered on the event," said co-organizer Carol Kearns, "which seems crazy as I look back. It involved hundreds of people and wouldn't have happened without her."

"After hearing about the annual free, public music festival, Make Music New York," said Carol, "Bea and I decided to try this in Downey in 2013. It worked just well enough that Bea and I did it again the next year, partnering with the City's Bicycle Ride. We were two idealistic ladies lucky enough to have husbands who supported us. I still can't believe we pulled it off."

In 2012, as poetry curator for the Downey Arts Coalition, I asked Bea to help inaugurate the monthly poetry reading series, Poetry Matters, that went on for a six-year run. Bea and company entertained at Mari's Wine Bar for an hour while poets gathered and admired her skill. When Pigs Fly also played at one of my own birthday parties, a great treat.

Always wanting to give more, Bea founded the Downey Folk



Bea Romano, an advocate for music appreciation in Downey, died July 22.

Music Jam. Now, dulcimer jam is not a delicacy, to spread on toast. It's a rollicking musical happening, as classical music lovers Joyce Sherwin and I remember with pleasure, after attending a dulcimer jam session in Bea's home.

Bea founded the Southern California Dulcimer Heritage, and started the Downey Autoharp Circle, where six players met weekly to learn new skills. Adopting Lady Fingers as their name, they played at the Rancho Los Amigos Foundation Christmas boutique and in convalescent homes.

"She had a zest for life," Carol said, "and was always doing something, volunteering somewhere. In so many ways, she made the world a better place."

"We mourn the passing of a community pillar," said the Downey Arts Coalition. "Our thoughts and prayers are with Bea's family." Founding members of DAC like Andrew Wahlquist, Alistair Hunter, Roy Anthony Shabla and Frank Kearns expressed their sense of loss, as did many more.

Samuel Taylor Coleridge in his magical poem Kublai Khan, gives us one of literature's most unforgettable images, "the damsel with a dulcimer, in a vision once I saw."

We will remember Bea Romano, "her symphony and song," her dulcimer and her grace.

In Memory of

Larry Latimer

November 10, 1957 - July 23, 2019



Larry Latimer was born on November 10, 1957 and passed on from this life on July 23, 2019. He was 61 years old and lived almost his entire life in Downey.

Larry was a loving husband, father, son, brother, uncle, and friend to many. He is survived by his wife of 20 years, Rose, son Erik, daughter-in-law Lucy, and beloved Jack Russell Terrier, Jackie.

He is also survived by four siblings: brothers Joe (Robin) and Rick (Virginia), sisters Laura (Chuck) and Lois. He is also remembered by his loving nieces, nephews, extended family, and many friends. He especially enjoyed the holidays and spending time with his family and friends. He was a kind, generous, thoughtful man-with an amazing sense of humor!

Larry worked for the Ford Motor Company for more than 30 years. He was self-employed as a mobile computer repair specialist for the last 10 years. However, his greatest passion in life, besides his family, was serving his community.

Larry had a strong sense of civic duty. He served on the boards of the Downey Historical Society and the Aerospace Legacy Foundation. As Downey's resident historian, he spoke publicly to many civic groups and schools about Downey's historical significance. He is the author of Images of America: Downey, a book about the history of Downey. He has also worked on many special projects for the City of Downey.

He had many interests including history, computers, photography, golf, hiking, music, nature, gardening, and Angels baseball.

A Facebook group has been set up for anyone who wants to share stories about Larry and how he touched their lives. If you would like to share a special memory, please do so on the Larry Latimer Memorial Page on Facebook.

In Memory of

Theresa Carbajal

August 27, 1950 - July 16, 2019



Theresa Carbajal was born on August 27, 1950 and passed away on July 16, 2019. Theresa was a resident of Bellflower and Downey, California. She was a dedicated employee at Kaiser Permanente Hospital in Downey. She was a loving mother, sister, wife, and grandmother. Preceded in death by her husband Galdino; two sisters Marialuisa and Paula; and her beloved parents Juan and Catalina. Theresa is survived by two sisters, Domitila and Rosalina. Her three sons, Horacio, Gerardo, and Galdino; Two daughters, Zulma and Xochitl; and several lovely grandchildren.

Family and friends will be received for visitation on August 9th, 2019 from 9:30 AM to 1:30 PM, followed by Mass from 2:00 PM to 3:00PM at Forest Lawn Cypress, 4471 Lincoln Ave, Cypress, CA 90630. There will be a reception from 3:30 PM, at 8362 Tulipwood Circle, Westminster, CA 92683



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Paging Dr. Frischer...

By Dr. Alan Frischer

Summer is upon us, and it has been sunny and hot. Despite my own fair complexion, I love Southern California and I love the outdoors. We all need to protect ourselves from the sun's harmful rays. For those of us who, as I do, insist on spending time outside, one of the key options for avoiding sun damage is the liberal and frequent use of sunscreen. There is new information regarding its safety and use.



I am often asked what the best exercise is. The answer is, of course, that the best exercise is the one that we are willing to do. The same is true for sunscreen! While sunscreens are not all equal, the best one is the one that we will use generously and correctly. However, there are significant differences between them.

What is a broad-spectrum sunscreen? We need protection against two types of ultraviolet light, UVA and UVB, and a broad-spectrum sunscreen protects us from both. UVA rays prematurely age the skin, causing wrinkling and age spots. UVB rays burn the skin. Too much exposure to either type of light can cause skin cancer.

What is SPF, and how much do we need? SPF stands for sun protection factor, and is a measure of how well the sunscreen protects against UVB rays (UVA protection is not rated). Manufacturers

calculate SPF based on how long it takes to burn skin treated with the sunscreen as compared to without. The recommendation is to use one with an SPF of at least 30. Once the SPF exceeds 50, there is only a small increase in UV protection. Regardless of the number, sunscreen lasts the same amount of time on the skin.

Keep in mind that even when applied well, sunscreen will wash off during swimming or sweating, and leave us unprotected. Sunscreen must be water resistant if we plan to be in the water. "Water resistant" means that the SPF is maintained for up to 40 minutes in water. If it states "very water resistant," then the SPF will be maintained for up to 80 minutes in water.

How do the ingredients of sunscreens vary? Sunscreens contain filters that reflect or absorb UV rays. The two main types of filters are organic and inorganic. Organic filters absorb UV radiation and convert it to a small amount of heat, and include cinnamates, salicylates and benzophenones. Inorganic filters reflect and scatter UV radiation, and include titanium dioxide and zinc oxide.

The most recent FDA guidelines now generally recognize sunscreens as safe and effective (GRASE) that use two inorganic sun-blocking ingredients: titanium dioxide and zinc oxide. However, chemicals in some sunscreens with organic filters are absorbed into the body at levels high enough to raise concerns about potentially toxic effects. Bloodstream levels of oxybenzone, avobenzone, octocrylene and ecamsule increased dramatically for four days after use. At this time, the FDA recommends that we avoid sunscreen with oxybenzone.

Sunscreens come in different styles. Creams tend to be best for dry skin, while lotions are often thinner and less greasy, and preferred on larger areas. Gels work well in hairy places, like the scalp or chest. Sticks are useful when applying around the eyes. Sprays may

be easier to apply on children, but never spray near the face.

Consider these suggestions:

Whenever possible, the first line of defense is to avoid sun exposure. Consider staying out of the sun at peak hours; typically between 10 am and 4 pm. Water, snow, and concrete reflect light and increase the risk of sunburn. Wear protective clothing, including pants, shirts with long sleeves, sunglasses, and hat.

- ▶ Use sunscreen on all exposed skin surfaces, including scalp, feet, and lips.
- ▶ UV rays pass through clouds, so use sunscreen even when it is cloudy.
- ▶ Apply generous amounts of sunscreen to dry skin, 15 minutes before exposure.
- ▶ Reapply sunscreen every two hours.
- ▶ Keep an eye on the expiration date.
- ▶ Children under the age of six months should not use sunscreen. Keep them out of the sun.

Regardless of issues surrounding the safety of a sunscreen's particular ingredients, the evidence for using it - vs. NOT using it - is overwhelmingly positive. The benefits of avoiding sun damage significantly outweigh any possible risks. I urge you to use sunscreen generously, and often!

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.

State mandating disclosure of toxic water

Water systems will now have to notify consumers of any chemicals present in their water supply.

BELL GARDENS — Legislation that will require public water systems to notify consumers of the presence of toxic fluorinated chemical compounds was signed last week by Governor Gavin Newsom.

The bill, AB 756, introduced by Assemblywoman Cristina Garcia (D-Bell Gardens), would require all public water systems to monitor the class of per and polyfluoroalkyl substance (PFAS) chemicals and subsequently inform the public of results.

"This is another step towards environmental justice in communities like mine that have been treated as wastelands," said Garcia. "California now leads the nation by requiring reporting to consumers of these 'forever chemicals' in our public water

systems. I'm very happy that the Governor see's communities like mine and is joining my effort to empower them with regulation and information so they can make informed health decisions."

PFAS chemicals are good at repelling oil and water. That makes them useful in a lot of products including non-stick cookware, fast food wrappers, pizza boxes, water-repellent fabrics and fire-fighting foam. Manufacturers have agreed to stop using two forms of PFAS in the U.S. These chemicals are known as 'forever chemicals' because they are resistant to breaking down naturally in the environment.

"Given California's abundance of industrial production, particularly in my district of South East Los Angeles, it's past time we're monitoring these substances in our water supplies," added Garcia. "We're being poisoned at the tap. The little, outdated data we do have is alarming. But we know it's only the tip of the iceberg and that's

frightening. "

California has the most known detections of toxic PFAS chemicals in drinking water sources at 455 and it's expected more will be found through this legislation. California is far behind other states, such as New York, Vermont, Minnesota, and New Jersey in investigating water contamination.

The Environmental Working Group compiled a map of contamination location throughout the nation. A cluster of contaminated sites are located within the 58th Assembly District. While there is some data available, it's unknown how severe or widespread the contamination exists. In addition, no public health goal or maximum contaminant level for PFAS chemicals has been established. Interim notification levels have been adopted, however, reporting and notification while recommended, are not required by law until now.

Assembly Bill 756 will

require water systems to provide notifications to consumers on the class PFAS that show up in their systems. The measure will also update and expand notification requirements so that in the event a water system detects levels of PFAS that exceed notification levels, or any other level that may be established in the future, water customers can be notified in an efficient and effective manner thereby streamlining the process. Giving this information to customers is vital so that individuals can make educated decision about if and how they use water

"The industrial legacy of pollution and man-made environmental disasters in my district alone—and disproportionately in other communities of color and low socioeconomic status—is frightening," said Garcia. "Getting this data is a first step. Next we need to really understand the scope of the problem and find ways to pay for the clean-up of our water supplies."

Church hosting ice cream social

DOWNEY — Downey United Methodist Church is inviting the community to a free ice cream social this Saturday, Aug. 10, from 6:30-7:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall.

The church will also be blessing backpacks on Sunday, Aug. 11, during its Sunday worship service at 10:30 a.m.

Downey United Methodist Church is located at 10801 Downey Ave.

Police step up enforcement to protect bicyclists, pedestrians

DOWNEY — The Downey Police Department is participating in a bicycle and pedestrian safety operation this weekend aimed at educating bicyclists, drivers and pedestrians on traffic laws, rules and responsibilities.

Police officers will be looking for drivers speeding, making illegal turns, failing to yield to pedestrians in crosswalks, failing to stop for signs and signals, and other violations.

Officers also will be looking for pedestrians who cross the street illegally or fail to yield to drivers who have the right of way.

Bicyclists will be stopped when riding on the wrong side of the road, not complying with stop signs and signals, or other violations of the same traffic laws that apply to them as drivers.

In 2018, the Downey Police Department investigated three fatal collisions involving bicyclists and pedestrians. An additional 70 were injured.

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Begins	Session 1 – August 6 – September 10 Session 2 – September 24 – October 29
Ages	At least 5 but less than 18
Price	Resident: \$60.00 Non-resident: \$64.00
Description	Golf Lessons - Junior Saturdays Participant will be learning the proper grip, stance, posture, basic swing fundamentals, woods, irons, and putting. Class size is limited. Range balls included in the registration fee.
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Ages	At least 5 but less than 18
Price	Resident: \$60.00 Non-resident: \$64.00

Downey's Alan Trejo finding his bat with Hartford Yard Goats

By Gerald Nelson
Special to the Downey Patriot

HARTFORD, CT — Last month the MLB draft took place. More than 1,200 draftees looked to be called and only about 900 will get drafted and sign contracts with hopes that it will lead them to the major leagues.

Unfortunately, more than 700 of those players will never get the chance to fulfill their dream. Especially the later you fall in the draft, the smaller your window of opportunity is.

But do not tell that to Downey's own Alan Trejo. Alan Ray Trejo was born May 30, 1996, in Los Angeles. Son of Ray and Elsa Trejo, he played four seasons of varsity baseball at Warren High School where he played shortstop and pitched.

He was a three-time all-CIF Division 3 first-team honoree after earning second-team all-CIF honors as a freshman. As a senior Trejo compiled a record of 11-0 on the mound while hitting .453. He won the San Gabriel Valley League Pitcher of the Year.

The Colorado Rockies took the infielder in the 16th round of the 2017 draft out of San Diego State. In April of 2019 he was assigned to the Rockies' Double-A team the Hartford

Yard Goats after spending 2018 playing for the Class A Lancaster JetHawks which he hit .278/.329/.425 along with 10 home runs in 114 games.

Trejo still has a road ahead of him but if he keeps developing the way he has, he could achieve his ultimate goal.

Writers, like Baseball Writers' Association of America member and longtime Colorado Rockies' writer Jack Etkin, have wondered how a player like Trejo, who prospered enough to skip a level last year to jump into Double-A in 2019, slid all the way down to the 16th round in the 2017 draft. He is known for his defensive skills, playmaking ability and leadership but had a lot of questions about his offense.

Yard Goat's Farm director Zach Wilson spoke about that, saying "he didn't come here as a hitter. And I think that's probably what held him back from being a higher pick."

So far this season, Trejo has silenced the doubters with each at bat. For a guy who is not a hitter he is tied for first in home runs, second in RBI's and second in hits on the team.

For him, the stats are not a surprise as he honed his batting skills this offseason.

"All the offseason stuff I've been doing has been to get stronger, hit the ball a little harder, and focus on certain pitches and certain counts to drive the ball more. This league is a pitcher's league so you have to be more selective," says Trejo. "But no, this is not a surprise to me. The people that know how hard I work know this is not a surprise."

The Eastern league, which the Yard Goats play in, is known for being a difficult hitting environment so it speaks to Trejo's development even more.

Even though Downey is 2,890 miles from Hartford, CT he does not forget where he came from and credits his hometown for playing a part in where he is today. Skepticism of Trejo's abilities started even before the MLB draft.

"My community pushed me. A lot of people in my community felt that I was never good enough. I never got the respect I should have gotten," Trejo said. "Because of that it has always been a grind for me wherever I was. They've pushed me more than anything and it has a positive impact on me believe it or not. A lot of things that happened in my childhood was negative but it is what it is. I've grown from it and learned from it."



Trejo's production on the team has given him more of a leadership role. In such an individual sport he takes pride in leading by example.

"I try to come to the field everyday with the same expectations to win games and not be selfish," he mentions. "A lot of the time we get caught up in trying to get our hits or

playing defense. We get caught up in ourselves instead of our team. Growing up watching guys like Derek Jeter and A-Rod (Alex Rodriguez), you see their leadership skills and how their teammates talk about them it makes you want to be like them."

Trejo is not one of the Rockies' highly coveted

prospects, just yet. But he has great feel for the infield at shortstop.

Couple that with his leadership and his progression at the plate, Downey might be able to claim one of their own as a future player in MLB.

Debut loss doesn't deter amateur boxer Ray Gonzalez

By Mark Fetter
Sportswriter

DOWNEY —Ray Gonzalez of M.V.P. Family Practice and Sports Medicine competed in his first amateur boxing match last Saturday night at the Ontario Convention Center.

Gonzalez, age 50, lost by decision but had "an amazing experience." Gonzalez, despite the setback, said "it was a great fight and I learned from the

experience."

The first round was even after your typical "feeling out your opponent start." Gonzalez took the second round when he rocked his opponent with a straight right hand. Gonzalez's opponent took the third round with a late flurry that led to a standing eight count. The standing eight count proved to be the difference in the fight.

With the setback, Gonzalez was eliminated from the

tournament and has no future fight date set at this time. Gonzalez's opponent was 59 years old and extremely fit. He was a southpaw who stood six feet tall and had the reach advantage. It was his opponent's amateur debut as well but has worked as one of the boxing instructors at Wildcard Boxing Gym in Los Angeles for the last eight years.

Gonzalez felt good at 165 pounds and will most likely stay at that weight. When asked

to critique his performance, Gonzalez said that "he needed to do more cardio work, more road running to help in the later part of the rounds." Gonzalez believes this is "an essential part of the training program for any boxer" and will remember that moving forward.

As a side note, I think Ray Gonzalez's experience is awesome and I take my hat off to his effort and competitive spirit. Nice job Doc and good luck in the future.



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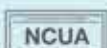
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Life in Lynwood

Shared Stories

By Sharon Benson Smith
Contributor

Ray and I were separated. The boys, Steve and Mark, and I, were living with Mom and Dad in La Mirada. I was driving from there to Firestone Tire & Rubber Company in South Gate. The commute became a bit much, so I began looking for a place for us that would be closer to my job. I found a cute one-bedroom upstairs apartment in Lynwood which was just a few miles from work.

The next problem I had was finding a sitter for Steve and Mark. As luck would have it, Mrs. Kozick was just down the street from our apartment and that seemed like an ideal situation. She was very strict and stern, but I sensed that the boys would be well-fed and safe in her care. Mark was 2 years old and Steve was nearly 7.

Things went very well for quite a while, until one day when I picked them up after work and Steve told me that Mrs. Kozick (he called her "The Sarge") had spanked Mark. When I questioned her about it, she told me that Mark had messed his pants. I wasn't pleased with that and knew I had to find another sitter. Meantime, I called Mom and told her what had happened. I'll never forget her saying, "I'd like to wring the Sarge's neck." That was so unlike Mom, but hey, "The Sarge" was messing with her grandson!

Not long after that, the

woman who lived in the house in front of us said she would watch the boys. She had a son between the ages of Steve and Mark. Again, this was a convenient situation for me. She was a very kind, caring and responsible lady and I was fortunate to have her watching my boys.

One day while they were out and about in the car and Mark was in the back seat, Mrs. Storm had to make a quick stop and Mark fell forward, hitting his mouth on the metal floor divider. I was called and left work; he was in the emergency room at St. Francis Hospital, and they needed my signature before they could proceed with the needed minor plastic surgery (it wasn't minor to me, it was major).

Of course, I raced to get there, and found that his upper lip had been completely split open from beneath his little nose. To this day, he has a bump under his top lip and a fine line or scar that spans from the top of his lip to the corner of the right side of his mouth.

It was a heart breaker to see my little guy in pain and having stitches. I guess I was just grateful that it wasn't worse (something mom always said in similar circumstances when it was one of her six).

Another incident while we lived there was that we frequented the neighborhood mom-and-pop store "Charlie's Market." There was a short cut to get there so we didn't have to take the busy boulevard. Mark was probably three or four years old by then. It was just a short distance, and it was very familiar to them and I knew they would be safe.

So, I sent them to buy milk or bread. (Nothing even close to that would be safe in today's society...what a shame). Anyway, I forget now what it was but Mark came home with

something that hadn't been paid for. The three of us immediately returned and I paid for whatever it was that Mark had taken. I just knew it was important to have them with me when I explained the situation and paid Charlie.

Taking another jump back in time, Mark had problems with his feet being pigeon toed. I'm guessing that was why I had him checked by the doctor. He ended up having to sleep with his feet in shoes that were attached to a brace that turned his feet outward.

I hated having to put him through that every night. I knew it was cumbersome and uncomfortable. There were times when he'd shake his little head "no-no" and whimper. And there were times when I would give in to him, but not too often, because I knew it was for his own good.

I had been told by the doctor that it was a common orthopedic condition and that he would outgrow it as he developed better muscle control and coordination, but that the brace would help to speed up the correction. So, I did what I had to do, and the doctor was right. I'm thanking the Man upstairs again.

Ray and I reconciled: he had his real estate license; Tracy was born, and we began house hunting. The year was 1964, and we would soon be leaving our life in Lynwood.

Sharon Benson Smith is a member of the writing class offered through the Cerritos College Adult Education Program. It is held off-campus at the Norwalk Senior Center.

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Double the Fun

By Helen Hampton
Contributor

Much of my pleasure in life over the last 45 years has come from my identical twin daughters, Joy and Jan.

They looked so much alike the day I brought them home from the hospital, I had to paint Jan's fingernail red to avoid mixing the two of them up. After all, I didn't want to make the mistake of feeding one once, while the other was left hungry.

Throughout their lives my twins looked so much alike that people have always had trouble telling them apart. This enabled them to play tricks on people.

Once when they were in second grade, they switched classes on April Fool's Day. Jan had to take a spelling test for Joy, and Joy was mad at Jan for missing a word that Joy knew how to spell.

Once when my twins were 14 years old, Joy did what so many other people had done to the twins all of their lives: she mixed the two of them up. But how is it possible that one twin could get herself mixed up with the other twin? It happened like this:

One day I had taken my twins shopping at the May Company. On this day, as on every other day since their birth, they were dressed alike. They were adorable in beautiful long, white dresses and large floppy-brimmed hats.

I left the two of them to shop for clothes while I went to another part of the store. They somehow became separated and Joy wandered the store looking for Jan.

Finally, as Joy stepped off the escalator, she saw Jan out of the corner of her eye, in the distance off to the left. She waved as Jan waved back at her.

Relieved to have found her twin, Joy hurried over to where Jan was standing -- and found herself looking into a mirror between two racks of clothing.

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'Idol' winner Ruben Studdard performing in Cerritos

CERRITOS - During his "American Idol" run, Ruben Studdard was hailed as "the next Luther Vandross." See the Grammy nominee pay tribute to Vandross with the late legend's timeless hits, including "Always and Forever" and "Here and Now" at the Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts (CCPA) on Sunday, Sept. 15 at 7 p.m. Tickets start at \$40.

Dubbed "The Velvet Teddy Bear" by Billboard, Studdard celebrates the legacy and achievements of the eight-time Grammy-winning R&B guru in "Ruben Sings Luther."

Studdard fills the evening with Vandross' timeless romantic ballads such as "Never Too Much," "A House Is Not a Home," "Power of Love," and "Stop to Love." Variety magazine noted Studdard appropriated much of the late tenor's nuances with "a smooth, deep burr without any real somersaults."

Studdard became a household name after claiming the title of "American Idol" in 2003. In 2004, he was honored with the NAACP's Image Award for Best New Artist and nominated for the American Music Award for Favorite Male Soul/R&B Artist.

Studdard's first album, "Soulful," earned him a Grammy



nod for Best Male R&B Vocal Performance for his rendition of Vandross' single "Superstar." Studdard's 2004 sophomore album, "I Need an Angel," was selected the No. 1 Gospel Album of the Year by Billboard.

His latest album, the romance-themed "Unconditional Love," features collaborations with Stevie

Wonder, Eric Benet, and Lalah Hathaway. Most recently, Studdard appeared on the Broadway production "Ain't Misbehavin'."

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Pleasant Holidays

In the 90's, racial divides plagued Los Angeles and Downey

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The televised trial became a popular spectacle, and Simpson's legal team argued in front of the American public that the same man who said "I'm not Black, I'm O.J." was discriminated against because of his skin color. It was from this milieu that the corresponding episodes in Downey grew out of.

Ironically, this story begins with a newspaper series on Latinos/as/xs in Downey not unlike my own. In 1985, the Southeast News, by then the remaining local newspaper, ceased production due to a lack of funds. For nearly a decade, Downey residents could only access local news through a subsection of the Los Angeles Times.

However, in 1993, a newspaper printing group started the Downey Eagle to resume local coverage. The Eagle's first editor, John Adams, boldly introduced a column on Mexican Americans in the first issue of the nascent paper. Adams's coverage was neutral and even supportive of the Mexican Americans, calling them "a welcomed addition" who would "benefit or at least maintain the city."

In many ways, Adams's commentary merely continued the white residents' tolerance of Mexican Americans who matched their civic practices. In others, though, the column was newly progressive. Articles like "Some [economic] gains, and more on the way," "Latino Growth: Downey a city facing changes," and "Number of elected Latinos increase in US, Downey," presented Mexican Americans as social equals to their white counterparts. Adams stressed that "Downey is a middle-class community...and most of the people who come here are business people who can afford to live here." Adams noted the similar interests, such as that "Latinos move to Downey because of the good schools, safe streets, and superior law enforcement—the same reason most Anglos reside here." The city had its own newspaper for the first time in a decade—albeit one where the

editor highlighted a source of unease for the white community.

But the 1990s were different times than the 1980s. For one, racial tension permeated throughout metropolitan Los Angeles, as I mentioned above. The white community was equally uneasy for another reason. After the 1988 latent white flight, the remaining whites were generally poorer than their middle-class co-ethnics who left. In 1990, whites in Downey earned less than whites throughout Los Angeles and Orange Counties by \$2,200 and \$3,500, respectively; by 2000, the gap widened to \$9,000 compared to whites in both counties.

While some whites sold their homes and left, working-class whites stayed in Downey by necessity. Some white residents felt left behind in their communities—not as demographic holdouts, but rather as forgotten remnants of an earlier time in Downey. They were especially perceptive of demographic change and felt trapped. So they turned to the newspapers to voice their concern for the community.

Adams's series drew criticism from both Mexican American and Anglo residents. One Mexican American woman, for example, expressed distaste for being labeled Latina, preferring instead to be referred to as American. Specifically, "she said she was not thought of as a Latina by the Anglo community, and didn't want to be." The woman, who chose to remain anonymous, called the column useless and feared that it would divide the community in two camps based on white or Mexican heritage.

In the same article, she referred to other Latinos/as/xs by the derogatory term "beaners." Her contempt for the series stemmed from a primacy of the civic—and not ethnic—identity. In being a new steward of the community, she chose to associate herself with terms that suggested her similarities to white neighbors—and avoid the stereotypes associated with "Mexican" neighbors.

Some white residents, though,

made those exact associations and overestimated the differences between themselves and the middle-class Mexican Americans. Some especially prolific writers took to the op-eds to voice their displeasure with the series (and demographic change in general). Kay Williams was one such writer.

Williams was a retiree who lived in Downey since before its incorporation. By the time Williams began writing in 1994, whites had fallen under fifty percent of the city's population for the first time in its history. Williams's first op-ed spewed racial invective and called attention to the un-assimilability of Mexican Americans. Williams associated Mexican Americans—regardless of economic background—with gangs, graffiti, lower school standards, and an imperiled quality of life. Williams maintained that there was no hope for cultural reconciliation or assimilation by the Mexican Americans as "[w]e Anglos are raised, and live by certain standards of life, and certain values of life—and the Latinos do not, and thus the difference, and the conflict!"

Williams's first op-ed then argued for residential self-segregation, mused if the local shopping mall was a part of Mexico, and pondered a ban on the Spanish language. Just as "lions live with lions, tigers with tigers, birds with birds, elephants with elephants. Shouldn't Anglos at least have the option to live with other Anglos if they wish?"

The op-ed flattened and caricatured Mexican Americans, mostly by ignoring class background, differing levels of social capital, generations removed from immigration, and other factors that informed Mexican Americans self-identities. To Williams, a Mexican American could not and did not want to assimilate to American culture. This was the exact racial stereotype that the assimilationist middle-class Mexican Americans challenged in earlier years by cultivating their civic identity.

Williams held extreme views, but others agreed with the basic premises of the argument.



Many whites exaggerated the un-assimilability of Mexican Americans, especially with references to publicly spoken Spanish. One writer opined: "I just want to say 'kudos' to Kay Williams' letter to the editor of last week. She [sic] spoke out and said what a majority of Americans feel."

Another resident moderated Williams's claims, but agreed with the dangers that a Mexican American community could pose to property values. She gave the example of Huntington Park, which underwent white flight soon after the Watts Riots. This writer reasoned that "Huntington Park was once the white upper middle-class community...and we all know what happened there when Latinos moved in. Many people now residing in Downey fled that city and remember what took place. Do you blame them for being concerned?"

Williams's supporters fed into stereotypes of Mexican American neighbors, despite the civic identity middle-class Mexican Americans portrayed. Whereas similarities in civic profiles created community cohesion in

the 1980s, white residents in the early 1990s perceived fundamental differences between themselves and their new neighbors. Few were as extreme as Williams, but many believed in the differences.

A handful of white residents moderated the anti-Mexican rhetoric. Peter Lago wrote to the Eagle to suggest the similarities between the middle-class whites and Mexican Americans in economic makeup, home-owning practices, and especially Judeo-Christian ethics. Lago's Christian ethos emphasized that if members of the white community professed themselves to be Children of God, they would be remiss to "espouse the philosophy of bigots" and not "reconcile their actions and thoughts with the tenets of Christianity or Judaism or any other good-faith religion purporting to follow a good and righteous God."

Lago also criticized the proponents of white flight, questioning how anyone could claim to love their community but promptly abandon it. In a sense, Lago more closely resembled the middle-class white community who lived in Downey before

demographic change where, so long as their neighbors resembled them as members of the civic community, ethnic differences were marginal concerns. Through all the responses to Adams's editorial, white voices like Lago were few and far between.

Some Latino/a/x residents responded to Williams with equal vitriol. One Cuban American wrote to second Williams's distaste for bilingual education, but then wrote that Williams was misguided in blaming Latinos/as/xs for a "societal degradation of values." A Mexican American woman went further and reciprocated Williams's race-based vitriol by claiming that "I have seen many white trash in my 23 years in this country...People like Kay Williams are a disgrace to this community. Ms. [sic] Williams, if you are so unhappy in Downey, move to Iowa, I'll be happy to buy you a one-way ticket out of here!" Comments like these, whether in print or in person, suggested that the race-based divisions of Los Angeles existed in Downey at the time of demographic change.

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Doty hopes to repeat as middle school champions

The Knights won last year's Champions Cup Trophy and hope to repeat.

Meanwhile, middle school JV baseball and softball teams have been cut for the 2019-20 school year.

By Mark Fetter
Sportswriter

DOWNEY —The Doty Middle School Athletic Programs have won the Downey Unified School District Champions Cup Trophy for the past six years and look to keep it going during the 2019-20 academic school year.

Last year, there were 29 total city championships up for grabs and Doty claimed 13 of them. Griffiths finished second with 8.5 championships, Stauffer finished third with 4 championships and Sussman finished fourth 3.5 championships.

The first rotation consisted of football and girls' volleyball and there were six championships being competed for. Griffiths won 8th grade

football, Stauffer won 7th grade football and Doty and Stauffer were co-champs for 6th grade football. Griffiths won 8th grade girls' volleyball, Doty won 7th grade girls' volleyball and Griffiths won 6th grade girls' volleyball.

The second rotation consisted of boys' volleyball and girls' soccer and there were five championships being competed for. Griffiths won 8th and 7th grade boys' volleyball and Doty won 6th grade boys' volleyball. Doty and Griffiths were co-champs for girls' varsity soccer and Doty won girls' junior varsity soccer.

The third rotation consisted of boys' and girls' basketball and boys' soccer. There were eight championships being competed for. Sussman won 8th grade boys' basketball, Doty and Stauffer were co-champs for 7th grade boys' basketball and Doty won 6th grade boys' basketball. Doty and Sussman were co-champs for 8th grade girls' basketball, Doty won 7th grade girls' basketball and Stauffer won 6th grade girls' basketball. Stauffer won varsity boys' soccer and Sussman won junior varsity

boys' soccer.

The fourth rotation consisted of boys' baseball and girls' softball and there were four championships being competed for. Griffiths won varsity and junior varsity boys' baseball and Griffiths won varsity girls' softball and Doty won junior varsity girls' softball.

The fifth and final rotation was boys' and girls' track and field. Doty won 8th, 7th and 6th grade boys' track and field while Sussman won 8th grade girls' track and field and Doty won 7th and 6th grade girls' track and field.

This year there will only be 27 championships up for grabs in 2019-20. The boys' and girls' junior varsity baseball and softball teams have been cut due to a difficulty for schools to field competitive teams.

Coaches and players are all looking forward to the start of the new sports seasons and winning championships for their respective schools. Tryouts will begin in August and games will follow shortly thereafter.

In the 90's, racial divides plagued Los Angeles and Downey

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Tension especially thrived in the high schools, where students self-segregated their social circles by ethnicity. Agitated students ignited a race riot at Downey High School in June 1993 when an unidentified student threw a banana peel at a group of Black students and yelled a racial epithet. Black and white students hurled food at each other before the melee turned violent. Downey High administrators called in the Downey Police, who dispatched officers to quell the fracas. Upon seeing the first Downey Police officers, some students began to throw food and soda cans at the officers and their patrol cars. By the end of the day, one student was arrested and eight others were suspended.

In the classroom, one teacher, Dolores Neria, witnessed several instances of offhand racist remarks by white students. Once, while supervising the in-class suspension students, Neria noticed a white student reading Adolf Hitler's Mein Kampf. She asked if he was reading the book for a European history class, to which the student responded that the book was his "Bible." She asked him to explain what he meant, but he became irritated and responded, "you know, you're trying to talk to me here, and all I think you're good for is picking strawberries," despite her being of Spanish, not Mexican, ancestry (as the stereotype goes).

Another teacher, Bernie Glasser, recalled multiple students who ascribed to white supremacy. Glasser, who coached the junior varsity baseball team, noticed that the white students in a 1990s team picture aligned their bats to resemble a "W," one symbol of the White Power movement. Another student showed Glasser, who is Jewish, a picture of himself as a young child dressed in the robe and hood of the Ku Klux Klan, which his parents were members of.

In 1994, two white males at Downey High claimed to belong to the Klan and planned to bring

guns to campus and kill the Mexican American and Black students. Investigators found "White Power" slogans written throughout their textbooks. These and other racial divisions rocked the city in the early 1990s. Whereas previous residents emphasized class interests and similarities, contemporary conditions in metropolitan Los Angeles pushed questions of race to the forefront of public consciousness.

Community groups realized that peace lay in commonalities, not differences. A group of residents formed the Advocated for Multicultural Harmony (AMCH) in 1993 to promote pan-ethnic solidarity through civic interests. Most similarities emphasized home-owning practices and membership in the American home-owning middle class.

AMCH began with an open meeting in August 1994 and invited residents to write down their concerns about the community and offer solutions. The two most common obstacles that residents identified were prejudice and stereotypes. But the experiment also revealed overwhelming commonalities: both whites and Mexican Americans prioritized issues like cleanliness, property values, discipline, respect for the elders, education, and neighborliness, to name a few. Essentially, AMCH invited all groups to articulate their class interests, prioritized in the name of civic community-building. AMCH sponsored programming to unite residents of different ethnic backgrounds and promote these shared values. Cleanups, house paintings, and other activities hosted by AMCH began to re-emphasize collective

civic interests.

While Kay Williams called for whites to leave (and others countered with "go back to Iowa"), AMCH advocated for class-based multiculturalism in Downey. To that end, AMCH also promoted the stories of Mexican Americans who shared the same civic identity as white residents. AMCH profiled Connie Sziebl, a local politician who was born in Mexico, grew up in Downey, and worked for Republican Congressman Steve Horn. Sziebl spoke English, promoted assimilation, and spoke of civic interests. Her work for Horn, beloved by the white and Latino/a/x communities alike, also endeared her to Downey residents.

The central message of AMCH was that homeownership bridged ethnic differences between middle-class whites and Mexican Americans in Downey, and worked to bridge the perceived cultural gap between the two groups during the early years of the 1990s. AMCH sought to unite the community by promoting a civic identity based on safe streets, strong public schools, and high property values.

These became the pillars of the civic identity espoused by incoming middle-class Mexican Americans to protect their quality of life. Demographic change coincided with novel challenges throughout the 1990s, and the civic identity offered solutions. Race-based tension was one problem; fluctuating property values were another. How Mexican Americans responded to that will be the subject of my next installment.

G. Aron Ramirez can be contacted at aron.ramirez@yale.edu.

Cerritos College fall semester starts next week

NORWALK - Enrollment is underway for Cerritos College's fall semester. Classes begin on Monday, Aug. 19, with additional sessions starting Sept. 9 and Oct. 21.

Students can find information about the admissions process and financial aid by visiting cerritos.edu/admissions-and-aid.

The schedule of classes is also available online where students can select more than 40 skilled trade certificates or choose classes to transfer, earn a certificate or degree.

New students can meet with a counselor on Mondays and Tuesdays at 9 a.m., Wednesdays at 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., and Thursdays at 9 a.m.

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For more information about Cerritos College and how to enroll, visit www.cerritos.edu.

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Present name (1) CARLOS GALVAN, JR. to Proposed name (1) CARLOS MATEO GALVAN, JR.
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: **SEPTEMBER 11, 2019, Time: 1:30 p.m., Department: C Room: N/A**
The address of the court is **12720 Norwalk Blvd., Norwalk, 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, **THE DOWNEY PATRIOT**, JULY 15, 2019
Judge Margaret M. Bernal
Judge Of The Superior Court
Petitioner or Attorney, In Pro Per
CARLOS GALVAN, JR.
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DOWNEY, CALIFORNIA 90241
(310) 498-5536

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NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE
NATIONAL COMMERCIAL RECOV VS LA
PERRA BRAVA PRODUCE
CASE NO: VC051782 R

Under a writ of Execution issued on 01/31/19, Out of the LA SUPERIOR COURT, NORWALK, of the SOUTHEAST DISTRICT, County of Los Angeles, State of California, on a judgment entered on 04/26/19.

In favor of NATIONAL COMMERCIAL RECOVERY, INC., A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION D/B/A BLAIR SMITH AND ASSOCIATES and against LOZA, ARTURO A/K/A ARTURO LOZA SANCHEZ A/K/A ARTURO SANCHEZ, AN INDIVIDUAL showing a net balance of \$54,028.76 actually due on said judgment. (Amount subject to revision)

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APN: 8019-031-006
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Attorney for petitioner:
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otherwise being interested in the will or estate, or both, of GREGORY EARL WARD
A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by: SYMPHONY M. WARD in the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles.
THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that SYMPHONY M. WARD 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 AUGUST 23, 2019 at 8:30 a.m. in Dept. 2D Room N/A located at Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles, 111 N. Hill Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012, Stanley Mosk Courthouse.
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 4 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 the mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code.
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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 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

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TRUSTEE SALES

T.S. No. 19-56320 APN: 6389-001-011

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Trust recorded 12/14/2006, as Instrument No. 20062779479, of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Los Angeles County, California.
Date of Sale: 8/27/2019 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: \$132,831.15
Note: Because the Beneficiary reserves the right to bid less than the total debt owed, it is possible that at the time of the sale the opening bid may be less than the total debt owed.

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Lot 11 of Tract 16816, as per Map recorded in Book 393, Pages 44 and 45, inclusive of Maps in the Office of the County Recorder of said County.

A.P.N.#.: 6389-001-011
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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE T.S. No.: 2016-03702 A.P.N.: 6245-032-018
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Just in time for the new school year, Rotary Club of Downey donated nearly 100 backpacks to the TLC Family Resource Center on Tuesday.

Downey Unified announces new principals, admins for 2019-20

Changes include new principals at Griffiths and Sussman middle schools, Columbus High School, Gauldin Elementary, and Global Language Academies of Downey.

DOWNEY — The Downey Unified Board of Education would like to announce the appointment of five new principals as well as two new directors at the district office.

Over the summer, Downey Unified appointed two members of the Downey Unified family who are transitioning from school sites to the district office.

Dr. Rani Bertsch, former principal of Griffiths Middle School, has taken the role as Director of Secondary Education and **Dr. Robert Jagielski**, former principal of Sussman Middle School, has taken the role of Senior Director of Student Safety, Wellness and Engagement (previously Student Services).

Also approved over the summer, promotions and transitions have been made at various campuses across the district that have led to naming new principals at two elementary schools, two middle schools and the continuation high school.

After the retirement of Gauldin Elementary School's principal **Dolores Goble** last school year, **Sylvia Ramirez** has been named the new principal of Gauldin. She will be leaving Rio San Gabriel Elementary where she served as vice principal for two years.



From left: Dr. Anthony Zegarra, Griffiths Middle School; Dr. Xochitl Ortiz, Columbus High School; Diana Verduzco, new Dual Language Immersion program at Carpenter Elementary School titled G.L.A.D. (Global Language Academies of Downey); Sylvia Ramirez, Gauldin Elementary School and Dr. Connie Quintero, Sussman Middle School.

Appointed to this principalship late last year, Mrs. **Diana Verduzco** continues to lead the Carpenter Elementary School campus into a successful new year as she advances the fifth grade and Dual Language Immersion programs forward.

With the transition of Dr. Bertsch and Dr. Jagielski to the district office, **Dr. Connie Quintero** has been selected as the new principal of Sussman's Middle School and **Dr. Anthony Zegarra** as the new principal of Griffiths Middle School.

Dr. Quintero will be bidding Downey High School

farewell where she served as assistant principal for the last four years. Dr. Zegarra will transition levels as he steps away as principal of Columbus High School to take on the new venture of becoming a middle school principal.

With Dr. Zegarra's transition, an opening at Columbus High School became available and it was unanimously decided to appoint assistant principal **Dr. Xochitl Ortiz** as the new principal to lead the campus forward.

"The first day of school for all students is Wednesday, August

14, 2019," expressed Superintendent Dr. John Garcia "I can't wait to get the 2019-20 school year started to continue our journey of preparing each of our students to be 21st Century learners who are college and career ready, globally competitive and citizens of strong character."



POETRY MATTERS

The Woman Who Turned Down a Date with a Cherry Farmer

Fredonia, NY

Of course I regret it. I mean there I was under umbrellas of fruit so red they had to be borne of Summer, and no other season. Flip-flops and fishhooks. Ice cubes made of lemonade and sprigs of mint to slip in blue glasses of tea. I was dusty, my ponytail all askew and the tips of my fingers ran, of course, red

from the fruitwounds of cherries I plunked into my bucket and still—he must have seen some small bit of loveliness in walking his orchard with me. He pointed out which trees were sweetest, which ones bore double seeds—puffing out the flesh and oh the surprise on your tongue with two tiny stones

(a twin spit), making a small gun of your mouth. Did I mention my favorite color is red? His jeans were worn and twisty around the tops of his boot; his hands thick but careful, nimble enough to pull fruit from his trees without tearing the thin skin; the cherry dust and fingerprints on his eyeglasses.

I just know when he stuffed his hands in his pockets, said Okay. Couldn't hurt to try? and shuffled back to his roadside stand to arrange his jelly jars and stacks of buckets, I had made a terrible mistake. I just know my summer would've been full of pies, tartlets, turnovers—so much jubilee.

Aimee Nezhukumatathil, Miracle Fruit. Tupelo Press, 2003.

Nezhukumatathil's poems are ripe, funny and fresh. "I want readers to really sit, really think about words and beauty and what brings you joy and wonder," she says. Poetry Matters is curated by Lorine Parks.

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Getting your offer accepted by a home seller isn't always easy

Making an offer on a house isn't just about telling the seller how much you're willing to pay. It's also important to provide proof that you're able to pay the amount, establish the expected closing date and state how additional costs will be covered and what you expect of the seller leading up to closing.

By submitting an offer, you also need to be prepared to provide earnest money, which shows the seller you're serious about buying the house and can range from \$500 to 10 percent of the agreed-upon price.

But don't get ahead of yourself. The first step to making an offer on a house is finding the house you want to purchase within your budget. The next steps are fairly easy, especially when you have your real estate agent walking you through the process. Here's what you need to know.

When to submit an offer. Especially if you're house hunting in a market where there are few available properties compared to the number of active buyers, submitting an offer as soon as you're sure you want to buy it is a must. Even if you move quickly, there's a chance you'll find yourself competing with other offers.

How much to offer. While the listing price does provide some insight into the seller's expectations, the value of the property and the work that needs to be done play a larger role.

When you're ready to make an offer, your real estate agent will likely sit you down and show you the sale history of properties nearby to help determine the home's approximate value as it compares to the rest of the market.

In addition to recent sales and current buyer activity, you

need to factor in your personal needs. While your agent will help you consider all the factors that lead to the offer price, the price itself is something you have to determine on your own.

Making a contingent offer. Once you've moved past the price portion of the offer, consider if other needs and conditions will be included. If you already own a home and need to sell it in order to have the money to pay for this new one, an offer contingent on the sale of your house is necessary.

This offer contingency can be a sore point for many sellers, especially in a seller's market where other buyers may not have the same constraints.

Barbara Pepoon, a broker with Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage in Northbrook, Illinois, recommends putting your home on the market before you start the search for your next house. "Once you have the house under contract, you can make offers with home-close contingency," she says. The contingency will show you've already found a buyer and simply need to have the closing on your purchase take place after the sale is completed, which can even take place on the same day.

Competing against other buyers. Low inventory in many housing markets in the U.S. makes the competition among buyers a constant part of the conversation for many

homebuyers, particularly for those who are house hunting for the first time. Many buyers are afraid of getting caught up in a bidding war and paying more than they can afford or losing out on the house of their dreams.

Standing out against competing bids may take a bit more work, but a personal touch and some strategic moves can give you an edge:

Write a personal letter. It's not recommended for every situation, but a personal letter to the seller can make an offer stand out, especially when the seller appears to have some sentimental attachment to the property. Even if your offer price isn't the strongest, tugging on the seller's

heartstrings can win you the deal.

Include quirky numbers. Rather than rounding to the nearest hundred or thousand, let some of the numbers stay specific in your offer. Offering \$345,255 instead of \$345,000 registers as a higher number when it's just a difference of a couple hundred dollars. If you note you'll cover \$1,905 of the seller's legal fees instead of \$1,850, the slight difference in dollar amounts can stick in the seller's memory.

Keep in mind that even if you lose out to competing buyers once or even a few times, eventually your bid will be the right one.

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