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Council delays over City Attorney move

By John Adams

DOWNEY—The City Council Tuesday put off consideration of proposed changes in the contract with the City Attorney Charles Vose of Oliver, Vose, Sandifer, Murphy & Lee until the next meeting.

A staff report noted that under the proposed revised contract Vose would provide special economic development services as directed by the Council, negotiate with potential developers and guide the city's economic staff. His office would be located on the first floor of City Hall where the economic staff is located.

The added expense would be a salary of \$148,703, fringe leave benefits of \$27,793, fringe retirement and medical cost of \$68,000 for a total of \$244,901.

The City would also subscribe to the Lexus on-line legal service for City Hall at an estimated annual cost of \$12,000.

And the City would have to budget for an attorney to cover City meetings when Vose is on vacation, at a projected cost of \$10,000.

Potential savings would be the \$230,715 the City paid in legal services in 2003-04 and the salary costs for the position of economic development director (\$186,228).

The suggestion is that the existing management employee be assigned to coordinate the work of the Planning Division, Housing Division, and Building and Safety Division.

The net savings would be an estimated \$190,000 a year.

Vose indicated to the Council that the changing nature of municipal law business in the state may involve increased hourly rates under the present structure in 2005. On the other hand, there are areas of legal services currently provided by special legal counsel (Paul Hastings for the NASA project) which may continue to be handled in-house.

Comments range from tour to editorial

By John Adams

DOWNEY—City Council comments Tuesday ranged from a recent bus tour to the Reagan Library by Anne Bayer to an editorial in the *Patriot* which Meredith Perkins liked and read at the meeting.

Speaking from the audience, the school board's Barbara Samperi said she also liked the editorial. Lennie Whittington, also speaking from the audience, did not like it, saying it was an indication of how much Perkins was in the *Patriot's* pocket. Whittington also asked what it would cost in terms of PERS if the City Attorney became a full-time City position.

Prayer Breakfast

Keith McCarthy said he enjoyed the recent Mayor's Prayer Breakfast. Rick Trejo noted the dedication of the Memorial Plaza in front of the Theater to Ken Miller.

Perkins and other members of the council also welcomed Art Rangel back to the City. And Perkins applauded the recent Youth Fishing Day at Wilderness Park.

Apollo has needs

Trejo also said he hoped something could be done to improve the lights and field at Apollo Park.

Perkins included a personal history of the recent discontent between the Mayor and City Manager, saying he hoped it could now be put behind them.

Interpretive piano key to performance

By Joyce Sherwin

DOWNEY—In a recent edition of the Schwann Reference Guide to classical Music, Beethoven's Piano Concerto No. 3 enjoys 52 separate listings of available recordings, each unique. The notes played from Beethoven's score will be the same, but of course no pianist's interpretation is exactly like that of anyone else, nor is any orchestra conductor's the same as any other's.

In Hollywood parlance, this concerto has legs. It lasts because it is worthwhile music. The listener grows with each hearing of the work.

Sunday, Nov. 14

For audiences of the Downey Symphony, an opportunity to hear Beethoven's 3rd Piano Concerto performed live, uniquely, comes next Sunday afternoon, Nov. 14, at the Downey Theater, when Norman Krieger appears as guest soloist with the orchestra.

A graduate of the famed Juilliard school with Bachelor's and Master's degrees, and a winner of many prestigious competitions, Krieger has appeared regularly with major orchestras throughout North America and the world, and as a recitalist in the U.S., Europe, Mexico and Asia. He has played at Lincoln Center in the "Great Performance Series" and records extensively. Currently he is associate professor with the distinguished faculty of USC's Thornton School of Music.

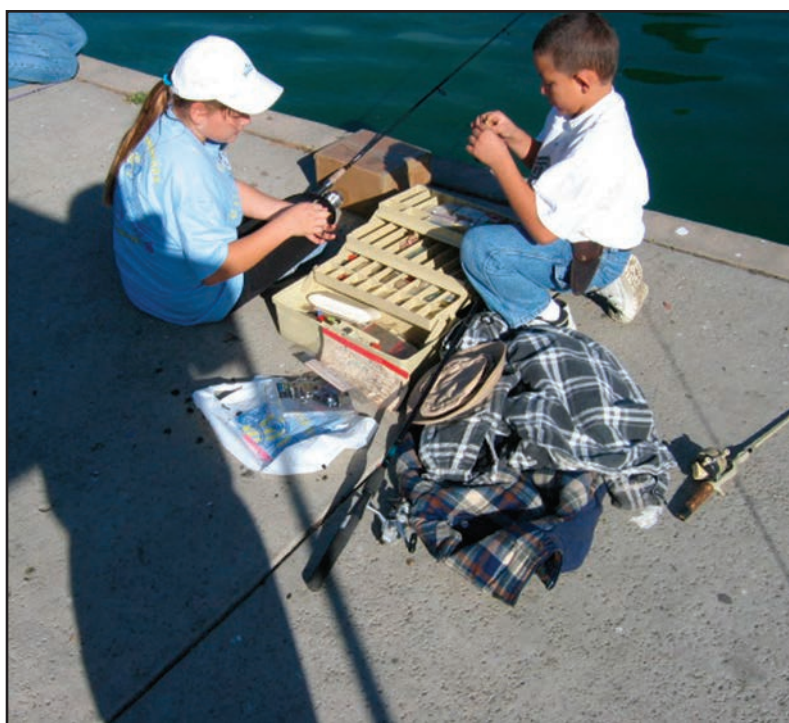
Downey High stadium ready to go

DOWNEY—Downey High School's new sports stadium is officially open for business.

The Vikings will host Dominguez tonight, Nov. 12, at 7:00 p.m. in the football season's regular season finale. Only the visitor's bleacher side will be open. Stadium capacity for tonight is 1,500, so arrive early.



A QUIET DAY—And a line and a pole offer a sense of eternal beauty for all ages.



FULLY EQUIPPED—These youngsters had a tackle box filled with lures to try on the hungry fish stocked in wilderness Park Lake last Saturday.



COMPLEXITIES!—Of course, as in everything, there are complexities only to be mastered with time.

Fine fishing at Wilderness Park

By John Adams

DOWNEY—Saturday, Nov. 6 was Youth Fishing Day at Wilderness Park, sponsored by the City and the state Department of Fish and Game.

The event for youngsters age 15 and under was free and taught kids safety procedures, casting, types of fish and the effects of environment on the lake.

It turned out to be a fine, sunny day. There were fly-tying demonstrations by the Fly-Fishers Club, with breakfast for a small fee.

Tackle boxes along the shoreline showed that many fathers took the opportunity to spend the morning with their sons or daughters.

There were loaner rods available for those who didn't have their own equipment, and free T-shirts for the first 200 children.

Safer sidewalks scheduled for Downey Avenue

Safe Routes to School grant

By John Adams

DOWNEY—The City Council has cleared the way for construction of sidewalks on Downey Avenue between Firestone and Gardendale and awarded a contract for \$416,825 to Los Angeles Engineering.

The action was at Tuesday's regular meeting.

Through the competitive Safe Routes to School grant program, \$382,500 has been awarded to Downey to improve the city's sidewalks, one of only 85 statewide projects funded. The funding is administered by the state Department of Transportation (CalTrans).

Amended...

The Council also amended the Downey-State Master Agreement detailing the terms, conditions and limits of the state funded project. Under the agreement the city will be reimbursed 90 percent of the total actual construction cost and engineering expenses, not to exceed \$382,500, the remaining costs to be funded through the Gas Tax Fund.

Pedestrian safety

Goal is to reduce pedestrian-vehicle potential for accidents, enhance safety through improvements through the following:

*North-south sidewalks on both sides of Downey Avenue between Firestone and Gardendale.

*Construction of disabled access ramps.

*Upgrade the traffic signal at Downey and Stewart and Gray Road to improve pedestrian safety and ease traffic flow.

Incidental landscaping and tree planting is included.

Redevelopment plans approved

By John Adams

DOWNEY—Acting as the Community Development Commission, the Downey City Council has approved the Five-Year Implementation Plan for the Downey Redevelopment Project and Woodruff Project Areas.

The action was passed by a unanimous 5-0 vote at Tuesday's regular meeting.

Staff report

Art Rangel, in a staff report, noted that by California Redevelopment Law of the Health and Safety Code, the commission is required to produce a new Implementation Plan every five years. The law requires that each redevelopment agency prepare a policy document with specific goals, objectives, actions and projects each agency intends to pursue to alleviate blight in their project areas for the next five years. The Implementation Plan must also address the affordable housing obligations for the next 10-years. A public hearing is required to receive comments and testimony from interested parties in the implementation plan.

Consultant

The consultant agency is the Economic & Development Specialist for the five year Implementation Plan. The plan is composed of two parts: a non-housing development plan and an affordable housing compliance plan. The non-housing section revisits the initial goals and objectives established by the Community Development Commission when the project areas were first developed, and further provides an action plan for the next five years. This section provides a projection of the tax increment revenues and further recommends projects, programs and funding allocations for the agency in order to alleviate blight in the project areas.

The affordable housing plan provides a review of the agency's housing production requirements and includes a projection of the annual housing set-aside increment. This part of the implementation plan identifies the housing production goals for the anticipated housing funds.

Highlights of the plan include:

*A project tax increment of 2 percent for each of the next five years. However, a significant portion of this will go towards existing debt obligations, including repayment of existing loans to the City of Downey, payments on tax allocation bonds, administrative expenses, and set-aside for the housing fund.

*The agency's authority to incur additional debt will be curtailed after July 20, 2007. After that date additional debt can be incurred only for that area included under Amendment 5.

*The implementation plan proposes that the agency limit its resources to activities that include a commercial facade program, downtown improvement strategies programs, building signage plan, developing under-utilized property, and upgrades of the right-of-way and traffic circulation on Firestone.

*The agency has a housing obligation to provide 27.5 housing units for low and moderate income households over the next five years.

*The agency will receive about \$7.1 million in tax increment for housing set-aside funds over the next ten years. These funds could generate 75 affordable housing units.

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Jackson to lead Holiday Parade

DOWNEY—Former major league pitcher Darrell Jackson, who currently serves as president and founder of the 10-20 Club which fights to keep "at risk" youngsters in school and resists gangs and drugs, will serve as celebrity marshal of this year's Holiday Lane Parade.

The parade is scheduled for 1:30 p.m. Dec. 5 on Downey Avenue between Lexington and Third Street, then east on Third to City Hall.

The event, sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce, was announced by parade chairman Maria Larkin.

Jackson attended Locke High School and played with the Minnesota Twins as a pitcher. His college career at Arizona State saw him part of a national championship in 1977. He pitched five years in the major leagues after being called up by Minnesota in 1978.

Outreach

Today he works full-time as an outreach worker for the Downey Unified School District. An honorary member of Downey Rotary, a Lifetime member of the Major League Baseball Players Alumni, he supports a number of organizations through participation in golf fundraisers.

He has also received awards from the Metropolitan YMCA, the Martin Luther King Jr. Dignity Award, and the Sertoma Club's Service to Mankind Award.

He and wife, Veronica, expect their first child in February.

Group plans visit to Knott's Berry Farm

DOWNEY – Downey Newcomers is hosting a trip Wednesday, Nov. 17 to Knott's Berry Farm for a 9:00 a.m. breakfast.

Those attending are free to stay in the park afterwards for rides or gift shopping. To sign up, call Vicki at 862-7562.

Cancer support group at DRMC

DOWNEY – Downey Regional Medical Center hosts a free cancer support group each Wednesday from 4 to 5 p.m.

For more information call 806-2790.



JUDGE DAVID PERKINS—(Center), a member of Gangs Out of Downey since 1989, is shown with his "G.O.O.D. for You" award at its November meeting, flanked by Betty Ferraro, DUSD board member and a founding member of G.O.O.D., and G.O.O.D. president Dave Gafin. The prestigious award was given to Judge Perkins for his continued dedication and service to the citizens of Downey.

Church to hold 'prophetic conference'

DOWNEY—The Love, Peace and Happiness Family Christian Fellowship, 11022 Old River School Rd., holds their "Annual Prophetic Conference" Sun.-Sat., Nov. 14-20 featuring guest speaker for the week, Apostle Herman Bibbs of Birmingham, AL. Theme of the conference is "Have you heard a word from the Lord."

Bishop Leon & Jacqueline Martin invite the public to attend.

The conference begins Sunday morning at 8, with 2 services daily Wednesday-Friday at 11:30 a.m. and nightly services Monday-Friday at 7:30 p.m. There will be a special "Mercy Seat" service on Saturday, Nov. 20 at 12 noon.

Meanwhile, the church will hold its annual Pre-Thanksgiving Dinner Sunday, Nov. 21 after the 10 a.m. service. The free dinner, a service to the community's homeless and hurting, continues to minister to over 1,000 people every year.

Thursday, Nov. 25 the church has its annual Thanksgiving Day Celebration with one Hour of Power from 11 a.m.-12 noon, when the Mass Choir and Praise Team will be singing songs of praise and worship followed by a dynamic message from Bishop Martin.

You are invited to attend regardless of church affiliation. For information/transportation, call the office at 806-9890.

Celebrity chefs vie tonight in Norwalk

NORWALK—The 14th annual Celebrity Chefs benefit for the American Red Cross Rio Hondo Chapter will be held this evening (Friday, Nov. 12) from 6 to 9 p.m. at the Norwalk Marriott Hotel.

This Celebrity Chef competition is the Rio Hondo Chapter's biggest and only fundraiser. A turnout of 500 is expected. The chapter provides disaster relief for communities including Downey. The event includes silent and live auctions, live musical entertainment, and above all fine food. Participating restaurants include Downey's Cafe n Stuff. The hotel is located at 3111 Sycamore Dr., Norwalk.

League explores 'who's Air is it'?

DOWNEY—Who's Air is it? You are invited to join the League of Women Voters Downey Area for a video presentation, "Our Democracy Our Airwaves," followed by a discussion led by League President Gloria Katz.

The date will be Saturday, Nov.20, time 10 a.m., location 10429 Rives Ave., Downey.

The meeting is free and there will be coffee.

Women's golf club seeks new members

DOWNEY—The Rio Hondo Women's Golf Club, which enjoys a weekly tee time Tuesday mornings starting at 8:30 a.m. at the Rio Hondo Golf Course, 10627 Old River School Road in Downey, wants to beef up its roster of fun-loving women who "enjoy the wonderful game of golf."

Applications for membership are now being accepted for the '04-'05 season.

The club says you don't have to be a low-handicapper to participate, just a willingness to bettering your skills and playing weekly with a "great group of women." General meetings are held the first Tuesday of the month following play.


For more information, contact the Rio Hondo Golf Course, 927-2420.

Adult School's Vegas Tour Jan. 9-12



DOWNEY—The Downey Adult School offers an all-new Las Vegas Adventure Tour Jan. 9-12, which will start at the Mirage Hotel and will include: a guided tour of Madame Tussaud's Museum at the Venetian, one breakfast at Caribe Restaurant and \$50 of food vouchers, admission to Dolphin Habitat and Secret Garden, a visit to the famous Shark Reef in the Mandalay Bay Hotel and a tour of the Casino Legends Hall of Fame in the Tropicana Hotel

Package price is \$269 double per person, and \$359 single. Tour registration coupons are available in the Downey Adult School main office or mailed upon request. Call 940-6213 for more information.




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Busy times at Downey Friends Bookstore

Courtesy Friends of Downey City Library

DOWNEY – Dewey, the official mascot of the Friends of the Downey City Library, is all decked out for the Thanksgiving holiday and has some interesting holiday books featured for you this month.

We know you are already planning for gift-giving, so we have a myriad of craft and how-to books available, from fine needlework to children's crafts, as well as cookbooks to plan that special holiday meal. Need ideas for decorating? We stock hundreds of previously-read magazines with all the decorating and craft ideas to brighten your home. Our books move quickly due to our more-than-reasonable prices and generous book donors, like you.

An item we often have requests for is puzzles. We are glad to recycle your puzzles. Large-pieced children's puzzles are just as welcome as those 1,000-piece puzzles for those blessed with patience. A recent TV news report indicated that working puzzles is one of the premier ways to exercise your brain's memory power.

The Friends Bookstore is located inside the Downey City Library at 11121 Brookshire Ave. Proceeds from the bookstore are used to purchase new books for the library, and help with many of the library's special needs. Stop by the bookstore, say 'Hi,' to Dewey, and pick up a good read. We're open regular library hours, as volunteer hours permit, and can be reached at 904-7360. We're also on the web at www.downeylibrary.org.

You are also welcome to drop off any book or puzzle donations at the library in the container to your left as you enter the library, or bring them into the bookstore. Let's give thanks this month for the joy of reading and learning!

Friends 'holiday marketplace' Nov. 20

DOWNEY—The Friends of the Downey City Library are again offering their popular Holiday Open House and Marketplace Saturday, Nov. 20 in the library Cormack Room from 10 a.m.-12 p.m. On sale will be hand-crafted items, fall and Christmas decorations, baked goods, first edition books, Walt Disney videos and quality recycled gift items.

The Marketplace, which affords an ideal way to pick up some stocking stuffers for everyone on your list, will this year feature a large selection of new picture frames and photo albums. A one-day only raffle for filled gift baskets will also be held.

All proceeds will support library programs and services. Guests will enjoy a free hot wassail punch. The library is located at 11121 Brookshire Ave. Information: 904-7360, Ext. 31.

Woman's Club boutique tomorrow

DOWNEY – Downey Woman's Club, 9813 Paramount Blvd., will be having their holiday boutique tomorrow, Nov. 13, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

A variety of craft items will be available, along with homemade breads, jams and candies. Other gifts will vary from purses and floral to jewelry and creative memories.



FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY—Volunteers Arlene Fackrell, left, and Carol Woods display one of the handcrafted items available at the group's Holiday Open House and Marketplace next week on Nov. 20. Proceeds from the event will go towards bettering library programs and services.

Lyricist's new work performed in Budapest

DOWNEY—Lyricist Anna Winslow, a Downey resident, has just returned from Budapest, Hungary where on Oct. 2, her new work, the "Litany of Peace," was performed in the Congressional Center in Buda. The Center is one of the largest concert halls in Budapest, seating an audience of 2200. Buda nestles by the Blue Danube.

Winslow's "Litany of Peace" was written for baritone, tenor and soprano soloists and chorus. Music was composed by the well-known artistic director of the Istvan Music Conservatory in Budapest, Jozsef Zaborszky.

Following the concert that featured a chorus of 80 and an orchestra of 80, the work was shown on 2 different TV stations and was broadcast on the Bartok classical radio station. It received excellent reviews and earned Winslow interviews on radio and TV.

Boy Scouts food drive this weekend

DOWNEY – In the spirit of the Thanksgiving holiday, the Downey Area Boy Scouts will conduct their annual Scouting for Food drive this week to help local families in need.

Collection bags were distributed to many Downey residences this past weekend and the Boy Scouts will return tomorrow, Nov. 13, after 9 a.m. to collect food donations. Acceptable donations include canned soups, fruits, vegetables and meats – no perishable items can be accepted.

If you did not receive a donation bag, miss the pick-up or would like to make a cash donation, see any of the local Salvation Army collection sites.

City launches money-making courses

DOWNEY—The City of Downey Community Services Department offers two courses on how to make money from home: 1) "How to cash in with a successful home-based business," Tuesday, Nov. 23, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Fee: \$30, plus \$10 materials fee paid to the instructor; 2) "How to make money with a home-based word processing business," Tuesday, Nov. 23, 8:30-9:30 p.m., Fee: \$20, plus \$10 materials fee paid to the instructor.

Venue is the Barbara J. Riley Community/Senior Center, 7810 Quill Drive. For more information/to register, call 904-7223.

Pancake breakfast at Downey Memorial

DOWNEY – Downey Memorial Christian Church will be holding its annual pancake breakfast tomorrow, Nov. 13, from 7:00 a.m. to 12 noon on its campus, 8441 Florence Ave., near Brookshire Ave.



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50-years ago...

By John Adams

Fifty-years-ago life seemed much simpler than it is today, according to the Old Farmer's Almanac which dares to look back in its 2005 edition.

Morality was simple: Adults considered listening to rock n' roll on a transistor radio a sure sign of rebellious youth, and the idea of the married Ricardos of TV's "I Love Lucy" sleeping together in one bed was too risqué for prime time viewers. Hits of the day included "Ain't That a Shame" by Fats Domino, "Earth Angel" by the Penguins, and "Rock Around the Clock" by Bill Haley and His Comets.

Neighbors gathered at TV parties to watch the \$64,000 Question.

President Eisenhower's special assistant, Harold Stassen, predicted that nuclear power would create a world where "hunger is unknown...where food never rots and crops never spoil...where no one stokes a furnace or curses the smog...where the air is everywhere as fresh as on a mountain-top, and the breeze from a factory as sweet as from a rose."

Dream on, Harold...

1955 was also the year the Brooklyn Dodgers finally defeated the New York Yankees in the World Series. (Who suspected there would soon be a move by the Dodgers and Giants to the West Coast? Remember Reese, Gilliam and Snyder?)

Of course there were some other aspects of 1955 that were more to the heart of the society and change. On Dec. 1, 1955, Rosa Parks, a 42-year-old African-American woman who worked as a seamstress at a Montgomery, Ala., department store, was asked to give up her seat on the bus to a white rider. She did not argue, she just quietly refused to move. The bus driver warned, "Well, I'm going to have to have you arrested." She replied, "You may go on and do so."

Her arrest was noted by the young Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., who spoke out about it. His home was later bombed. It sparked the Montgomery Bus Boycott. Three hundred and eighty-one days later the U.S. Supreme Court declared segregation on buses illegal.

"Our treatment was just not right, and I was tired of it," Parks later wrote in her autobiography, "Quiet Strength."

Fumes disrupt video store shoppers

DOWNEY—Firefighters, police and paramedics responded to calls of fumes described as "much like pepper spray" which caused discomfort to 40 persons in the Hollywood Video Store on Firestone Boulevard at Patton Road about 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 6.

The exact source of the discomforting fumes which caused 32 to seek treatment for swollen, watery eyes and difficult breathing, is still being sought, but it was believed to have gotten into the building's air conditioning system.

The store was shut down while firefighters called in a HazMat crew from the county to assist. Everything was back to normal by the next day. The case is under continued investigation.

Cerritos College annual 'Turkey Trot' Nov. 16

NORWALK – Combining a friendly spirit of competition with community goodwill, Cerritos College will hosts its annual Turkey Trot on Tuesday, Nov. 16. To enter the two-mile walk/run, participants must donate one canned food item, which is then provided to the Norwalk Community Council's Holiday Food Basket Program for needy families in the Norwalk area.

Each year, the event raises nearly 1,000 cans of food from its 200-plus participants. Many who participate exceed the one-can requirement, while others choose not to walk or run but donate to the event.

Race participants also have the opportunity earn prizes for guessing their completion time most accurately. Watches are not allowed for the event.

A "rain date" is set for Thursday, Nov. 18 in case the original date is rained out. Registration will be held from 9:30 – 10:55 a.m. with race time at 11:05 a.m. sharp.

For more information call Dr. Carrie Gleckner or Ni Bueno in Physical Education at 860-2451, ext. 2876.



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR:

Measure A didn't pass

Dear Editor:

In your "Election Results" (Nov. 5), it was indicated that County Measure A had passed by a vote of 1,446,636 to 979,170.

However, the measure required 66.6 percent of the votes to pass, and therefore was actually defeated.

—Hugh T. Hoskins,

Downey

Editor's Note: The Downey Patriot regrets the error.

Deplores the media's 'bias'

Dear Editor:

As soon as the election was over with a clear Republican winner, the media pundits were all over themselves asking what the Democrats had done wrong and should have done better to win the election.

Their attitude seemed to say the Democrats were pre-destined to be elected, and that their loss was some sort of aberration or fluke that must be examined, analyzed, evaluated, and corrected, so that that they might do better in the next election. When the Republicans lost, in '92 and '96 for example, they bore their defeats properly, I say, and there was no similar call for a reevaluation of their losses.

This simple glimpse through the thin veil of claimed fairness, provides volumes of evidence of the media's bias.

—Hugh T. Hoskins,

Downey

CSULB Opera Institute presents opera

LONG BEACH—The Opera Institute at CSU-Long Beach presents a program of best-loved scenes and arias tomorrow and Sunday, Nov. 13-14 in the Gerald Daniel Recital Hall.

Represented will be composers Puccini (opening scene from *La Rondine*), Verdi (last act from *La Traviata*) and Britten (the lover's quarrel in *Midsummer Night's Dream* and the first act from *Albert Herring*), as the vocal students from CSULB's opera training program offer audiences a wonderful mixture of Italian romance (first half) and British comedies (second half).

Ticket prices are \$15 for the general public, \$10 for students, seniors and those with student ID. For tickets/information, call (562) 985-7000 or visit www.csulb.edu/music.

Jazz concert at CSULB Nov. 14

LONG BEACH—Under the direction of John A. Carnahan, CSU-Long Beach's *Studio 1 Jazz Ensemble* and the *Alumni Jazz Conclave* comprised of several outstanding alumni jazz artists are joining together to play standard and contemporary Big Band jazz Sunday, Nov. 14 at 3 p.m. in the University Theater. The university's *Pacific Standard Time*, under the direction of Christine Helfferich, will also perform.

Tickets are \$10 adults and \$7 for seniors and those with a valid student ID. For tickets/information, call (562) 985-7000.

Saxophone performances Nov. 19

LONG BEACH—On Friday, Nov. 19 at 8 p.m., under the direction of Leo Potts, CSU-Long Beach's Saxophone Ensemble, which comprises 20 saxophones including soprano, alto, tenor, baritone and bass saxophones, will perform works by Schmidt, Bruno, Smith, Gabrieli and Bizet at Gerald Daniel Recital Hall.

Also performing is the university's Clarinet Choir, which includes B flat, alto, bass and contra bass clarinets, will play works by Mozart, Ravel, Grundman and Frackenphol.

Tickets are \$8 adults, and \$5 for seniors and those with valid student ID. Information/tickets: (562) 985-7000.

Type 1 diabetes subject of research

LOS ANGELES—Research-scientists at Childrens Hospital Los Angeles have launched a natural history study that will probe the risk factors and biological events leading to type 1 diabetes, a disease in which the body's immune system mistakenly destroys the insulin-producing beta cells of the pancreas. The hormone insulin is needed to convert glucose into energy.

People with this form of diabetes, formerly known as juvenile onset diabetes, need several insulin injections a day, or an insulin pump to survive. However, insulin replacement is not a cure, and most people with type 1 diabetes eventually develop one or more complications of diabetes, including damage to the eyes, nerves, kidneys and blood vessels. Type 1 diabetes accounts for 5 to 10 percent of all diagnosed cases of diabetes. Childrens Hospital Los Angeles is one of 18 medical centers in the United States, Canada, Europe and Australia participating in the Type 1 Diabetes TrialNet. This network of researchers, labs and facilities is dedicated to understanding the autoimmune process that leads to type 1 diabetes preventing the disease, and stopping its progression in those newly diagnosed.

At diagnosis, most people with type 1 diabetes still have some of their beta cells. In time, however, the immune system destroys more of these cells, making it harder to control blood glucose. Other TrialNet studies will seek to delay or stop the immune destruction of beta cells.

Scientists think a combination of genetic and environmental factors, such as diet or childhood infection, make a person susceptible to type 1 diabetes. A separate study is looking for the environmental contributions to type 1 diabetes. For more information, see www.teddystudy.org). This study is not currently being conducted at Childrens Hospital Los Angeles. About 18.2 million people – 6.3 percent of the nation's population — have diabetes. It is the main cause of kidney failure, limb amputation, and new onset blindness in adults and is a major cause of heart disease and stroke.

Type 2 diabetes, which accounts for up to 95 percent of all diabetes cases, is associated with older age, obesity, family history of diabetes, history of gestational diabetes, impaired glucose metabolism, physical inactivity, and race/ethnicity.

African Americans, Hispanic/Latino Americans, American Indians, and some Asian Americans and Native Hawaiians or other Pacific Islanders are at particularly high risk for this form of diabetes.

Type 1 diabetes TrialNet is funded by the National Institutes of Health, part of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. The Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation International and the American Diabetes Association also support this research.

For more information, see www.DiabetesTrialnet.org, or call (323) 669-5691.

Mental patient dies after hospital struggle

NORWALK—A patient placed in restraint after a struggle with staff at Metropolitan State Hospital is dead.

Richard Allen Callender, 39, of Los Angeles, died Oct. 24, according to the county coroner's office. He had allegedly attacked another patient, and had been placed in restraints, before losing consciousness, coroner's spokesmen said.

Cause of death awaits the completion of toxicology reports which take from four to eight weeks.

The case is also under investigation by the hospital and State Department of Health Services.

The U.S. Department of Justice issued a report in February after a number of allegations involving the hospital.

The inquiry found dozens of cases of poor care, including patients who had been misdiagnosed and then given improper medicines.

A year ago the Justice Department found similar problems with the hospital's treatment of children and teens.

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REDEVELOPMENT

While there is no direct impact on the general fund, it is noted that the Redevelopment Agency has in the past accepted loans from the City of Downey.

In other action the City Council:

*Acting as the Community Development Commission held a public hearing and then approved the Five Year Implementation Plan for the Downey Redevelopment Project and the Woodruff Industrial Project areas.

Appreciation

*Presented a certificate of appreciation to Linda Kennedy for 38 years of dedicated service to the Downey Unified School District.

*Presented a certificate of appreciation to Wendy McKensey for 38 years of dedicated service to the Downey Unified School District.

*Proclaimed Nov. 7-13 Key Club Week sponsored by the Kiwanis.

*Approved a cash contract for the Downey Avenue Sidewalk System project in the sum of \$416,825 with Los Angeles Engineering, and a resolution for a program supplement to the City/State Master Agreement.

*Approved a cash contract with Robert G. Castongia in the sum of \$329,280 for the Bellflower Blvd. Water Main Improvement Project.

*Approved a contract with Pavement Recycling Systems in the sum of \$849,919 for site cleaning and remediation at 12400 Clark Avenue, appropriated \$740,000 from the Leaning Center Fund, and approved an on-call agreement with Leymaster Environmental Consulting.

*Appropriated \$13,000 for anti-spam computer software for the City's computer network.

*Adapted a memorandum of understanding between the City and the Downey Public Safety Auxiliary Assoc.

*Appropriated \$9,100 for two mobile radios for the new paramedic squad.

New and Fifth Streets

*Established an all-way stop sign to be placed at the intersection of New Street and Fifth Street.

*Adopted the proposed Downey Municipal Code amendment on rules of conduct at City Council Meetings.

*Put off consideration of an agreement with the City Attorney for full time services until the next meeting.

The next public meeting of the City Council will be at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 23 at City Hall, 11111 Brookshire Ave.

Ezra Center plans outing Dec. 7

DOWNEY—Instead of its regularly scheduled meeting Tuesday, Dec. 7, the Ezra Center for Mature Adults has an outing planned for that day.

First stop is the Kershaw Museum at Temple Beth El in Aliso Viejo, which features the exhibit, "Queen of Sheba's Children: Jews of Ethiopia and Yemen." This will be a self-conducted tour, followed by lunch at the Home Town Buffet in Santa Ana. Third stop is the Bowers Museum, with its exhibit, "Queen of Sheba: Legend and Reality." This will be a docent-led tour.

Bus will depart from Temple Ner Tamid of Downey, 10629 Lakewood Blvd. in Downey, at 8:30 a.m. sharp. Total donation for this day is \$16, which includes lunch, bus and tips.

Payment must be made to reserve a place. Call Eunice Singer at 696-5760 or Mary Lou Diebold at 693-6609 for more information and/or reservations.

Open house at Greek House Import

DOWNEY - The new owners of Greek House Import, 7856 E. Firestone Blvd., invite the community to an open house Nov. 14 from 3:00 to 7:00 p.m.

Rev. John Constantine will give the ceremonial blessing.

Drinks and hors d'oeuvres will be served in the back parking lot while the store opens for business.



PIANIST NORMAN KRIEGER—Will play Beethoven's 3rd Piano Concerto with the Downey Symphony here Sunday, Nov. 14.

Church of Christ holding 'gospel meeting'

DOWNEY—Church of Christ, 8321 Imperial Hwy. in Downey, is holding a 4-day Gospel Meeting Nov. 14-17, featuring speaker Jim Laws, current minister of the Yucaipa Church of Christ in Yucaipa.

Laws was raised in Murfreesboro, Tennessee, received his A.B. degree from David Lipscomb University, his M.Th. degree from Harding University Graduate School of Religion University, did course work on the doctoral level at the University of Dallas and Middle Tennessee State University, and received the Ph.D. from Tennessee Bible College. He has taught in the public schools of Tennessee and at the Christian college level. He has recently made the list in the national directory of "Who's Who Among Executives and Professionals."

He is scheduled to speak at the Sunday services at 9:30 a.m., 10:45 a.m. and 7 p.m., as well as the services on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, all at 7 p.m.

For information, call 869-3610 or visit www.churchofchristin-downey.com.

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they fester and rot, are
Then fired back as words of mass
destruction, cracking
Our word palaces, defacing
our smug word mansions.

This blast of words! A call to arms!
The war begins! The world ends with
a bang. We begin next day
With a whimper of words of apology,
of forgiveness. Then words,
Big in meaning but small in truth...

—Richard Thomsen,
Downey

Special service at Living Hope Church

DOWNEY—Living Hope Church of Downey, 10335 Paramount Blvd., is holding a special service of Jews for Jesus Sunday, Nov. 14 at 10 a.m. featuring Cyrill Gordon with the message, "Christ in the Feast of the Tabernacles."

Information: Pastor Glenn Koons, Tel. 928-8651.

Downey Theatre presents new series

DOWNEY—For information on the Downey Theatre's "Armchair Adventure/Travelogue Series," call 861-8211.

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I appreciate your testament of support on November 2nd, and will continue to represent your interests as a member of the Downey City Council.

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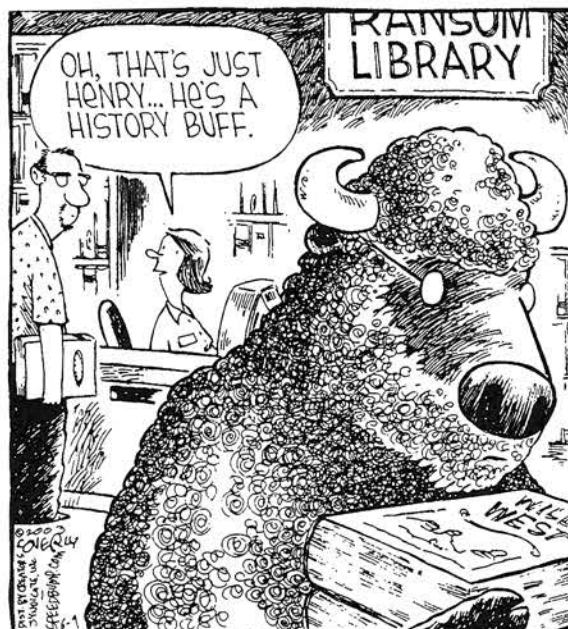
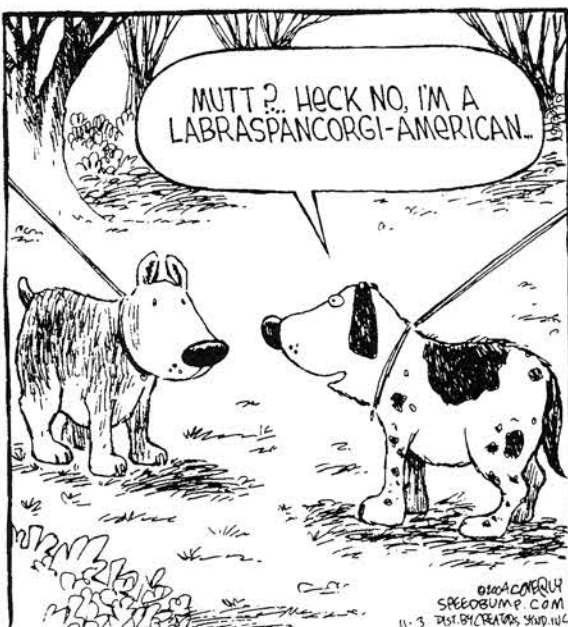
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Downey Community Calendar

Events For November

Sat. Nov. 13, 9:00 a.m.: **Annual Holiday Boutique** for Downey Women's Club. Homemade crafts, many other items for sale at the Downey Women's Club, 9813 Paramount Blvd. For information call 869-7618.
Sun. Nov. 14, 2:30 p.m.: **Downey Symphony Orchestra** conducted by Thomas Osborn in a special matinee performance at the Downey Theatre, 8435 Firestone Blvd. For information call 403-2944.

City Meetings

1st Tuesdays, 6:15 p.m.: **Redevelopment Project Area Committee**, Cormack Meeting Room at Downey Library.
1st & 3rd Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.: **Planning Commission**, Council Chamber at City Hall.
1st Thursday, 9 a.m.: **Traffic Committee**, Training Room, Second Floor of City Hall.
2nd & 4th Tuesday, 7:15 p.m.: **City Council/Community Development Commission**, Council Chamber.
2nd & 4th Wednesday, 6 p.m.: **Design Review Board**, Council Chamber at City Hall.
3rd Wednesday, 6 p.m.: **Emergency Preparedness Committee**, Barbara Riley Senior Center.
3rd Thursday, 3:30 p.m.: **Parking Place Commission**, Second Floor Training Room at City Hall

Regularly Scheduled Meetings

Mondays

6 p.m.: **Downey Elk's bingo games**, at the Elks Lodge, 11233 Woodruff Ave., for information call 803-3636.
6:30 p.m.: **Overeaters Anonymous**, at Downey Med. Center Conf. Room A, for information call 426-6786.
1st Mon., 4 p.m.: **2nd Century Foundation**, at City Hall, 1st floor, call 927-9790.
1st and 3rd Monds., 7 p.m.: **Downey Post 270**, American Legion, for information call 861-8082.
2nd Mon., 11 a.m.: **American Legion Auxiliary #270**, at United Methodist Church, for info. call 923-2481.
2nd Mon., 3 p.m.: **Keep Downey Beautiful**, at City Hall, for more information call 904-7159.

Tuesdays

9 a.m.: **Downey Bocce Club**, at Apollo Park, for information call Perry Michienzi at 869-8782.
9:30 a.m.: **Downey Seniors Club**, at Apollo Park, for information call Nadine Morris at 923-9422.
12 p.m.: **Downey Exchange Club**, for information call Don at 927-5871.
12 p.m.: **Rotary Club**, at Embassy Suites, for information call Dan Fox at 862-0744.
6 p.m.: **Toastmasters Club 587**, at First Baptist Rm. 115, 8348 E. 3rd st.
7 p.m.: **Boy Scout Troop 2**, at Downey United Methodist Church, for information call 869-6478.
7 p.m.: **Boy Scout Troop 441**, at Apollo Park Activities Room, for information call 923-3659.
7:30 p.m.: **Southland Harmony Chorus of Sweet Adelines**, at Downey's Woman's Club, for information call 947-6802.
1st and 3rd Tues., 6:30 p.m.: **Quota International Southeast Cities**, for information call (323) 569-2854.
2nd Tues., 8:30 a.m.: **Women's Agape**, at Los Amigos Country Club, for information call (562) 622-3785.
2nd and 4th Tues., 7:30 a.m.: **Chamber "Rise&Shine" Networkers**, at Nordic Fox. for info. call (562) 923-2191.
2nd and 4th Tues., 6 p.m.: **Sertoma Club**, at the Nordic Fox. for information call (562) 927-6438.
2nd Tues., 7 p.m.: **Downey Fly Fishers**, at Apollo Park, for information call 943-3904.
3rd Tues., 7:30 p.m.: **Writer's Workshop West**, at 9968 Lakewood Blvd., for info call 862-3106.
3rd Tues., 1:30 p.m.: **Huff and Puff Respiratory**, at DRMC Support Group, call 904-5355.
Last Tues., 11:00 a.m.: **Los Companeros Service Club**, at Los Amigos Country Club, for info call 863-1549.

Wednesdays

12:10 p.m.: **Downey Lions Club**, at Rancho Los Amigos Hospital Cafe, for information call 861-2899.
1 p.m.: **Women's Bocce Club**, for information call 869-8782.
6 p.m.: **Downey Space Toastmasters Club 513**, at Rancho Los Amigos Medical Center, for info. call Mark at 803-5203.
1st Weds., 10 a.m.: **Woman's Club of Downey**, for information call 927-0271 or 861-3493.
1st Weds., 11:30 a.m.: **Downey Coordinating Council**, for information call 927-9790.
1st Weds., 7:30 p.m.: **Downey Stamp Club**, at Maude Price School cafeteria, for information call 928-3028.
1st Weds., 7:30 p.m.: **Downey Emblem Club #309**, at Downey's Elks Lodge, for information call 868-4386.
2nd Weds., 7 p.m.: **Downey Jr. Chamber of Commerce**, for information call 867-1087.
2nd Weds., 7:30 p.m.: **Downey Sister Cities Ass'n**, at Maude Price School, Call 869-5444.
2nd Weds., 11:45 - **Downey Christian Women's Club**, at Los Amigos CC. Call 927-8488.
3rd Weds., 7:00 p.m.: **Diabetes Support Group**, at DRMC, for more information call 622-2088.
Wed. & Fri., 10:15 a.m.: **Senior Bingo**, at Apollo Park, for information call 904-7223.

Thursdays

7:30 a.m.: **Soroptimist Int'l of Downey**, for information, call Pat Heineke, 904-3534.
7:30 a.m.: **Connections Networking**, at Nordic Fox 10924 Paramount, for information call 869-1414.
9 a.m.: **Senior Californians of Downey**, (a social activities club for senior citizens), for information call 803-6887.
12 p.m.: **Downey Christian Businessmen's Committee**, for information call Norm Sipple at 927-1431.
12 p.m.: **Optimist Club of Downey**, at Sambis', for information call Steve Allen at 806-3701.
12:30 p.m.: **Take off Pounds Sensibly**, at United Methodist Church, call (626) 965-9991.
6:30 p.m.: **Downey United Masonic Lodge # 220**, 8244 3rd St., Call 862-4176.
7 p.m.: **Troop 351, Boy Scouts of America**, at First Baptist Church, for information call 803-4571.
4th Thurs., 7:30 p.m.: **Downey Historical Society programs**, at Community Center. Call 862-2777.
2nd Thurs., 7:30 p.m.: **Beaming Rebel Foxes Collectors Club**, for more information call Carl D Jones at 923-2400.

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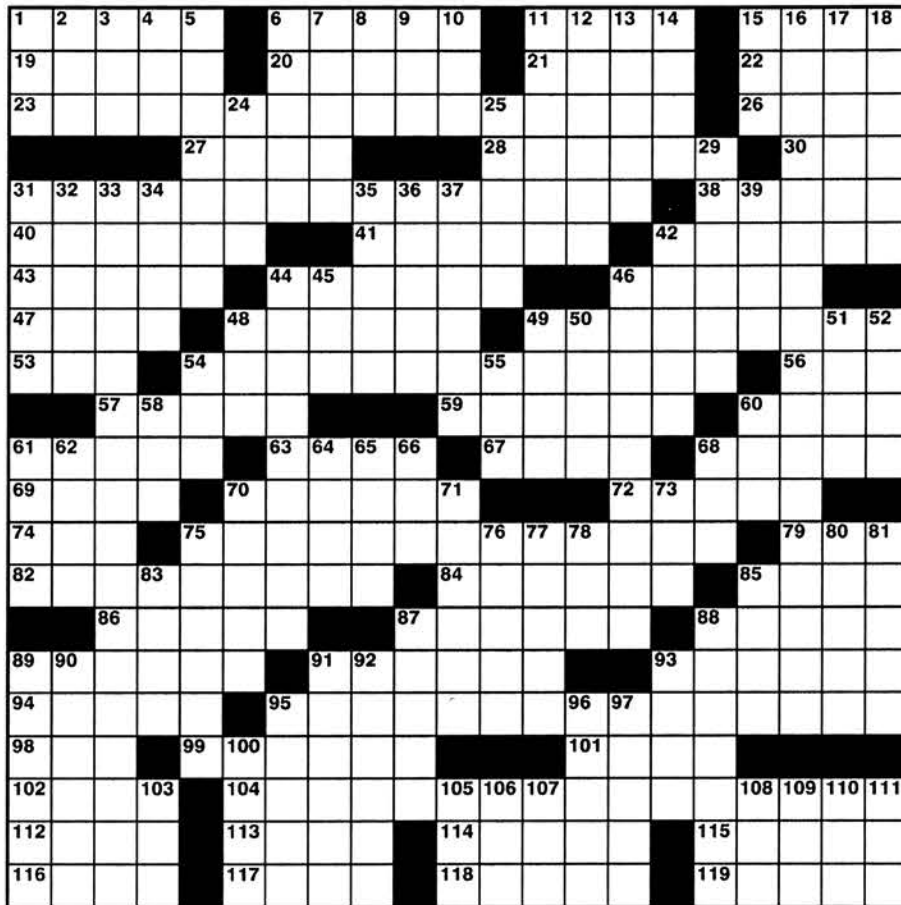
7:30 a.m.: **Pro Networkers**, at Mimi's Cafe, for information call Barbara Briley Beard at 869-7618.
10 a.m.: **Compulsive Eaters Anonymous H.O.W.**, at 1st Christian Church. Call 884-5799.

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The word SEABEE (59 Across) is derived from "CB," short for "Construction Battalion," NASA astronomers, using the Hubble Space Telescope, have discovered that EUROPA (40 Across) has an oxygen atmosphere. The "CUTTY SARK" (36 Down), a British clipper ship launched in 1869, is today a floating museum in Greenwich, near London.



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Lose excess pounds with Downey TOPS

DOWNEY—TOPS Downey Chapter #63 (Take Off Pounds Sensibly), part of an international organization that helps men and women to have happier lifestyles by improving eating habits, is inviting everyone who's looking for a way to lose excess pounds to their meetings which are held "in a fun and loving environment."

They promise no gimmicks, no harsh diets or exercise—just lots of support, motivation and fun.

Meetings are held Mondays from 6:30-8 p.m. at the First Baptist Church of Downey, 8348 E. Third St., in Downey. For more information, call Lou at 861-9425 or Suky at (323) 560-6576.



DAVID R. GARVER, M.D.—Board certified in Anesthesiology and fellowship-trained in Cardiac Anesthesia at Harbor-UCLA Medical Center, has joined the Anesthesia Department at Downey Regional Medical Center, and will serve as a key member of its Heart Center team. His assignments will also include general surgery and Labor and Delivery. He is a past faculty member at USC and UCLA.



ASSISTANCE LEAGUE OF DOWNEY—Members make plans for their annual Christmas Tree Brunch scheduled for Sunday, Nov. 21 at the Long Beach Hilton from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. The success of the brunch, which is open to everyone, will assure the League will continue their many philanthropic projects. Reservations are a must, by calling 923-4858 by Nov. 14.

'Christmas Tree Brunch' Nov. 21

DOWNEY—The Assistance League of Downey invites the public to its "Christmas Tree Brunch" Sunday, Nov. 21 at the Long Beach Hilton, 701 W. Ocean Blvd., from 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

The League says there will be many interesting and fun things with which you can start your holiday season, such as silent auctions, Christmas trees decorated by members, jewelry vendors, a Bake Shoppe with home-cooked goodies, cupboard treasures, and much more.

Brunch will be served at noon, followed by entertainment provided by the world-renowned Citrus College Singers, and the singing of Christmas carols.

Funds from the Brunch will help the League continue their many philanthropic projects. Fee for the brunch, which is open to everyone, is \$50 adult and \$25 for children. There will be a children's menu available.

Reservations are required and may be made by calling 923-4558. Co-chairmen of the event this year are Peggy Farnham and Judy Faust.

Workshop for college-bound students

DOWNEY—A free workshop to help students prepare a successful college application essay and enable them to enter the college of their choice will be offered by the Downey City Library, 11121 Brookshire Ave., Wednesday, Nov. 17 from 3:30-4:30 p.m. in the Cormack Room.

Former English teacher Jean Brazelton will present tips on essay writing, including emphasizing students' strengths when answering common questions on college applications. The library also offers a number of books to assist students in the essay writing process.

For more information/reservations, contact the Information desk at 904-7360, Ext. 32.

Downey High grad awarded scholarship

DOWNEY—Melissa Foster, R.N., 21 and a graduate of Downey High, has received a Henderson-Goergen scholarship from the Downey Regional Medical Center Memorial Trust Foundation. She is attending Cerritos College in a partnership program whereby DRMC funds the nursing instructor and students agree to work at DRMC for at least one year upon graduation. Foster plans to eventually work for her bachelor's degree and hopes to one day specialize in neonatal nursing.

Another recipient of the scholarship is Rebecca Zarate, who has been a nurse for 6 years, the past 3 in DRMC's Labor and Delivery unit. She is also a graduate student pursuing her MSN and Family Nurse Practitioner training in a 2-year program at CSU-Long Beach.

Hundreds of DRMC students pursuing patient care education and training have similarly received Henderson-Goergen scholarships since the Fund was established in 1975. Each applicant is eligible if enrolled in an accredited program leading to a degree, in advanced studies in nursing or in other approved patient care areas.

The scholarship is named after Willie Mae Henderson, R.N., former director of Nursing, and Minnie Goergen, former supervisor of Obstetrics at DRMC, then known as Downey Community Hospital. The fund is managed by a Memorial Trust Foundation committee representing its contributors, including medical staff, hospital employees, community members, civic organizations and the Hospital Auxiliary.



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Orange County Fair November schedule

COSTA MESA—The following events are scheduled at the Orange County Fair & Exposition Center in November. Follow directional signs to general parking gates. For additional information, contact the promoter at the telephone number listed with the event. (Scheduled events are subject to change without notice). Visit www.ocfair.com for event updates.

Nov. 11-14 – Sugar Plum Festivals “Arts & Crafts” Show – Thursday & Friday, 9 a.m.-8 p.m.; Saturday & Sunday, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Bldg. #10. Admission: free. Sugar Plum Festivals, (562) 598-0857 or visit sugarplumcrafts.com. *No strollers please*

Nov. 19-21 – Creative Inspiration Fall Fair – Friday-Sunday, 9 a.m.-6 p.m. Bldg. #10. Admission: adults \$10, children 6 & under free. Seminars/classes \$10. Pro Show, Inc., (412) 372-8130 or visit www.sewingevents.com. *No strollers or wheeled cars allowed inside the building*

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A BIG SUCCESS – “The Wonder of Elvis” concert, sponsored by Century 21 My Real Estate and Fidelity National Title, was a huge success, drawing over 450 people to the Downey Theater last week. “The event was a win-win for everybody involved,” said Laurie Mac-Issac of Century 21 My Real Estate. “Not only was it a great show, but an opportunity to raise funds for the Downey Chamber.”

Short story contest readied for December

DOWNEY—Writers Workshop West has announced that rules for their December short story contest are now available.

This is one of four annual contests sponsored by the writers’ group. Manuscripts must be delivered to the November meeting for judging. Only members are eligible to submit their work, but the organization welcomes new members at the meeting. You may join the group, and enter the contest at the same time if you wish. Winners are awarded certificates and cash prizes.

Meetings of Writers’ workshop West are held at Stonewood Travel, 9968 Lakewood Blvd., Downey on the third Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. Winners of the recent article competition were Rosalie Sciortino, first place for “Zucchini Alert,” Yolanda Adele, second place for “What’s New Under the Sun?,” and Don Niemand, third place for “One Person, One Vote.”

Guests are encouraged to attend meetings and share refreshments. For information call (562) 862-3106.

‘Heidi Chronicles’ on Long Beach stage

LONG BEACH – “The Heidi Chronicles,” a comic drama by Wendy Wasserman, is currently playing through Nov. 27 at the Long Beach Playhouse Studio Theatre, 5021 E. Anaheim St.

Winner of the 1989 Pulitzer Prize, the Tony Award and the New York Drama Critics Circle Award, this celebrated play traces the coming of age of Heidi Holland, a successful art historian as she tries to find her bearings in a rapidly changing world.

The New York Times described the play as “witty, hilarious...not just a funny play, but a wise one.”

Friday and Saturday performances are at 8 p.m. and Sunday matinees start at 2 p.m. For reservations and further information call the box office at 494-1014.

The Long Beach Playhouse is celebrating its 75th year of continuous operation.

‘Friendship luncheon’ by Newcomers

DOWNEY – Downey Newcomers is holding their annual friendship luncheon next Friday, Nov. 19, from 1-5 p.m. at the Dal Rae Restaurant in Pico Rivera. Cost is \$20 and all members and friends are welcomed to attend.

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World War II veteran tells of life in 1940s

By Eric Pierce

DOWNEY – It's hard to find anybody more patriotic than Paul Yokota.

A small-statured modest man, he spoke earlier this week to a brimming Downey Adult School cafeteria, reflecting on his one-and-a-half years spent embedded inside Japanese internment camps in the early 1940s.

Yokota, like thousands of others, was the victim of Executive Order 9066, signed by President Franklin D. Roosevelt which allowed for the legal detention of Japanese-Americans following the bombing of Pearl Harbor in 1941.

Japanese and Americans of Japanese ancestry were housed, under heavy guard, in camps scattered across southwestern deserts and into the Midwest. Yokota recalled spending six months at the Santa Anita Racetrack in Arcadia while permanent camps were constructed. ("We slept in the same stall as Seabiscuit," Yokota jokes fondly.)

Yokota was eventually transported to Jerome, Arkansas, where he and others were allowed to work for the tidy wage of \$16 a month. Some ventured out into the surrounding forest to gather firewood for their potbellied stoves, while others harvested sugar beets in the Midwestern states. Money earned was usually spent buying mail-order items through Sears and Montgomery Ward catalogs.

And because Jerome was built on a marshy swampland hugging the Mississippi River, poisonous snakes roaming outside deterred would-be escapees.

Of course, even if one wanted to escape, where could he go? Yokota remembers stories of innocent Japanese being shot and killed by residents who thought they were escapees. Chinese walked around town wearing signs pleading "I am not Japanese." Yokota even remembers an army sergeant bitterly declaring "Once a Jap, always a Jap."

It was the type of abuse and indigenous treatment that could break a man's spirit – his American spirit. But not Yokota.

When Jerome closed on June 30, 1944 to make way for a housing block for German and Italian prisoners of war, Yokota was drafted by the United States Army. And as if not ironic enough, he was shipped to an army base for basic training – in Arkansas, just miles from Jerome.

"There are still imperfections, but on the whole our country has tried to live up to the challenge of being the home of the free and the brave with liberty and justice for all," said Yokota. "We all have the obligation to do whatever we can to work toward the goal of a more perfect union. We are now blessed in being able to pursue life careers in almost every field of endeavor. Even the women are now gaining acceptance in many areas closed to them in the past.

"We live in a nation still perfecting itself and it will never be perfect because we are human beings prone to make errors. It's still the best we have in this universe and we are blessed to be living here."

After the war, Yokota finally returned home to Downey – only to find that his home had been burned to the ground. But, true to self, he persevered, embarking on a lifelong career in education. He was a member of the Old River School District Board of Trustees for two terms totaling six years, way back before Downey schools were even unified.

In 1956 he was, many say, the first person of Asian descent to be appointed a public school administrator when he was named vice principal at Eastman Avenue School.

"In 1952 federal legislation enabled Orientals to acquire naturalization privileges just like all other immigrants," said Yokota. "Grandma Yokota became a naturalized citizen in the mid-1950s and voted in elections until she passed away at almost 98 years of age."

On Aug. 10, 1988 President Ronald Reagan signed into law a bill calling for \$20,000 reparation payments for the internees – a nice gesture for sure but, as Yokota notes, only surviving internees are eligible for compensation. And, really, how do you put a price on a person's freedom? Yokota acknowledges the action, but prefers that the country move forward.

Now retired, Yokota disperses his time between handfuls of Downey organizations: Rancho Los Amigos, Meals on Wheels, Downey Adult School ESL, Downey Presbyterian Men, Downey AARP Chapter 262 and others. He's been active with First Presbyterian Church of Downey for over 40 years and is a tutor in the adult literacy program at Downey City Library, where he also serves on the Board. He also tries to "squeeze in some tennis from time to time."

As Yokota wrapped up his talk at the OASIS (Older Adults Seeking Information and Skills) meeting at Downey Adult School, he deemed it fit to conclude it the only way he saw appropriate: he led the group in a hearty salute to the flag of the United States of America.



ALL-AMERICAN – Paul Yokota, flanked by Harriet Paine, resource instructor at OASIS and Downey Adult School principal Roger Brossmer, spoke to a crowd recently on his experiences in a Japanese internment camp in 1942. "The United States of America is a nation willing to own up to its mistakes and to make amends for them" he said.

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DOWNEY—The First Baptist Church of Downey, 8348 East Third St. in Downey, will present a musical, "Word on the Street," Friday-Sunday, Dec. 10-12, 7:30 p.m. nightly with Friday and Saturday matinees at 4 p.m., about the love story between a Mary and Joseph of the 21st century, and the choices and challenges that would face them today.

It is a retelling in musical terms of the story of the first Christmas as it may occur in the Los Angeles area. It includes original drama, dances and special effects, with a setting that evokes many of the cities in Southern California. It features a cast of over 100 voices, dancers and musicians.

Doors open 60 minutes prior to each performance for pre-show, including Christmas karaoke and other interactive events.

Complimentary tickets can be ordered by calling 923-1261, Ext. 276 or by e-mail, info@fbcdowney.org.

House of Hope walk-a-thon tomorrow

NORWALK—Cerritos College is partnering with Founders House of Hope tomorrow, Nov. 13 at 8 a.m. for a fundraising walk-a-thon at El Dorado Park in Long Beach.

Founders is a 94-bed residential care center for individuals with a history of mental illness. The walk-a-thon will support Founders' ongoing psychosocial rehabilitation program and provide necessary supplies for residents' creative expression courses, offered through the Older Wiser Learner (OWL) College (formerly Emeritus) in Adult Education & Diversity Programs at Cerritos College.

Each of the nearly 50 participants in the walk-a-thon is required to obtain a minimum of 20 donors contributing any amount. Each participant will have the option of walking one, two or three miles of course that winds around the pond at El Dorado Park. Walk-a-thon organizers will host a barbecue afterwards for participants and their sponsors.

Older Wiser Learner (OWL) College (formerly Emeritus) in Adult Education & Diversity Programs at Cerritos College offers courses for older adults at various senior centers and sites in the community. Courses include arts and crafts, exercise, music, quilting, chorus, creative writing, senior topics and self-management. Seniors have an opportunity to interact with others in classroom settings, but also have a chance to participate in senior fairs within the community. For more information, visit www.cerritos.edu/aed.

Mexican Riviera cruise Dec. 11-18

DOWNEY—The Temple Ner Tamid Brotherhood will have its 7-day Cruise to the Riviera fundraiser Dec. 11-18 aboard "ms Ryndam." The community is welcome to participate.

Activities aboard the vessel include nightly shows, lectures, games, movies, art auction, swimming and gourmet dining. Amenities include a computer room, library, game room, and lounge rooms where you can dance or just relax and listen to great music.

For more information, call Jan at (714) 236-4242.



MEMBERS OF ST. MARK SCHOOL'S—Club F.I.T. (Fun in Training) took part recently in the 5K Walk and Run for Food in Yorba Linda, to help raise money for hungry children.



BIG HEART—Carson Binkley, who made his first trek to the Downey YMCA after his wife's prodding to get some exercise, left an endowment to the Y upon his recent death. A high school teacher for over 30 years at Garfield High School, Binkley attend Downey United Methodist Church. George Saikali, Executive Director of Downey YMCA, accepted the check.

3rd graders benefit from concert setting

DOWNEY—For the fourth consecutive year, a generous grant from Downey Savings and Loan Foundation to the Music in the Schools program has funded a special orchestra performance by the Downey Symphony for all the city's third-grade students.

Bussed from their schools to the Civic Theater on Wednesday Morning, Nov. 10, more than 1500 eight-year-olds heard the full orchestra in music which included The Young Person's Guide to the Orchestra by Benjamin Britten and the finale of Tchaikovsky's 1812 Overture.

Under the baton of Conductor Tom Osborn, the musicians played their entire program three times, to accommodate all the youngsters.

In presenting the bank's gift of \$17,000 to the symphony, Arthur Morris, Director Emeritus, commented, "Downey Savings thinks this is a very worthwhile project, not only exposing these young children to classical music, but with a live performance, and in a big auditorium that most of them have never been in. Their remarks are wonderful."

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Eight years ago something happened that changed my life forever. I was a Nurse, but I developed a painful hand condition known as "carpal tunnel syndrome." In my case it came on suddenly. The pain in my hands was so intense that I couldn't even button my shirt. I was afraid that I'd lose my job if the disability continued. After considering surgery (that was the only option, according to the surgeon) I decided against it. A friend of mine convinced me to give a chiropractor a try. The chiropractor did an exam, took some films, and then "adjusted" my spine. The adjustment didn't hurt, it actually felt good. I got relief, and I went to chiropractic school myself.

It's strange how life is, because now people come to see me with their carpal tunnel syndrome problems. Also they come to me with their headaches, migraines, chronic pain, neck pain, shoulder/ arm pain, whiplash from car accidents,

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It is the 10th anniversary production of the Long Beach-based Southern California Dance Theatre.

For information/tickets (\$19.50-\$14.50), call (562) 496-1766 or visit www.scdt.com.

Antiques & collectibles market Nov. 21

LONG BEACH—The Antique & Collectible Market in Long Beach, which features over 800 dealers offering a range of antiques and collectibles at discount prices, will once again take place at the Long Beach Veterans Stadium (Lakewood Blvd./Conant St.) Sunday, Nov. 21 from 8 a.m.-2 p.m. Admission is \$5, with children under 12 free.

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Masonic Lodge meeting every Monday

DOWNEY — Metropolitan Masonic Lodge #352 meets every Monday at 6:30 p.m. at 8244 3rd St for their dinner and meeting. For more information call 869-3521.

Saxophone performances Nov. 19

LONG BEACH—On Friday, Nov. 19 at 8 p.m., under the direction of Leo Potts, CSU-Long Beach's Saxophone Ensemble, which comprises 20 saxophones including soprano, alto, tenor, baritone and bass saxophones, will perform works by Schmidt, Bruno, Smith, Gabrieli and Bizet at Gerald Daniel Recital Hall.

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Tour registration coupons are available in the Downey Adult School main office, or mailed upon request. Call 940-6213 for more information.

Open hearing on pupil text books

DOWNEY—The Downey Unified School District invites the public to speak at an open hearing regarding the pupil textbook and instructional materials compliance with sections of Education Code 60119.

The public hearing will be part of the regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Education on Nov. 16, beginning at 5 p.m.

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