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Murder suspect caught in Mexico

DOWNEY - A murder suspect linked to a fatal shooting in Downey has been arrested in Mexico after a four-year search.

Jehosua Ruvalcaba was the main suspect in the shooting death of 28-year-old Andrew Martin Rosales.



According to police, Ruvalcaba shot Rosales on Aug. 14, 2015, following an altercation with an acquaintance.

The shooting occurred near Paramount Boulevard and Stewart & Gray Road.

The case was presented to the Los Angeles County District Attorney's office and an arrest warrant was issued but Ruvalcaba fled to Mexico before he could be arrested.

Ruvalcaba eluded capture despite two distinct tattoos: a pair of horns on the top of his head.

An anonymous tip in July helped Mexican police identify Ruvalcaba's location. He was arrested Aug. 16 in Jalisco, Mexico and extradited to the United States.

He was arraigned on murder charges Tuesday at Downey Superior Court.

Police rescue 2 people after crash

DOWNEY - Downey police officers are being credited with saving the lives of two people after a fiery crash in Downey early Monday morning.

At around 1:45 a.m., a vehicle crashed into a watch repair store located inside a strip mall at Telegraph Road and Paramount Boulevard. The vehicle caught fire as a result of the impact.

Police officers pulled two people from the burning vehicle. They were transported to local trauma centers in unknown conditions.

The cause of the collision remains under investigation. Witnesses reported the vehicle was traveling up to 80 miles per hour immediately before it crashed.

Pedestrians struck in collision

DOWNEY - Two pedestrians were transported to a hospital in critical condition Wednesday after they were struck by a vehicle on Imperial Highway near Barlin Avenue.

The collision occurred just before 7 p.m.

It's unclear if the pedestrians were in a crosswalk when they were struck.

The vehicle involved appeared to be a white sedan, which remained at the scene.

Imperial Highway remained closed for several hours as Downey Police investigated.



PHOTO BY ALEX DOMINGUEZ
Suzanne Dodd stands outside her Downey home. Dodd is one of several residents who say they don't want a tree planted in their yard.

Tree-planting project off to rocky start

An effort to plant 3,000 trees in Downey is off to a rough start as residents complain of poor communication from City Hall and the non-profit behind the project.

By Alex Dominguez
Staff Writer

DOWNEY - Tree People - the organization spearheading the planting of more than 3,000 trees in the city of Downey - took the hot seat at Tuesday's City Council meeting, presenting information on the controversial currently-in-progress project.

The work is part of a larger program in which 11,000 trees will be planted in Downey, Norwalk, Santa Fe Springs, Commerce and La Mirada over the next five years.

The project is funded by the California Department of Transportation, to offset the carbon footprint resulted from the I-5 expansion.

The incoming trees have proven to be a hot button issue as of late, with some city staffers saying that they were not anticipating the substantial pushback they have received from residents over the trees.

The Council - especially members Claudia Frometa and Alex Saab - were not shy about addressing many of their constituents' concerns, including potential property risks, upkeep past the two-year span with Tree People, and desire - or lack thereof - for a tree in general.

Saab specifically asked about homes that do not have a traditional parkway or sidewalk. According to Tree People's representative at the meeting, those cases would require "more engaging and talking with the residents to inform them what's part of the city and what's not."

Trees will be planted in front yards on the city's right-of-way and maintained weekly for two years by Tree People, after which the responsibility for upkeep will shift to the city.

The uproar has only increased recently as Tree People has begun to map out and select where each of the trees will be planted.

Suzanne Dodd, a resident



PHOTO BY ALEX DOMINGUEZ
Tree People representatives speak at Tuesday's City Council meeting.

of Downey since 1975, said she was upset to find a small circle painted on the curb in front of her home, which many have reasoned to believe signifies an incoming tree.

"Trees are good for the environment; I get that...I realize the city has a 12 ft. legal easement," said Dodd. "My concern was we get no say so at all, period. A lot of people have planned their lawns with what they want it to look like, and how much care they want to put into it... what if people have allergies?"

"I'm being given no choice in the matter... I don't want a tree. If I had wanted a tree, I would've planted a tree when I redid my yard."

However, of the outspoken residents against the project, none of them appeared to speak on their opposition Tuesday.

Instead, a group of individuals - who spoke on topics ranging from ICE raids to Mayor Rodriguez's Downey residency - came out in favor of the project, citing concerns of global warming.

Cesar Flores, one of the individuals who addressed the council at the meeting, said afterward that "we are in a global crisis."

"The closest level of government that interacts with the public is city government, and I think that the city of Downey must inform their residents that there is a global crisis going on," said Flores.

"I think that people are saying, 'I don't need trees because it's a cosmetic issue, my property is going to go down,' we're all going to go down if we don't implement trees somewhere."

"The City of Downey, they need to talk about climate change, and whether their residents like it or not, this must happen."

Flores - like several of the group which spoke - does not live in Downey.

In the end, it was recommended by City Manager Gilbert Livas that the Tree People come back at a later time with a more specific layout of where trees will be planted.

"I think what we ultimately want to do is decide where the trees will go, what neighborhoods they go," said Livas.

"I think that one of the things that would be incumbent upon us is to take a pause for a moment, take a look at where exactly it is that you're going to be planting those trees, offer suggestions in terms of the neighborhoods...I'm talking about having a more detailed discussion about where they are at."

Completion of the tree planting is scheduled for this upcoming January.

Downey restaurant grades

Lazy Dog
8800 Apollo Way
Date Inspected: 8/26/19
Grade: **A**

The Olive Restobar
8830 Apollo Way
Date Inspected: 8/26/19
Grade: **A**

TJ Maxx
9050 Apollo Way
Date Inspected: 8/26/19
Grade: **A**

Walmart Bakery
12270 Paramount Blvd.
Date Inspected: 8/23/19
Grade: **A**

Downey Brewing Company
10924 Paramount Blvd.
Date Inspected: 8/22/19
Grade: **A**

R J Southern Cooking
8852 Rosecrans Ave.
Date Inspected: 8/21/19
Grade: **B**

Jack in the Box
8140 Telegraph Rd.
Date Inspected: 8/20/19
Grade: **A**

Granny's Donut
8534 Paramount Blvd.
Date Inspected: 8/20/19
Grade: **A**

Walmart Deli
12270 Paramount Blvd.
Date Inspected: 8/16/19
Grade: **A**

Walmart Bakery
12270 Paramount Blvd.
Date Inspected: 8/16/19
Grade: **A**

El Chymal
10815 Studebaker Rd.
Date Inspected: 8/15/19
Grade: **A**

Boba Loca
10033 Paramount Blvd. Ste A
Date Inspected: 8/15/19
Grade: **A**

Florida Restaurant
10025 Lakewood Blvd.
Date Inspected: 8/15/19
Grade: **A**

Nelly's Mexican Food
10811 Studebaker Rd.
Date Inspected: 8/15/19
Grade: **A**

Myra's Salvadorean Cuisine
7324 Florence Ave.
Date Inspected: 8/15/19
Grade: **A**

Tacos El Gavilan
7947 Florence Ave.
Date Inspected: 8/14/19
Grade: **A**

Blizz Frozen Yogurt
10033 Paramount Blvd.
Date Inspected: 8/14/19
Grade: **A**

China Wok Express
7932 Florence Ave.
Date Inspected: 8/14/19
Grade: **A**

Tacos Estilo Guadalajara
13121 Lakewood Blvd.
Date Inspected: 8/14/19
Grade: **A**

Luis' Butcher Shop Deli
9071 Imperial Hwy.
Date Inspected: 8/14/19
Grade: **A**

Luis' Butcher Shop
9071 Imperial Hwy.
Date Inspected: 8/14/19
Grade: **A**

Weekend at a Glance

Friday 89° ☀️

Saturday 88° ☀️

Sunday 90° ☀️

THINGS TO DO



Labour of Love Music Fest
Saturday - Bolsa Chica State Beach, 11 am to 5 pm

A free beach festival featuring music by Christian artists Jeremy Camp, Danny Gokey, Jordan Feliz, The Young Escape, and Anchored247. Plus food, children's activities, and an Air Force flyover.



Long Beach Comic Con
All Weekend - Long Beach Convention Center

Celebrating comics and pop culture with cosplay, film festival, space expo, author signings, panel discussions, and more. \$35-\$70



Civil War Days
All Weekend - Huntington Beach Central Park

Southern California's largest Civil War reenactment, with live music, battle recreations, weapons demonstrations, and a live reading of the Gettysburg Address. Free admission.



San Gabriel Mission's 248th Fiesta

All Weekend - San Gabriel Mission
An annual family event with food, games, bingo, large and small rides, and live entertainment.



KIIS Tribute
Saturday - Santa Fe Springs Swap Meet, 12 pm, 2pm & 4 pm

KIIS tribute band Gods of Thunder performs three live shows paying tribute to the greatest rock band in the world.

TWEET OF THE WEEK

@CityOfDowney: Construction at the Discovery Sports Complex park will begin soon! Visitors will be able to enjoy synthetic field conversion and baseball field lighting when construction is complete mid-next year!

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Remembering Downey's old movie theaters of the '50s and '60s

Longtime resident Jim McMahon recalls spending his summers at Downey's two movie theaters more than 50 years ago.

By Jim McMahon
Downey Resident

After reading about the theaters in Downey, in the Downey Patriot, felt compelled to add some more history.

During the 1950s-60s, about once a week in the summertime, during a heatwave and smog days, we would go to either the Meralta or the Avenue Theater in Downtown Downey. They were both located on the east side of the street, just north of Firestone Boulevard, a few blocks from one another.

We would like to go there to escape the excessive heat wave or the extreme smog days, as we got tired of going swimming every afternoon in our friend Anthony's swimming pool or the public pools. Also, many other mothers were pregnant, so they were glad to get us kids out of the house so they could have a little peace and quiet.

Most Downey moms did not

drive, did not have a driver's license and most families had only one car, which dads used for transportation to their jobs. Many kids in Downey did not even own a bike; money was scarce since the economy was still recovering from WWII and the Korean War. Moms were only recently given the opportunity to drive and girls did not have bikes, as girls bikes were just becoming vogue but non affordable.

Both walk-in theaters cost between 10-25 cents to watch a movie on a weekday PM -- it all depended on the length of the movie. Also during that time they started rating movies, which were also published in the Tidings newspaper and other newspapers, plus the theater marquee advertised the ratings too.

Being raised in an Orthodox Catholic family, this meant everything to our parents. They felt relieved knowing that us kids were going to a non-adult type of movie.

Movies during this time period were mostly rated PG and later the PGs were replaced by R movies. Real adult movies were rated X for sex and blood.

The Meralta Theater and Avenue Theater were both old buildings, not the cleanest and

had average seating. Rooms were dark and the floors were slippery from spilled soft drinks and sticky from candy falling on the floor. Theaters were lean and not very architecturally designed nor furnished. I sometimes noticed puddles of urine on the floors in both theaters. The cloth seats were so old and worn out we had to change chairs often as the framework was popping through the cushions.

Movies lasted a couple of hours, then there was an intermission, followed at times by a second movie and possibly a preview of future movie trailers. Movies for the most part were filmed in Hollywood or New York. Most of the films used English speaking and were white movie stars, cars and animals. I never remember seeing Mexican, Latino nor Asian movie stars and patrons to the theaters were always white kids, teens and parents. Downey at this generation was a white man's town.

One afternoon we went to the bathroom at the theater, think it was the Avenue. We noticed a lot of blood on the men's bathroom floor; back then it was very common for people to have nose bleeds, so we just thought it was a nosebleed until we saw a little

boy, laying on the floor, bleeding all over the floor. We ran to get help at the front desk. We didn't know anything better to do except to get help.

The theater was vacated as no one knew what had transpired. Later we learned that the boy was sexually molested and then assaulted with a knife. The theater was closed for that summer's showings and after that we never went to the theaters again.

We were really too young at that age to know what a pervert was, and being raised very Orthodox, a lot of that kind of sexual education was not appropriate for us little kids to learn. Our parents did tell us we were never to go to the bathroom solo and always to go to the bathroom as a group.

PTA's blamed this incident on the lack of movie ratings and the circulation of Playboy magazines everywhere. I even heard the possibility that sexual magazines were sold too close to theaters, schools,



playgrounds and so forth. It was just a lot of wagging tongues trying to create gossip. Southeast news and the Herald Examiner both wrote stories after stories about the sexual revolution we were entering.

For me, this is not a happy story to write, but history is history. We can't change history, and after reading the recent series in the Downey Patriot, it registered what happened to us as little kids.

The only other theaters which we knew about were down towards Hollywood-Paramount; seemed those cities had drive-in movie

theaters. Sure there were other theaters, but we had very little communication and no computers. We relied on newspapers for advertising theaters and shows.

Parents and teens who had nicer cars, lowriders or custom cars never went to walk-in theaters, as theaters' rear parking lots were notorious to have your car stolen from and found a few days later, stripped and left in easements in the city of Watts and nearby areas.

Back then, we had no videos and no DVR, although some families did make their own 8mm movies.

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'Princess for a Day' taking early sign-ups

DOWNEY – Miss Downey and her royal court are inviting girls ages 4-10 to experience the royal treatment at their "A Day

in the Life of a Princess" event.

Attending ladies will participate in arts and crafts, dance routine, hair, photos, and more. They will also attend lunch with the Miss, Miss Teen, Junior Miss, and Little Miss Downey 2019 royalty, and will receive a tiara, as well as a royalty t-shirt to take home.

Girls are also encouraged to wear their favorite princess dress or shade of pink.

The event will take place on Saturday, Sept. 14 at the Harriet Paine Event Center at Downey Adult School. Pre Registration shall be at Trinity Baptist Church on Aug. 26, Sept. 3, and Sept. 9 from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. for a fee of \$20.

Fee on or after Sept. 10 is \$30.

Space is limited. For more information, please call Mariah Lora at (562) 202-1026 or Reggie Donahue at (562) 756-2427.

Proceeds benefit the Downey Rose Float Association and their annual entry in the Tournament of Roses Parade on New Year's Day.

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Bonnie Fiala, educator and volunteer, dies at 82

The Downey resident was active in the OLPH Guild for 40-plus years and taught adult education classes at Rancho Los Amigos hospital.

DOWNEY – Bonnie K. Fiala, a longtime educator and civic leader, died July 12, just 22 days shy of her 83rd birthday.

Bonnie was born Aug. 4, 1936, in Fargo, North Dakota, one of 12 children to her parents Eugene and Claire Kieffer.



She was raised on a farm in Casselton, North Dakota, and went to school in Casselton for 12 years. She spent one year at the convent in St. Benedict's College in St. Joseph, Minnesota, and three years at

North Dakota State University.

She wrote a book titled "Meatless Menus and Recipes for Use by Catholics During Lent." That finished the credits needed to complete her four-year degree.

Bonnie also had a lifetime teaching credential in California for teaching home economics, foods, nutrition, family finance, chemistry, and stained glass. She taught Adult Education classes in seven different school districts in Los Angeles County.

Bonnie and Harvey dated in 1954 and married December 28, 1957. Harvey graduated in May of 1958 from NDSU and received a Master of Science Degree from the California Institute of Technology (Caltech) in Pasadena. Bonnie later received a furniture manufacturing degree from Cerritos College.

Bonnie and Harvey both graduated from the Simmons Institute to complete a program of effective speech and human relations.

Bonnie had a part time teaching job and contributed 10% of her income to the Salesian Missions in order to help educate about a dozen boys all the way from high school to priesthood. Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church was her parish for the last 54 years.

Bonnie made a lot of furniture for her home in Downey. The furniture included chairs and tables with stained glass tops, coffee tables, stained glass lamp shades and multiple windows.

Bonnie was active in the OLPH Guild for 40-plus years. She created seven or eight stained-glass windows for the OLPH Church and school, and stained-glass windows for homes and other churches.

She was in the mixed choir for 10 years.

Bonnie was a member of the Ladies of Columbus, and her husband Harvey is a Fourth Degree Knight. Bonnie was an active member of TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) for over 50 years for which she received an award for being one of the longest participating members in the California region.

Bonnie, with her best friend Arlene Berry, had a clothing, design, and manufacturing company named Nicer Things by Bonnie-Arlene. It produced high quality dresses for women.

During her 56 years in Downey, Bonnie contributed significantly to the City of Downey and its community through her adult education classes and by teaching disabled persons at the Rancho Los Amigos Hospital in

Downey.

Through her family finance adult education classes, she enabled several of her students to be able to buy homes in Downey. She was a member of the John Birch Society for 61 years and was head of the Motorede Committee in Downey (Movement to Restore Decency) for younger people.

She is survived by her husband Harvey Fiala. Bonnie and Harvey were married for 62 years. Together they had ten children, five boys and five girls: John, Annette, Paul, Marie, James, Ruth, Peter, Andrew, Elizabeth, and Kathryn. Bonnie is also survived by five brothers: Ralph and Phillis Kieffer, Jim and Arlene Kieffer, Leo and Alexia Kieffer, Harold and Kathy Kieffer, and John Kieffer, and two sisters: Lillian and Michael Eberhardt and Marilyn and Gerald Barnes.

She was predeceased by a child Bernadette, her sister Charlene Fyten, and brothers Donald Kieffer and Peter Kieffer.

Bonnie and Harvey's children are: John and Patricia Fiala, Annette Fiala, Paul and Nga Fiala, Marie Amokrane Fiala, James and Wendy Fiala, Ruth Sanchez, Peter and Amy Fiala, Andrew and Karen Fiala, Elizabeth and Angel Lozano, and Kathryn and Steven Allison.

Funeral arrangements were with Miller Mies Mortuary in Downey. The Mass was at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church with entombment at the mausoleum at All Souls Cemetery in Long Beach. The funeral reception was held at Knights of Columbus Hall in Downey.

Boy organizes backpack giveaway to honor slain police officer

Aaron Lomas, 6, helped collect 500 backpacks to distribute to local students in memory of an LAPD officer recently killed.

DOWNEY – Six-year-old Aaron Lomas, of Downey, organized a backpack giveaway and an opportunity to meet MMA champions in honor of recently slain LAPD officer Juan Diaz.

Five-hundred children received free backpacks Aug. 10. The event took place at The Yard Muay Thai, a gym just a short walk from the Lincoln Heights taco stand where Diaz was fatally shot on July 27.

"I was very sad that a policeman was killed," said Aaron, who trains at the gym.

"I thought helping the children in the community would be something positive that would help people feel better."

Muay Thai, mixed martial arts and jiu-jitsu champions who train at The Yard and 10th Planet Jiu-Jitsu Headquarters distributed the backpacks and also took photographs with children.

Fighters from both gyms have worked with Aaron, including 10th Planet fight team manager Robert Rodriguez, a first-degree jiu-jitsu blackbelt and three-time All-American wrestler.

Rodriguez, who served as spokesman for the event, said he believes Aaron's martial arts training may have encouraged his social activism. Aaron has trained in wrestling, jiu-jitsu

and currently studies Muay Thai.

"Wrestlers are problem solvers, we see a problem, and we are driven to fix it," said Rodriguez. "Aaron is a standout wrestler and he saw a community in mourning. He doesn't care about his age or how big he is, he has a big heart and wants to help."

According to Aaron's father, Alfred Lomas, Diaz' death hits particularly close to home. Aaron trains at The Yard, a gym that is a short distance from the spot where Diaz was shot by gang members.

Aaron noticed the candlelight vigil mourners created for Diaz while walking to the gym and asked his father about it.

"I explained what happened,

Aaron Lomas says he was inspired to do something positive after walking past a candlelight memorial for an LAPD police officer who was fatally shot last month.

and I tried to explain why, but it is all sad because it does not really make sense," said Alfred Lomas. "In light of such a tragedy, we know the memorial for officer Diaz will have a positive impact on the community because of the heart and courage from a 6-year-old boy can bring together world champions and our community."



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DOWNEY HAPPENINGS

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, SEPTEMBER 5

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

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

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

New Bruin Send-Off, 11 am. Join other Downey families and supporters as they send-off their students to UCLA. Embassy Suites, 8425 Firestone Blvd.

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, SEPTEMBER 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.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

September 11 Remembrance, 10 am. A public ceremony to remember the victims lost in the 9-11 terrorist attacks. Downey Cemetery, 9073 Gardendale St.

Gateway Cities Economic Forum, 11:30 am. Economist Christopher Thornberg returns as keynote speaker at the annual economic forum presented by Financial Partners Credit Union. RSVP at EconomicForum@fpcu.org. Rio Hondo Event Center, 10627 Old River School Rd.

Back to School Night, 5 pm. Tour classrooms, visit with teachers, and sign up for PTA. Warren High School, 8141 De Palma St.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

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

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

Rain Barrel Distribution, 9 am. An opportunity to purchase a rain barrel for \$20, maximum 2 barrels per household. Liberty Utilities Park Water, 9750 Washburn Rd.

College Recruiting Workshop, 9 am. This workshop is for parents interested in learning about the college athlete recruitment process and to stress the importance of academics. Triple Play Batting Cages, 12434 Bellflower Blvd.

Crane-Making Day, 10 am. Join the Downey Rose Float Association as they attempt to reach their goal of folding 10,000 origami cranes. Barbara J. Riley Center, 7810 Quill Dr.

Vendorama, 11 am to 4 pm. Shop from 30-plus local vendors, including food, clothing, home goods, toys, and more. St. Mark's Episcopal School, 10354 Downey Ave.

SATURDAY, SEPT.EMBER 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, SEPTEMBER 22

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

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 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.

Classic Rock Tribute, 7 pm to 2 am. Rolling Stones, Led Zepellin, Beatles and The Doors tribute bands perform live. Epic Lounge, 8239 2nd St.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4

State of the Schools, 7 am. The Downey Unified School District's seventh annual State of the Schools summit, featuring a keynote address by superintendent Dr. John Garcia. Los Angeles County Office of Education, 9300 Imperial Hwy.

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.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 14

LivingHelp Center Golf Tournament, 11 am. 31st annual golf tournament in support of the LivingHelp Center. Cost is \$140 per golfer. Los Amigos Golf Course, 7295 Quill Dr.

SATURDAY, OCT. 19

Spooky Science Night, 5-9 pm. Food trucks, games, a costume parade, and children's activities. Columbia Memorial Space Center, 12400 Columbia Way

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, NOVEMBER 3

Nani in Concert, 6 pm. International singer, composer, pianist and trombonist Nani performs live. Temple Ner Tamid, 10629 Lakewood Blvd.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9

Elf the Musical, 12 pm and 3 pm. Get in the Christmas spirit early this year with the beloved TV classic "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer: The Musical" as it soars off the screen and onto the Downey Theatre stage. Come see all your favorite characters from the special including Santa and Mrs. Claus, Hermey the Elf, the Abominable Show Monster, Clarice, Yukon Cornelius and, of course, Rudolph, as they come to life.

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MONDAY, NOVEMBER 11

Veterans Day Ceremony, 10 am. A public ceremony paying tribute to those who have served our country. Columbia Memorial Space Center, 12400 Columbia Way.

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.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 2

Tree Lighting Ceremony, 6 pm. The City of Downey hosts its annual "tree-lighting" event. Downey Civic Center, 11111 Brookshire Ave.

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.

Compiled by Eric Pierce. Some events may charge admission fees. Email calendar listings to eric@thedowneypatriot.com

Downey earns national award for financial reporting

DOWNEY – The City of Downey has been awarded the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting by the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) for its comprehensive annual financial report (CAFR).

The certificate of achievement is the highest form of recognition in the area of government accounting and financial reporting, and its attainment represents a significant accomplishment by a government and its management.

"The city has a long-standing commitment to providing responsible financial stewardship and transparency," says Mayor Rick Rodriguez. "The award from the GFOA recognizes the city's efforts to achieve this goal."

The CAFR is judged by an impartial panel to meet the high standards of the program including demonstrating a constructive spirit of full disclosure to clearly communicate its financial story.

Mayor Pro Tem Blanca Pacheco added, "This award is a true testament of Downey's outstanding financial management and I commend my fellow council colleagues, as well as our city's management team, but their leadership and hard work."

For additional information regarding the GFOA award, please visit www.gfoa.org/awardprograms.

A Downey Christmas

The Downey Patriot is publishing a commemorative issue just in time for the Downey Christmas Parade.

This is a great guide for the parade featuring a map, parade line-up and much more.

To include your message for \$50

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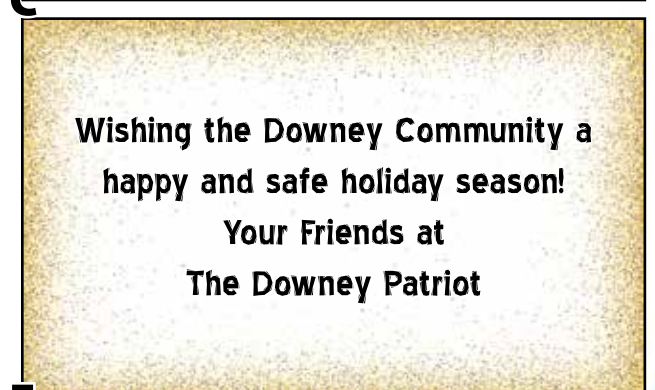
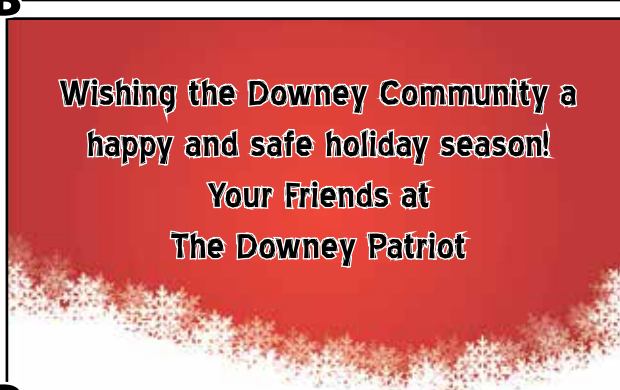
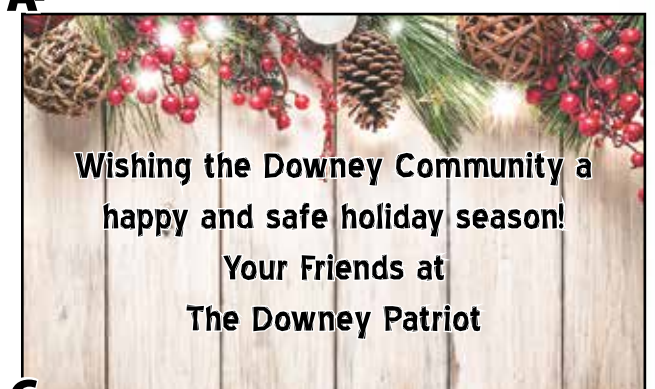
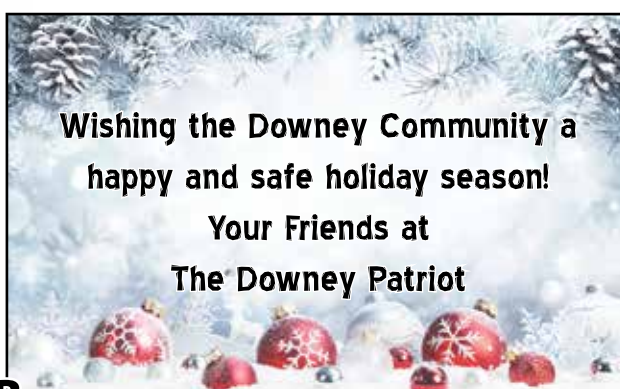
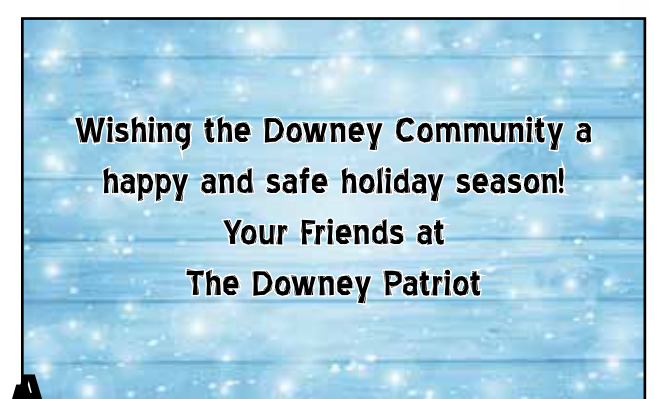


A Downey Christmas Order Form

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The militarization of Downey PD

Dear Editor:

The City of Downey has successfully gotten you, the taxpayer, to be on the hook for a \$300,000-plus (not including yearly maintenance fees) war machine to be used by the police force.

The City Council has recently authorized the purchase of a tactical armored vehicle, more commonly known as “BearCat”, for the Downey Police Department (DPD). Police Captain Mark McDaniel stated that with “the recent active shooters [that] we’ve seen throughout the country [...] rifles are being used, school shootings... time is of the essence in critical and tactical situations.”

Using the captain’s own words as a reference, we can safely determine that DPD’s main reasoning for this vehicle is for the prevention and response to active/school shooters, to which the natural response should be, “How is this going to stop any shootings exactly?”

The short answer is: It won’t.

The acquisition of military style weaponry is something that Americans overwhelmingly do not approve of and that the data proves does not work.

Jeremiah Mosteller at the Charles Koch Institute writes, “when looking at military-grade weapons specifically, the [...] study found that receipt of these weapons had minimal or no deterrent impact on crime. Multiple studies have confirmed concerns about the militarization of police, showing that it results in law enforcement using higher levels of force against citizens.”

This practice feeds into the police force’s already existing superiority complex that it has over its citizens all while contributing nothing to our safety. The police expect us to feel safer with the war machine they’re purchasing, when in reality, the facts show that citizens are less safe when they have access to that kind of equipment.

The militarization of the Downey Police Department is coming under the guise of “safety”, as these things often do, and they’re using scare tactics to try and get their point across. According to Captain McDaniel’s statements, the police force has been considering this purchase for sometime, but they now see an opportunity to strike since our nation has been rocked by these recent shootings.

Our own police department is using the deaths of gun violence victims to manipulate the populous into buying them a war machine, all while our City Council members are complicit. This simply cannot stand.

If we were to look at the violent crime rates in Downey (which is the only type of crime this machine would be used for), Downey consistently ranks lower than both the California and national average with only 3.92 crimes committed per 1000 residents (<https://www.neighborhoodscout.com/ca/downey/crime>).

The data also shows that despite a slight uptick in crime in recent years, the overall crime rate has dropped significantly since the early 2000s. The numbers show that these weapons are unnecessary, so why does DPD continue to push the narrative that we need extra protection?

To add insult to injury, according to the Downey Patriot, “no new training or special licensing is needed for operation of the vehicle” either. So not only do we have to pay for this ridiculous machine, but we also have to deal with ill-equipped and ill-trained officers controlling something that could potentially be used to kill others.

Let’s be honest, this is not a practical option to protect civilian lives, it is a new toy for the police force to play with.

With public confidence and trust in law enforcement continuing to decline since the 2000s and overwhelming proof that military-style machines don’t make the public safer, it truly boggles the mind as to why City Council approved of this expense.

Furthermore, Downey Police Department has yet to provide us with a good excuse as to why our money will be going towards a machine that will impact our civil liberties negatively. This is what oppression looks like, and it’s being done by our own city.

Christopher Portillo
Downey

New home construction

Dear Editor:

Who knew that in 2019 it’s still possible to build a new home in Downey that looks like a Downey home.

Today, while traveling through an unfrequented section of my Downey neighborhood, I was a bit shocked (pleasantly so) to see a new home under construction that probably would have seemed completely normal to a resident in 1960.

An L-shaped ranch style house was rising from the ashes of a home that had burned down a couple of years ago. One story with no signs of McMansionitis [sic] taking hold. It looks very nice, and might I say, probably very affordable.

Seeing this gives me hope that Downey need not be totally transformed into a generic suburb of the 21st century. Kudos to the owners that decided to buck the trend and not create another eye sore that casts ugly shadows upon their neighbors homes.

Marty Backe
Downey

School campus construction

Dear Editor:

We want to start by thanking Mr. Serrano for his feedback and wish he had reached out directly to us so we were able to personally speak with him about these issues. We are sorry for the inconvenience that this construction has caused Mr. Serrano and those who may feel the same. (“School Construction,” Letters to the Editor, 8/22/19)

As a school district, we guarantee that strict guidelines and safety measures are followed in regard to our construction projects. While we don’t utilize the city’s inspectors and guidelines, we work with the Division of the State Architect (DSA) and abide by all state rules and codes, which in most cases are more stringent than city ordinances.

Also, as student and staff safety are always our top priorities in everything we do, we make sure that construction areas are fenced off and students/staff have alternative pathways allowing them to access the portions of the campus that are safe at all times.

We understand that the Griffiths Middle School campus is currently an eye sore, but we can guarantee that our construction companies are working as quickly as possible to shorten the inconvenience for our students, staff and the community. The Griffiths Middle School campus will soon be the proverbial phoenix rising from the ashes and will not only enhance the school itself but the experience for all our students who will matriculate through the campus for generations to come. In combination with bettering the experience for our students, our goal is to enhance the neighborhood around the campus to make it a beautiful addition for all who live nearby or visit.

As we do with any community member who has a concern, we extend an invitation to call our district office to get further information and clarification on anything to do with our amazing schools.

Dr. John Garcia
Superintendent, Downey Unified School District

Grading Trump

Dear Editor:

In response to Ms. Martha Morrissy’s letter to the editor giving President Trump an A+, I have to disagree with her generous grading scale.

In regard to the federal deficit, in their first year in office, an incoming President inherits his predecessor’s budget. President Obama inherited a \$1.4 trillion dollar deficit. Despite the economic downturn, Obama left office with a \$486 billion deficit.

President Trump has since added \$2 trillion, even though he proclaimed to eliminate the debt.

Ms. Morrissy’s statement that President Obama approved the Iraq War is false. Obama was not a US Senator in 2002 and couldn’t have voted for the Iraq War Resolution. In fact, he was at an anti-war rally in Chicago at the time. Osama bin Laden was killed on May 2, 2011 under the Obama administration.

Ms. Morrissy’s statement that Obama handed over \$150 billion to Iran is true. President Obama returned \$150 billion of Iran’s own frozen assets. The United States and her allies put economic sanctions on Iran, the first sanctions in the year 1979. All monies owned for oil transactions to Iran by those nations halted. In 2015, as part of the Iran Nuclear Deal, those sanctions were lifted and Iran’s frozen assets returned.

Now, under the Trump administration, the United States backed out of that Iran deal, leaving a nuclear threat, as well as North Korea despite attempted talks. North Korea is still launching short range missiles.

In addition, any monies allocated for a wall should definitely go to our veterans. White supremacist terrorist groups pose a more serious threat to our country.

President Trump peddling anti-Semitic tropes and calling himself the “chosen one” would definitely be grounds for removal from any CEO position he held, let alone receive a passing grade.

As far as obstructionisms, that title goes to the Senate. While the House of Representatives has passed over 100 bills, the “Grim Reaper McConnell” has not brought a bill to the floor.

In addition, why is Ms. Morrissy still referencing the past administration, just as the current President does, who instead should be focused our country’s current economic situation in addition to mass shootings by white wupremacist and nuclear threats?

Joanne Gallo
Downey

Dear Editor:

I would like to respond to Martha Morrissy’s letter printed in the 8/23 issue:

1. National debt – Trump vs. Obama: Yes, Obama increased the national debt, but most of that was the result of efforts to avoid plunging the economy into a depression. The money spent kept the economy alive. Trump has increased the debt by reducing taxes, more than 80% of which benefit the rich, and have done nothing to improve the economy.

2. Trump signed a spending bill to avoid another government shutdown: And yet he had no problem shutting down the government, and even bragged about it, in order to get money for his border wall that congress did not want to appropriate.

3. The Middle East war has been a mess, true. But Ms. Morrissy’s characterization that “we should have gone into Afghanistan, destroyed the Al-Qaeda training camps, apprehended Osama Bin Laden, and gotten the hell out,” demonstrates a naive and oversimplification of the problem.

Solving the Middle East problem is far more complex than simply removing a nest of insects from one’s house. And if Trump is trying so hard to ensure peace, why did he make John Bolton, one of the fiercest hawks in the country, his national security advisor?

4. On North Korea, Trump has done nothing but cozy up to Chairman Kim, stage some photo ops, and declare his love for the dictator. North Korea has done nothing to dismantle its nuclear program, while Trump has stopped military exercises with South Korea while getting nothing in return. Is this “trying his best”?

5. The \$150 million that the Obama administration returned to Iran (it was their money to begin with, and had been held as a sanction) was in return for Iran’s agreement to stop its nuclear weapons program, which, according to international inspectors, they had done. Trump decided this wasn’t good enough, cancelled the treaty, and has tried to add more sanctions.

6. Regarding the “squad” insulting Trump, how many people has Trump insulted because they don’t agree with him? The “insulter-in-chief” has brought meaningful dialogue to an unprecedented low, and yet complains when other politicians are “mean” to him.

7. Regarding the “do-nothing” House of Representatives. The House has passed a number of bills, but it is the “do-nothing” Senate, led by Republican Mitch McConnell, that will not even allow these bills to be discussed or voted upon.

Ms. Morrissy is clearly a Trump supporter and is entitled to her opinions, but I don’t believe the facts are on her side.

Arnold Richards
Downey

How Trump and Xi can both win

BY THOMAS FRIEDMAN

It is impossible to exaggerate what a dangerous cliff the U.S. and China are perched on today.

If the current trade dispute tips over into a full-blown economic war — and that spreads to Chinese students and scientists being thrown out of America and American business executives out of China and that spreads to all the investments we’ve made in each other’s countries being ripped out — the world as we’ve known it for the last four decades is going to be replaced with something much uglier, less prosperous, less stable and less able to meet global challenges, like climate change and cybercrime, that are barreling down on us.

This has become a really bad play. We have a juvenile, unstable U.S. president actually enacting trade policy via Twitter — ignoring the advice of his experts — and we have a pressured Chinese president who is afraid to appear to be kowtowing to any trade demands from the U.S. for fear that his domestic rivals will denounce him as weak and that pro-democracy demonstrators in Hong Kong will be emboldened by his weakness.

So each man is trying to intimidate the other into submission by showing who has the biggest tariff, and this is whipsawing markets and making it impossible for investors to plan long term.

We need a cease-fire now — and if no one else is going to propose the terms, I will.

President Trump should say to President Xi Jinping: “For the next six months, we’ll suspend all the tariffs that we’ve imposed. And in those six months we expect you to order from the top down an end to your worst trade abuses — and you know which ones we’re talking about: stealing intellectual property, forcing technology transfers, restricting access, etc. You don’t have to announce anything or put anything into law. Just get it done your own way and tell your people whatever you want. I won’t tweet a word to embarrass you. And we’ll re-evaluate in six months whether the results constitute meaningful progress.”

That’s not a perfect outcome after two years of negotiations, but perfect is not on the menu. Only “better” is on the menu right now. I vote for better.

Don’t get me wrong, Trump was right to insist that the U.S.-China trading relationship had to change. But Trump vastly underestimated in several ways how “easy” winning a trade war with China would be.

Trump, by doing the whole thing in public — with his ego-inflating tweets always intended to show that he was winning and China was caving — clearly prompted the Chinese to remind the U.S. president that they’re not some dumpling restaurant in a Trump Tower that can be bullied into paying more rent. They’re actually one-sixth of humanity, and they hold more than \$1.1 trillion in U.S. Treasury bills, notes and bonds, which is 27 percent of all the U.S. government debt held by foreign countries, and they’re pretty good at making stuff.

For instance, it takes about 22 hours on Amtrak to go by train from New York to Chicago. Beijing to Shanghai is about the same distance, and it takes China’s bullet train 4.5 hours to make that trip. That’s not a typo. And it partly explains why a lot of Chinese officials look at America today as a dysfunctional mess that elected a crazy man as president and that can’t build anything big and hard anymore because it can’t act together.

Also, while I respect the comprehensive approach Trump’s actual trade negotiators took in these talks — they wanted China to enact laws and regulations that would outlaw stealing of intellectual property, forced technology transfers, certain government subsidies, and to create a U.S.-China mechanism to verify compliance — it might have been too much change all at once for the Chinese system. That’s not an excuse for Beijing. It’s just a fact.

Xi seems to be saying that he can’t write into Chinese law the market-opening, verification and transparency regulations that Trump demands — even though they would enhance China’s own needed economic reform process — because Xi would appear to be conceding to the demands of foreigners and because it would constrict the Communist Party’s arbitrary powers. Xi has plenty of hard-liners around him — particularly the huge state-owned industries lobby — trying to protect its companies from U.S. competition by telling Xi that the Americans’ trade demands are really intended to undermine Communist Party rule.

I don’t think Trump is looking to take down China. He just wants a deal he can boast about. But there are people around Trump who do want to use this trade war to topple Communist China — as if democracy, not massive global chaos, would automatically bloom in its wake. It’s madness, but that is why this moment is so scary. Trump and Xi could both go either way.

What Trump also underestimated is that we don’t just have a trade access problem with China today, we also have a trust shortage problem. When all we bought from China were toys and T-shirts and cheap electronics, we did not care if they were communists, capitalists, authoritarians or vegetarians. But now that China wants to sell us many of the same high-tech products that America and Europe make — from 5G infrastructure to cellphones to advanced electronics — products that get deeply embedded in our society and can be dual use (civilian and military), we need a whole new level of trust between our societies. That will take time to build.

Xi, for his part, completely misread how much Republicans, Democrats and the broad U.S. business community are behind Trump’s unwillingness to tolerate China’s trade abuses any longer — not when China wants to make and export all the same products that we do. If Xi thinks Americans will continue to tolerate the status quo in U.S.-China trade, he is badly mistaken.

So for all of these reasons it’s best to go right now for a truce and a period of confidence-building, during which China proves that it really will open up — if it can do so in its own way without embarrassment — and Trump proves to China that all he wants are results he can brag about — not a revolution in Beijing.

While those six months play out, Trump should sign the Trans-Pacific Partnership deal — which brings the 12 biggest Pacific economies, except China, into a global Pacific trade pact built around American values and standards — and then line up all of our European Union allies as well.

That way when we revisit this issue in six months, we can present China with a united front to formalize its trade openings. By then it won’t be Trump versus Xi, but rather the world versus China over what are the best reciprocal rules for trade for all. That should be our goal, maneuvering China into a rules-based global competition.

If Trump and Xi can forge a bigger deal right now, God bless them. I’ll tip my cap. But everything I see today tells me that we should just focus on better. I’d be happy making some real trade progress now, lowering the temperature so we can have a more rational, long-term discussion about rules and avoiding a new Cold War with China that will destabilize the whole globalization system — a system that’s also not perfect but, boy, you will miss it if it’s gone.

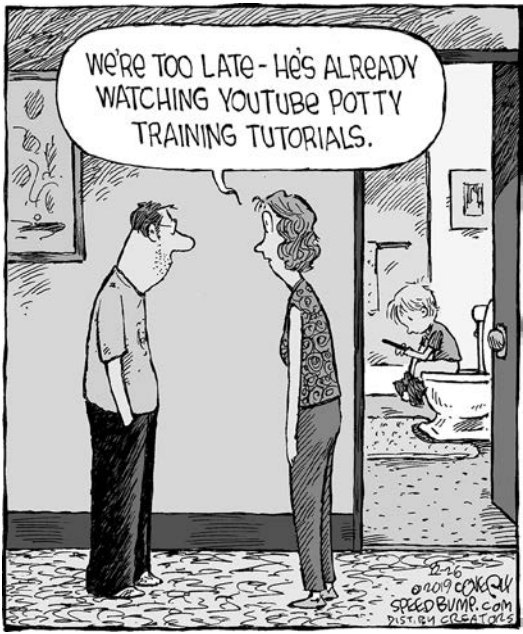
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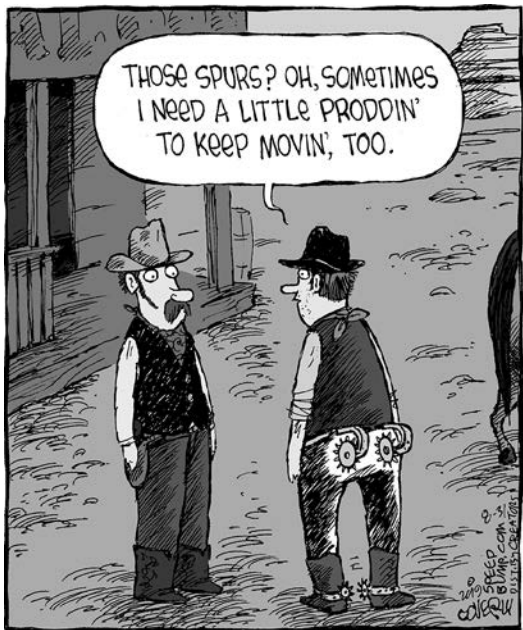
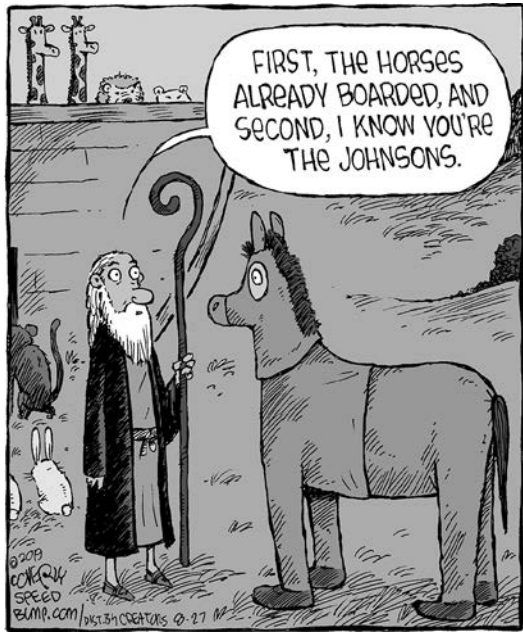
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Downey Community Calendar

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.
- 4:30 pm: Courage Forward Meeting, at 10829 New St, 2nd Floor, call 213-545-6810.
- 2nd Mon., 11 am: American Legion Auxiliary #270, at United Methodist Church, call 304-3439.
- 3rd Mon., 11:30 am: Downey Newcomers Club, call Marilyn 928-2623.
- 4th Mon., 7:30 pm: Downey Numismatists, at Downey Retirement Center, call 862-6666.

TUESDAYS

- 9 am: Quilters group, at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, call 803-4459.
- 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 Nate Mahoney 416-1826.
- 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 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, call Marilyn 928-2623.
- 2nd Wed., 3:30 pm: Keep Downey Beautiful, at City Hall, call 904-7102.
- 2nd Wed., 7:30 pm: Downey Model A Club, at Gallatin School Cafeteria, call 928-4132.
- 3rd Wed.: Downey Dog Obedience Club, for information please call Gina 869-5213 or Valerie 420-2972.
- 3rd Wed., 10 am: Los Angeles County Quilters Guild, at Women's Club, call 860-8821 or 927-3635.
- 3rd Wed., 10 am: OLPH Women's Guild, at OLPH School Auditorium, contact Melodie Santana, (562) 806 3102.
- 3rd Wed., 6 pm: Sister Cities of Downey, at Downey City Library, call Gloria Nezahualcoyotl (562) 776-6136.
- 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.: Soroptimist Int'l of Downey, for information, call Mia Vasquez, 806-3217.
- 9 am: Crafters group, at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, call 803-4459.
- 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.
- 7:30 pm: Downey Elks Lodge #202, call 803-3557.
- 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., 6:30 pm: Downey Lions Club, at Mimi'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.

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- 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.

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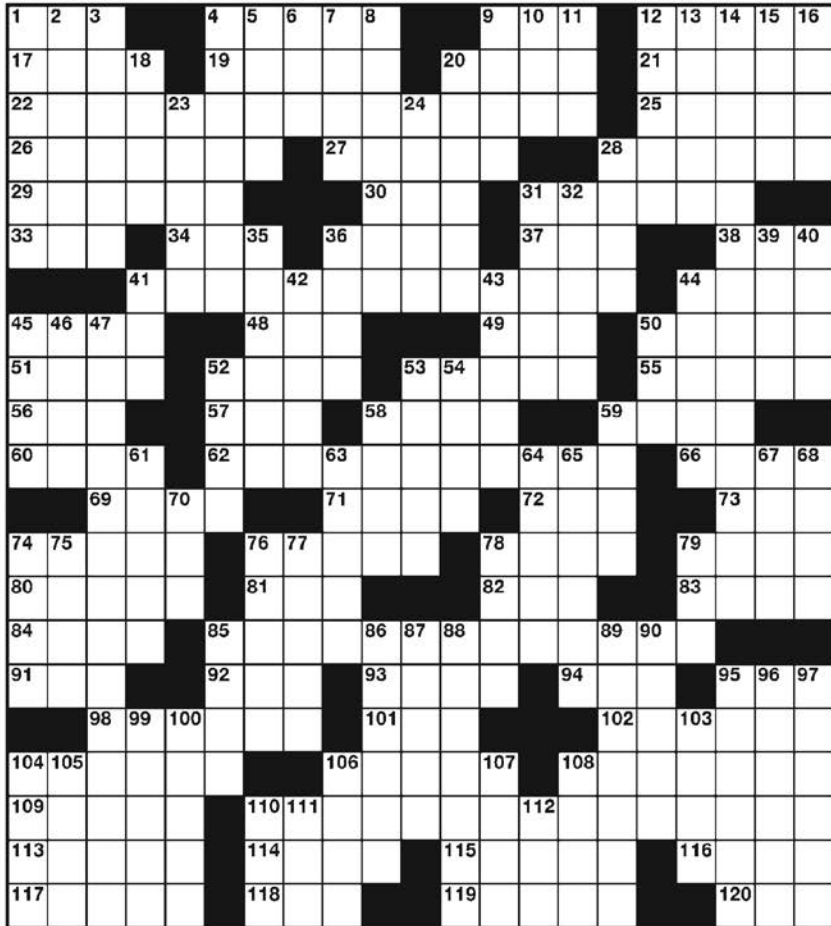
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Memo to Downey Unified: it's buses, not busses

By Mary-Ellen Quintana
Downey Resident

DOWNEY - There's something amusing about the English language when it gets mixed with the languages of various cultures. When I lived in Japan, so called "Janglish" was famous for its misspellings and faux pas like: "dauble suspension" on a motorcycle, the "Cocking" cooking school, or the barber shop, "Men's Heir" to name a few.

It is not amusing when English grammar is ignored by professionals and administrators who should know English and are responsible for teaching the language. When these administrators can't be bothered to correct misspelled English in prominently placed signs at the entrance to an elementary school, then it is shameful and problematic of what is a "school of excellence."

Case in point, Maude Price Elementary School, on Suva St. and Tweedy Lane, has been misspelling "busing" and confusing children with this sign, "BUSSES AND SPECIAL NEEDS ONLY." For over three years I have been walking around this school counting steps on my Fitbit. I first noticed two signs on Suva Street that misspelled the word "busing," the one noted and "NO PARKING BUSSES EXEMPT" on the back fence.

I thought it was a joke, as how could an elementary school that teaches plural noun spelling in first grade let the word "busing" be misspelled as "bussing?"

"Someone will point this out and get it corrected quickly," the credentialed high school teacher in me thought. Two years later, the signs are still up and yesterday I noticed two new "bussing" signs.

Making English nouns plural is taught in 1st grade! The first rule is to add the letter "s" to regular nouns. So Cat becomes cats and table becomes tables. The second rule is

If the singular noun ends in -s, -ss, -sh, -ch, -x, or -z, add -es to the end to make it plural.

- truss - trusses
- bus - buses
- marsh - marshes
- lunch - lunches
- tax - taxes
- blitz - blitzes

And so on for other irregular nouns.

Now there are the wiki-pedantics who may insist that busses is spelled correctly according to the dictionary that they checked online. They have a very small point. According to most dictionaries "busses" is archaic. It has not been used much in the past 100 years. Google lays it out best in their linguistic nGram: <https://tinyurl.com/y42w3cjh>

The Merriam Webster dictionary adds, "The plural of bus is buses. A variant plural, busses, is also given in the dictionary, but has become so rare that it seems like an error to many people."

The Merriam Webster continues with this choice insight, "Confusing the issue is the word buss, a synonym of kiss which could make for some funny interpretations of parking signs for buses."

Elementary school is about teaching language rules and usage so students can learn to read and write without being ridiculed. The problem is when the schools themselves don't follow the rules and usage which is obviously occurring at my Alma Mater, Maude Price Elementary School. Sadly, if Maude Price is posting this sign outside for years, I wonder what learning may be occurring inside the school? Or at other schools? It seems that no one in authority cares about the example that "bussing" is setting for our children and residents.

How much could it possibly cost to reprint and laminate an already poorly printed block letter sign? Surely, Downey can afford



to replace the signs? They just added two new misspelled "bussing" signs to the same entrance. I visited the Downey School District Administrative Offices in fall 2018 and spoke to the Assistant Superintendent. She assured me that the "bussing signs" would be corrected and replaced.

The signs are still up and the new "bussing" signs added for the new school year. Children will likely misspell plural nouns and adults will continue being confused by the "bussing" signs authoritatively placed in front of the Special Needs entrance to the Downey elementary school.

Perhaps our school district has special needs and could benefit from a remedial first grade lesson in plural nouns, usage, and block letter printing?

Mary-Ellen Quintana is a Downey resident and credentialed high school teacher.

Quilting group announces next three guest speakers

DOWNEY - The Los Angeles County Quilters, a group that meets monthly in Downey, has released its next three guest speakers.

On Sept. 18, Stephania Bommarito will present a program titled "Playground of Squares and Rectangles." It will be an opportunity to discuss coordinating colors in your quilts.

On Oct. 16, the group will hear from Susan Wade, a quilting teacher who specializes in fabric collage. Her lecture is entitled, "An Artistic Journey."

She will also present a trunk show of her improv collage quilts.

On Nov. 20, Sandy Corbin will present a lecture titled, "The Secret Society of Quilters." It will be followed by a trunk show of 25 smaller quilts.

The quilters group meets at the Downey Women's Club at 10 a.m. Visitors are welcome.

Downey will start sending emergency alerts

Residents can expect to receive alerts on their cell phones without having to opt-in to the service.

DOWNEY - The City Council voted on Tuesday to allow the city to send emergency alerts to residents' cell phones, regardless of whether they had signed up for notifications prior.

Previously, Downey residents could opt-in to the city's Downey Alert's system to be notified of local emergencies.

Currently, a majority of

Downey's 113,000 plus residents are not subscribed, with the system containing approximately 26,000 contacts from the 911 database (landlines) and 2,000 contacts provided by residents.

After Tuesday's vote, Downey will now be able to use the Integrated Public Alert and Warning System (IPAWS) to alert its residents during times of emergency, even if they had not previously submitted to the alert system.

With IPAWS, public safety officials utilize the Emergency Alert System (EAS), Wireless

Emergency Alerts (WEA), the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Weather Radio, and other public alerting systems from a single interface to send critical information en masse.

A familiar example of the system would be that of Amber Alerts, which alerts the public about child abductions using the cellular tower connections.

Citing the massive fires that took place in California during 2018-19, there has been a significant push to give local city governments access to IPAWS,

which traditionally has been limited to County, State, and Federal Governments.

The item was passed unanimously as a part of the consent calendar.

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In Memory of

Clark Michael Jones**June 2, 1948 - August 15, 2019**

Clark Michael Jones was born June 2, 1948 in Los Angeles, CA, the third of eleven children born to Richard and Louise Jones. The Jones family moved to Downey, CA in 1950 where Clark attended Our Lady Perpetual Help grammar school through the 8th grade. In 1962, Clark attended the Claretian Seminary in Rancho Dominguez Hills, CA; in late 1963, Clark left the seminary and attended Pius X High School in Downey, CA where he graduated in 1966. In December 1968, at age 20, Clark was drafted into the Army and spent just under a year in Vietnam from 1969-70 attaining the rank of Specialist 4. Clark received a medical retirement from the Army in September 1970.

After his military retirement, Clark worked for a radiator manufacturer in Los Angeles until he was hired by the Long Beach Naval Shipyard as an Electrical Technician until the Shipyard closed down. Clark transferred to the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) as a Radar Technician during which time he assisted in the installation of many radar systems for smaller airports throughout the Western United States, and continued working for the FAA until his retirement.

In the 1968, prior to his deployment to Viet Nam, Clark met Jean White, although they were never married, they had a daughter together, Leota White. In April 1976 Clark married Mardel Aldrich-Sutterfield and in 1980 adopted her son, Nolan from her previous marriage. Clark's daughter, Leota, subsequently gave birth to three children, Joseph, Brittany, and Tyler whom Clark and Mardel eventually adopted as their own.

Clark was predeceased by his parents, Richard (1984) and Louise (2006), his wife Mardel (2002), his son Tyler (2011), his great-granddaughter Olivia Mardel (2012) and his son Nolan (2019). Clark is survived by his son, Joseph of Oklahoma; his daughter, Brittany and her husband and children of Tennessee; 10 siblings and their spouses, Timothy (Lois); Sister Mary Richardlyn, SND; Sister Mary Dominic, SND; Rosemary Saldivar (Robert); Stephen (Linda Sue); Raymond (Midge); William (Linda); Theodore (Ruan); Daniel (Lillian); Tracey (Karen); many nieces, nephews, grand-nieces, grand-nephews, great-grand-nieces and great-grand nephews.

Funeral Services will be held at White's Funeral Home, 9903 East Flower Street, Bellflower, CA 90706 on Tuesday, September 3, 2019 at 9:30 AM with interment at Riverside National Cemetery, 22495 Van Buren Blvd., Riverside, CA 92518 at 1:30 PM on Tuesday, September 3, 2019

In Memory of

Frank Wilson Vigil**July 23, 1924 - August 18, 2019**

Frank Wilson Vigil, age 95, died on August 18th, 2019, at his home in Brea, CA, surrounded by his family.

Frank is survived by his sister, Ruby Gonzales, of Dolores, CO; his five children; Leigh Ann Fowler (Bill) of Acworth, GA, Ron Vigil of La Habra, CA, Karen Vigil of Brea, CA, Mark Vigil (Janice) of Riverside, CA and Kathy Vigil of Simi Valley, CA; three grandchildren; Jonathan, Jason and Mason; and one great-grandchild; Bradley. He is preceded in death by his wife, Helen; his siblings; Nellie, Susie, Alex, Julian, Rebecca, Juanita, Rudy and Rosie.

Frank was born on July 23, 1924 in Dolores, CO, to parents Alexander and Pasqualita Vigil. After graduating from Dolores High School in 1942, he worked summer jobs with the forest service while attending Colorado University for one year, before enlisting in the U.S. Navy in Sept. 1943. He was honorably discharged in May 1946 as a Seaman First Class. He continued his college education where he later graduated from Adams State College in Alamosa, CO. While in college, he met his wife Helen and in 1951, they were married in Alamosa, CO and later lived in Denver CO. After graduating from college, he taught electronics at Lowry Air Force Base in Denver before moving to California in 1954. He accepted a position as a Flight Test Engineer at North American Aviation in Downey, CA (later changed to Rockwell International). He worked on the Saturn/Apollo moon-landing program, Global Positioning System (GPS) program, the Space Shuttle test program supporting launch and orbital operations and finally on the missile defense initiative. He retired from Rockwell International in May, 1992.

Frank was a social, active man who was deeply involved in his family life. He enjoyed fly fishing, bowling, and gambling (poker/blackjack/craps). He had a large circle of friends with who he enjoyed attending plays, traveling both domestic/international and group gatherings.

A funeral mass was held on Monday, August 26th at St. Angela Merici Catholic Church in Brea, CA with the burial service at Memory Garden Memorial Park and Mortuary in Brea, CA. In lieu of flowers, donations can be sent to Dementia Society of America, P.O. Box 600, Doylestown, PA 18901, or made online at www.DementiaSociety.org/donate.



Rancho hospital completes move into new facility

DOWNEY – Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center has completed the move to the renovated and expanded Jacqueline Perry Institute Inpatient Facility (JPI).

Patients and staff from the Intensive Care Unit (ICU) and the Surgery and Medical Imaging departments have moved into the new facility from across campus, consolidating departments for more efficient patient care.

The JPI Expansion is another milestone of "Rancho Rising 2020," a \$418 million hospital consolidation project, seismic renovation and campus beautification that began in 2015.

Earlier milestones include the state-of-the-art Don Knabe Wellness and Aquatic Therapy Center, which opened in 2016 and the Outpatient Building, which opened earlier this year. The new facilities are expected to greatly enhance the quality of patient care at Rancho Los Amigos, one of the nation's top-ranked rehabilitation facilities and "a gem" of the Los Angeles County healthcare system.

The expansion consolidates a portion of Rancho Los Amigos' hospital beds into a single structure. The JPI building is now directly connected to the OPB and all outpatient services. The JPI will house the ICU, along with the Surgery and Medical Imaging departments – each equipped with updated advanced rehabilitative technology that will ultimately enhance patient care and support.

"Dr. Jacqueline Perry was a pioneer for rehabilitation, and her work has been a cornerstone for Rancho Los Amigos," said Aries Limbaga, CEO. "The JPI expansion brings her incredible contributions to the modern day. As part of Rancho Rising 2020 project, we are excited for what the future holds for our patients, staff, and the future of rehabilitation medicine".

Rancho Los Amigos is one of four Los Angeles County Department of Health Services hospitals, and the only one that provides specialized care for persons with disabilities.

The JPI inpatient facility is named for Dr. Jacquelin Perry, a world leader in rehabilitative care, particularly the treatment of post-polio syndrome. She founded Rancho's Pathokinesiology Laboratory in 1968 to analyze the biomechanics of walking and served as the chief of the department until 1996.

In the spirit of Rancho Los Amigos' broader pioneering reputation, Dr. Perry blazed trails in rehabilitative patient care.

In Memory of

Peter Mazmanian**October 9, 1922 - August 21, 2019**

Peter Mazmanian passed away peacefully on August 21st in his cozy room at Sunrise of Westlake Village, about 60 miles north of Downey. His family was with him in his last days, and he was able to hear a loving message from his daughter Chris in Austria, thanks to modern technology.

Peter was born on October 9, 1922 in Detroit, Michigan, to Armenian immigrants Kerker and Aghavni Mazmanian. The family moved to Los Angeles a few years later after the birth of their third son, Art. Peter was part of the first class to attend all four years and graduate from Dorsey High School. He served in the U.S. Navy during WWII with the Argus 18 Unit on Majuro in the Marshall Islands, helping pilots land on that atoll using (then) secret radar equipment. He lost one younger brother, Mike, serving in the Philippines during WWII. After the war he married Terry Terrell, whom he had met through their church youth group. They hosted annual reunion picnics of that group until 2006!

In 1953, Peter & Terry moved to Downey, where they enjoyed raising their two daughters, Chris and Cathi, in an ideal era and new neighborhood on Julius Avenue. Soon after the move, the young pair volunteered as youth leaders at the Downey Moravian Church, and continued to serve that congregation until Terry's passing in 2004. Peter continued to worship there until his move to Westlake Village in 2014.

Peter said he LOVED his work as an electrical engineer, beginning his career in the mail room, and ending it 51 years later as Customer Service Manager for Eaton Corporation. There are many relatives, friends, and neighbors who benefitted from his electrical handiwork!

Kind, wise, honorable, and generous of heart, Peter will be missed by all those who knew him. He is survived by his two daughters on different continents and their families: Chris and Rainer Pechmann of Austria, their daughter Karin and her husband Armand Colard and sons David, Simon, and Theo, and Peter's first grandson Kurt Pechmann; and in the U.S. Cathi and David Peterson of Camarillo, their daughter Krista and her husband Ryan Birdsong and sons Jace and Casten, and Peter's second grandson Dana Peterson of Santa Cruz, CA. He also leaves behind many nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Many thanks to Luz Aguinaldo of Downey for five years of loving, in-home care, to all at Sunrise of Westlake for five wonderful years of Reminiscent care, and to South Valley Hospice for end-of-life blessings.

Arrangements for interment are being handled by Miller Mies Downey Mortuary. A memorial service for Peter will be held at St. Mark's Episcopal Church in Downey on Saturday, August 31st, at 2pm, and will be followed by a reception on site. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Peter's name to the Moravian Music Foundation or the Alzheimer's Association.

Peter, Daddy, Granddaddy, Great-Granddaddy, and Uncle Pete, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant."



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Shared Stories

Vacation Contract

By Gail Earl
Contributor

As most of you know, we just got home from our annual 4th of July vacation. We always have a great time at our river house.

I have written and told the story about the contracts we have always written with the kids about the rules at the river. On the way to the river I write the contract as the kids and I discuss which rules each of them thinks are important. We usually have a list of about eight or 10.

We started writing this contract with the oldest grandkids about 30 years ago. Item No. 1 is usually "Clean your bed and body." Then we move on to such things as one game at a time.

Then we get into safety items like no going on the dock without a life jacket, and wear sunblock and water shoes. I love when the kids come up with new rules to add to the contract, like be respectful, be nice to one another and be helpful.

Rule No. 8 is always no running in the house. My great grandson, Hayden, is such an active little 6-year-old, that this rule is a difficult one for him to follow. He's constantly running, jumping or hopping. Even here at home, all I have to say is, "Rule No. 8," and he stops dead in his tracks and says, "sorry," and instantly starts walking. We also added rule No. 1,000 this year, which is "no crybabies."

After we finish our list, each kid signs the contract. It has always been a fun way for the kids and I to discuss the rules, and they know that if they want to come to the river with us, they have to follow the rules.

This year we didn't get around to the contract until the third day. We had two groups of 10 staying with us overlapping by just one day so I guess my mind was going in too many directions to write our contract on the way there like we normally do.

A very tender thing happened with Hayden. His mother couldn't go with us and he hasn't really been away from her before. They are very close. He and his mom decided to exchange pillows and blankets with each other so that when they slept, they would smell each other and feel that they were right next to each other.

On the first night, as soon as he smelled her blanket, his eyes got all teary and he was unable to speak. The second night, the same thing happened and tears ran down his cheek. I cuddled him and we talked and he was fine, but I just thought it was so tender.

When we got home and he was telling his mother all about the trip, he explained to her that we hadn't written the contract until the third day so the "no crybabies rule" didn't count on the first two days. He wanted her to know that he didn't break the rules.

It was a whole lot of fun for everyone. Boating, skiing, tubing, and lots of just sitting in floaty chairs, splashing and laughing.

I would like to say that everyone was a joy but honestly, without mentioning any names, one group was way more fun than the other!

I've come to realize that all my warm, loving stories that I have written in the past are stories of my parents and my siblings. This vacation has made me see things, or at least admit things, are very different in the present generations. Let's just say that there are a lot of mixed nuts in my family now.

As much as I love them all, I miss the way things used to be.

Gail Earl 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.



Shared Stories

Nature's Blessings

By Yolanda Adele
Contributor

While on a road trip with our 25-foot travel trailer in tow between Utah and Idaho, my husband, Vic ("Honey"), and I stopped at Bear Lake to camp for a couple of days. The campground was a private resort with many amenities such as a pool, sauna, Jacuzzi, tennis court, golfing greens, showers, recreation and dining rooms, paddle boats and more.

I enjoy roughing it smoothly; I'm a city gal after all.

However, we were told by resort manager that only the Jacuzzi and showers were available because it was early in the season. I could barely hide my disappointment as Honey whistled a happy tune while he expertly parked our trailer on a top level campsite affording us a stunning view of meandering paths abundant with Queen Anne's lace growing in wild profusion.

Across the resort entrance we could see farmlands backed up to the lake. Peace was in the

air, I could almost smell it, along with the sweet scent of clover. The quiet was pierced by the high-pitched song of orioles flying overhead, their bright orange bodies a bold splash of color across the clear azure sky.

I paused in appreciation of the beauty I was witnessing. I felt as if I was looking at a living painting. The scale of this enormous canvas displayed nature's art under a flawless sapphire sky. Immediately, I felt joy that comes from knowing there is a grace more powerful than any mortal tribulation.

"Wow, Honey, this is a spectacular vista! Sadly, when night falls we won't be able to see the beautiful landscapes."

"Let's wait and see what the night brings us." He said.

"It's going to bring darkness! Haven't you noticed there aren't any street lights around here?"

There were a few R.V. rigs in the camp resort; we saw little sign of people out and about the grounds. After dinner Honey and I put on our swimsuits and climbed to the highest knoll to

where a Jacuzzi was located. I turned on the switch that started the waves of bubbles percolating before we submerged ourselves into the warm calming water.

Soon darkness seemed to blanket the earth around us and over us like a canopy of black velvet. The stars appeared like diamond-clustered broaches.

If that celestial display were not enough, we were entertained by fireflies flitting about like miniature stars.

"Honey, doesn't this place, this night, make you feel as if we are the only people in nature?"

"Yes, because for now, we are." He said, with his boyish smile.

I felt privileged and humbled for the divine experience we had been gifted with when darkness brought out the galaxies to illuminate our many blessings.

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Shared Stories

Unexpected Neighbor

By Helen Hampton
Contributor

I was in Sav-On Drug Store two weeks ago. While I was in line, I met a lady I knew and we started talking.

I told her I had just returned from Virginia. She asked how the weather was and I said it was good this year -- no humidity and not too hot.

The sales clerk had just finished with the lady in front of me, and when I approached, she said, "Yes, I know about humidity -- I'm from Maine."

I said, "I'm from Maine too."

She asked, "What part?" and I said, "Waterville."

"I'm from Waterville, too," she said.

Then she said, "My name is Huard." I asked, "Was your mother Helen Huard?"

She said, "No, she was my mother-in-law."

"Is she the one with 17 children?" I asked.

"No," she said, "she had 16 and I married the youngest." I told her that Helen worked part time for my mother in her nursing home.

My thoughts drifted back to the Huard home in Waterville. I remember it well, though it's been 70 years since I last saw it.

The family lived up the hill in a compound of two-bedroom homes built for employees of the local paper mill. Imagine 16 children in a two-bedroom house! I remember there were cots everywhere, even in the kitchen and along the hallway.


By then the sales clerk had finished ringing up my sale. I left the store, having forgotten to tell her my maiden name. I just hope I'll run into her again so I can get more information from her. I would love to get together with her and ask a few questions.

I never meet anyone from Maine -- let alone Waterville!

(Editor's note: the author sent in the following update: Since I wrote this, my daughters found her name and phone number on the computer. I called her and we made a date to have breakfast at Mimi's. We had a lovely visit and plan to meet again in the near future.)

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Shared Stories Boarding School

By Helen Hampton
Contributor

In 1934, when I was 10 years old, I had my tonsils taken out. After I came home from the hospital, I had a hemorrhage and almost died.

It caused a heart murmur as I lost so much blood. I was so sick that I missed a full year of school.

My mother thought I would need a good school to get caught up with my studies. She decided that I should go to a private school. I began attending a convent boarding school called Mount Merci in Waterville, Maine. It was taught by Ursuline nuns. I would board there Monday through Friday and return home each weekend.

Life in a convent was quite an experience for a child of 11. The sleeping quarters consisted of a long line of beds, head to head, in the middle of a large dorm room. The room had sleeping alcoves along the walls, with drapes that could be drawn for privacy. I had one of these private rooms with the bedspread and curtains of my choice. It was quite nice.

We ate our meals at long tables in a large dining hall. The nuns would walk up and down to see that everyone ate all their food.

We wore black stockings, black dresses with white hard collars and cuffs that needed to be scrubbed every week with Bon Ami. A big black bow tie completed the costume.

If anyone in the dorm came down with a cold, every child was given a dose of castor oil. There was only one bathroom at the end of the dorm. Needless to say, it was a very disturbing situation when we had to stand in a long line waiting for our turn to use the bathroom. Everyone was hopping up and down in great distress. But I guess we must have managed to live through it.

We had great fun on our time off from our studies. There were many activities to fill our spare time. We roller-skated in the fall and spring, and we ice-skated in the winter. We put on plays, and I had many singing parts in our musicals.

I boarded at Mount Merci for three years. By then I was caught up with my studies, so I was able to go to public school for my remaining school years.

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Lost in Italy

By Gail Earl
Contributor

My sisters and my mom and I were on a bus in Italy. We had been on a tour all morning with a group and we decided that we wanted to go off and explore the city on our own for the afternoon.

We are quite an adventurous group so we had no fear about traveling around the city and just seeing whatever there was to see. We're also a bunch of goofy girls so we found ourselves laughing and carrying on like a bunch of idiots from another country for the longest time.

After traveling for the better part of the day, it dawned on us that we should start heading back to the hotel. Well believe it or not, not one of us could remember the name of the hotel we were staying at.

In turn we all gave our lame attempts at coming up with the name. As each of us gave our idea of the name, the other four girls would burst into hysterical laughter. I think we were all just tired and slap happy, because our brains would not allow us to sort out the ridiculous from reality.

We continued to laugh so hard we all had tears streaming down our faces. The bus driver was not nearly as amused as we were. He kept screaming at the "stupid Americans" and was motioning for us to sit down. He spoke no English. Oh, and by the way, this was not the first time in Italy that we heard the words "stupid Americans" being screamed at us.

We tried to explain that we remembered that the hotel had a large swan on the front of the building and we were sure that the driver would instantly recognize all of our idiotic clues, and take us straight back to the hotel. Even though the driver spoke no English, I could tell that he was not too happy with us.

Strangely enough we all laughed way more than we panicked. To our delight, in between the hysterical laughter from five girls, the bus rolled right past the hotel with the swan on the front. We ran to the front of the bus and let the driver know that we wanted off. I think he was pleased to see us go. I'm not sure who was happier, him or us.

As we walked up the driveway to the hotel, I think we had the same feeling that Columbus must have had when he discovered America.

Afterwards, we had many more laughs recounting how we got lost in Italy and how perhaps we were stupid Americans.

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Pearls of Wisdom

By Vickie Williams
Contributor

Boredom is not in my vocabulary. I treasure time with my family and friends. I love spirited people, art, nature, good writing, reading good books, goodwill, and traveling.

I enjoy watching colorful sunsets, listening to children's laughter, trying new recipes, watching waves lapping upon the seashore and rolling back to sea.

I love the smell of springtime freshness, roses blooming in my garden, and the scent of white magnolias. I love the canvas nature paints: earth tones, pastels, and rainbow colors.

I strive for balance in my life. I am self-driven and self-motivated to be physically fit, mentally engaged, emotionally healthy, and to live a spiritually enriched life.

I am proactive in my wellness. Let it begin with me resonates in my spirit. My happiness is an inside job.

It is important that my words and actions are congruent, to have respect and dignity for self and others, to treat others as I want to be treated, and to live a life of gratitude, generosity, and be mindful of God's amazing grace.

I strive for a holistic and preventive approach to attain balance in my diet, lifestyle, and daily routine. I avoid carbohydrates, fried foods, am waning myself off of chicken and red meat, eat lots of berries, raw nuts, vegetables, and hefty green salads with lots of arugula and kale.

My day starts with giving thanks to God for seeing another day. I pray for guidance, direction, and to be of goodwill. I make a call to my walking companion around 6am and we meet an hour later at the park three days a week.

I try to capture and write as many early morning thoughts on the page before walking. I attend an aerobics class on Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday. On Tuesday and Thursday in the afternoons I attend writing classes which keep me mentally active and socially engaged.

I avoid, as much as possible, getting hungry, angry, lonely, or tired. Perfection is an illusion; however, I keep my eyes on the prize of being the best that I can be.

I am a tortoise, not a hare, determined to run my race with faith. There is truth and power in the words, "As a man thinketh so is he." I concur "a healthy outside starts from the inside."

What the mind, body, and spirit feeds on grows. The following quote resonates with my belief, "Watch your thoughts, they become words. Watch your words, they become actions. Watch your actions, they become habits. Watch your habits, they become character. Watch your character, it becomes your destiny."

I believe in the power of positive thinking. Thoughts have power, they carry energy. They can create bridges or build walls, heal or destroy.

I firmly believe it is our inner beauty that creates our radiance and how we impact those around us.

My gratitude keeps me humble, grounded, and invigorated. As I grow older I better appreciate the magic of imagination and I want to remain childlike, spirit filled with wonder, curiosity, and playfulness.

If I have learned anything, it's how I stumbled and how I got back up that makes me proud of my journey.

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Just Across Town

By Sharon Benson Smith
Contributor

We decided to surprise the kids one Sunday afternoon; destination China Town.

It is a colorful urban setting in downtown Los Angeles, just a stone's throw from the civic and cultural centers, and has been a major commercial area of Chinese and other Asian businesses since 1938. We ourselves, as kids, visited the area many times with our respective families.

It was time for ours to enjoy such an exciting excursion that was a short distance "just across town" from where we lived in north Whittier. As we approached China Town, we were also able to point out to them the landmark Union Station as well as the historic Olvera Street.

We were immediately greeted with the folklore of colorful architecture of arches and dragons and pagodas. A further walk down the street brought us to ponds of water with miniature village scenarios in the depths where you could toss a coin into the water while making a wish. You could walk further still to the various and unusual shops. What an array of rare and curious souvenirs we found to be available as we went from shop to shop.

It was then decided our late lunch would be at the then-very-popular General Lee's Restaurant. We thoroughly enjoyed the Chinese bill-of-fare and pleasant atmosphere. The meal was topped off with the always tasty almond cookie and a fortune cookie for each of us.

Then came time for the "just across town" ride home. We were settled in with the three kids in the back seat. All of a sudden there was this stink, which was far beyond unpleasant. It was so strong and so pungent that you could hardly breathe. (Truthfully, I thought Ray was the cause as he did "this" regularly and it was always gross. But this stink far outstunk anything that ever came out of him).

It had Ray and I wondering where the stink had come from. Was there a sewer nearby? Were we travelling in "one of those" sections of town?

Not until we got home did we learn the truth of the matter. It turned out that Steve, the family prankster who loved nothing better than catching someone off guard with a practical joke, bought a small but very potent bottle of "STINK" from one of the stores we shopped in China Town. Every now and then on our ride home he would unscrew the top which released this unbelievable, OMG odor.

We put two and two together that Mark and Tracy were "in on it" as we recalled the snickering coming from the back seat whenever we commented on the stench.

Well, it's true that the joke was on mom and dad, but I don't recall ever taking them "just across town" again...with Steve along, it would have been risky business!

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No street sweeping Monday

DOWNEY - There will be no street sweeping or trash collection Monday due to the Labor Day holiday.

Trash service will be made up the following day.

For questions, call CalMet at (562) 259-1239

Trollies in L.A.

By Anthony Caldwell
Contributor

It was called the Los Angeles Railway System or, for short, the L.A. Rail Way (LARY).

The 71 little yellow and green wooden (then steel-bodied) trollies ran all over Los Angeles while Pacific Electric Rail Road (P.E.) was our inter-urban high-speed transportation to distant cities.

LARY ran mostly in the daytime while P.E. ran passenger traffic during daylight and freight during the night, and shared some tracks with Union Pacific (U.P.) and Southern Pacific (S.P) and L.A.R.Y.

Pacific Electric ran on four feet, six-and-one-half inch rails like all full-sized railroad trains and could go anywhere there was electricity. They were essentially our version of the New York "L" (inter-urban cars).

The majority of the little trolley cars ran on narrow gauge three-foot, six-inch rails and the railroad tracks had both gauges by simply laying a third rail.

The trollies, being built of wood, could be lengthened, shortened, modified, rebuilt as long as lumber was in supply. Even the seats were wood and fully reversible with the pull on a handle to face the opposite direction. The whole trolley was reversible as it had controls on either identical end.

When a trolley reached the end of the line, it switched on to the parallel tracks, usually on the other side of the center line power poles and reversed travel with traffic direction.

All of this was done by one person, and after WWII a lot of trolley operators were women, and of all races.

All that was really necessary was to move the coin counter machine, lower the electric trolley from the front, and raise the trolley on the rear and take on passengers.

The trolley routes are not only still there, but are now in use again or being studied for re-use or incorporation in new routes.

A good many old wooden cars were burned up to salvage the iron for scrap material. Some went to Korea and Peru as their railroad track gauges were the same.

San Francisco was a major recipient of the newer "P" cars (streamlined cars for B.A.R.T.)

Some examples of LARY still exist at Travel Town in Griffith Park and at the Inland Empire Railroad Museum in Perris, California. You can take rides on old trollies, or streamliners, along with a steam engine, and old passenger cars.

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Summers at the Beach

By Yolanda Reyna
Contributor

Summer outings were so much fun growing up with my family.

My parents' idea of a summer outing was heading out to the local beach: Cabrillo Beach in San Pedro. My father, with a beer in one hand and a set of keys in the other, often announced in his brawny voice to his six children, "Who wants to go to the beach?" With a gleam in his eyes, we knew he was at his happiest because most of the time he was just plain grumpy.

When my father got a whim for the beach, we knew we had no time for packing anything. We'd grab our swimsuits and a towel and jump in the back of our father's Chevrolet pick-up truck. So happy and excited! We were like baby chicks in a crate, scrambling in the back waiting for our parents to get us to the beach.

Once we were all settled in, and we'd find our little area in the back of the truck, we almost knew what was ahead of us: the wind blowing across our beaming childish faces.

My mother, if she had time to pack a lunch, would fix some burritos of ground beef and scrambled eggs, and if she didn't have time to pack a lunch, my father would make a pit stop at the local mini-mart to purchase three items; a loaf of bread, a slab of baloney and a six pack of Hamm's beer. Sometimes one of the children got the opportunity to sit in the front between my parents, which was a privilege.

My mother, snuggled and perched in the front with her purse resting on her lap, was often quiet. But when she had to speak, she didn't hold back. If I had the opportunity to sit between my parents, she would periodically scold my father for asking me to hand him his beer, during the drive, which was seated next to him.

She'd say, "Gilbert!", and then utter something in Spanish, while flaring her hand at him.

My father's idea of littering while driving was tossing an empty beer can or two in the back of the truck, and once in a while one of the children would catch one. Once we arrived at the beach, we'd all race out to the wavy waters and let loose.

Strangely, my parents did not get in the water. They sat in the truck, looking at the children.

When it was chow time, the children were then given a burrito or a baloney sandwich which eventually ended up with a few grains of sand in it, which gave it a nice crunch. To quench our thirst, we'd all challenge ourselves to a race to the nearest water fountain.

Yes, summer outings were so much fun growing up in my home, even if it meant a few grains of sand in our food.

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POETRY MATTERS

Losing My Sight

I never knew that by August the birds are practically silent, only a twitter here and there. Now I notice. Last spring their noisiness taught me the difference between screamers and whistlers and cooers and O, the coloraturas. I have already mastered the subtlest pitches in our cat's elegant Chinese. As the river turns muddier before my eyes, its sighs and little smacks grow louder. Like a spy, I pick up things indiscriminately: the long approach of a truck, car doors slammed in the dark, the night life of animals—shrieks and hisses, sex and plunder in the garage. Tonight the crickets spread static across the air, a continuous rope of sound extended to me, the perfect listener.

Lisel Mueller "Alive Together," Louisiana State University Press, 1996.

"I am always haunted by the sense that I could have been someone else," says Mueller. Blind or not, in this poem she plays with Keats's idea of the chameleon poet: "even now I am perhaps not speaking from myself, but from some character in whose soul I now live." Poetry Matters is curated by Lorine Parks.



CABA Adult Basketball league is now forming teams for its new fall season, which begins next week.

Games are played Thursdays at 9 p.m. and 10 p.m. The league is open to adults ages 21 and older.

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 State of Incorporation: N/A
 THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: an Individual
 The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 08/2019
 I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
 S/NANCY NOEMY VILLICANA, OWNER
 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on AUGUST 5, 2019
 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 and Professions Code).

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GOVERNMENT
CITY OF DOWNEY SUMMARY OF ORDINANCES ADOPTED
 On August 27, 2019, the City Council

CITY OF DOWNEY NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON A PROPOSED ZONE CHANGE PLN-18-00102

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held before the DOWNEY CITY COUNCIL on the 10th day of September, 2019, at 6:30 p.m., in the Council Chambers of the Downey City Hall, 11111 Brookshire Avenue, Downey, California. At that time and place, consideration will be given to the following:

(PLN-18-00102) Zone Change: A request to approve a Zone Change to remove the antiquated P-B (Parking Buffer) zone so that the entire site will have one zoning designation of R-3 (Multiple-Family Residential) in compliance with the General Plan, of the property located at 7224 Florence Avenue.

All interested parties are invited to submit written comments and/or to attend and give testimony. The staff report, which provides a detailed description and analysis of this project, will be posted to the City's website (<http://www.downeyca.org>) on the Friday prior to the public hearing.

As required by the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), this request has been found to be Categorically Exempt from CEQA, per CEQA Guideline, Section 15061 (b)(3).

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance to participate in this meeting, contact the City Clerk's Department at 562-904-7280 or the California Relay Service at 711. Notification at least 48 hours prior to the meeting will enable the City to make arrangements to assure accessibility. The City of Downey does not discriminate on the basis of disability in admission to, access to, or operations of its programs, services or activities. Questions, concerns, complaints or requests for additional information regarding the Americans with Disabilities Act may be forwarded to the City's ADA/Section 504 Coordinator at 11111 Brookshire Avenue, Downey, CA 90241, ADACoordinator@downeyca.org, Phone: 562-299-6619, Fax: 562-923-6388, and California Relay 711.

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 Clerk at, or prior to, the public hearing.

For more information contact Senior Planner Alfonso Hernandez at (562) 904-7154, or at ahernandez@downeyca.org.

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of the City of Downey adopted the following Ordinances:

Adopted Ordinance No. 19-1415, an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Downey amending provisions of the City of Downey Municipal Code establishing a sidewalk vending program.

AYES: Council Members: Ashton, Frometa, Saab, Pacheco, Mayor Rodriguez
 NOES: Council Member: None.
 EXCUSED: Council Member: None.
 ABSTAIN: Council Member: None.

Adopted Ordinance No. 19-1416, an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Downey amending Downey Municipal Code Article II, Chapter 1, Section 2105 regulating the Rules of Conduct for City Council Meetings.

AYES: Council Members: Ashton, Frometa, Saab, Pacheco, Mayor Rodriguez
 NOES: Council Member: None.
 EXCUSED: Council Member: None.
 ABSTAIN: Council Member: None.

Copy of the full texts is available in the City Clerk's Office.

María Alicia Duarte, CMC, City Clerk
 August 29, 2019

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CITY OF DOWNEY NOTICE CALLING FOR BIDS

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT NO. 15-21 WILDERNESS PARK POND RESTORATION PROJECT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that sealed bids will be received at the office of the City Clerk of Downey until 11:00 am on Thursday, September 26, 2019, at which hour the proposed bids will be publicly opened and read in the City Hall at 11111 Brookshire Ave., Downey, California for Capital Improvement Project No.15-21 - Wilderness Park Pond Restoration Project.

The Scope of Work to be performed under this Contract for Wilderness Park Pond consists of restoring 2/5 acres of wetlands habitat at two existing ponds at Wilderness park, which is adjacent to the San Gabriel River. The project will improve the ponds by replacing invasive plant species with natives, installing a 40 ml. pond liner, naturalized hardened shoreline and a new aeration system to improve water quality, restoring wetland habitat for native species, animal wildlife and providing respite for migratory birds. Further, this project includes new trail segments with a pedestrian bridge that will enhance access to the adjacent 28-mile San Gabriel River Trail and new educational wayfinding signage to facility wetlands and native habitat awareness; and other miscellaneous related work in accordance with Plans and Specifications entitled **Capital Improvement Project No. 15-21 - Wilderness Park Pond Restoration Project, dated 3/27/19.**

Mandatory Bid Walk shall be required for all contractors bidding on this Project, failure to attend and formally sign the Attendance Sheet at the park location, shall render the bidder non-responsive and its bid shall be returned unopened.

Day / Date of Mandatory Bid Walk:
 Thursday / September 12, 2019
Time: 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm
Location: - 10999 Little Lake Rd., Downey, CA 90241
Community Building

Plans and Specifications can be sent to you via email from the City of Downey's Project Coordination and Communication on-line internet portal, PROCORE. To obtain access to the Plans and Specifications via PROCORE, email Melanie Cazin mcazin@edencoinc.com with the Subject Line: "WILDERNESS PARK POND".

BIDS MUST BE MADE ON THE PROPOSAL FORM INCLUDED IN THE PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT NO. 15-21. Each bid shall be accompanied by cash, a certified or cashier's check or by a corporate surety bond issued by a surety company, admitted to do business in the State of California, on the form furnished by the City as guarantee that bidder will, if an award is made to him in accordance with the terms of his bid, promptly secure Workers' Compensation insurance, and liability insurance, execute a contract in the required form, and furnish satisfactory bonds for the faithful performance of the Contract ("Performance Bond") and for the payment of claims of materialmen and laborers thereunder ("Payment Bond"). Said cash, check or bidder's bond shall be in an amount of not less than ten percent (10%) of the amount of the bid. The Performance and Payment Bond shall be not less than one hundred percent (100%) of

the total amount of the bid price named in the contract. Only bonds issued by companies admitted to do business in the State of California will be accepted in accordance with the Code of Civil Procedure Section 995.31. Failure to submit acceptable Payment and Performance Bonds as required shall result in a rejection of the bid and a forfeiture of the proposal guarantee.

The Contractor shall abide by the provisions of the California Labor Code § 1770-1781, et seq. In accordance with the provision of the California Labor Code § 1773, the general prevailing rates of per diem wages and holiday and overtime work in the locality in which the work is to be performed has been obtained from the Director of the Department of Industrial Relations, a copy of which is on file in the office of the City Clerk of the City of Downey and will be made available to any interested party upon request. The Contractor shall post a copy of the prevailing rate of per diem wages at the job site. The Contractor, and any Subcontractor under him, shall pay not less than the specified prevailing rates of wages to all workers employed in the execution of the contract.

All projects require the successful bidder to possess a valid State of California Contractor's License at the time of Contract Award, in accordance with Section 20103.5 of the Public Contract Code. Pursuant to Section 3300 of the Public Contract Code, the City has determined that the Contractor to whom the subject contract is awarded shall possess a valid

State of California Contractor's License in the Classification of A.

In accordance with California Labor Code Section 1771.1, no Contractor or Subcontractor shall be qualified to (a) bid on or be listed in a bid proposal on or after March 1, 2015, or (b) engage in the performance of this Work after April 1, 2015, unless registered and qualified to perform the Work pursuant to Labor Code Section 1725.5.

Contractor's performance of the Work described in this Invitation for Bids is subject to compliance monitoring and enforcement by the California Department of Industrial Relations.

Each Contractor submitting a proposal or bid for his work shall complete and submit with the proposal all of the forms included therein, including the Bidder's Qualifications Statement, Designation of Subcontractors, the Bid Collusion Affidavit, the Pre-Bid Site Inspection Certification and the Signature Page. Failure to include any of these documents with the proposal may disqualify the proposal.

The City of Downey reserves the right, after opening bids, to reject any or all bids, to waive any informality in any bid received, and to be the sole judge of the merits of the respective bids received. The award of the Contract, if it is awarded, will be to the lowest responsible Bidder whose bid complies with all the requirements prescribed.

Pursuant to California Public Contract Code § 22300, the Contractor at his sole cost and expense, may substitute authorized securities for any monies withheld by the City to ensure performance under the Contract.

All Pre-Bid Requests for Information (RFI) shall be submitted ONLY from listed Mandatory Bid Walk attendees-general contractors and shall be in written form only and emailed to:

Melanie Cazin -
 Project Controls Manager
 Email: mcazin@edencoinc.com

Pre-Bid RFIs shall NOT be accepted later than 5:00 pm on September 20, 2019 and shall NOT be responded to. Pre-Bid RFIs submitted from general contractors not included on the Mandatory Bid Walk Attendee List shall not be responded to. Phone inquiries shall not be accepted. The City may issue a clarification Addendum responding to the appropriately submitted Pre-Bid RFIs.

The estimated construction costs are \$3,000,000.00 for Wilderness Park Pond Restoration Project.

NO LATE BIDS WILL BE ACCEPTED.

CITY OF DOWNEY, CALIFORNIA
 María Alicia Duarte, CMC
 City Clerk

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LIEN SALES

NOTICE OF LIEN SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned intends to sell the personal property described below to enforce a lien imposed on said property pursuant to Sections 21700-21716 of the CA Business and Professions Code, Section 2328 of CA Commercial Code, Sections 1812.600 -1812.609, Section 1988 of CA Civil Code and Section 535 of the CA Penal Code.

The undersigned will sell at public sale by competitive bidding on Wednesday, the 18th day of September, 2019, at 10:00 AM, on the premises where said property including: household goods, tools, electronics and personal effects, have been stored and which are located at: Paramount Self Storage, 8160 E. Rosecrans Ave, Paramount, 90723, County of Los Angeles, State of California, the following:

Name	Unit #
Cecil W. Myers	2515
Erick J. Albert Garcia	1338
Ana Castro	1407
Allan Jun Cobar	2037
Jose Fuentes	2241
Victor Garcia	2414
Eneredyda Iribe	1357
Norma Rodriguez	2430
Robert A. Scott	2474
Carles Smith	2631
Lakela Stephens	2328
Rene Thomas	1310
Daina Villanueva	2265
Shenetha Washington	1303
Lupe Zamora	2627

Purchases must be paid for at the time of purchase in CASH ONLY. All purchased items sold as is, where is and must be removed at the time of sale. Sale subject to cancellation in the event of settlement between Owner and obligated party.

Dated this 29th Day of August 2019 and 5th Day of September 2019.
 SecStorage Management Company
 Bond #: WLI1254152

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NOTICES

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
CASE NUMBER: 19NWC00275
 TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner LAURIE ZUNIGA filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
 Present name (1) BRIANNA MICAELA ZUNIGA MEDINA to Proposed name (1) BRIANNA MICAELA ZUNIGA
 Present name (2) JOSHUA STEPHEN MEDINA to Proposed name (1) JOSHUA STEVEN ZUNIGA

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 25, 2019, Time: 1:30 p.m., Department: N/A 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 26, 2019
 Judge Margaret M. Bernal
 Judge Of The Superior Court
 Petitioner or Attorney, In Pro Per
LAURIE ZUNIGA
8324 DINDALE ST.
DOWNEY, CA 90240
(562) 449-5425

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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
CASE NUMBER: 19NWC00298
 TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner NAZARETH LIJAM filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
 Present name (1) NAZARETH LIJAM to Proposed name (1) NAZARETH LIJAM SENGAL
 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

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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
CASE NUMBER: 19NWC00290
 TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner JOHEL ERNESTO MORAN AREVALO filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
 Present name (1) JOHEL ERNESTO MORAN AREVALO to Proposed name (1) JOHEL ERNESTO MORAN
 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: OCTOBER 9, 2019, Time: 1:30 p.m., Department: C Room: 312
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
 AUGUST 6, 2019
 Judge Margaret M. Bernal
 Judge Of The Superior Court
 Petitioner or Attorney, In Pro Per
JOHEL ERNESTO MORAN AREVALO
7966 CLETA ST
DOWNEY, CA 90241
(562) 774-5307
JMORAN9861@YAHOO.COM

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CITY OF DOWNEY NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON A PROPOSED MUNICIPAL CODE AMENDMENT PLN-19-00118

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held before the DOWNEY CITY COUNCIL on the 10th day of September, 2019, at 6:30 p.m., in the Council Chambers of the Downey City Hall, 11111 Brookshire Avenue, Downey, California. At that time and place, consideration will be given to the following:

Municipal Code Amendment - An Amendment to the Downey Municipal Code as it relates to Massage Uses and Operational Standards.

All interested parties are invited to submit written comments and/or to attend and give testimony. The staff report, which provides a detailed description and analysis of this project, will be posted to the City's website (<http://www.downeyca.org>) on the Friday prior to the public hearing.

This ordinance is exempt from review under the California Environmental Quality Act (California Public Resources Code §§ 21000, et seq., "CEQA") and CEQA regulations (14 California Code of Regulations §§ 15000, et seq.) because it establishes rules and procedures to permit operation of existing facilities; consists only of minor revisions and clarifications to existing regulations and specification of procedures related thereto; and consists of actions taken to assure the maintenance, protection and enhancement of the environment. This ordinance, therefore, does not have the potential to cause significant effects on the environment. Consequently, it is categorically exempt from further CEQA review under 14 Cal. Code Regs. §§ 15301, 15305, and 15308, actions in compliance with the requirements of CEQA.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance to participate in this meeting, contact the City Clerk's Department at 562-904-7280 or the California Relay Service at 711. Notification at least 48 hours prior to the meeting will enable the City to make arrangements to assure accessibility. The City of Downey does not discriminate on the basis of disability in admission to, access to, or operations of its programs, services or activities. Questions, concerns, complaints or requests for additional information regarding the Americans with Disabilities Act may be forwarded to the City's ADA/Section 504 Coordinator at 11111 Brookshire Avenue, Downey, CA 90241, ADACoordinator@downeyca.org, Phone: 562-299-6619, Fax: 562-923-6388, and California Relay 711.

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 Clerk at, or prior to, the public hearing.

For more information contact City Planner Crystal Landavazo at 562-904-7154, or at clandavazo@downeyca.org.

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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: OCTOBER 16, 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
 AUGUST 9, 2019
 Judge Margaret M. Bernal
 Judge Of The Superior Court
 Petitioner or Attorney, In Pro Per
NAZARETH LIJAM
11509 E. 216TH ST., APT. #120 LAKEWOOD, CA, 90715
(562) 865-2239
NAZARETH.LIJAM@GMAIL.COM

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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
CASE NUMBER: 19NWC00314
 TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner ATHENA SKY CRAWFORD filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
 Present name (1) ATHENA SKY CRAWFORD to Proposed name (1) ATHENA SKY AGUILERA
 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

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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
CASE NUMBER: 19NWCP00325
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner BRYAN MICHAEL MARTINEZ filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
Present name (1) BRYAN MICHAEL MARTINEZ, Proposed name (1) BRIAN MICHAEL MARTINEZ
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: **OCTOBER 23, 2019, Time: 1:30 p.m., Department: C Room: 312**
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, **DOWNEY PATRIOT**, AUGUST 27, 2019
Judge Margaret M. Bernal
Judge Of The Superior Court
Petitioner or Attorney, In Pro Per
BRYAN MICHAEL MARTINEZ
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DOWNEY, CA 90241
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Read the information below. You have 30 CALENDAR DAYS after this summons and legal papers are served on you to file a written response at this court and have a copy served on the plaintiff. A letter or phone call will not protect you. Your written response must be in proper legal form if you want the court to hear your case. There may be a court form that you can use for your response. You can find these court forms and more information at the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), your county law library, or the courthouse nearest you. If you cannot pay the filing fee, ask the court clerk for a fee waiver form. If you do not file your response on time, you may lose the case by default, and your wages, money and property may be taken without further warning from the court.
There are other legal requirements. You may want to call an attorney right away. If you do not know an attorney, you may want to call an attorney referral service. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may be eligible for free legal services from a nonprofit legal services program. You can locate these nonprofit groups at the California Legal Services Web site (www.lawhelpcalifornia.org), the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), or by contacting your local court or county bar association. **NOTE:** The court has a statutory lien for waived fees and costs on any settlement or arbitration award of \$10,000 or more in a civil case. The court's lien must be paid before the court will dismiss the case. **AVISO!** Lo han demandado. Si no responde dentro de 30 días, la corte puede decidir en su contra sin escuchar su versión. Lea la información a continuación. Tiene 30 DÍAS DE CALENDARIO después de que le entreguen esta citación y papeles legales para presentar una respuesta por escrito en esta corte y hacer que se entregue una copia al demandante. Una carta o una llamada telefónica no lo protegen. Su respuesta por escrito tiene que estar en formato legal correcto si desea que procesen su caso en la corte. Es posible que haya un formulario que usted pueda usar para su respuesta. Puede encontrar estos formularios de la corte y más información en el Centro de Ayuda de las Cortes de California (www.sucorte.ca.gov), en la biblioteca de leyes de su condado o en la corte que le quede más cerca. Si no puede pagar la cuota de presentación, pida al secretario de la corte que le dé un formulario de exención de pago de cuotas. Si no presenta su respuesta a tiempo, puede perder el caso por incumplimiento y la corte le podrá quitar su sueldo, dinero y bienes sin más advertencia. Hay otros requisitos legales. Es recomendable que llame a un abogado inmediatamente. Si no conoce a un abogado, puede llamar a un servicio de remisión a abogados. Si no puede pagar a un abogado, es posible que cumpla con los requisitos para obtener servicios legales gratuitos de un programa de servicios legales sin fines de lucro. Puede encontrar estos grupos sin fines de lucro en sitio web de California Legal Services (www.lawhelpcalifornia.org), en el Centro de Ayuda de las Cortes de California (www.sucorte.ca.gov) o poniéndose en contacto con la corte o el colegio de abogados locales. **AVISO:** Por ley, la corte tiene derecho a relamar las cuotas y los costos exentos por imponer un gravamen sobre cualquier recuperación de \$10,000 o más de valor recibida mediante un acuerdo o una concesión de arbitraje en un caso de derecho civil. Tiene que pagar el gravamen de la corte antes de que la corte pueda desear el caso. The name and address of the court is: (El nombre y dirección de la corte es): SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES 12720 NORWALK BLVD, NORWALK, CALIFORNIA 90650 The name, address and telephone number of plaintiff's attorney, or plaintiff without an attorney, is: (El nombre, la dirección y el número de teléfono del abogado del demandante, o del demandante que no tiene abogado, es): FEDELIS LAW APC 10601 CIVIC CENTER DRIVE, SUITE 150 RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91730 PHONE: 909-581-4351

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SUMMONS (CITACION JUDICIAL) CASE NUMBER: (Numero del Caso): BC716692

NOTICE TO DEFENDANT (AVISO AL DEMANDADO): ALBERTO CALATRAVA, AN INDIVIDUAL, FRED TAGUIADAR, AN INDIVIDUAL, PAOLA JAUREGUI, AN INDIVIDUAL, AND DOES 1-20. YOU ARE BEING SUED BY PLAINTIFF (LO ESTA DEMANDANDO EL DEMANDANTE): JOSE GONZALEZ, AN INDIVIDUAL **NOTICE!** You have been sued. The court may decide against you without your being heard unless you respond within 30 days. Read the information below. You have 30 CALENDAR DAYS after this summons and legal papers are served on you to file a written response at this court and have a copy served on the plaintiff. A letter or phone call will not protect you. Your written response must be in proper legal form if you want the court to hear your case. There may be a court form that you can use for your response. You can find these court forms and more information at the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), your county law library, or the courthouse nearest you. If you cannot pay the filing fee, ask the court clerk for a fee waiver form. If you do not file your response on time, you may lose the case by default, and your wages, money and property may be taken without further warning from the court.
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de la corte antes de que la corte pueda desear el caso. The name and address of the court is: (El nombre y dirección de la corte es): 111 N. HILL STREET LOS ANGELES, CA 90012 The name, address and telephone number of plaintiff's attorney, or plaintiff without an attorney, is: (El nombre, la dirección y el número de teléfono del abogado del demandante, o del demandante que no tiene abogado, es): JONATHAN P. FLY 3308 BROADWAY, STE 305 SAN ANTONIO, TX 78209 TEL. (210) 213-6382 JFLY@JURISTERRA.COM Date (Fecha): AUG 06, 2018 SHERRI R. CARTER, Clerk, by (Secretario), SHAUNYA BOLDEN Deputy (Adjunto)

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TRUSTEE SALES

T.S. No. 077023-CA APN: 6170-034-008 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE IMPORTANT NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 1/10/2007. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER ON 9/24/2019 at 10:30 AM, CLEAR RECON CORP, as duly appointed trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust recorded 1/23/2007, as Instrument No. 20070134244, of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Los Angeles County, State of CALIFORNIA executed by: PEDRO ARROYO, A SINGLE MAN WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH, CASHIER'S CHECK 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: BEHIND THE FOUNTAIN LOCATED IN CIVIC CENTER PLAZA, 400 CIVIC CENTER PLAZA, POMONA, CA 91766 all right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County and State described as: MORE ACCURATELY DESCRIBED IN SAID DEED OF TRUST. The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 3133 NORTON AVENUE LYNNWOOD, CA 90262-1855 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be held, but without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession, condition, or encumbrances, including fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust. 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: \$549,149.79 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 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 or its predecessor 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, 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 (844) 477-7869 or visit this Internet Web site WWW.STOXPOSTING.COM, using the file number assigned to this case 077023-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. FOR SALES INFORMATION: (844) 477-7869 CLEAR RECON CORP 4375 Jutland Drive San Diego, California 92117

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE T.S. No.: 19-2116 Loan No.: *6847 APN: 6390-014 078 NOTE: THERE IS A SUMMARY OF THE INFORMATION IN THIS DOCUMENT ATTACHED. YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 12/28/2004. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by 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. Trustor: CRISTINA MAGANA, AN UNMARRIED WOMAN Duly Appointed Trustee: PRESTIGE DEFAULT SERVICES Recorded 1/3/2005 as Instrument No. 05 0004971 in book , page of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Los Angeles County, California, Date of Sale: 9/6/2019 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: \$364,938.08 Street Address or other common designation of real property: 9227 Florence Avenue #15 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. NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property, 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. All checks payable to Prestige Default Services. 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 <https://www.serviceinkasap.com/default.aspx>, using the file number assigned to this case 19-2116. 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: 8/7/2019 PRESTIGE DEFAULT SERVICES 19205 Old Tustin Ave. Santa Ana, California 92705 Sale Line: (714) 730-2727 Michelle R. Ghidotti-Gonsalves, President A-4701799 08/15/2019, 08/22/2019, 08/29/2019

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PROBATE

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF MARTIN THOMAS FUERST
19STPB0122

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of MARTIN THOMAS FUERST
A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Hortencia Maldonado in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.
THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that Hortencia Maldonado 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 Sept. 16, 2019 at 8:30 AM in Dept. No. 11 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 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.
Attorney for petitioner:
G MARK SANTA ANNA ESQ
SBN 165416
GMSA LEGAL
1055 W 7TH STREET
33RD FL-RPH
LOS ANGELES CA 90017
CN963218 FUERST Aug 22, 2019, Sep 5, 2019

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE RE: PROOF OF SERVICE BY PUBLICATION, ENTRY OF DEFAULT, ASSET MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE
DATE: NOVEMBER 21, 2019
TIME: 8:30AM
LOCATION: NORWALK COURTHOUSE, DEPARTMENT F
12720 NORWALK BOULEVARD, NORWALK, CA 90650

Date (Fecha): 11/05/2018
SHERRI R. CARTER, Clerk, by (Secretario), M. CEBALLOS Deputy (Adjunto)

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SUMMONS (Family Law) NOTICE TO RESPONDENT (Name) AVISO AL DEMANDADO (Nombre): LUIS ALONZO LOPEZ
You have been sued. Read the information below. You have 30 CALENDAR DAYS after this summons and legal papers are served on you to file a written response at this court and have a copy served on the plaintiff. A letter, phone call, or court appearance will not protect you. If you do not file your response on time, you may lose the case by default, and your wages, money and property may be taken without further warning from the court.
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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: **OCTOBER 23, 2019, Time: 1:30 p.m., Department: C Room: 312**
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, **DOWNEY PATRIOT**, AUGUST 27, 2019
Judge Margaret M. Bernal
Judge Of The Superior Court
Petitioner or Attorney, In Pro Per
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SUMMONS (CITACION JUDICIAL) CASE NUMBER: (Numero del Caso): BC716692

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Vikings take tough loss, hope to rebound in Hawai'i

By Mark Fetter
Sportswriter

DOWNEY - The Downey High School football team traveled to Newport Beach last Friday night to play a highly-ranked Corona del Mar team (59th in the nation and 15th in the state) and were defeated 57-20.

In the Downey/Corona del Mar game the Vikings found themselves down early. The Vikings trailed 7-0 at the end of the first quarter but saw a Sea King team explode for 28 points in the second quarter. Downey trailed 35-7 going into the locker room at halftime.

Corona del Mar continued the third quarter where they left off in the second quarter by outscoring Downey 22-6. The Sea Kings led 57-14 at the end of the third quarter. The Vikings managed to outscore Corona del Mar 6-0 in the fourth quarter but lost the game 57-20.

Viking starting quarterback Chris Hernandez completed 7/15 pass attempts for 111 yards and one touchdown. Hernandez also had two interceptions and finished the game with a quarterback rating of 54.4. Backup Viking quarterback Pedro Deanda completed 7/9 pass attempts for 94 yards and one touchdown. De Anda's quarterback rating was 147.5.

Running back(s) Jaden Allen carried the ball 15 times for 89 yards and Mateo Rico carried the ball 15 times for 89 yards. Issiah Apodaca led the Viking receiving corps with six catches for 73 yards. Jayden Hollis had one reception for 18 yards and a touchdown and Kevin Caldwell had one reception for 36 yards and a touchdown.

The Viking defense was led by Aiden Chapman's six solo tackles, Alex Rodriguez's three solo and three assisted tackles and Daniel Mena's one solo and five assisted tackles.

The Vikings look to rebound later today against Kapolei of Hawai'i and hope to pick up their first win in Hawai'i. The Vikings lost last year's game at Downey 23-14.

WARREN FOOTBALL: The Warren High School football team traveled to Long Beach Poly last Friday night for a scrimmage against the Jackrabbits. The two teams scrimmaged against each other in preparation for their respective league openers.

Long Beach Poly will be opening up against Punahou of Honolulu, Hawai'i tomorrow night at Moorpark College, and the Bears will be traveling to historic Clark Avenue Field on the campus at St. Anthony's of Long Beach tonight.

The scrimmage proved a valuable tune-up for both teams as players were given a last-minute opportunity to earn more playing time and for coaching staffs to fine-tune their respective teams and make any last-minute adjustments.

Both teams are looking forward to the start of their 2019 football season.

WARREN GIRLS' TENNIS: The Warren High School girls' tennis team currently has a 1-0 record. The Bears defeated Santa Fe at Warren 9-9 (criteria decision) on Tuesday. Warren hosted Long Beach Millikan yesterday (score unavailable at press time), will travel to Whitney High School of Cerritos next Tuesday and will travel to Lakewood next Thursday.

Warren will begin San Gabriel Valley League play when they host Paramount at Warren on Sept. 24 and when they host cross-town rival Downey at Warren on Sept. 27.

The Bears finished last season with an overall record of 15-3 and a San Gabriel Valley League record of 12-0. Warren was defeated by the Archer School for Girls of Los Angeles in the second round of C.I.F. postseason play 14-4.

DOWNEY GIRLS' VOLLEYBALL: The Downey High School girls' volleyball team currently has a record of 2-1. The Lady Vikings hosted a tournament at Downey High School last Saturday, Aug. 17, and finished with a record of 1-1. Downey was defeated in

their first game by Burbank Burroughs 3-0 and defeated South El Monte in the second game of their tournament 3-0.

Downey competed in the Lakewood Moulten Tournament this past weekend and defeated Monrovia in three sets 25-16, 25-21 and 25-16. The Lady Vikings traveled to Garden Grove earlier this week but there was no result available at press time.

Downey's schedule will have the Lady Vikings traveling to Marina to face the Marina Lady Vikings on Sept. 10, and are also scheduled to play at Paramount on Sept. 17 and at cross-town rival Warren on Sept. 26.

Downey finished last season with an overall record of 17-11 and a San Gabriel Valley League record of 9-1. The Lady Vikings were co-league champions with Gahr (9-1). Downey was defeated by Xavier Prep of Palm Desert 3-0 in the third round of the C.I.F. Division 4 playoffs.

Coach McCarthy, his players and staff are all looking to have a strong season and once again compete for a league championship and deeper run in C.I.F. postseason play.

WARREN GIRLS' VOLLEYBALL: The Warren High School girls' volleyball team currently has a record of 1-1. The Lady Bears were defeated by Norwalk at Warren on Tuesday, Aug. 20 in their first game 3-2 (25-21, 22-25, 25-23, 22-25 and 15-13) and defeated Pioneer at Warren on Thursday, Aug. 22 in their second game 3-0

(individual set results unavailable at press time).

Warren played Bellflower on Tuesday at Warren, and Valley Christian yesterday at Warren. Both

scores were unavailable at press time. The Lady Bears are also scheduled to play Schurr at Schurr on Tuesday, Sept. 3, will host El Rancho at Warren on Thursday, Sept. 5, will host Cerritos at Warren on Tuesday, Sept. 10 and will begin San Gabriel Valley League play when they host Dominguez at Warren on Thursday, Sept. 12.

The first of two cross-town rivalry games against Downey will be held at Warren on Thursday, Sept. 26 and the second game against Downey at Downey will be held on Friday, Oct. 4.

Warren finished last season with an overall record of 7-8 and a San Gabriel Valley League record of 5-5. The Lady Bears did not qualify for postseason play last season.

Coach Lane, his staff and players all hope to compete for a league title this season and a line on a C.I.F. Division 5 postseason bracket sheet.

L.A. Philharmonic playing rare concert in Whittier

WHITTIER - In a rare local performance, the Los Angeles Philharmonic will perform a free concert in Whittier next month.

The concert is scheduled for Sept. 27 at 7 p.m. at the Vic Lopez Auditorium at Whittier High School.

"It isn't always easy to get your family to Downtown Los Angeles or to the Hollywood Bowl to see the Philharmonic -- so we are bringing the L.A. Phil to you," said Supervisor Janice Hahn, who partnered with the Whittier Chamber of Commerce and Whittier Union High School District to make the concert possible.

"The L.A. Phil is a local treasure and these neighborhood concerts are an incredible opportunity to experience it, for free, right in your community. I have been looking forward to bringing the L.A. Phil to Whittier for a long time and I want to thank the Whittier Chamber of Commerce and Whittier Union High School for helping make it possible."

The concert will feature the L.A. Phil, led by Associate Conductor Paolo Bortolameolli, performing works by Beethoven, Duke Ellington, Aldemaro Romero and Leonard Bernstein, plus L.A. Phil-commissioned work by Paul Desenne.

The concert will also include a special demonstration of the newly restored 1927 Wurlitzer theater organ which was dedicated to the Vic Lopez Auditorium last year by the Whittier High School Alumni Association.

"Whittier loves music and the arts and the chamber is thrilled to be part of this exciting opportunity to bring the L.A. Phil here," said Whittier Chamber Board Chair Elizabeth Martinez.

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