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Downey breaks ground on sports complex

■ The 5-acre facility on the south Rancho campus will feature three multi-purpose fields.

By Alex Dominguez
Staff Writer

DOWNEY – Supervisor Janice Hahn and members of Downey City Council broke ground on an over \$12 million sports complex over the weekend.

The 5-acre complex will be erected on Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center's abandoned south campus, and will include three multi-purpose fields, lighting for nighttime play, a restroom, concession stand, equipment storage room, office space for staff and a surface parking lot.

It is budgeted for \$12.12 million, a majority of which is coming from Hahn's 4th District discretionary funding.

Downey is expected to provide \$2.12 million to cover synthetic turf, office space, and a multi-sport scoreboard.

Once completed, the county will lease the facility to the city – which will operate it – for one dollar a year.

Hahn said that the groundbreaking signaled that "things are happening."

"For a lot of us, this past year we realized how many things we took for granted, and how many things we weren't allowed to do," said Hahn. "For many people – especially our kids – that was sports."

"Sports as we know isn't just about exercise. Sports build character, comradery, confidence, leadership skills; sports are an essential part of growing up...This is a great collaboration and I know that this sports complex is going to be such a great asset for Downey and all of our residents."

Hahn was joined by Mayor Claudia Marroquin-Frometa, Mayor Pro Tem Blanca Pacheco, and Council Members Sean Ashton and Catherine Alvarez.

Frometa said it was an "exciting day for our community."

"We break ground on this brand-new sports complex that will provide much needed recreational opportunities for our local youth," said Frometa. "This project would not be possible without the support of Supervisor Janice Hahn, who has been committed to this project and has worked with our city to articulate a vision and a design that reflects the needs of our community."

"This complex and sports complex and sports field will be a legacy to our younger generations. What this means to all of us is of course that health matters to us; our youth matter."

The south campus still has plenty of development planned in its future, as the new sports complex is just one piece of a broader development of the Rancho South Campus, which also includes county office buildings and – possibly – a light rail commuter station.

Prior to the new developments, the area had sat abandoned for over 35 years.

The facility is scheduled to be complete in November of this year.

Middle and high schools get return date

■ Following a year of distance learning, Downey Unified students can return to campus March 29.

By Alex Dominguez
Staff Writer

DOWNEY – Downey Unified School District middle and high school campuses will reopen to students in a hybrid format as of March 29, following a unanimous Board of Education decision on Tuesday.

After more than a year of full-distance learning onset by Covid-19, parents will now have the option to send their students back to school in a hybrid format.

The school district's elementary campuses received similar news earlier this month, however, secondary schools were not eligible to follow suit until LA County had fallen to "red" tier level statistics and stayed as such for two weeks.

Once this occurred, schools would have a 21-day window to reopen. If schools reopen within that time frame, they may stay open. However, should that time elapse and cases rise to "purple" levels once again, schools not yet open would lose the opportunity.

LA County was assigned to the red tier on Monday, earlier than anticipated. This sets the end of the critical 21-day window on April 4.

The district recently asked its secondary level parents to recommit to either a hybrid model or to remaining in distance



Downey Unified School District superintendent Dr. John Garcia delivers an update on campus reopenings in a video posted to YouTube.

learning.

Results showed a shift in over 1,942 students from a previous survey, with 1,091 changing from hybrid to distance learning and 851 from distance learning to hybrid. Overall, the stats presented on Tuesday reflected a 60/40 percent split with most opting to remain distanced.

Officials have expressed, however, that there is some flexibility for parents and students to change their minds and switch after students return.

In-person schedules look slightly different between elementary, elementary special ed, and secondary levels.

Elementary students will be split into groups "A" and "B." On Mondays and Tuesdays, Group A will attend in-person from 8:30 to 11:30 am, followed by dismissal

and "Grab N' Go" lunch at 11:30 am. Distance learning students and Group B will then have Zoom instruction from 12:20 to 3 pm.

Groups A and B will switch on Thursdays and Fridays.

Special Education will meet Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday from 8:30-11:30 am, with dismissal / "Grab N' Go" lunch at 11:30 am, and distance zoom learning from 12:20-3 pm.

Wednesdays will be full distance, consisting of two 45-minute blocks from 8:30-9:15 am and 9:30-10:15 am. From 10:30 am to 2 pm, students can participate in PE, math, and STEAM.

The secondary level schedule will remain as what was previously announced, with students broken into three cohorts: A, B, and C.

Cohorts A and B will alternate between in-person and Zoom instruction Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays. Cohort C will remain full distance.

After three class periods from 8:30 am to 12:30 pm, students will be released for grab and go lunch, followed by intervention and enrichment from 1:15 am to 2 pm, and office hours from 2:15-3 pm.

Wednesdays will also be full distance.

More information can be found within Downey Unified's return to school guide on the district's website.



Scan this code to view an update from Downey Unified.

Downey Unified ends affiliation with ASPIRE

■ The school district will instead use the Downey Foundation for Educational Opportunities to provide after-school care.

By Alex Dominguez
Staff Writer

DOWNEY – Downey Unified School District unanimously voted to enter a partnership with Downey Foundation for Educational Opportunities (DFEO) on Tuesday, signaling the end of the long running ASPIRE afterschool program.

DFEO will manage the District's After School Education and Safety (ASES) Grant starting July 1 this year, launching their new educational and enrichment

after school programs in August at the beginning of the next school year.

The DFEO was started in part by Linda Salomon Saldana, who was elected to the Downey Board of Education in November.

The city-managed ASPIRE program will officially come to an end on June 30.

In a statement released by DFEO, Superintendent Dr. John Garcia gave "sincerest thanks to the City of Downey for running the ASPIRE program for the last 20 years" before expressing excitement over the District's new partnership.

"The sunseting of our agreement with the City on June 30, 2021 gave us an opportunity to reevaluate our after-school offerings for our students," said

Garcia.

"Given DFEO's success managing after school classes since 2017, we felt it was a good opportunity for the Foundation to take over the ASES Grant administration and mirror their programs with current enrichment offerings to expand before and after school opportunities for our students."

According to staff, the change is more logistical, and parents and students should see no change.

DFEO Executive Director Sheila Tetangco-Bartolone said that the non-profit organization was "thrilled about the opportunity to provide broader after school opportunities."

"DFEO's programs will include indoor and outdoor

activities that include a daily nutrition, fitness, tutoring, and enrichment component," said Tetangco-Bartolone.

"What's most exciting about this partnership is expanding the access that students will have to the Arts, College Prep, and Health and Fitness activities; imagine dance classes, visual arts, soccer, basketball, music classes, theater and even homework assistance."

Families currently enrolled in ASPIRE will be able to pre-register through DFEO.

Additional details will be released in April, with registration beginning in May.

PIH Health hosted its first drive thru vaccine clinic last Friday for teachers and staff from the following school districts: ABC, Bellflower, Downey, East Whittier, Little Lake Elementary, Los Nietos, Whittier City and Whittier Union High along with the Whittier Boys and Girls Club childcare staff.

The drive thru clinic was held at PIH Health Whittier Hospital where PIH Health nursing staff alongside school district nurses administered more than 850 vaccines.

"We are pleased to be able to contribute towards the reopening of Los Angeles and Orange County schools by vaccinating teachers and staff," said Debra Legan, vice president of Marketing and Consumer Engagement for PIH Health.



Weekend at a Glance

Friday 71°

Saturday 66°

Sunday 67°

ON THIS DAY MARCH 18

1766:

Britain repealed the Stamp Act, which imposed a strict tax on the British colonies in America.

1892:

Former UK Governor General Lord Stanley pledged to donate a silver challenge cup to the best hockey team in Canada. The prize was later formally named the Stanley Cup.

1922:

Mohandas K. Gandhi was sentenced to prison in India for civil disobedience.

1931:

Schick Inc. marketed the first electric razor.

1942:

President Franklin D. Roosevelt signed an executive order authorizing the War Relocation Authority, which was put in charge of interning Japanese-Americans.

1944:

Mount Vesuvius in Italy erupted, killing 26 people, causing thousands to flee their homes, and destroying dozens of Allied bombers.

1959:

Congress admitted Hawaii as the 50th state of the United States of America.

1965:

The first spacewalk took place as Soviet cosmonaut Aleksei Leonov left his Voskhod 2 capsule and remained outside the spacecraft for 20 minutes, secured by a tether.

1967:

The supertanker Torrey Canyon, carrying 120,000 short tons of crude oil, shipwrecked off the coast of England, causing an environmental disaster.

1990:

A dozen paintings collectively worth around \$500 million were stolen from a Boston art museum. It was the largest art theft in U.S. history.

Birthdays

"Ugly Betty" actress **Vanessa Williams** (58), rapper and actress **Queen Latifah** (51), comedian **Dane Cook** (49), Maroon 5 singer and guitarist **Adam Levine** (42), and "Rules Don't Apply" actress **Lily Collins** (32).

Deaths

Rock and roll pioneer **Chuck Berry** died in 2017 at his home in Wentzville, Mo. He was 90.

Actress **Natasha Richardson**, who won a Tony Award for her role in the Broadway revival of "The Parent Trap," died in 2009 after hitting her head in a ski accident. She was 45.

John Chapman, a pioneering nurseryman better known as Johnny Appleseed for planting apple trees across the American frontier, died in 1845 at age 70.

Book Recommendation

"**Later**" by Stephen King

The son of a struggling single mother, Jamie Conklin just wants an ordinary childhood. But Jamie is no ordinary child. Born with an unnatural ability his mom urges him to keep secret, Jamie can see what no one else can see and learn what no one else can learn. But the cost of using this ability is higher than Jamie can imagine – as he discovers when an NYPD detective draws him into the pursuit of a killer who has threatened to strike from beyond the grave.

Recognizing women's critical roles within the U.S. military

Women's History Month

Women have long been crucial to the U.S. Army, dating back to the Revolutionary War.

By **Mario A. Guerra**
Contributor

The United States Army has designated the 2021 Women's History Month theme as "Valiant Women of the Vote: Refusing to be Silenced." This theme honors the brave women who fought to win suffrage rights for women and for the women who continue to fight for the voting rights of others and serve in our military today.

Women have played vital roles in our Army since the Revolutionary War. Today women are Soldiers, Generals, Army Civilians, Veterans and family members who are critical members of our Army team. Women make our Army stronger.

The strength of the Army comes from its diversity. Developing and maintaining qualified and demographically diverse leadership is critical for mission effectiveness and is essential to national security, a fact we know and are fostering through an initiative called Project Inclusion.

Project Inclusion empowers a culture of trust and acceptance for the experiences, culture, characteristics and background each Soldier and Civilian brings to the institution, placing value on the wealth of diversity that we have in our Army and in our nation.

I would like to share with you the stories of some women who made our diverse nation what it is today.

During the Revolutionary War, women served as spies, nurses, seamstresses, laundresses and cooks. Women also fought in combat alongside their husbands or disguised as men.

Deborah Sampson, a descendant of preeminent Pilgrims Myles Standish and William Bradford, disguised herself as a man and used the name Robert Shurtleff in order to fight in the Revolutionary War. Assigned duties as a scout, even leading a raid on a Tory house that led to the capture of 15 men, she evaded detection for a year and a half, despite being wounded twice – a sword gash to her forehead and a shot in the thigh, and she pulled the pistol ball out herself. She received an honorable discharge in 1783 and became the first woman to receive a full military pension when a court ruled that she had performed the duties of a Soldier.

Women continued to distinguish themselves with selfless service during the Civil War as well. For example, Harriet Tubman, born into slavery and best known for her work guiding dozens of slaves to freedom on the Underground Railroad, was also a scout and a spy for the Union Army. She helped John Brown plan and recruit for his 1859 raid on Harpers Ferry, and organized and led a group of freed slaves who sought out information about Confederate troops in the Beaufort, South Carolina area. Her work enabled Union troops to conduct a series of raids to acquire supplies and destroy enemy torpedoes, railroads and bridges.

Tubman is also the first woman to lead an armed

expedition in the Civil War, guiding the raid at Combahee Ferry and liberating more than 700 enslaved people. Following the war, she remained active in the Women's Suffrage movement until being overcome by illness.

Dr. Mary Edwards Walker served as a surgeon with the Union Army. She was captured and imprisoned as a spy, and when released returned to work as a surgeon at a prisoner-of-war hospital. Dr. Walker was awarded the Medal of Honor by President Andrew Johnson, and is still the only woman to receive this highest military honor. Dr. Walker knew well the importance of women in the military, once stating, "Let the generations know that women in uniform also guaranteed their freedom."

More than 35,000 American women volunteered for military service during World War I. The Navy and the Marine Corps were the first military services to recruit women for non-combat positions such as radio electricians, telephone operators, accountants and clerks. More than half of the women who served in the military during World War I were part of the Army Nurse Corps, and most of the switchboard operators were women. They worked close to or at the front lines, living in bunkers and makeshift tents.

Grace Banker, a switchboard operator who served as the chief operator of mobile for the American Expeditionary Forces in the Signal Corps, was awarded the Distinguished Service Medal for her extraordinary service assuring the success of the telephone service during the operations of the 1st Army during the Meuse Argonne offensive in 1918. Women had been fighting for the right to



vote for decades, without much real success. But with women serving overseas, it was hard to ignore the call for equality. The service of these women inspired change across the nation and helped to propel the ratification of the 19th Amendment in August 1920, guaranteeing women the vote.

During World War II, approximately 140 thousand women served as members of the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps and the Women's Army Corps. They provided critical services, such as military intelligence, cryptography, parachute rigging, maintenance and supply. More than a thousand women flew aircraft for the Women's Air Force Service Pilots and more than 60 thousand Army Nurses served, often in harsh conditions.

Mary Roberts Wilson was the first woman awarded the Silver Star for gallantry in combat for her action during the battle of Anzio. With her Army evacuation hospital under fire, Wilson continued to supervise her nursing staff of 50, allowing the hospital to continue functioning.



Dr. Mary Edwards Walker was the first female U.S. Army surgeon, often crossing battle lines to care for soldiers and civilians. She was captured by the Confederate Army and charged as a spy. She was released after four months in captivity.

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Crime Report

• Detectives are investigating a shooting that occurred on March 2 at about 10 am at Telegraph/Passons. Officers responded to the 9200 block of Telegraph Rd. regarding a shooting that just occurred. Officers determined that a named male suspect was the driver of the suspect vehicle, when his passenger, an unknown male adult, fired approximately three rounds at the victim's vehicle. One of the shots struck the rear left door, inches from where a 4 y/o child sat in the vehicle. This incident occurred in eastbound lanes of Telegraph Rd. west of Passons. Detectives responded to the scene and later arrested one of the suspects.

• On March 4 at approximately 4:15 am, a Downey police officer was patrolling in the area of Old River School Rd and Benares St. The officer observed a vehicle stopped in the middle of the street near a parked vehicle. The officer contacted the three male adults that were in the vehicle. The officer observed several tools used to steal catalytic converters in the passenger area and detained the three males. A nearby vehicle that appeared to be tampered with was located and the three males were placed under arrest for possession of stolen property. A search of the suspect vehicle revealed three catalytic converters in the trunk. A detective later interviewed the suspects.

• Detectives are investigating a robbery that occurred on March 4 at about 6:40 pm near the Rio Hondo River Trail, south of the 5 Freeway. The male suspect approached the female victim and brandished a knife. The suspect demanded the victim give him her necklace. The suspect forcibly removed the necklace from the victim's neck and fled on a bicycle northbound on the bike path.

• Detectives are investigating a carjacking that occurred on March 5 at about 9 pm in the 9400 block of Firestone Blvd. The victim drove to Rick's Motel where he lives and parked in the south parking lot. The victim left the car running with the keys in the ignition and walked inside the office. An unknown male suspect entered the vehicle and the victim ran out of the office. The suspect began to back out of the parking lot, striking the victim with the vehicle, causing minor injuries to his arms and legs. The suspect fled the scene and was not located. The victim was transported to the hospital for medical treatment.

• On March 7 at approximately 10 pm, the male suspect contacted the male victim on the OfferUp app regarding a pair of \$500 shoes. The suspect met the victim at his residence in the 11100 block of Newville. When the victim displayed the shoes, the suspect pointed a black firearm at him and took the shoes. The suspect ran to a waiting vehicle, driven by a female adult and the vehicle fled southbound. Officers observed the suspect vehicle on Lakewood Blvd. and Stewart and Gray Rd. and conducted a high-risk vehicle stop. The loss was recovered and a replica firearm was recovered from the suspect vehicle. The suspects were arrested for robbery.

Downey teen starts own stainless steel and silver jewelry business

■ Only 17, Diana Garzon owns and operates Gardia Jewelry, a custom jewelry business.

By Alex Dominguez
Staff Writer

DOWNEY – Like many her age, Diana Garzon wanted to put a little extra cash in her pocket.

There was just one small problem.

“I’ve been wanting to work for a while now, and I applied to many places,” said Garzon. “I wouldn’t get accepted; I wouldn’t get called back.”

Determined to “make her own money,” the 17-year-old Downey High School senior started Gardia Jewelry, selling stainless steel and silver necklaces, rings, bracelets, and the like.

Garzon says that she wanted her business to be different than what some of her peers were doing, such as baking or selling clothes. Her natural love

of jewelry made it the perfect fit for her business.

She got significant help from her parents – who helped start her financially – and her grandfather, who introduced her to her first few vital suppliers.

“My grandpa has a jewelry store in Mexico,” said Garzon. “He told his providers. They talked to me and wanted to see if I was interested, if I really wanted to put my mind to this.”

“I had to do a lot to prove to them that I want to make this big.”

She gets many of her materials from providers in New York and Italy.

Garzon’s jewelry is priced right around \$15 on average and comes with a promise that it will not easily break or tarnish over time.

Because of her age, she says that she has had to work hard to earn her client’s trust and prove the quality of her merchandise.

“Some people get nervous because I’m young, so they



don’t know if it’s going to be good quality,” said Garzon.

“Usually, many adults question me if it’s true what I’m saying, that it’s not going to change color, if it’s real. I have to show them my confidence, and that I know that what I’m selling is true. I tell them, ‘wear it, do whatever is your regular routine, you’re gonna see that it’s not going to happen.’ They text me and DM and say, ‘You’re right, it’s true. It’s very good quality.’”

Most of Garzon’s advertising comes by way of social media and pop-up events. Gardia is still in its humble beginning stage, with around 35 regular customers.

She says eventually she would like to grow and expand Gardia.

“I want to have a lot of jewelry stores,” said Garzon.

Gardia Jewelry can be found on Instagram at @gardia._jewelry.

Erick Galindo talks journalism, NYT story

■ The Downey native recently spoke to journalism students at Cerritos College.

By Mirella Vargas
Talon Marks

NORWALK – Cerritos College alumnus and award-winning journalist Erick Galindo ('09) was the latest guest on the college's

new monthly virtual series 'Alumni Conversations' which highlights the “interesting career paths Cerritos College alumni have taken,” on Feb. 25.

Galindo, who is also a LA Times and New York Times contributor, author, and essayist for NPR Station KPCC, discussed his buzz-worthy NYT article The 'Mexican Beverly Hills', a

story about identity and living in Downey, a town which most Latinos in South East Los Angeles consider to be an indicator of success in attaining the American Dream.

“I wanted to write a piece about Latinos,” says Galindo, “They’re not victims, they’re hard-working people. There’s so many layers to Latinidad that

I wanted to peel off a little bit of the onion for them.”

Galindo says he was motivated to write this article to show a side of the Latino community that the mainstream media historically doesn't show.

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Sheila Tetangco-Bartolone hired to lead Downey Foundation for Educational Opportunities

DOWNEY – The Downey Foundation for Educational Opportunities (DFEO) has hired Sheila Tetangco-Bartolone as executive director.

Tetangco-Bartolone is no stranger to Downey; she is a Warren High School graduate who has worked as senior director of marketing for two local credit unions and is the president-elect of Downey’s Chamber of Commerce.



“The Board of Directors is so happy to have Sheila join the foundation,” said DFEO board president William Medina. “She understands and cares for our

community. Downey’s students are really going to benefit.”

This move comes as DFEO founder Linda Salomon Saldana stepped down from her role as the non-profit’s executive director after she was elected to the Downey Board of Education.

DFEO is a non-profit education foundation created to support the Downey Unified School District’s (DUSD) mission in preparing students to be college and career ready by providing opportunities in the Arts, College Prep and Health & Fitness.

Programs such as music, visual arts, dance, soccer, SAT prep and science camp are some of the classes DFEO offers to DUSD students.

Tetangco-Bartolone’s professional experience includes over 20 years in marketing, public relations, community affairs, fundraising, business development and operations with 13 years in a senior management role.

Tetangco-Bartolone grew up in Downey, was married in Downey and has been heavily involved with the community for nine years in which she prioritized supporting Downey Unified events.

“I am very excited about all the opportunities we will provide to students,” she said. “Growing up in Downey I had the best childhood and I see this as a chance to give back.”

Natalia Cecilia Marquez, a 14-year-old eighth grade student at Our Lady of Perpetual Help School, received the Carondelet Scholarship by achieving a 3.5 GPA and excelling in her “service to the dear neighbor without distinction.”

For her achievements, Natalia was awarded a \$1,500 scholarship for the 2021-2022 school year that will be credited to her tuition account.

Natalia is a Jr. Princess for the city of Downey and continues to provide service to her community.



When women succeed, America succeeds

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Anna May McCabe Hays worked as an Army nurse overseas during World War II and Korea. She led the Army Nurse Corps at the height of the Vietnam War and in 1970 became the first female General Officer in the U.S. Armed Forces. She pushed to expand scholarship opportunities and education for Army nurses. She also supported policy changes, so married nurses who became pregnant were not automatically discharged.

Due to the exceptional service of women in the military during World War II, President Harry S. Truman signed the Women’s Armed Service Integration Act into law on June 12, 1948. This bill authorized a permanent presence of women in the military.

Women continued to prove themselves over and over during the conflicts in Iraq and Afghanistan. In 2005, Sergeant Leigh Ann Hester, a military police officer in the Kentucky National Guard, became the first female Soldier awarded the Silver Star since Mary Roberts Wilson in World War II. When her convoy was attacked near Baghdad, Hester maneuvered her team through an enemy kill zone, where she assaulted a trench line with grenades and M-203 rounds, then engaged three enemy soldiers while clearing two more trenches, thus saving numerous American lives.

Specialist Monica Brown, a medic, is the first woman to receive the Silver Star during the War in Afghanistan, and the second to earn the Silver Star since World War II. Brown was riding in a convoy on a routine security patrol when the trail vehicle struck a pressure plate improvised explosive device – commonly referred to as an IED – the initiating event for a planned ambush.

As enemy fighters engaged the patrol, Brown ran through gunfire to provide medical care to wounded soldiers, at one point throwing herself over the wounded to shield them from mortar fire.

Approximately 15 mortars impacted within close range as Brown continued to help her fellow soldiers.

As the platoon continued to return fire, Brown once again shielded the wounded from enemy fire and falling brass, ensuring all the wounded were stabilized and ready for MEDEVAC.

There are common threads that run through the stories of these women and our veterans. These individuals are willing to put the needs of their country above their own. They fight for equality and fairness. And it is this self-sacrifice and determination that ensures that our country not only survives, but thrives.

Today, women have more opportunities than ever in the Armed Forces. About 18% of the total Army is female and all positions in the Army are open to women. The Army has accessed and/or transferred more than 1,400 female Soldiers into Infantry, Armor and Field Artillery positions.

All Infantry, Armor and Field Artillery Battalions include female Soldiers and gender-integrated Infantry and Armor units are currently deployed. The Army wants female Soldiers assigned to positions that provide full and challenging career and promotion opportunities. We know from history and experience that the contributions and achievements of women make our Army stronger.




I stated before that the theme this year is: “Valiant Women of the Vote: Refusing to be Silenced.” We honor the hard work of the women who paved the way for today’s Soldiers. And we honor today’s Soldiers for securing our future – a future for women with more opportunities than ever before. Right now, in a recruiting station, or Basic Training class, or ROTC program are young women, eager to serve, whose energy, talent and leadership will shape our future military.



Specialist Monica Brown threw herself over wounded soldiers to protect them from mortar fire after an IED exploded in Afghanistan. She was awarded the Silver Star for her bravery. (Army photo)

We know that when women succeed, America succeeds. The strength of our economy rests on whether we make it possible for every citizen to contribute to our growth and prosperity. As we honor the many patriots who have shaped not only the destinies of other women, but also the direction of our history, let us resolve to build on their efforts in our own time.

Mario A. Guerra is a former mayor of Downey and current Civilian Aide to the Secretary of the Army. He may be reached at mario@guerrains.com or at www.marioaguerra.com

MARCH 20, 2021

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The Arc’s 25th Walk for Independence

“VIRTUAL WALK via ZOOM”

Saturday – March 20, 2021

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32nd California Senate District Woman of the Year

CONGRATULATIONS STEPHANIE JONES RN MSN

Clinical Director of Surgery and Sterile Processing departments at PIH Health Downey Hospital

Throughout the pandemic, Ms. Jones has been instrumental in PIH Health Downey Hospital’s COVID-19 response. With 35 years of nursing and leadership experience, Ms. Jones is an exemplary nurse and director, an inspiration to staff, and a model of compassionate care and commitment to community.

Thank you Senator Bob J. Archuleta for recognizing one of our health heroes!



Congress uses Covid-19 as cover for fiscal recklessness

By Jacob Sullum

The “recovery rebates” that Americans began receiving this week supposedly have something to do with the economic damage caused by COVID-19 and the control measures it inspired. But like most of the so-called American Rescue Plan Act, these payments, which account for more than a fifth of the bill’s \$1.9 trillion price tag, are only tenuously related to the pandemic.

The Democrats who championed the law hope those bribes will buy them votes in the midterm elections. But you really should be thanking your children and grandchildren, because they will ultimately pick up the tab for this package and the rest of the \$5 trillion spending binge that Congress claimed was justified by a public health emergency.

Individuals with adjusted gross incomes of up to \$75,000 will get \$1,400, while married couples earning up to \$150,000 will get \$2,800, plus \$1,400 for each dependent. That amounts to \$5,600 for a four-person family, on top of the \$5,800 that such households received under the coronavirus relief packages that Congress approved in March and December.

Congress distributed that money without regard to whether the recipients had suffered pandemic-related economic distress. A Pew Research Center survey conducted last August suggests that most of them have not: 42% of respondents said they or someone in their households had lost jobs or income due to COVID-19, less than half the 85 % of Americans who are expected to receive the latest round

of payments.

Another survey found that just 15% of people who received the money distributed in April reported that they spent most of it; instead, they typically saved it or used it to pay down debts. Those findings cast doubt on the hope that such payments, even when they go to relatively well-off families, will stimulate the pandemic-battered economy by increasing consumer spending.

The package also includes an expanded, fully refundable child tax credit that will cost at least \$89 billion — more if the temporary change becomes permanent. Like the recovery rebates, that provision applies fully to households earning up to \$150,000.

Other major elements of the American Rescue Plan Act likewise have little or nothing to do with COVID-19.

The package includes nearly \$129 billion for K-12 education, which ostensibly is aimed at helping students safely return to school. Yet, most of the more than \$100 billion in education funding authorized by earlier legislation remain unused, and the Congressional Budget Office projects that just 5% of the new money will be spent this fiscal year, which ends on Sept. 30.

Congress allocated \$350 billion to “coronavirus state and local relief funds” for governments that generally have emerged from the pandemic in much better financial condition than expected. California, for example, will benefit from this largesse even though it is running a surplus.

Another \$86 billion will be used to bail out union-run pension funds that were already in dire straits before the pandemic. Obamacare premium subsidies for households earning as much as \$350,000 annually will cost \$34 billion.

Republicans, who last year supported massive, frequently ill-considered spending in the name of fighting COVID-19, have changed their tune now that Democrats control the executive and legislative branches. They uniformly opposed the latest bill in the House and the Senate, and they plan to make political hay by accusing Democrats of using the pandemic as an excuse for fiscally reckless spending aimed at achieving longstanding policy goals, rewarding their party’s most dedicated supporters, and enticing voters with found money.

Blatant hypocrisy aside, the Republicans have a point. The



national debt — currently about \$27.5 trillion, three-quarters of which is publicly held — already exceeds the size of the U.S. economy. The annual deficit was \$3.1 trillion last fiscal year and will be more than \$1 trillion this fiscal year.

Continuing on this path will slow economic growth, replace useful spending with interest payments, and force tax increases, benefit reductions, or both. Enjoy your debt-financed windfall while you can.

Jacob Sullum is senior editor at Reason magazine.

Council member’s criminal history

Dear Editor:

I was dismayed to read about Councilwoman Catherine Alvarez’s criminal history. I did not vote for her because of her unprofessional behavior but these disclosures make clear that she is unsuitable to serve on the city council.

She should resign immediately, rather than submit the city and herself to a lengthy legal process that can only reflect unfavorably on both.

Susan Chicots
Downey

Dear Editor:

I attended Saturday’s groundbreaking for the new sports complex in South Downey as a parent whose child plays competitive travel baseball. I was horrified that my council member, Catherine Alvarez, attended with a hickey down the side of her neck.

Are you kidding me? I hope someone took photos. I was embarrassed as a Downey resident.

Carol Estrada
Downey

Dear Editor:

I am writing to suggest that we should give our new councilwoman, Catherine Alvarez, a chance. She is young and she has made mistakes in the past (who among us has never done something we shouldn’t have), and these mistakes were made about seven years ago, mostly before 2014.

They were for misdemeanors and she paid money back to the Social Services Department as she was able. Most of us have not lived in her shoes, in poverty and facing homelessness.

She has leadership qualities, having organized a tenants’ union, and she supports good causes, including racial and economic justice, veterans and environmental protection. She is learning on the job and hopefully has learned a lot from her experiences. Let’s give her a chance and see what she can contribute to Downey and beyond.

Also, I believe that Downey residents need to learn much more about our prospective leaders before an election. I don’t feel that I or others had a chance to really get to know any of the candidates for City Council before the last election in November. We need more candidate forums and we need to get advance notice before they are held so we can put them on our calendars. Last October I read about a candidate forum that had already taken place, after the fact. We need more opportunities to know about, hear and see our prospective leaders before an election.

Anita Rivero
Downey

Dear Editor:

Is Councilmember Catherine Alvarez banned from all Michaels stores or just the Downey location? And where does she buy her crafting supplies now?

Marcus Arnold
Downey

Covid relief bill

Dear Editor:

I was surprised and disappointed that the Downey Patriot chose not to inform its readers about the overall positive impact of the recently passed Covid relief bill. This is a bill that provides massive funding to help the overall health and welfare of our entire economy, including and especially families with children, who have been so battered by this pandemic.

Included in this bill are direct payment of \$1400 to most individuals in the country and the extension unemployment benefits with a \$300 weekly supplement through Labor Day. Most relevant to low-income families with children, the bill modifies and expands the earned income tax credit. The bill provides help for small businesses, help for state and local governments battered by the economic impacts of the pandemic, and much more.

But the Downey Patriot’s summary of this historic plan, spelled out in blaring headlines across the top of the Opinion page was “Biden’s Covid-19 Plan: Force taxpayers to pay for abortion.”

A majority of Americans identify as pro-choice, while at the same time a majority of Americans agree there should be reasonable restrictions on abortion. But each individual’s belief is strongly held, and I’m not trying to change anyone’s mind about abortion. However, to only evaluate social issues and major legislation through the lens of abortion is just not right.

We in America struggle when it comes to caring for a healthy life of born children. One in four children in America grow up in poverty. Programs to expand health coverage to all Americans, including and especially children, have been fought tooth-and-nail by conservative politicians. The battle against the Affordable Care Act, the largest expansion of health coverage for children in America, is perhaps the most glaring example of our lack of care for our children. It’s wrong to focus completely on abortion while not caring for the children that we have.

Let the debate about abortion go on if it must. Talk about details of the bill if one must.

But the news is that the Covid Relief Bill provides massive help for Americans, including and especially children. That should be the headline.

Frank Kearns
Downey

Dear Editor:

This is in response to Terrence P. Jeffrey’s op-ed on President Joe Biden’s sweeping \$1.9 trillion coronavirus relief package. (“Biden’s Covid-19 Plan: Force Taxpayers to Pay for Abortions,” 3/11/2021).

I would like to thank Jeffrey for presenting his ideas.

We all want to protect people’s lives with good health care. That is why we have a United States of America, one country under God indivisible with liberty and justice for all...” as our pledge of allegiance states.

We should protect not only children but also those most at risk of dying, particularly our seniors—parents and grandparents.

His article brings up an important issue which should be discussed in another setting by a woman, a doctor and a priest or minister.

Government or non-governmental organizations should not be in the business of telling someone when to be or not to be pregnant--leave that decision to communist countries. In America, a woman decides what to do with her own body in consultation with a doctor, a priest or minister and her conscience. Since we are a country of laws, that decision was made by the Supreme Court in the Roe v. Wade case in 1973. Period.

What President Biden signed on Thursday, March 11, 2021 was a law that will save millions of lives, and will bring hope to Americans who have been affected by this pandemic.

Three-quarters of the public—Republicans and Democrats--support this relief package, want to get the pandemic under control, want to see people go back to work, and have the vaccines in their arms.

And about Planned Parenthood, it is an organization which has helped one in five women in the United States. My family used it a few times. It helps people take care of their health and in this Covid-19 health crisis we need more health care providers, not less.

Thanks, Jeffrey for bringing the subject of health. President Biden will do his utmost to make sure everybody in America has access to good health care.

Guido Rivero
Downey

Rancho’s new facilities

Dear Editor:

It is with great concern that we write to you regarding the Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation shelter and mental ward for the homeless that is being constructed right next to our homes, schools, the Barbara J. Riley Senior and Community Center, and Apollo park.

Why has the City of Downey allowed this without notifying its residents? How could this have been approved without having done a community impact survey? This plan was snuck in quietly without our vote.

As far as I know, the City of Downey created a plan to “revitalize” the “Rancho South Campus.” The “Restorative Care Village” is only a play on words. The homeless shelter and mental ward do nothing to revitalize our city. On the contrary, this project is not for the betterment of our community at all, especially considering its location.

We do not need nor want another Skid Row in our city where the streets are inundated with makeshift tents, human feces, and waste on the ground and the danger of being attacked by the mentally unstable homeless who have nothing to lose. The politically motivated reason for allowing these plans to go through is just without its ramifications.

The “Restorative Care Village” sounds nice on paper but we know what will happen when rooms quickly fill up and no beds are available. The overflow of homeless will be camped nearby on the streets, in parks, and businesses waiting their turn in anticipation of getting a room at this “open” facility where they are free to roam aimlessly. They have already taken over the Downey parks and some businesses. So much for the millions of dollars that the City of Downey spent in renovations as the homeless currently camp and live in the baseball dugouts, and gazebos or on business lawns and doorways. Even the residents, visitors, and business owners have a difficult time using the services for fear of confrontation and the city does nothing.

As the saying goes, “If you build it, they will come.” Well, the drug addicts, homeless and mentally ill will surely come, followed by even more crime and assaults on the residents who have worked tirelessly and paid taxes to make our city a beautiful place to live. What about the children who have to walk that area to go to the nearby elementary and middle schools and parks? As a parent, would you allow your kids to walk to Apollo Park and the elementary and middle schools (post-pandemic)?

Many parents do not have the luxury of dropping off and picking up their kids from school. Those streets will become unsafe and no amount of police patrolling the area will make it feel otherwise.

I am not speaking untruths. Just research San Julian Street in Downtown Los Angeles, Midnight Mission, and Los Angeles Mission. They too started with good intentions until the influx of homelessness took over. This is our future if we do not prevent these shelters from being implemented here. The only difference is San Julian Skid Row and shelters are located in the dilapidated business district of Los Angeles, unlike the “Rancho Restorative Care Village” homeless shelter and mental ward which is literally right next door to our homes, schools, parks, senior and community centers, and businesses.

Not only this but there will be devaluation of properties if these shelters are allowed. Investors will not want to associate their business with a city that will soon be overrun by homelessness.

This is a terrible plan for Downey. I urge the city of Downey to consider the impact on its residents, businesses, and property values. It is wrong to allow the county of Los Angeles to dump the mental ward and homeless shelter in our backyard. Please do not allow this to happen.

Please contact the mayor and your City Council representative if you agree.

Sandra Avalos
Downey

Dear Editor:

As a Downey resident living near the senior citizen center at Apollo Park, I was dismayed to read about the county’s plans to house homeless residents and the mentally unstable so close to our seniors and children.

I was further shocked to read that our mayor supports such an ill-conceived plan.

The City Council has forgotten they represent Downey residents and not developers who do not have Downey’s best interests at heart.

Grace Palmer
Downey

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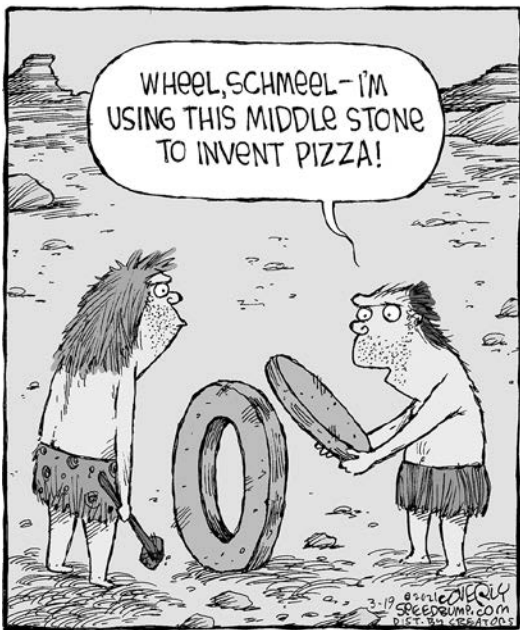
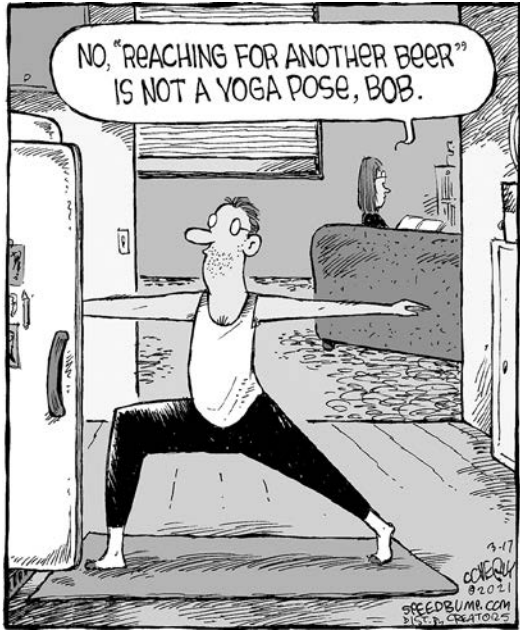
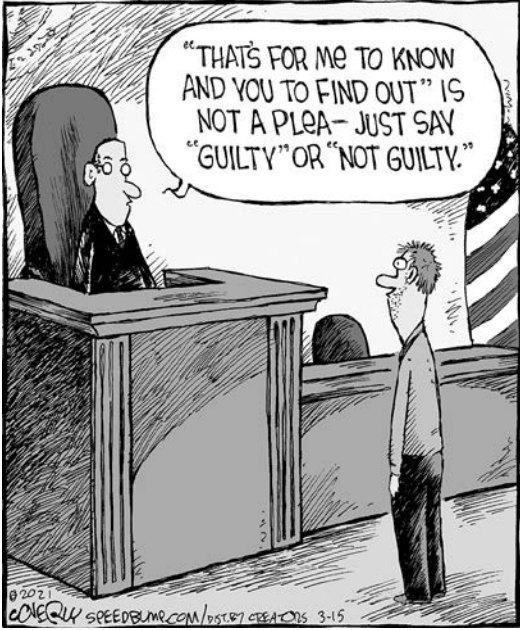
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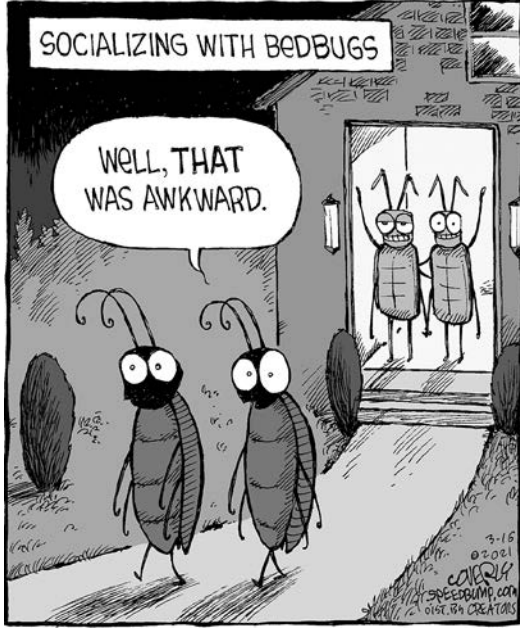
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Downey Community Calendar

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.
 2nd & 4th Tue., 6:30pm: City Council, Council Chamber.
 3rd Tue., 6:30pm: Library Advisory Board, at Downey City Library.
 3rd Thurs., 6:30pm: CERT, at Downey City Council Chamber at City Hall, for more info call 299-5462.
 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 310-386-8112.
 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 William Medina 413-3447.
 6 pm: Toastmasters Club 587, at First Baptist Church, contact Salvador Cervantes: tmsalcpuede@gmail.com.
 7 pm: Downey Knights of Columbus Bingo, at 11231 Rives Ave., call 923-1932.
 7 pm: Healing Room and Prayer, at Desert Reign Church 11610 Lakewood Blvd, call 861-6011.
 7:30 pm: Downey Master Chorale, at Cornerstone Church, contact info@downeymasterchorale.org.
 1st Tues., 7:30 am: Gangs Out of Downey, at City Hall training room.
 2nd Tues., 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., 6:00 pm: Sister Cities of Downey, at Barabara Riley Senior Center, 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, will resume meeting online in January, call 562-500-5093.
 7:30 pm: Downey Elks Lodge #2020, call 803-3557.
 1st Thurs., 12 Noon: People of Faith Ministries, call John Veiga 562-412-7192.
 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.

FRIDAYS

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

SATURDAYS

9 am: Farmers Market, Downey Avenue at 3rd Street, call 904-7246.

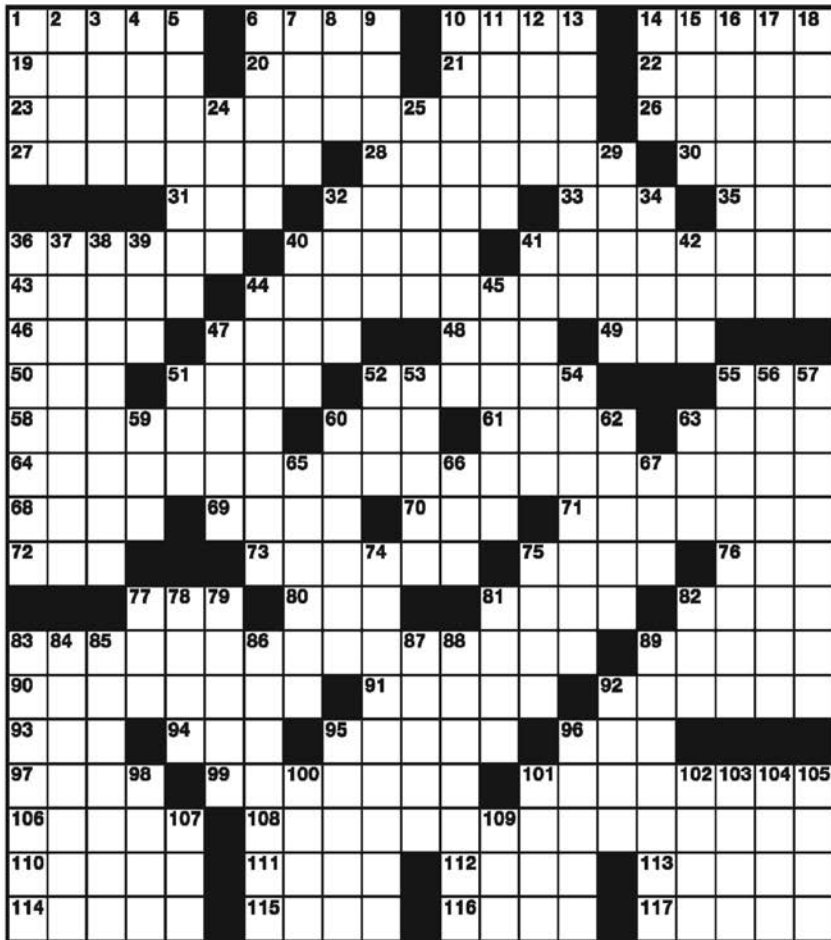
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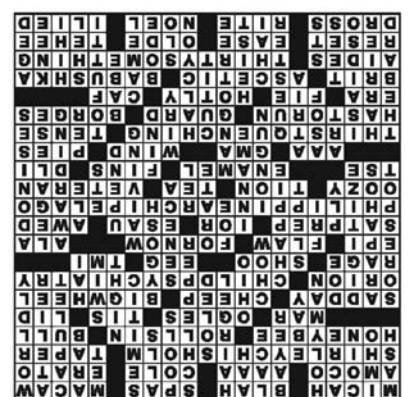
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Short Story: Orange tabby cats

By Sharon Benson Smith

One particular morning as Mom approached her car, she was sure she heard a faint meow. Dad came out to open the hood only to find all curled up in a ball, probably to keep warm, an Orange Tabby kitten.



This kitten was soon appropriately named "Lucky." Lucky because mom didn't start that motor! Over the years, he became a fixture in the La Mirada home.

It was not unusual to open that door and find Lucky sitting atop the TV, or curled up in a corner of the love seat, or even lounging on top of the ironing board. Shh! I have even seen him asleep in the middle of the kitchen table.

Mom loved her cat and, likewise, she was his favorite human being. Something cute that happened while Dana and Nadine lived in La Mirada, Lucky was on Nadine's lap and began his habit of sucking and kneading her clothing. Nadine, just a kid and disgusted with Lucky's habit, said to Lucky: "Well, just suck, suck, suck." And she got up and left him there. We kidded and joked about that for the longest time. It can still bring a smile to my lips.

In later years when Mom became so ill and passed away, I took Lucky to live with us (Smith, Mark and Tracy) in Whittier Woods.

Coincidence! It happened that one morning when I was running late to get to work; I got in the car, started the motor, heard a meow, and saw fur fly. I was so afraid that I did what Mom hadn't done all those years ago. Thank God, Lucky was still Lucky; he was unharmed.

Our next move was to a condo in Hacienda Heights. Lucky was in the garage eating; we were inside but heard a noise that was disturbing enough that we went out to check to see what the commotion was.

It turned out that two roving Boxer dogs

somehow grabbed Lucky and dragged him off. Mark began chasing them like a mad man. I had never seen him in such a frenzy; now I was concerned for him.

Sadly, that was the last time we saw Mom's cat. It makes me think he wasn't so lucky after all. But then, that walk over to the Rainbow Bridge changes everything, as does hanging out with the likes of other beloved family cats that have passed on: Tux, Garfield (Fat Cat as I called him), Cleo, Mama Kitty (Shooter), and Baby girl (Mittens).

Now Mark has another Orange Tabby cat living with them in Santa Rosa. He is B-boy (previously known as Barley). Unlike the friendly and playful Lucky, B-boy is active, independent, rebellious and is what you would call a Tom Cat.

Not so much now, but when he was younger, he caroused all night and came home when he damn well pleased, in sad shape with scratches that were bleeding and patches of fur missing, etc. But he was ready to go out again the following night. All this carousing has left him with lots of Tom Cat aches and pains.

However, the softer side of him is brought out by his favorite human being, his mama (Valorie). He is a good size cat (Tabbies enjoy eating and tend to be overweight). She even managed to put a purple ribbon or collar around his cute, fat neck.

Mark has texted me photos of B-boy lounging in the doorway entrance to their kitchen and also just camped out in the middle of the room or enjoying and getting rays outside on their patio. Another of his favorite lounging spots is their sumptuous Sleep Number bed.

I think that since he is now older and has learned he can't Tom Cat and carouse all night, he is much happier growing old and being loved and petted while resting in mama's lap. He's a hoot!

Short Story: Home in La Mirada

By Sharon Benson Smith

I read this recently in the L.A. Times and it caught my eye: "It's a gray day when there is no sky in the clouds."

That quote spurred me on to thinking about how Mom used to look up at the sky and form just ordinary things out of the clouds; one may have taken the form of a dog or cat or another animal, or maybe even a kid, another cloud may have taken the form of a heavenly creature; God, Jesus, or an angel, and there were many others. She made commonplace clouds seem real and almost touchable.

Thinking of Mom spurred me on to take the trip down Rosecrans to Valley View; this is a trip that my three kids (Steve, Mark, Tracy), and I, made very often when mom and dad lived in La Mirada, except that we traveled the 605 Freeway to Rosecrans from North Whittier.

I had not seen the home since my siblings (minus sister Donna) and I made our "Memory Lane" trip several years ago when the then-present owners invited us in. We even saw the "doll house" that dad made for Dana and Nadine when they lived there. It was then being used as a tool shed.

There is a huge Pep Boys' store where the Market Basket and Kinney's Shoes used to be. The dairy and commotion that mom enjoyed seeing, as she washed dishes while looking

out the kitchen window, is no longer there. An industrial-looking complex is now there in its place.

I must say that the street of De Alcala itself looks as though it has been gentrified; as all the homes seemed to be upgraded to a newer look, new frontage, or fresh paint in a lot of instances, etc. I saw where the Leonard family lived, and where Dena and Tony rented for awhile (when Ernie and Nessie were grammar schoolers). I just find it ironic that years before she saw Ernie and Nessie as grammar schoolers in La Mirada, she saw their mother, Dena, walking to school when we lived on Gleason Street in East L.A.

However, 13902 has a "For Sale" sign near the curb. I have a photo of George Jr., Cindy and Steve sitting on that very curb and posing for whomever was taking the picture. The small tree that was planted just behind them is now a full-grown, cascading pepper tree; it is lovely and would make Dad very proud.

The color of the house is now a light olive green; the dichondra lawn is gone (that Dad used to pay the grandkids to keep weed-free). Gone are the roses that lined the walkway up to the porch, and gone are the annual accolades and awards to dad from the City of La Mirada in the form of their "Beautification Award for Outstanding Home Maintenance."

Gone, too, are Mom and Dad

and so many others who enjoyed making La Mirada the gathering place. Left behind are just traces of what used to be...just enough to keep my heart and mind etched in the memories.

I'm ending this writing with a short poem I wrote in one of my many episodes of Mom and Dad:

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Galindo strives for accurate representation of Latinos

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Not all Latinos are struggling and many are living a life of success and wealth in this country “without having to give up ties to their respective and diverse Latin American cultures.”



Erick Galindo

Galindo said he received a lot of criticism, mainly from people who took offense to the name of the article itself.

Some didn't like how it labeled all Latinos as Mexicans. Others thought that by calling it Beverly Hills, it dismisses the real life struggles Downey residents experience.

The Cerritos College alumni said he purposely chose the name as satire — of course, not all Latinos living in Downey are Mexican — and is also aware that calling it ‘Beverly Hills’ only centers success through a white lens.

During his time as a student at Cerritos College, Galindo remembers his journalism professor and former department chair, Rich Cameron, telling him “For every hate mail, there are usually five people who love it.” He added that he copes with hate mail through laughter.

Galindo also gave advice to students who are either thinking about or working on their career in journalism, emphasizing the importance of being adaptable as a journalist, in an industry that is ever-evolving thanks to the internet and social media.

“You need to be strong with storytelling and learn where storytelling fits in these new tools. Like how to tell a story in a 15-second TikTok or in a Twitter thread.”

He likened the profession of journalism to a business where one must have a strategy, learn to pitch and sell their ideas and make network connections. “Just be friendly with people,” he added.

Galindo also spoke about his experiences throughout his journalism career and what it's like being a Latino in a white-dominated industry.

He described how racial discrimination has shifted from blatant racist comments in the workplace, to a more subtle form of racial discrimination, or micro-aggressions.

“White editors won't trust a quote I have from Latino or Black sources. They question them in a way that they don't question the others [non-minorities].”

When asked if he wanted to create a platform to amplify work by people of color, Galindo said he hadn't really thought about creating such space.

“My goal is to enter spaces that are traditionally white and suffer through the microaggressions,” Galindo said, “in order to make those spaces less white.”

In the future, Galindo wants to create a production company which creates content that is more representative of the modern mainstream, “which is a very diverse and inclusive space.”

“I really want to reach white audiences. They need to see us as humans.”

Mirella Vargas is the Life editor at Talon Marks, Cerritos College's student newspaper. Republished with permission.

Woodworking in healthcare: the unsung hero of occupational therapy

■ Volunteer woodworkers help meet the specific needs of Rancho patients.

By Zachary Deere

DOWNEY – In a world of increasing dependence on plastic, 3D printing, and mass produced items, it's easy to forget that custom, bespoke pieces of woodworking still hold a place in healthcare.

Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center serves patients who have suffered a life-altering injury or illness (spinal cord injury, stroke, brain injury, or other neurological disorders). As such, each patient faces unique mobility challenges in their recovery and it is often left to their occupational therapist to find the tools and resources that best fit their needs. Many specialized or custom fit items a therapist might use to assist a patient might be difficult to find commercially or be cost prohibitive. For this reason, the Rancho Los Amigos Foundation proudly funds a volunteer woodworking program to assist with the needs of Rancho's patients.

Karl Burger, an 85 year old Downey local and Bell Gardens Lions Club member, is the current volunteer in a long line of talented woodworkers that have taken it upon themselves to create, design, and build these resources for the occupational therapy department and the patients at Rancho. Karl visits the Rancho campus several times each week to meet with



Karl Burger finishing his latest tabletop arm skate which helps patients with feeding themselves.

occupational therapists to discuss their current patient's needs. He then returns to his home garage that has been fully converted to woodworking projects for Rancho. The items he creates range from book/tablet holders, custom backrests, wheelchair modifications, arm mobility skates, or anything else that best accommodates a patient's disability. While some of the items Karl creates stay with Rancho's occupational therapy department to aide in general therapy, many custom items go home with the patient to help in their journey to independence.

Karl is a true philanthropist and the embodiment of the American dream. Having been born in Yugoslavia, his family relocated to America during WW2 and settled here in Southern California.

Michele Berro, Rancho's Occupational Therapy (OT) Supervisor, shared, “Not even the Pandemic has slowed Karl down. Instead of visiting us in the OT department, he now pulls up in his truck so that the staff can meet him outside and exchange the projects he's completed for a new list of items that need to be made. He'll stay and brainstorm with the staff to come up with creative solutions if it's something they've never requested before. The entire OT department feels that Karl is part of our family and take it upon themselves to check in with him frequently.”

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POETRY MATTERS

The Anniversary

All Kings, and all their favourites,

All glory of honours, beauties, wits,
The sun itself, which makes times, as they pass,
Is elder by a year now than it was

When thou and I first one another saw:
All other things to their destruction draw,
Only our love hath no decay;
This no tomorrow hath, nor yesterday,
Running it never runs from us away,
But truly keeps his first, last, everlasting day.

John Donne

Instead of making one feel elder, or sad, a poem like Donne's gives a sense of renewed excitement and ongoing life. Kings, honors, and the sun itself contribute to the sense of exaltation. Donne is also known for his devotion, “No man is an island.” Poetry Matters is curated by Lorine Parks.

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Judges choose Best Baseball Book of 2020 for Casey Award



By Lorine Parks
Contributor

Spitball, the literary magazine of baseball, will hold its 38th annual Casey Award ceremony in late March in Kentucky for the Best Baseball Book Published in 2020.

As one of three judges, I picked "How Baseball Happened" by Thomas Gilbert and it turned out to be the winner by a landslide. Another judge also voted it #1, out of 11 titles, and the third put it at #3. It's an important book and a good read.

How Baseball Happened tells the story of baseball's evolution in the 19th century into a truly American sport, not one derived from the English bat and ball game of cricket.

Gilbert does for baseball what acclaimed popular historian David McCullough does in his historical studies for regions and periods of our country when the United States was defining itself in terms of the rest of the world (as it is still doing today). We needed to separate ourselves from Britain and forge a new national identity, and that includes dispelling the myth that baseball is descended from cricket or the English game of rounders.

Brilliant and entertaining, How Baseball Happened weaves newspaper clippings, headlines and cultural events into a 19th century tapestry of the hows and whys of what made baseball become our national pastime. Hint: It didn't happen in Cooperstown. Or Cincinnati.

Baseball started as a bat and ball game for amateurs played by teams of gentlemen of refinement. By the early 1800's we Americans had added the three-strike rule, nine innings, with 3-outs, position players, the 9 man team, foul lines, and a rounded bat, all unique to baseball and not found in flat-bat cricket. In the 1800's, gloves had not yet been adopted.

Still a neighborhood attraction, baseball was then played by the middle class, fire companies and militias. The rowdy Bowery B'hoys played it in New York.

The first athletes of the Professional Era with salaries and contracts, were the New York Mutuals in 1869, not the Cincinnati Red Stockings of 1870, though the latter had a formidable record, 65-0, for their first national tour. The Philadelphia Athletics and the Brooklyn Atlantics followed close behind.

The other top ten books in the running include Mutt's Dream: The Making of the Mick, the story of how Mantle's father drilled him as a small child into becoming the greatest of switch-

hitters. It's said that there are more baseball books about Mickey Mantle than even about Jackie Robinson. This one ends when he is 18, before he gets assigned the iconic number 7 for his uniform.

A well written re-creation, the book is written from the point of view of Mutt Mantle, the Mick's father, for a change. Mutt forces Mickey to become a switch hitter - that's his dream. Author's skill in presenting pivotal scenes and dialogue makes this a good read even for non-fans of the game. A new look at those formative years.

"Bouton": One third rehash of Jim Bouton's career as a starting pitcher for the Yankees; one third, he writes the book, Ball Four. It was no secret, everyone knew he was taking notes all the time. They just didn't expect what kind of book it would be.

Final third, his life after that. Did Bouton suffer? Mickey Mantle didn't speak to him for twenty years. Bouton went on to a career as a commentator and writer. "Ball Four" was one of the explosive books of the century.

"Seaver." When Tom Brady tried two years ago to patent the name Tom Terrific, the U. S. Patent Office ruled that it already belonged to Tom Seaver. A fully documented story, this tells how much his wife's constant attendance helped his career.

Coached by Rod Dedeaux at USC, Seaver became a New York Mets legend and died in 2020, happy in owning a winery in Napa not far from where he grew up... The big betrayal by the Mets, putting him out on waivers without even notifying him first, could have been told with more drama.

"The Wax Pack" follows up on the lives of 15 random stars 35 years after they were featured together in a Topps bubblegum package with their pictures in it. The book tells how they dealt with fame after retirement.

"The Wax Pack" is a nostalgia trip that starts with the author buying a 35 year old pack of Topps baseball cards and bubble gum. It's the actual story of his follow-through, interviewing each of the card's subjects, whose fame has long since gone, and how they have adjusted to life after baseball, (all are alive except one). Semi-fictionalized, the book becomes less about baseball than about the author and his obsessive compulsive problems. He also hooks up online via a dating service in every town he visits. A lot of lessons here.

"The Swing Kings: The Inside Story of Baseball's Home Run Revolution" by Jared Diamond tells how telemetrics, and coaches who knew how to use them, changed the game, an

analytical technique that has brought out a new era of home runs. Attention to the launch angle and exit velocity made Justin Turner a home run hitter again. The "swing under the ball" technique approach by coaches has helped turn around his career with the LA Dodgers, and make him the slugger he wasn't when he began. The secret isn't steroids. Well written and a good read.

"Issei Baseball:" Well researched story of how baseball came to Japan with commodore Perry and was taken up by university students in 1880 and eventually came back to California with immigrant workers - the Issei - in the 1890's-1920's, working men who formed semi-pro leagues in the early 1900's.

A piece of history that deserves to be better known. The conclusion - that baseball unified the local Japanese-American community here with a sense of identity and pride. The book would have been better if developed even more. A follow-up epilogue 20 years later, on the internment of American-born Japanese Americans after Pearl Harbor recounts a stain on America's conscience. Good period pictures.

"Dalko" is the true story of Steve Dalkowski, the fastest pitcher who never made it in the Big Leagues.

"All arm, no control," was the verdict. "Throwers throw the ball. Pitchers think and then they throw." Dalko was a thrower. Albeit, of a very fast ball. Whiz, hiss, thud.

"The Cactus League" is a novel in 9 innings that depicts a Payton Place of spring training in a desert world. Artfully told story about a fictional major league baseball team in spring training in the Arizona desert near Phoenix. Told from nine points of view in nine chapters (9 innings, get it), it centers about one talented player. As we finally work our way to the final chapter about him we find he's hollow at the core. The chapter about baseball wives is especially striking - a pecking order and value system like The Real Housewives of Beverly Hills. Remember, this is fiction.

"Billy Ball" is the story of Billy Martin and the Oakland A's and how they were made for each other. Follows Billy Martin's career that led up to his by-then inevitable success with the Oakland A's.

"A Year of Playing Catch" blogs 365 games of catch all around the country, including the town in Iowa where Field

of Dreams is located. Cute idea but not interesting. Ok for 20 or 30 days, but 365? Throw, catch, repeat.

Unwritten as yet stories about 2020 that I would like to read:

"The Trash Can Lid Scandal: How the Astros Stole Signs and the World Series from the

Dodgers";

"The Dissolution of the Minor Leagues: the Loss of Ball Parks and a Way of Life for Small Towns";

"Vindicated at Last: Major League Baseball Adds Negro Leagues Stats to Official Records";

"COVID-19 Changes MLB

In Memory of



Billie Marie (Boggio) Busse

1935 - 2021

Billie Marie Boggio Busse, age 85, passed away at her home on March 12, 2021 in Prescott, Arizona. Billie lost her valiant four year battle with breast cancer and acute lymphoma.

Billie was born in Kansas. She was the youngest of five daughters, Madeline Supancic, Lucille Werberger, Marie Kearns, and Renelde Boggio. Billie was the daughter of loving parents; Apollaxine (Hiersoux) and William Boggio. Billie grew up and attended school in Girard, Kansas. Billie moved to California to go to college and married Ronald Busse of Arma, Kansas.

Billie Marie was preceded in death by her parents, sisters, and her husband of sixty-six years, Ronald. Ronald died in October 2020. Billie is survived by her daughter, Roni Marie and her grandson, Brian Rochester and several nieces and nephews.

Billie Marie and her husband moved to Prescott from Downey, California after retiring. Billie served and retired after many years with the Downey Unified School District. In the nearly two decades Billie resided in Prescott she belonged to several clubs, Mah Jongg, bunco, and the Noon Lioness. Billie was proud to be a Lioness and to be involved in supporting numerous worthwhile local charities. Billie received the Melvin Jones Fellow Award for her dedicated humanitarian services from the Lions Club International Foundation. Billie made many friends and acquaintances in Prescott. She valued and appreciated each one.

It was Billie's wish to visit Hawaii one more time with her daughter. She spoke of it often in the short time she was in remission from cancer but then the COVID pandemic hit which prevented their travel plans. Keeping to that promise, Billie's life will be celebrated in a private ceremony, at a later date at her final place of rest, at the Valley of the Temples Memorial Park Cemetery in Kaneohe, Hawaii.

Donations honoring Billie may be made to her favorite charity, St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, P.O. Box 50, Memphis, TN 38101-9929 or to the Boggio family church, The Christian Church of Girard, 119 N. Summit St., Girard, Kansas 66743.

Billie's love and kindness will always be felt and never forgotten. Her family and friends will love and miss her always. In our deepest sorrow we take some solace in knowing that her pain is finally over. ~ Rest in peace, dear sweet mom. ~



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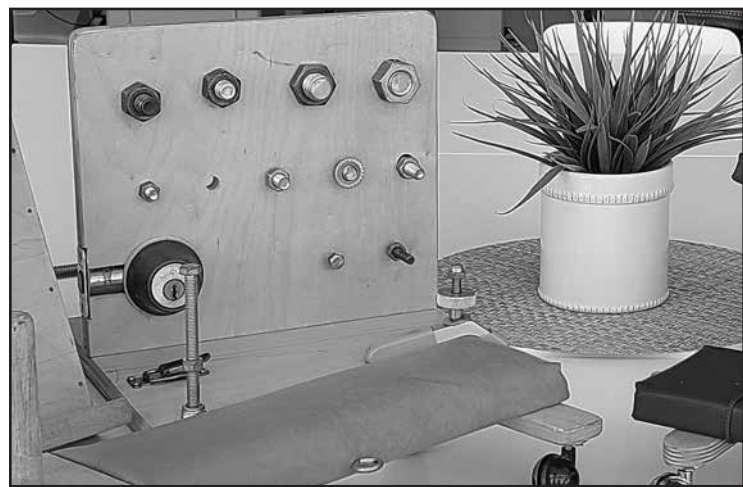
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Whittier Aquatic Center project breaks ground

■ The \$30 million project includes an Olympic-size pool, a practice pool, and 10,000 ft. of park space.

WHITTIER - LA County Supervisor Janice Hahn joined Whittier officials last week for a ceremonial groundbreaking marking the beginning of construction of a new aquatic center in unincorporated West Whittier.

"Public pools are important," said Hahn. "They are where kids learn to swim, they are safe places for teens to hang out on summer afternoons, and they are affordable ways for families to spend quality time together. The West Whittier community deserves a great public pool and soon they will have a world class aquatic center."

The Whittier Aquatic Center will include an Olympic-size swimming pool, a practice



pool, a roughly 9,000 square foot pool building with offices, locker rooms, restrooms, and classrooms, and 10,000 square foot of public park space. It will be the first public pool to serve the unincorporated West Whittier area, with the closest

County-run pool nearly eight miles away.

"Today's groundbreaking of the Whittier Aquatics Center championed by Supervisor Janice Hahn continues the action phase of building an Olympic-size competition swimming pool and facility," said Norma Edith García-González, Director of LA County Parks and Recreation.

"This capital project will significantly benefit the West Whittier-Los Nietos community. We look forward to providing an array of swimming recreation and aquatic programs."

Funding for the \$29.9 million project comes from Supervisor Janice Hahn's discretionary account. The site was previously used as a parking lot for neighboring Pioneer High School and is being provided by the Whittier Union High School District.

"Here today, we are celebrating a wonderful example of inter-agency collaboration,

where different entities come together, share resources, and coalesce," said Whittier Union High School District Board President Ralph Pacheco.

"As a rule, it takes a normal course of 2 to 3 years to get to this point. We did it in a year. Congratulations to all of you, both on the county side and the district side, who were instrumental in expediting this project -- not just for the purposes of expedition, but for the purpose of making a project happen for our community."

Joining Hahn at the groundbreaking was Whittier Union High School District Board President Ralph Pacheco, Whittier Union High School District Board Member Jaime Lopez, Director of the LA County Department of Public Works Mark Pestrella, and Director of the LA County Department of Parks and Recreation Norma García.

Volunteers find joy at Rancho

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He and his wife Adele ran a successful auto mechanic shop in Downey for more than 35 years and gave back whenever they could to the Downey community.

When asked why he still continues to donate his time and energy in retirement, Karl replied, "I grew up in a communist regime and I know what it's like to have very little. So my wife and I promised that

for all the good this country did for our family over the last 60 years, we'd pay it back by doing as much as we can to help those in need."

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Zachary Deere is manager of the Rancho Los Amigos Foundation.

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FICT. BUS NAME STATEMENT
 File Number 2021040765
 THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) GLOBAL AIRCRAFT ASSEMBLY, INC., 1944 E GLADWICK STREET, RANCHO DOMINGUEZ CA 90220, LA COUNTY
 Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A
 REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) GLOBAL AIRCRAFT ASSEMBLY, INC., 1944 E GLADWICK STREET, RANCHO DOMINGUEZ CA 90220
 State of Incorporation: CA
 THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: a Corporation
 The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 05/2011
 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/GLOBAL AIRCRAFT ASSEMBLY, INC., VICE PRESIDENT, SUPAVADEE PEREZ
 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on FEBRUARY 18, 2021
 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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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
 File Number 202105382
 THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) AXLE TRANSPORTATION, 11140 EXCELSIOR DR APT 6, NORWALK CA 90650, LA COUNTY
 Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A
 REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) IRENE

File Number 2021026379
 THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) THOEUN COLLECTION, 10241 FOSTER RD, DOWNEY CA 90242, LA COUNTY
 Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A
 REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) MALY THOEUN, 10241 FOSTER RD, DOWNEY CA 90242 (2) NICHOLAS DENT, 10241 FOSTER RD, DOWNEY CA 90242
 State of Incorporation: N/A
 THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: a Married Couple
 The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 01/2021
 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/MALY THOEUN, OWNER
 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on FEBRUARY 1, 2021
 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).

The Downey Patriot
 2/25/21, 3/4/21, 3/11/21, 3/18/21

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
 File Number 2021051535
 THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) CLARA TERRACE APTS, 5540 CLARA, BELL GARDENS CA 90201, LA COUNTY, 10220 HOPELAND AVE., DOWNEY CA 90241
 Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A
 REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) MARIA MARTINEZ, 10220 HOPELAND AVE, DOWNEY CA 90241 (2) JOSE MARTINEZ, 10220 HOPELAND AVE., DOWNEY CA 90241
 State of Incorporation: N/A
 THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: a Married Couple
 The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name

or names listed above: 01/2021
 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/IRRENE LEKPRANG, OWNER
 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on FEBRUARY 1, 2021
 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).

The Downey Patriot
 2/25/21, 3/4/21, 3/11/21, 3/18/21

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
 File Number 2021050374
 THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) SFS TRANSPORTATION, 11737 DUNNING ST, SANTA FE SPRINGS, CA 90670, LA COUNTY
 Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A
 REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) ARTHUR SALAZAR, 11737 DUNNING ST., SANTA FE SPRINGS CA 90670
 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: 01/2021
 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/ARTHUR SALAZAR, OWNER
 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on FEBRUARY 26, 2021
 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).

The Downey Patriot
 3/11/21, 3/18/21, 3/25/21, 4/1/21

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
 File Number 2021030626
 THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) TAQUERO MUCHO (2) VALDEZ TAQUERO MUCHO, 8260 FIRESTONE BLVD, DOWNEY CA 90241, LA COUNTY
 Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A
 REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) ADRIANA VALDEZ, 10357 BELLEDR DR, DOWNEY CA 90241 (2) JOSE VALDEZ, 10357 BELLEDR DR, DOWNEY CA 90241
 State of Incorporation: N/A
 THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: a General Partnership
 The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 01/2021
 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/ADRIANA VALDEZ, PARTNER
 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on FEBRUARY 4, 2021
 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).

The Downey Patriot
 2/25/21, 3/4/21, 3/11/21, 3/18/21

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
 File Number 2021047445
 THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) GTS TOWING 7246 BENARES ST, DOWNEY CA 90241, LA COUNTY, 7246 BENARES ST, DOWNEY CA 90241-4307
 Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: 4674975
 REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) KEEP ON PUBLISHING INC, 7246 BENARES ST, DOWNEY CA 90241-4307
 State of Incorporation: CA
 THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: a Corporation
 The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 01/2021
 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/KEEP ON PUBLISHING INC, PRESIDENT, CRISTIAN GONZALEZ
 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on FEBRUARY 23, 2021
 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

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residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration...

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) CLAUDIA S ART THERAPY, 7102 GEORGIA AVE, BELL CA 90201, LA COUNTY

The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 05/2020

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).

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) CRAFTDRIP, 635 ANGELENO AVE UNIT J, BURBANK CA 91501, LA COUNTY

The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: N/A

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).

The Downey Patriot 3/4/21, 3/11/21, 3/18/21, 3/25/21

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) CORAZON LATTE, 14132 PRICILLA ST, LA MIRADA CA 90638, LA COUNTY

The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 02/2021

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).

The Downey Patriot 3/18/21, 3/25/21, 4/1/21, 4/8/21

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) HAPPY HOOS, 685 LUCAS AVE, APT 719, LOS ANGELES CA 90017, LA COUNTY

The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: N/A

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/HAPPY HOOS LLC, MANAGER, CRISLENE MARY LOU S JARDELEZA, MANAGER OF HAPPY HOOS LLC

The Downey Patriot 3/11/21, 3/18/21, 3/25/21, 4/1/21

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) ATHENA, 12205 IZETTA AVENUE, DOWNEY CA 90242, LA COUNTY

The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: N/A

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).

The Downey Patriot 2/25/21, 3/4/21, 3/11/21, 3/18/21

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) YAMADA & NAKATA, CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS, 17918 PIONEER BLVD, SUITE 209, ARTESIA CA 90701, LA COUNTY

The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 01/2021

The Downey Patriot 3/11/21, 3/18/21, 3/25/21, 4/1/21

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) LG SERVICES, 15623 CAMEO AVE, NORWALK CA 90650, LA COUNTY

The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 02/2021

The Downey Patriot 3/4/21, 3/11/21, 3/18/21, 3/25/21

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) BIGGER FISH TWO FRY, 2901 E 10TH ST, APT 9, LONG BEACH CA 90804, LA COUNTY

The Downey Patriot 3/4/21, 3/11/21, 3/18/21, 3/25/21

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) BIGGER FISH TWO FRY, 2901 E 10TH ST, APT 9, LONG BEACH CA 90804, LA COUNTY

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) ALLISON TILLMAN, 2901 E 10TH ST, APT 9, LONG BEACH CA 90804 (2) ALAN EADY, 2901 E 10TH ST, APT. 9, LONG BEACH CA 90804

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).

The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 12/2020

The Downey Patriot 3/11/21, 3/18/21, 3/25/21, 4/1/21

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

FILE NO: 2020023063 DATE FILED: JANUARY 29, 2020 NAME OF BUSINESS(ES): LA BIKE AND BITE TOUR

The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 01/2021

The Downey Patriot 3/11/21, 3/18/21, 3/25/21, 4/1/21

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) CLEO MUNSTER, 1164 SALT LAKE ST, UNIT 1, LONG BEACH CA 90806, LA COUNTY

The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 01/2021

The Downey Patriot 3/11/21, 3/18/21, 3/25/21, 4/1/21

GOVERNMENT NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Notice is hereby given that the governing board ("Board") of the Downey Unified School District ("District") will receive sealed bids for the following projects, Bid No. 2021-05 ("Project" or "Contract").

GOVERNMENT NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Notice is hereby given that the governing board ("Board") of the Downey Unified School District ("District") will receive sealed bids for the following projects, Bid No. 2021-05 ("Project" or "Contract").

ASPHALT REPLACEMENT WORK AT LEWIS, PRICE AND RIO SAN GABRIEL ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS, AND COLUMBUS AND WARREN HIGH SCHOOLS

The Projects consist of: Playground, parking lot, and driveway asphalt improvements at each of the above school sites.

GOVERNMENT NOTICE TO BIDDERS

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 1832.600-1812.609, Section 1988 of CA Civil Code and Section 535 of the CA Penal Code.

The undersigned will be sold at public auction conducted on www.storage2treasures.com on March 25th, 2021 ending at 10:00 am.

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All bids shall be on the form provided by the District. Each bid must conform and

be responsive to all pertinent Contract Documents, including, but not limited to, the Instructions to Bidders.

A bid bond by an admitted surety insurer on the form provided by the District a cashier's check or a certified check, drawn to the order of the Downey Unified School District, in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the total bid price, shall accompany the Bid Form and Proposal, as a guarantee that the Bidder will, within seven (7) calendar days after the date of the Notice of Award, enter into a contract with the District for the performance of the services as stipulated in the bid.

A mandatory pre-bid conference and site visit will be held on March 26, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. at Price Elementary School, 9525 Tweedy Lane, Downey, CA 90240, California.

The successful Bidder shall be required to furnish a 100% Performance Bond and a 100% Payment Bond if it is awarded the Contract for the Work.

The successful Bidder may substitute securities for any monies withheld by the District to ensure performance under the Contract, in accordance with the provisions of section 22300 of the Public Contract Code.

The successful bidder will be required to certify that it either meets the Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise ("DVBE") goal of three percent (3%) participation or made a good faith effort to solicit DVBE participation in this Contract if it is awarded the Contract for the Work.

The Contractor and all Subcontractors under the Contract shall pay all workers on all Work performed pursuant to this Contract not less than the general prevailing rate per diem wages and the general prevailing rate for holiday and overtime work as determined by the Director of the Department of Industrial Relations, State of California, for the type of work performed and the locality in which the work is to be performed within the boundaries of the District, pursuant to section 1770 et seq. of the California Labor Code.

This Project is subject to labor compliance monitoring and enforcement by the Department of Industrial Relations pursuant to Labor Code section 1771.4 and subject to the requirements of Title 8 of the California Code of Regulations. The successful Bidder shall comply with all requirements of Division 2, Part 7, Chapter 1, Articles 1-5 of the Labor Code.

The District intends to award separate contracts for each school site. The District shall award each Contract, if it awards it at all, to the lowest responsive responsible bidder based on:

- a. The base bid amount only.

The Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids and/or waive any irregularity in any bid received. If the District awards the Contract, the security of unsuccessful bidder(s) shall be returned within sixty (60) days from the time the award is made.

Darren Purselglove, C.P.M. Darren Purselglove, Director, Purchasing and Warehouse Downey Unified School District, Los Angeles County, State of California

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LIEN SALES

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to California Civil Code Section 798.56a and California Commercial Code Section 7210 that the following described property will be sold Glenair Mobile Home Park (Warehouse) at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, in lawful money of the United States, or a cashier's check payable to Glenair Mobile Home Park, payable at time of sale, on Tuesday, March 23, 2021 at 8:00 a.m., at the following location:

TRADE NAME: DEL MAR APT. 1583 H.C.D. ID: CAL NO: LAD5349 SERIAL NO: CB2308/CB230B HD Label/Insigna: CAL253161/CAL253162 The current location of the subject property is: 1700 S Glendora Ave, Spc 23, Glendora, CA 91740.

The public auction will be made to satisfy the lien for storage of the above-described property that was deposited by Jo Nuanes and Lorene Nuanes to Glenair Mobile Home Park.

Date: March 8, 2021 /s/ Airene Williamson Airene Williamson, Esq. Authorized Agent for Glenair Mobile Home Park

Contact: Amalia Uribe (714) 575-5130

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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 1832.600-1812.609, Section 1988 of CA Civil Code and Section 535 of the CA Penal Code.

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NOTICES

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner RORY SEBASTIANO AMADEO ALESSANDRO CRISTOBEL DE SEVILLA filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

Present name (1) RORY SEBASTIANO AMADEO ALESSANDRO CRISTOBEL DE SEVILLA to Proposed name (1) RORY SEBASTIAN SILAS LOPEZ-ESCE

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.

NOTICE OF HEARING Date: MAY 4, 2021, Time: 8:30 a.m., Department: J, Room: 418

The address of the court is 400 CIVIC CENTER DRIVE, POMONA CA 91766

A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in the county, THE DOWNEY PATRIOT

The Downey Patriot 3/18/21, 3/25/21, 4/1/21, 4/8/21

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner DESMOND CHRISTIAN filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

Present name (1) DESMOND CHRISTIAN to Proposed name (1) DESMOND DAVIS

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.

NOTICE OF HEARING Date: MAY 3, 2021, Time: 10:30 a.m., Department: C, Room 312

The address of the court is 12720 NORWALK BOULEVARD, NORWALK CA 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

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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner AUTUMN RACHEL LOPEZ filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

Present name (1) AUTUMN RACHEL LOPEZ to Proposed name (1) AUTUMN RACHEL OROSCA

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.

NOTICE OF HEARING Date: MAY 6, 2021, Time: 8:30 a.m., Department: J, Room: 418

The address of the court is 400 CIVIC CENTER DRIVE, POMONA CA 91766

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The Downey Patriot 3/4/21, 3/11/21, 3/18/21, 3/25/21

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner VALERIE IFEOMA OFILI filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

Present name (1) VALERIE IFEOMA OFILI to Proposed name (1) VALERIE IFEOMA LEWIS

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.

NOTICE OF HEARING Date: APRIL 23, 2021, Time: 10:30 a.m., Department: C, Room: 312

The address of the court is 12720 NORWALK BOULEVARD, NORWALK CA 90650

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The Downey Patriot 3/18/21, 3/25/21, 4/1/21, 4/8/21

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner VALERIE IFEOMA OFILI filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

Present name (1) VALERIE IFEOMA OFILI to Proposed name (1) VALERIE IFEOMA LEWIS

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.

NOTICE OF HEARING Date: APRIL 23, 2021, Time: 10:30 a.m., Department: C, Room: 312

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

CASE NUMBER: 21WCPC00049 TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner OMAR ALFONSO CHAVEZ filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

Present name (1) OMAR ALFONSO CHAVEZ to Proposed name (1) OMAR ALFONSO CARDENAS CHAVEZ

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.

NOTICE OF HEARING Date: APRIL 21, 2021, Time: 10:30 a.m., Department: C, Room: 312

The address of the court is 12720 NORWALK BOULEVARD, NORWALK CA 90650

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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner ELIZABETH MARTHA CABRAL LOPEZ filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

Present name (1) ELIZABETH MARTHA CABRAL LOPEZ to Proposed name (1) AVERY HELENA CABRAL

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.

NOTICE OF HEARING Date: APRIL 26, 2021, Time: 10:30 a.m., Department: C, Room 312

The address of the court is 12720 NORWALK BOULEVARD, NORWALK CA 90650

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The Downey Patriot 3/4/21, 3/11/21, 3/18/21, 3/25/21

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner ARACELI FLORES filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

Present name (1) ARACELI CASTRO SEVILLA to Proposed name (1) ARACELI SEVILLA

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.

NOTICE OF HEARING Date: MAY 6, 2021, Time: 8:30 a.m., Department: A, Room 904

The address of the court is 200 W COMPTON BOULEVARD, COMPTON CA 90222

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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner VISHAL NAGINDAS GANDHI filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

Present name (1) VISHAL NAGINDAS GANDHI to Proposed name (1) VIISHAL NAGINDAS GANDHI

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.

NOTICE OF HEARING Date: APRIL 23, 2021, Time: 10:30 a.m., Department: C, Room 312

The address of the court is 12720 NORWALK BOULEVARD, NORWALK CA 90650

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The Downey Patriot 3/11/21, 3/18/21, 3/25/21, 4/1/21

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner VISHAL NAGINDAS GANDHI filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

Present name (1) VISHAL NAGINDAS GANDHI to Proposed name (1) VIISHAL NAGINDAS GANDHI

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SALVADOR ALVAREZ GONZALEZ filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
Present name (1) SALVADOR ALVAREZ GONZALEZ to Proposed name (1) SALVADOR ELIZARRAZARZ
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: **MAY 3, 2021, Time: 10:30 a.m., Department: C, Room 312.**
The address of the court is 12720 NORWALK BOULEVARD, NORWALK CA 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, FEBRUARY 26, 2021
Judge MARGARET M. BERNAL
Petitioner or Attorney for Petitioner **SALVADOR ALVAREZ GONZALEZ** 10054 KARMONT AVE SOUTH GATE CA 90280 (562) 805-5228 SALVADORSALVADOR01@YAHOO.COM

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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
CASE NUMBER: 21SMC00060
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner DAKOTA CHRISTIAN GILBREATH AND JESSICA LYNNE FOLLROD filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

Present name (1) DAKOTA CHRISTIAN GILBREATH to Proposed name (1) DAKOTA CHRISTIAN SHEETS
Present name (2) JESSICA LYNNE FOLLROD to Proposed name (2) JESSICA LYNNE SHEETS
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: **APRIL 23, 2021, Time: 8:30 a.m., Department: K, Room: N/A**
The address of the court is 11701 S. LA CIENEGA, LOS ANGELES CA 90045 (317) 496-2417 DAKOTA.GILBREATH@PM.ME

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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
CASE NUMBER: 21NWCP00048
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner AMANDA MENDEZ ON BEHALF OF JONATHAN ALEXANDER MENDEZ filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

Present name (1) JONATHAN ALEXANDER MENDEZ to Proposed name (1) JONATHAN ALEXANDER REYNOSA
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: **APRIL 12, 2021, Time: 10:30 a.m., Department: C, Room 312.**
The address of the court is 12720 NORWALK BLVD., NORWALK CA 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, FEBRUARY 12, 2021
Judge MARGARET M. BERNAL
Judge of the Superior Court
Petitioner or Attorney for Petitioner **AMANDA MENDEZ ON BEHALF OF JONATHAN ALEXANDER MENDEZ** 13937 HAL COURT AVE NORWALK CA 90650 (562) 387-5373 AMANDA.N.MENDEZ@GMAIL.COM

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PROBATE
NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF ROSELIA MONTENEGRO
Case No. 21STPB01623
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of ROSELIA MONTENEGRO: A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Jesus Vargas, Jr. in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.
THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that Jesus Vargas, Jr. be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.
THE PETITION requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.
THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.
A HEARING on the petition will be held on April 8, 2021 at 8:30AM in Dept. No. 5 located at 111 N. Hill St., Los Angeles, CA 90012.

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: MARK E SWATK ESQ SBN 269542 **BURKLEY BRADLIN & SWATK LLP** 21515 HAWRHORNE BLVD #820 TORRANCE CA 90067 CN975537 DAY Mar 4, 11, 18, 2021

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF NAOMI MAE FORD
Case No. 21STPB02306
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of NAOMI MAE FORD: A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Laurie Holmes in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.
THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that Laurie Holmes be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.
THE PETITION requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.
THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.
A HEARING on the petition will be held on April 12, 2021 at 8:30 AM in Dept. No. 2D 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: ALLAN M SOTO ESQ SBN 206714 **LAW OFFICES OF ALLAN M SOTO** 7960 W MC FADEN AVE WESTMINSTER CA 92683 CN975830 MONTENEGRO Mar 4, 11, 18, 2021

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF RENEY YVONNE DAY
Case No. 20STPB02816
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of RENEY YVONNE DAY: A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Sheila Creswell in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.
THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that Sheila Creswell 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 March 24, 2021 at 8:30 AM in Dept. No. 11 located at 111 N. Hill St., Los Angeles,

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF GEORGE ALLEN LOHRMAN
Case No. 20STPB08304
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of GEORGE ALLEN LOHRMAN: A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Ernest L. Lohrman in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.
THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF TEODULO ROMULO VELASCO GEPIGON
Case No. 21STPB02323
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of TEODULO ROMULO VELASCO GEPIGON: A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by MARY AILEEN VERGARA GEPIGON in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.
THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that MARY AILEEN VERGARA GEPIGON be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.
THE PETITION requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.
THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.
A HEARING on the petition will be held on APRIL 20, 2021 at 8:30am. In Dept. 11 Room N/A located at SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, 111 HILL STREET, LOS ANGELES, CA 90012, STANLEY MOSK COURTHOUSE
IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.
IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (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.
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YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.
Petitioner: Laurie Holmes LAURIE HOLMES 12024 PARROT AVE DOWNEY CA 90242 CN976258 FORD Mar 18, 25, Apr 1, 2021

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF ALLAN M SOTO
Case No. 21STPB01623
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of ALLAN M SOTO: A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Jesus Vargas, Jr. in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.
THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that Jesus Vargas, Jr. be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.
THE PETITION requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.
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A HEARING on the petition will be held on April 8, 2021 at 8:30AM in Dept. No. 5 located at 111 N. Hill St., Los Angeles,

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF HAYDEN ADAMS ESQ
Case No. 21STPB00679
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of LESTER LEE PAYTON: A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by: LAWRENCE A DEAN, II in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.
THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that LAWRENCE A DEAN, II be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.
THE PETITION requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.
THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.
A HEARING on the petition will be held on APRIL 15, 2021 at 8:30am. In Dept. 67 Room N/A located at SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, 111 HILL STREET, LOS ANGELES, CA 90010, CENTRAL PROBATE
All appearances are made through LACourtConnect.com No in person appearances.
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.
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Attorney for petitioner: SHERRI L KASTILAHN, SBN 180013 **LAW OFFICE OF SHERRI L KASTILAHN** 18956 COVINA STREET HESPERIA, CA 92345 (760) 948-0927 SHERRILKASTILAHN@GMAIL.COM

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TRUSTEE SALES
NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE Trustee Sale No.: 00000008637001 Title Order No.: 19118666 FHA/VA/PMI No.: ATTENTION RECORDER: THE FOLLOWING REFERENCE TO AN ATTACHED SUMMARY APPLIES ONLY TO COPIES PROVIDED TO THE TRUSTEE, NOT TO THE RECORDED ORIGINAL NOTICE. NOTE: THERE IS A SUMMARY OF THE INFORMATION IN THIS DOCUMENT ATTACHED YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 09/01/2006. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT LAWYER BARRETT DAFFIN FRAPPIER TREDER AND WEISS, LLP, as duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust Recorded on 09/13/2006 as Instrument No. 062034535 of official records in the office of the County Recorder of LOS ANGELES County, State of CALIFORNIA. EXECUTED BY: CLEMENTINA SALGADO, AN UNMARRIED WOMAN, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH, CASHIER'S CHECK/CASH EQUIVALENT or other form of payment authorized by California Civil Code 2924h(b), (payable at time of sale in lawful money of the United States). DATE OF SALE: 04/05/2021 TIME OF SALE: 11:00 AM PLACE OF SALE: BY THE FOUNTAIN LOCATED AT 400 CIVIC CENTER PLAZA, POMONA, CA 91766. STREET ADDRESS and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 8544 PURITAN STREET, DOWNEY, CALIFORNIA 90242 APN#: 6263-018-011 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 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 said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said note(s), advances, under the terms of said Deed of Trust, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created 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 \$205,388.14. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written Declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located. NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call 833-561-0243 for information regarding the trustee's sale or visit this Internet Web site: WWW.SALES.BDFGROUP.COM for information regarding the sale of this property, using the file number assigned to this case 00000008637001. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. NOTICE TO TENANT: You may have a right to purchase this property after the trustee auction pursuant to Section 2924m of the California Civil Code. If you are an "eligible tenant buyer," you can purchase the property if you match the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. If you are an "eligible bidder," you may be able to purchase the property if you exceed the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. There are three steps to exercising this right of purchase. First, 48 hours after the date of the trustee sale, you can call 833-561-0243, or visit this internet website WWW.SALES.BDFGROUP.COM using the file number assigned to this case 00000008637001 to find the date on which the trustee's sale was held, the amount of the last and highest bid, and the address of the trustee. Second, you must send a written notice of intent to place a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 15 days after the trustee's sale. Third, you must submit a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 45 days after the trustee's sale. If you think you may qualify as an "eligible tenant buyer" or "eligible bidder," you should consider contacting an attorney or appropriate real estate professional immediately for advice regarding this potential right to purchase. FOR TRUSTEE SALE INFORMATION PLEASE CALL: 833-561-0243 WWW.SALES.BDFGROUP.COM BARRETT DAFFIN FRAPPIER TREDER AND WEISS, LLP IS ACTING AS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. BARRETT DAFFIN FRAPPIER TREDER AND WEISS, LLP as Trustee 3990 E. Concourse Street, Suite 350 Ontario, CA 91764 (866) 795-1852 Dated: 02/26/2021 A-4730137 03/11/2021, 03/18/2021, 03/25/2021

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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: MARK E SWATK ESQ SBN 269542 **BURKLEY BRADLIN & SWATK LLP** 21515 HAWRHORNE BLVD #820 TORRANCE CA 90067 CN975537 DAY Mar 4, 11, 18, 2021

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF HAYDEN ADAMS ESQ
Case No. 21STPB00679
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of LESTER LEE PAYTON: A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by: LAWRENCE A DEAN, II in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.
THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that LAWRENCE A DEAN, II be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.
THE PETITION requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.
THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.
A HEARING on the petition will be held on APRIL 15, 2021 at 8:30 AM in Dept. No. 5 located at 111 N. Hill St., Los Angeles, CA 90012.

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF TEODULO ROMULO VELASCO GEPIGON
Case No. 21STPB02323
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of TEODULO ROMULO VELASCO GEPIGON: A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by MARY AILEEN VERGARA GEPIGON in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.
THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that MARY AILEEN VERGARA GEPIGON be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.
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Attorney for petitioner: HAYDEN ADAMS ESQ SBN 316491 **HAYDEN ADAMS LAW APC** 9595 WILSHIRE BLVD STE 900 BEVERLY HILLS CA 90212 CN975802 LHORMAN Mar 4, 11, 18, 2021

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TRUSTEE SALES
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Buyer or seller: who pays for what

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If you've bought or sold a home before, you know the financial details are much more complex than just the listing price. From inspections to agent fees and everything in between, both buyers and sellers hold financial responsibility for transaction expenses and closing costs — and knowing who pays for what can help ensure a smooth sale.

While some aspects of closing costs can be negotiated into the contract between buyer and seller, certain things are typically paid by one party or the other. Read on to learn which big bills you, the seller, should be budgeting for and which will be the buyer's responsibility.

Who pays real estate commission?

Sellers pay real estate commissions, which typically total between 5% to 6% of the sale price. This amount is paid to the listing agent, who then shares roughly half with the buyer's agent.

Cost: On a \$200,000 home, a full-service real estate commission would cost the seller \$10,000-\$12,000. Each agent would receive \$5,000-\$6,000.

In an attempt to cut down on commission costs, some sellers decide to sell for sale by owner (FSBO), which saves the 3% they would pay to their listing agent. While selling FSBO can be a lot of work, it can result in a cost savings. It's recommended that you still offer a buyer's agent commission when you're selling FSBO, as you'll want to attract as many potential buyers as possible, and some buyer's agents may be less inclined to show their clients your home if they won't receive a commission.

Who pays escrow fees?

Escrow fees are typically split 50-50 between buyer and seller. Escrow fees cover the services of an independent third party to conduct the closing and manage funds during the transaction.

Cost: Usually 1% of the purchase price. On a \$200,000 house, that's \$1,000 for the seller and \$1,000 for the buyer. Note that this does not include the actual money being held in your escrow account for closing. This is just the fee for the escrow company's services.

Who pays for the home inspection?

The buyer pays for a home inspection if they choose to conduct one. Inspections are meant to protect the buyer from any hidden defects in the home that could impact the home's value, cost a lot of money to repair or make the home unsafe to live in.

Cost: The average home inspection costs between \$250 and \$700.

Sellers sometimes decide to do a pre-inspection for a better sense of what the buyer's inspector will find and the chance to make any important repairs before listing. A pre-inspection costs the same amount as a buyer's inspection.

Who pays for the appraisal?

Buyers cover the cost of the home appraisal, which is usually required by their lender if they will be taking out a mortgage to buy the home. Even if it isn't required, buyers sometimes complete appraisals for peace of mind that they're making

a smart investment and not overpaying.

Cost: The average cost of a home appraisal nationally is \$350.

Who pays for a land survey — buyer or seller?

The home buyer pays for a land survey, if they request one. Considered due diligence (much like a home inspection), a land survey lets the buyer know the details of the exact property they're purchasing, including property boundaries, fencing, easements and encroachments.

Cost: The average price is around \$550, but it can vary depending on property size, shape and location.

Who pays for title insurance?

Both the buyer and seller pay for title insurance, but each type is slightly different. The seller pays for the title insurance coverage for the buyer, and the buyer pays for the title insurance policy for their lender. In general, title insurance ensures the home is "free and clear" and that no third party has an unknown claim to the property.

Owner's title insurance (paid by the seller for the buyer)

Owner's title insurance provides protection so that no one else can claim ownership over the property from a prior dispute or lien from a contractor, attorney or other third party.

It's important for the buyer to have, because it protects them from legal or financial damages if another party were to try and claim ownership over the home in the future, after they purchase the home.

Cost: Buyer's title insurance costs between \$1,000 and \$4,000, depending on the scope and coverage.

Lender's title insurance (paid by buyer)

The lender's title insurance is paid by the buyer, and it protects the lender's financial investment in the home. It's usually required for any buyer who is buying with a mortgage, and the coverage remains until the loan is refinanced with another lender or paid off.

Cost: Lender's title insurance coverage costs between \$500 and \$1,000.

Who pays for a home warranty — buyer or seller?

The seller pays for a home warranty. It's often offered as an incentive to attract buyers, but it's not required. Offering a home warranty gives the buyer assurance that they won't have to pay any huge repair bills soon after moving in — most policies are good for a year. They typically cover the home's major

systems, including plumbing, electrical and appliances.

Cost: A one-time cost of between \$300 and \$500 for one year of warranty coverage.

Who pays real estate transfer taxes?

The seller is responsible for paying any real estate transfer taxes, which are charged when the title for the home is transferred from the old owner to the new owner. Transfer taxes can be levied by a city, county, state or a combination.

Cost: Transfer tax costs vary dramatically in different parts of the country and can even vary from one city to its nearby suburbs. And rates can fluctuate over time based on levies and tax rate changes. In some areas, transfer taxes may only apply to homes sold over a particular price point. Ask your real estate agent or escrow company for the correct rate for your area.

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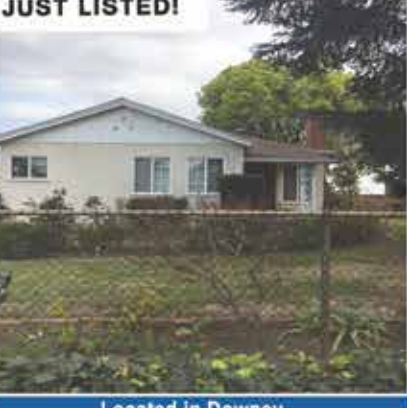
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4 OFFERS | LIST PRICE \$995,000



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21 OFFERS | LISTED FOR \$654,500

AVAILABLE



Near Rio Hondo Country Club

- 6 Bedrooms | 6 Bathrooms
- 5,266 sq. ft. | 13,885 sq. ft. lot
- 2 spacious master bedrooms
- Swimming pool, covered patio & gazebo
- 3 car garage

LIST PRICE: \$1,799,000



2 Houses On A Large Lot

- FRONT HOME: 5 BD, 2 BA, 3,112 sq. ft.
- BACK HOME: 2 BD, 2 BA, 1,152 sq. ft.
- 12,012 sq. ft. lot
- Property built in 1988
- Each unit has a 2 car garage

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- 3 Bedrooms • 2 Bathrooms
- 1,158 sq. ft. | 5,447 sq. ft. lot
- Remodeled kitchen & baths
- Central A/C
- Newer roof

LIST PRICE: \$665,000



Great Income Opportunity

- Unit mix: Two 2BD, 1 BA & one 1 BD, 1 BA
- 2,637 sq. ft. combined | 7,397 sq. ft. lot
- Detached 3 car garage
- Separate metered units
- Great booming location

LIST PRICE: \$799,950



So Much For So Little

- 4 Bedrooms | 2 Bathrooms
- 2,315 sq. ft. living space
- 6,036 sq. ft. lot
- Remodeled kitchen
- 2 car attached garage

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