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## 'Mile-long yard sale' a trove of treasures

By *Jacqueline Mejia, St. Joseph High School*

**DOWNEY** – The annual mile-long yard sale that takes place every year on Pangborn Avenue off of Firestone was reeling clientele once again last week.

Started about four to five years ago, the sale measures approximately one mile long, with houses on both sides of the street selling various trinkets and treasures. Although the sale was held one week earlier than usual this year, that did not stop Downey residents from selling and buying.

Chuck Shirley, who has been selling his items the past three years, was helped in the sale by his congenial relatives and friends. According to Shirley, the most interesting piece he's seen sold at the sale was a 1930's fox fur stole.

Valerie Hernandez, also a third-year veteran of the sale, was out setting up her front lawn at 6 a.m. She sold clothes, dancing outfits, and even a full set of baseball equipment her son used 14 years ago.

The young citizens of Downey also got in on the action. Eleven-year-old Milanny Vasquez was selling her own books, bags and jewelry. Her mother said Milanny "looks forward to it each year."

Other items sold at the sale included furniture, vases and even a moon bounce.



**TREASURE HUNTING** – Bargain hunters browse the offerings at the yearly "mile-long yard sale" held along Pangborn Ave. *Photo by Art Montoya.*

## Purseglove honored before School Board

■ Co-workers praise his work, who's department last year oversaw the expenditure of \$53 million.

**DOWNEY**—Darren Purseglove, an employee in the area of Budget and Finance, was honored for his dedication and effort by a presentation before the Downey Unified School District Board at a special meeting Thursday, July 20.

Kevin Condon, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services presented Purseglove to the Board. Condon said his department is responsible for the preparation of bids and contracts, often intricately involving large sums in public works bids, new construction and modernization.

### A professional

In such pivotal roles in school finance it is important to have a leader with both professional knowledge and a moral and ethical compass to ensure that the District and taxpayer is well represented in all transactions. He called Purseglove a well qualified professional whose background included 19 years of purchasing in the public sector, the last eight of which were as director of purchasing and warehouse for DUSD.

He is currently finishing an MBA degree at CSU-Long Beach, has achieved a Lifetime Designation as a Certified Public Manager, is active in both CAPPO and CASBO state professional groups devoted to high standards in purchasing. In the past two years Darren and his department have overseen the expenditure of \$53 million in 2004-05 and \$57 million of 2005-06 (combined General and Bond Funds).

He is considered a member of the Downey Unified School District School management team.

A fellow member of the purchasing staff wrote that Purseglove is a wonderful boss: his door is always open and he is always ready to address any question or concern. He encourages employees to attend workshops and expand formal education.

## Car-to-car shooting kills woman in South Gate

**SOUTH GATE** – Police are searching for the person responsible in the shooting death of a woman as she drove along a street in South Gate this week.

The same suspect is also accused of shooting at another vehicle moments before firing on the woman.

The fatal shooting occurred about 8:20 p.m. Tuesday at Southern and Elizabeth avenues. Police say the suspect was riding in a car with three



**FORMER SENATOR BOB DOLE** – Steve Roberson of Century 21 My Real Estate was recently invited to a private reception for former U.S. Senator Robert Dole. Roberson is a round table chairman for Easter Seals of Southern California and Dole was presented with the Easter Seals Lifetime Achievement Award in recognition of his efforts to improve the quality of life for individuals with disabilities. "Dole is an incredible example of promoting goodwill. I was honored to be able to participate in acknowledging his achievement," said Roberson.

## Polka band to entertain at Furman Park concert

**DOWNEY** – The Main Street Polka Band and Dancers will delight the audience at the Furman Park Twilight Concert Series on Wednesday, Aug. 2, at 7 p.m. The concert series is free and is held in Furman Park, 10419 Rives Avenue.

The concert is presented by the City of Downey Community Services Department and local donors.

The Main Street Polka Band members have all been part of the world famous Disneyland Band at one point or another. Formed 15 years ago the band has entertained at the Orange County Performing Arts Center, Big Bear Lake Oktoberfest, The Phoenix Club, and Lake Arrowhead Village Oktoberfest, among other events.

The polka was originally a Czech peasant dance, developed in Eastern Bohemia (now part of Czech Republic). Bohemian historians believe that the polka was invented by a peasant girl named Anna Slezak in Labska Tynice in 1834 one Sunday for her amusement. It was composed to a folk song "Strycek Nimra Koupil Simla (Uncle Nimra Brought a White Horse)."

Anna called the step "Madera" because of its quickness and liveliness.

Of all the dances originating in the nineteenth-century, the only one that has survived is the polka. After the initial enthusiasm, the polka gradually declined in popularity and reached a low point with the introduction of ragtime, jazz, and the new dances of the twentieth century.

After World War II, however, Polish immigrants to the United States adopted the polka as their "national" dance. It is also extremely popular with many other Americans who have succumbed to the new polka craze popularized by Lawrence Welk and other post-war bands.

The Downey Museum of Art will be open before the concert and the Downey Rose Float Association will sell food for visitors to enjoy.

For information on the Furman Park Twilight Summer Concert Series, call the City of Downey Community Services Department at 904-7230.



**POLKA ANYONE?** – The Main Street Polka Band, favorites at Oktoberfest concerts throughout the state, will entertain at next Wednesday's Furman Park concert slated for 7 p.m.

other people when he opened fire on a passing vehicle. There were no injuries in that case, said Sgt. John Hocking of the Sheriff's Headquarters Bureau.

Seconds after that shooting, the woman drove by and the suspect opened fire on her. She was taken to a nearby hospital where she died.

Authorities are withholding the woman's name while they notify family.

## Columbia space learning center head departs

**DOWNEY**—Loren Behr, who was hired 2-1/2 years ago to head the Columbia Memorial Space Science Learning Center, a central component of the city's proposed NASA Park, has resigned and returned to Northern California, his family's principal residence, where he has joined a museum, city officials announced this week.

Scott Pomrehn, Assistant to the City Manager, will now oversee the construction of the Center, in coordination with various city officials, particularly the Director of Public Works.

## Council OK's grants to local organizations

By *Henry Veneracion*

■ Eight community nonprofit groups will share more than \$144,000.

**DOWNEY**—The City Council Tuesday approved Community Development Block Grant Subrecipient Agreements with a number of public service agencies, all of them repeat recipients, that provide a variety of services to the community. The services provided are "consistent with needs identified in the City-approved 5-Year Consolidated Plan." The CDBG funds come from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, and total \$144,500.

The distribution of the grant funds is as follows: ARC of Southeast L.A. County, \$11,500; Children's Dental Health Clinic, \$3,500; Downey Unified School District, \$35,000; Rio Hondo Temporary Home, \$17,500; Southern California Rehabilitation Services, Inc. (SCRS): \$69,000; Salvation Army Southeast Communities Corp., \$3,000; Su Casa Family Crisis and Support Center, \$2,500; and Southeast Los Angeles County Workforce Investment Board, \$3,000.

Arc's grant of \$11,500 will supplement a job training and employment program for persons with mental and developmental disabilities. The \$3,500 going to Children's Dental Health Clinic is for general and specialized dental care for children of low-income families.

DUSD will use its allocation for two programs: its 10-20 Outreach Program, which offers group support and counseling services, family counseling, and crisis intervention for kids between the ages of 10 and 20 years; and True Lasting Connection (TLC) Family Resource Center, which provides bimonthly health screenings and checkups for children from low-income families.

The Rio Hondo Temporary Home provides temporary housing for homeless families.

The Salvation Army's Southeast Communities Corp. component provides a series of emergency services to low-income families who become homeless or are at-risk of becoming homeless.

The bulk of SCRS funding (\$65,000) is for its Home Modification Program, especially as it involves persons with physical disabilities. Su Casa provides transitional housing shelter for women and their children, who are victims of domestic violence.

Southeast Los Angeles County WIB assists the Community Youth Corps Program, targeting 17-21 year olds who meet the "at-risk" criteria.

In other action, the council:

- Approved an amendment to the existing agreement with Long Beach

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## De La Torre among ARC honorees

**CERRITOS**—The Arc of Southeast Los Angeles marked its 30th year of community service at an Awards Dinner recently at the Cerritos Library.

Dignitaries included State Sen. Alan Lowenthal, Downey Councilmembers Kirk Cartozian and Anne Bayer, Bellflower Councilmembers Dorothy King and Randy Bumgaars and Cerritos Mayor Pro Tem Laura Lee.

The evening was filled with stories of hope and inspiration. Arc's After School Student of the year award went to Jonathan Larson of Downey. Adult Development Center Student of the Year was awarded Roberta Bales. Day Training Activity Center Student of the Year went to Harold Griffin. And Southeast Industries Workers of the Year was shared by Maricela Zuniga and Romina Lopez.

Assemblyman Hector De La Torre received Arc's prestigious Patricia Blumenthal Advocacy Award for his extensive work in Sacramento in behalf of people with disabilities and his commitment to those with disabilities at Arc.

Other award winners included Arc Walk for Independence Host Award to Wescom Credit Union and Supervisor Don Knabe, Community Service Awards to Joshua Stecker and John Materra of the Press-Telegram, Volunteers of the Year to Paul Mathys, Grace Eshilian and Stan Carmichael for their work with the golf tournament, and the Downey Kiwanis Foundation.

Diane Lumsdaine will serve her third term as President of the Arc. For information call (562) 803-4606.



**Hector De La Torre**



**NETWORKING AT BREAKFAST** – Members of Pro Networkers of Downey meet every Friday at Mimi's Cafe to exchange business leads and network with each other. Pictured are tax consultant Linda Dong (standing), Bernice Stumps representing Rose Cleaners and Barbara Briley Beard of Farmers Insurance (right). For information on the group call Harry Sacks at 319-1063.

## Residents invited to local yoga class

**DOWNEY**—Yogi Ramesh, who has been featured on television shows profiled in newspapers and magazines, will host a session Tuesday, Aug. 1 at the Barbara J. Riley Community and Senior Center.

A native of India, Ramesh has been practicing yoga for over 40 years. He is a member of the California Yoga Teachers Association is the founder of the Universal Yoga Center in Paramount.

Ramesh has also worked with Hollywood celebrities, including Chris Tucker, Adam Sandler, Roseanne, and others.

In addition to the Aug. 1 session, Ramesh is organizing a yoga retreat to Hawaii Oct. 13-15. For more information on either event, call (562) 808-0804.

The Tax Increase Prevention and Reconciliation Act signed into law by President Bush in May contains good news for investors with taxable capital gains and dividend income. It also offers upper-income taxpayers a Roth IRA conversion opportunity and extends immediate relief from the Alternative Minimum Tax. The law has its downsides, too. One of these will raise revenues by expanding the reach of the "kiddie tax" on unearned income from assets owned by a child. A look at the specifics can help you better gauge how these provisions may affect you tax liability and influence your planning both now and in the years ahead.

**Capital gains and dividends.** The new legislation extends favorable tax rates on long-term capital gains and qualified dividends to the end of 2010. Under legislation passed in 2003, tax rates on capital gains and dividends were reduced to 15% for middle- and upper-income taxpayers but were scheduled to revert to their former higher rates at the end of 2008. The extension gives them the same expiration date as other provisions of the 2003 law.

Keep in mind that capital gains on assets held for less than one year continue to be taxed as ordinary income, as do dividends distributed by some real estate investment trusts and certain tax-exempt organizations. Additional rules apply to dividends on shares owned for less than a required minimum holding period and on shares involved in hedging transactions.

With lower individual marginal tax rates, marriage penalty relief, and the temporary repeal of the estate tax all due to expire at the end of 2010, Congress will face still more difficult tax policy decisions down the road. That is why it may be a good idea to take a longer-term view of your tax situation and, in doing so, consider the potential impact that higher tax rates may have on your overall financial affairs in the years to come.

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## Get acquainted with dinosaurs Aug. 2

**DOWNEY**—Popular children's science speaker Richard Wade will present "The Last Days of the Dinosaurs," a fun and interactive program about how the dinosaurs lived and died—even the sounds they made!—for children ages 5-12, Wednesday, Aug. 2 from 2-2:45 p.m. in the Cormack Room of the Downey City Library, 11121 Brookshire Ave.

Wade will share how fossils are made and show original drawings of dinosaurs. Kids will have a chance to handle real fossils and meteorites and see a full-scale model of a Brachiosaurus leg bone which is over 7 feet high. Each child who attends the free event will receive an original dinosaur illustration to take home and color.

Show passes will be distributed 30 minutes before show time. Arrive early due to limited seating. The event, part of the Children's Summer Reading program which runs through Aug. 5, is sponsored by the Friends of the Downey City Library.

For information, call 904-7360, ext. 4.

## GRANTS

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Affordable Housing Coalition increasing the reservation amount of Federal Home Funds;

- Approved the annual project update for expenditure of Proposition "A" and "C" local return funds for submittal to the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA);

- Tabled for further discussion a resolution denying a request by Dr. Lee Marek and Associates to accept a fee and waive six automobile parking spaces for a physician-owned surgical center proposed at 8200 Firestone Blvd. in the Downtown Parking Assessment District;

- Adopted a resolution approving the destruction of certain obsolete records of the City Clerk's Department;

- Adopted a resolution approving the appointment of Dr. Mary Stauffer to the Emergency Preparedness Committee for Council District 3;

### Oil pipeline

- Adopted a resolution declaring its intention to grant an oil pipeline franchise to ExxonMobil Oil Corporation and setting forth the notice of the time and date for hearing any objections thereto; and set a public hearing for Aug. 22, 2006 to consider any objections and granting such franchise;

### Approved zone change

- Adopted an ordinance to amend the city's comprehensive zoning map and approve zone change No. 05-127, rezoning 2 lots from R-1 5,000 (Single Family Residential) to R-3-0 (Multiple Family Residential Ownership) for properties located at 7714, 7722 and 7724 Stewart and Gray Road; and at the same time adopted an ordinance to amend the city's comprehensive zoning map and approve zone change No. 06-62, rezoning 16 properties from R-1 5,000 (Single Family Residential) to R-3-0 (Multiple Family Residential Ownership) located at 7612-7730 Stewart and Gray Road (even-numbered only) and 11905-11923 Rives Ave. (odd-numbered only); in both cases adopting a negative declaration of environmental impact.

Downey Mayor Meredith Perkins presented the Mayor's Soaring Eagle Award to Sheila Pautsch, who it was learned is a tremendous athlete in addition to her other sterling attributes. Sheila, Social Services Supervisor with the Community Services Department, is not only a regular Los Angeles Marathon participant, she is scheduled to compete in the grueling "Iron Man" competition to be held in Florida this October.

Proclamations naming them Parents of the Year were given to Joseph and Fay Wassenaar (nominated by Downey High School), and Dennis and Sandy Cox (nominated by Warren High). July 23 was National Parents Day.

The next regular public meeting of the Downey City Council will be at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 8, at City Hall, 11111 Brookshire Ave.

## Calling Downey High '56 class alumni

**DOWNEY**—A reunion of Downey High's Class of 1956 is planned for Fri.-Sun., Oct. 6-8. Alumni are asked to call (949) 472-4616 for details.

## 'Connections' meets Thursdays

**DOWNEY** – Connections, a local business networking group, meets every Thursday at 7:30 a.m. at Nordic Fox restaurant, 10924 Paramount Blvd. For information call Nick Smith at 861-5222.



**MEMBERS OF TROOPS 2 AND 441**—Downey's two oldest Boy Scout troops, do a good turn at the "Wild, Wild West" Cub Scout Day Camp held June 26-30 at Shoshon Park in Norwalk, from left: Jawaun Jackson, Andy Nip, Robert Sheikh-ali, Bobby Hill, Jesse Cantu, Freddy Waters, Nick Vilchis, Thomas Foskarino, Dayton Williford, John Elam, Frank Hornberger, Vladi Romanyuk, Alec Foskarino, and Billy Winans.

## Boy Scouts take younger cubs under their wings

**DOWNEY**—Putting into action one of the promises in the Scout Oath to "help other people at all times," Downey's two oldest Boy Scout Troops—Troop 2 and Troop 441—took the lead in the Frontier District's "Wild, Wild West" Cub Scout Day Camp held from June 26-30 at Shoshon Park in Norwalk, as they constructed, taught, and guided approximately 100 younger Cub Scouts and their siblings who live in the Downey, Bellflower, La Mirada, Norwalk, and Cerritos areas.

The troops' backwoods engineering scout skills came in handy as the longtime brothers in scouting built a "Scary Western" gateway that matched the Wild, Wild West theme. The Cub Scouts, meanwhile, enjoyed their BB guns, their turns at the archery range, and negotiating the fun obstacle course that included a tree-to-tree zipline. Also, their scout-learned leadership skills helped as they taught and displayed insects and animals found in nature.

The Troop's counselor says "Downey should be proud" of the efforts of: Robert Sheikh-ali, Jesse Cantu, Nick Vilchis, Dayton Williford, Frank Hornberger, Vladi Romanyuk, Billy Winans, Andy Nip, John Elam, Jawaun Jackson, and Thomas and Alec Foskarino.

For information on how to join, boys ages 11-18 are asked to call Troop 441 at 923-3659 or Troop 2 at 869-6475. Boys ages 6-10 are invited to call Pack 2 at 803-0839 or Pack 805 at 923-3659.

## Police need help in catching ATM robber

**DOWNEY** – Downey Police are asking the public's help in finding a man who robbed two bank customers at gunpoint as they used the ATM on June 25 and July 2.

The man is described as African-American or Hispanic, age 25-35, 5' 5" to 5' 11", 220 pounds, with a bald head. He was wearing a black security guard uniform with white lettering.

Police say the man approached a customer using the ATM at the Bank of America at 10010 Paramount Blvd. about 11 a.m. on June 25 and threatened him with a semiautomatic handgun. He fled on foot with an undisclosed amount of cash.

On July 2, the same man is suspected of approaching a female patron outside the Wells Fargo Bank, 9323 Firestone Blvd., and brandishing a black semiautomatic handgun after she had withdrawn her cash. The man fled in a gray compact car.

Anyone with information is asked to call (562) 904-2361 or (562) 904-2368.

## Pet adoption at Downey Landing

**DOWNEY**—SEAACA and Fail-Safe 4 Felines, which occupy the pet adoption section at the new PetSmart at Downey Landing, are holding Pet Adoption Weekends Saturdays and Sundays from noon to 4 p.m. at the location, affording you a chance to adopt rescued cats and kittens in need of indoor homes.

These cats, according to sponsors SEAACA and Fail Safe 4 Felines, "have had their shots, are vet attention-tested, dewormed, de-flea'd, microchipped, and very healthy"—all ready for adoption.

For information, call Fail-Safe 4 Felines, (562) 927-7793.



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**MOCCIARO-GRANATA WEDDING**—Christina Mocciano, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Peter Mocciano, was wed to Paul Granata, on July 15. The wedding took place at Downey Memorial Christian Church and was followed by a reception and dinner for 250 friends and relatives at Steven's Steak and Seafood Restaurant. Christina is a graduate of USC and Azusa Pacific University and will pursue a career as a school psychologist. Paul is the owner of Granata's Restaurant. Following a honeymoon in Curacao, the couple is making their home in Downey.

## Rancho Golf Classic sets elevated goal

**DOWNEY**—The Rancho Los Amigos Foundation is planning its 16th annual Rancho Golf Classic, with a goal of raising \$100,000 to benefit patients at the world-famed Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center.

This year's tournament will be offered at the lovely Friendly Hills Country Club on Monday, Aug. 14.

Sponsors are sought, ranging from dinner only (\$100); and foursome sponsorship (one foursome for golf plus four awards dinner tickets), all the way to platinum sponsorship (\$7,500) including two foursomes for golf, one tee sign, a full-page ad in the event's program book, your logo on the welcome banner, eight dinner tickets, vendor recognition at the awards ceremony, and a special plaque presented to you at the awards ceremony. Tournament Chairman for this year's event is County Supervisor Don Knabe (4th District including Downey).

For tickets and information, call Yolanda James at the Rancho Foundation, (562) 401-7033.

## KidArts starts this week at First Baptist

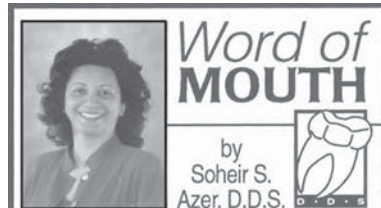
**DOWNEY**—The power of the arts combines with the imagination of a child in KidArts, teaching the arts through children, to be offered Monday, July 31 through Friday, Aug. 4 at the First Baptist Church of Downey, 8348 E. Third St., Downey.

The program begins each day at 9 a.m., and is for children first through fifth grades. It features The Symbolizer, which teaches symbols through dance, art, vocal music, video, costume design, culinary arts and more.

The program requires a nominal registration fee. For information, call Sherri Lacy at (562) 923-1261, ext. 269.

## Model A lovers meet at Gallatin

**DOWNEY** – The Downey Model A Club gathers at the Gallatin School cafeteria the second Wednesday of every month at 7:30 p.m. For more information, call 928-4132.



**Word of MOUTH**

by Soheir S. Azer, D.D.S.

Patients who are scheduled to undergo radiation therapy for head neck cancer are advised to meet first with a dentist for a pre-treatment dental assessment. This suggestion is made on the basis of the fact that radiation therapy is associated with an increased incidence of such adverse long-term side effects as dry mouth, inflammation of mucus membranes, and dental caries. In order to minimize the incidence and effect of these potential problems, patients will want to undergo a dental assessment to identify existing conditions that require treatment. The healthier the teeth and oral tissues of a cancer patient, the better able he or she will be able to withstand therapy.

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## Fresh emphasis at the 'Y' on good nutrition

**DOWNEY**—After giving two lectures in August for all staff and members, new Downey Family YMCA nutritionist Magnolia Hurtado is scheduled to conduct a six-week nutritional program in September for 25 families from the membership base, preschool, after school and Downey staff. The program, made possible by a grant from the Kaiser Foundation, is designed to help families live healthy lifestyles by changing their eating habits.

Also in September, the YMCA will start a pilot Youth Program—a combination of YMCA activities and lectures about nutrition from Hurtado—geared to grade 4-5 children as a first step in “making a difference in [their] lives.” The program encourages them to change their eating habits as well, to working out at the Y through different activities. It is being finalized by the Healthy Lifestyles Committee.

In another development, the YMCA launches its “healthy kitchen” in a couple of months to “provide members and staff with healthy foods.”

New programs, mainly for Downey's youth, have been added to the YMCA schedule, after an evaluation of members' needs. The programs started in July. These include: Tumble Bugs and Gym Adventures for 3-5 year olds, ballet for 3-4 year olds and 5-6 year olds; Sports Aerobics and Cardio Kickboxing for 6-12 year olds; and Family Bounce for entire families.

## Prenatal parenting course starts Aug. 1

**DOWNEY**—The Exchange Club Family Support Center, 8320 Iowa St., Downey, is offering a nine-week prenatal parenting course called “Ready, Set... Grow!!” starting Aug. 1 thru Sept. 26 at its facility located at 8320 Iowa St. in Downey. Funding for the program comes from a grant by Southern California Edison.

The course, premised on the principle that nurturing a baby at the prenatal time of development is one of the most important things a parent can do to increase the chances that the baby will grow in body, mind, and character, will enable parents to learn how to:

- Adopt a healthy lifestyle
- Celebrate and prepare for parenthood
- Adapt to physical and emotional changes
- Handle stress and anger
- Bond with their baby
- Use infant massage

The Tuesday sessions will last 2-1/2 hours, from 9-11:30 a.m. Fee is \$20. For information, call 904-9590.

## Downey High '53 class reunion Sept. 30

**DOWNEY**—The Downey Union High School class of 1953 will hold a 53rd anniversary picnic at the La Mirada Regional Park Saturday, Sept. 30. It will be a Bring-Your-Own no-host event.

Anyone interested from nearby classes is also invited to attend. For more information/location specifics, call (562) 923-0544 or e-mail duhs53@gmail.com.

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**ARC PRESIDENT DIANNE LUMSDAINE**—With State Sen. Alan Lowenthal during the recent Arc awards.

## Library hours cut due to staff training

**DOWNEY**—A half-day staff development workshop for full and part-time library staff is scheduled for the morning hours of Friday, Aug. 11, thus the Downey City Library, 11121 Brookshire Ave., will be open only from 1-5 p.m.

When the library is closed, the public may return library materials in the two bookdrops located near the entrance doors. Materials may be renewed via the library's automated Customer Service line at (562) 869-5723.

During the staff training session, Dr. Gail Schaper-Gordon will present “Understanding Generations at Work” and “Finding Win-Win Solutions for a Positive Workplace.” For additional details, contact the Adult information desk, 904-7360, ext. 32.

## Honor students go for higher learning

**NORWALK** – Twenty-two Scholars Honors Program (SHP) students who just finished their classes at Cerritos College in May have been accepted to and have transferred to institutions including UC Berkeley, UCLA, UC San Diego, UC Irvine, UC Santa Barbara, UC Davis, UC Santa Cruz, UC Riverside, CSU Fullerton, CSU Long Beach, CSU Los Angeles, and the University of Southern California.

The SHP program is the academic and social home that Cerritos College provides for talented and motivated students who plan to transfer to four-year institutions. Through the SHP program, many students have the opportunity to apply and receive prestigious scholarships.

Benefits offered to students by SHP include opportunities for independent research with leading faculty members through the Honors Contract program, small-enrollment honors sections of courses needed for transfer, workshops to help in transferring to four-year schools, and scholarships to selected transfer colleges and universities. For more information on the SHP, call Cerritos College at (562) 860-2451, ext. 2728.

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## Downey has two cooling stations

■ Residents, particularly the elderly, urged to take advantage of air-conditioned facilities.

**DOWNEY**—The city of Downey urges all residents to take precautions to prevent heat-related illness—and to be alert for elderly neighbors and others who may need special assistance to survive the extreme heat.

Children, the elderly, and people with chronic ailments are usually the first to suffer from the heat. Heat exhaustion, cramps, or in extreme cases, heat stroke, can result from prolonged exposure to these conditions. During extended heat waves, people are advised to stay in the coolest area available and limit exposure to the sun; drink plenty of water; and wear loose, lightweight and light-colored clothing.

Downey residents are also urged to check on neighbors that may be at risk or do not have access to air conditioning.

Two air-conditioned city facilities are currently available as daytime and evening cooling stations:

Barbara J. Riley Community and Senior Center, 7810 Quill Drive, (562) 904-7223. Open Monday and Friday, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Tuesday–Thursday, 8 a.m. to 9 p.m.; and Saturday, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

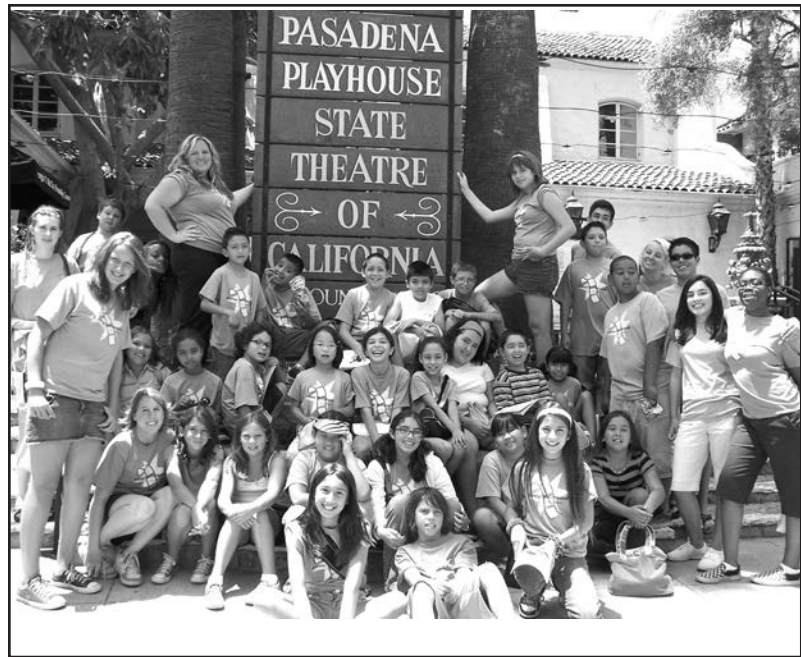
Downey City Library, 11121 Brookshire Ave., (562) 904-7360. Open Monday–Thursday, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Friday and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Sunday (Sept.–June), 1 to 5 p.m.

## Tennis club celebrates 40th year

**DOWNEY**—The Downey Tennis Club celebrated its 40th anniversary recently at Independence Park in Downey, with tennis games and a *carne asada* lunch—with all the trimmings. Attending were many past and current club members.

A former club member, Lillian Riley, traveled all the way from Maui, Hawaii to attend the event. The Van Matres, both Dick and wife Donna, shared many memories of the club's beginning, back in 1966. (Some of this history is provided on the club's website, [www.downeytennisclub.com](http://www.downeytennisclub.com)).

Membership with the Downey Tennis Club, which has just launched its new season, is \$25/year. For information, call Jean Jones, membership chair, 927-4820.



**CAMP HOLLYWOOD**—Participants after seeing a production of "I Do, I Do" at the famous Pasadena Playhouse. Camp Hollywood gets to have another excursion, this time to the Downey Theater Aug. 3, before they end their summer 'Camp Extravaganza,' one of several summer day camps for area youth conducted by Downey Community Services.

## Day Camps continuing through end of summer

*Contributed by the City of Downey*

**DOWNEY**—The city of Downey is sponsoring several Day Camps for area youth throughout the remainder of the summer, with Community Services staff providing leadership, fun activities, and excursions.

The Day Camps start at 9:30 a.m. and end at 3:30 p.m., but also have an optional extended care component for families that need supervision between 7-9:30 a.m. and 3:30-6 p.m. Registration is inside City Hall at 11111 Brookshire Ave.

Weekly Day Camp costs are \$75 for the first family member and \$70 for each additional family member. Little Buddies Club (designed for 4-5 year-olds) is only \$40 per week and the hours are 9 a.m.-noon. Field trip costs are included in the weekly registration fee.

The huge water slide that was assembled in Apollo Park the first week of Summer Day Camp was a huge hit with campers. The rumor is that the water slide will return for another day near the end of the summer. Each camp, by the way, also makes a trek to the local swimming pool at least one day each week. This is a welcome relief for campers and leadership staff, what with the hot weather.

**Camp Hollywood** has one more excursion before the end of their Camp Extravaganza in the Downey Theater on Thursday, Aug. 3. Performances are at noon and again at 7 p.m. Camp Hollywood just returned from an excursion to the famous Pasadena Playhouse for a production of "I Do, I Do." After the performance, the actors held a Question and Answer session for the campers.

Field trips through the end of the summer include:

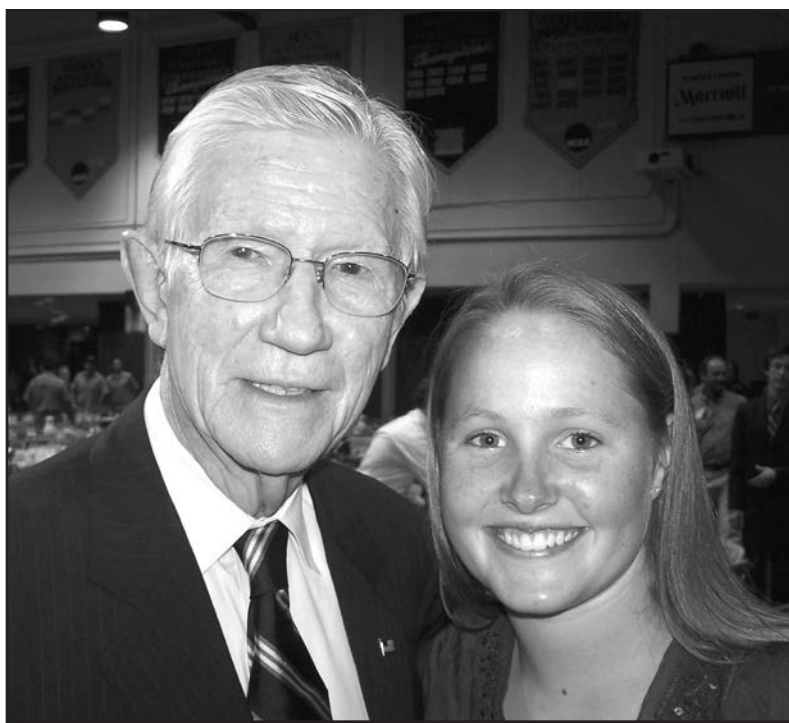
**Adventure Camp** (headquartered at Independence Park)—July 28, Medieval Times; Aug. 4, Big Bear; Aug. 11, Knott's Berry Farm; Aug. 18, Skate Zone; Aug. 25, Leeway Sailing; Sept. 1, All-Camp BBQ

**Sports Camp** (headquartered at McCaughan Gymnasium)—Aug. 4, Adventure Playground at Huntington Beach; Aug. 11, Knott's Berry Farm; Aug. 18, Skate Zone; Aug. 24, Nickel Nickel; Sept. 1, All-Camp BBQ;

**Wilderness Camp** (headquartered at Wilderness Park)—July 28, LA Zoo; Aug. 4, Adventure Playground at Huntington Beach; Aug. 11, Knott's Berry Farm; Aug. 18, Skate Zone; Aug. 24, Nickel Nickel; Sept. 1, All-Camp BBQ

**Little Buddies** (headquartered at McCaughan Gymnasium)—July 28, Chuck E. Cheese; Aug. 4, Golf N Stuff; Aug. 11, Downey Library; Aug. 18, Wilderness Park

For information, call Dan Belling, 904-7242, or e-mail [dbelling@downeyca.com](mailto:dbelling@downeyca.com).



**HILLARY MICHAEL**—A Downey High senior, is shown here with Pepperdine University Chancellor Charles Rummell at the Youth Conference Seminar she attended for a week in June at the Malibu campus, which featured classes, activities and motivational speakers, including the last evening's main speaker, Art Linkletter. She was one of 18 students out of a total of 270 to receive the "Outstanding Participant Award." After graduation in June of 2007, she hopes to attend Brigham Young University.

## Legislative resolution salutes role of museums

*By Henry Veneracion*

**DOWNEY**—With the recent heightened focus in Downey on 'quality of life' issues, the transmittal the other day to *The Downey Patriot* by Downey Museum of Art executive director Kate Davies of a copy of a resolution passed by the California Legislature designating 2006 as the Year of the California Museum, which delineates the vital role California museums play in the life of an enlightened, vibrant community, couldn't have come at a better time.

Noting that California is home to over 1,300 museums that are located in every county and region throughout the state and which serve over 26 million visitors annually, the resolution avers: "California museums nourish minds and spirits by fostering contemplation, exploration, critical thinking, and dialogue to advance knowledge, understanding and appreciation of history, science, the arts, and the natural world."

It goes on to say, "California museums encourage curiosity and provide a source of enjoyment and education for every generation and every community across the state and enhance those provided by the public sector." Further, California museums "strengthen and enrich the lives of people by inspiring lifelong learning, serving as repositories and stewards for the state's unique histories, culture, achievements and values."

The resolution also pointed out that California museums "present exhibitions and programs created through research and scholarship for California residents and visitors to the state to explore new ideas, exchange stories, and discover collections and objects from our culture and natural heritage."

Thus, California museums "forge relationships with community partners such as schools, libraries, public broadcasting, and neighborhood and social service organizations to foster civic participation and cultural understanding."

A point Davies has repeatedly stressed in the past about the seldom-appreciated economic impact of museums finds pertinent expression in the resolution: "California museums contribute significantly to the livability and economic vitality of the state and its communities and attract tourists and local visitors, all of whom create a demand for services."

The resolution includes "a multitude of disciplines and learning experiences, including art museums, zoos, aquaria, historical societies, science centers, botanical gardens, children's museums, and cultural centers" in "California museums" embrace.

The fact that California museums are "accessible to all residents with one-half of the state's museums providing free admission to adults and others offering free admission days" is not missed by the Legislature.

This being commemorated nationwide as the Year of the Museum, the Legislature also sought fit to acknowledge the contribution of, and exhortation from, the California Association of Museums: "The California Association of Museums has served to bring important recognition of this commemorative year and invites all museums, museum service organizations, California residents, and local governments to use this milestone to recognize and celebrate the contributions of California museums as they serve communities, the nation and the world."

## 'The Perfect Gentlemen' make perfect harmony

*By Jacqueline Mejia, St. Joseph High School*

**DOWNEY**—A perfect crowd pleaser emerged in the form of the all-male capella quartet, "The Perfect Gentlemen," at last week's Concerts in the Park. It was the first time that these gentlemen sang at the annual concert fest, held at Furman Park.

"The Perfect Gentlemen" have been singing melodies together since 1998, and has even won the 2002 National Harmony Sweepstakes A Capella Competition.

The warm audience clearly enjoyed the mix of barbershop, jazz, gospel and swing vocals. And group had fun too, with one of the members saying he "had a great time, along with having a great audience."

Some performances really engaged the audience's attention, such as when several costume changes occurred, including one in which the group dressed up as rappers and began rapping.

Richard Fox, a 24-year Downey resident and frequent visitor at Concerts in the Park, said he enjoyed the "close harmony, comedy, and beautiful music" presented that night. He also said he likes that the concerts are free and outdoors, making it a great place to meet people.

Frank Keller, another audience member, said he enjoyed the last 10 minutes of the show best, when the group did a jump through different eras, a "tribute to the 20th Century."

And Downey city councilmember Kirk Cartozian said he likes seeing the local community, along with people from neighboring cities, enjoy the concerts Downey has to offer.

## The Poets' Corner

### Hold It!

I stop suddenly  
mid-living room  
to read Shelley's ode  
the rush to dash out  
into the world  
momentarily  
put on hold.

I hold steady—  
the toe of my right foot  
points to the door  
I'm enraptured and  
riveted to the words  
recharging  
my core.

I get ready  
to shift to seventh gear  
change the pace  
I rev my spirit  
to the highest pitch  
now I'm tuned  
for the human race

—Margaret Hehman-Smith,  
Hollydale

*The Downey Patriot welcomes submissions to 'The Poets' Corner.' Send them to The Downey Patriot, 11525 Downey Ave., Suite A, Downey, CA 90241 or by e-mail to [downeypatriot@yahoo.com](mailto:downeypatriot@yahoo.com).*



**BIG SMILES**—From the Building Committee of the First Presbyterian Church of Downey as a contract is signed for the revitalization of the landmark sanctuary. Pictured are, from left: Cheryl McCaughan, Stewart Christie, Steven Humenski, Derek Slifer, Kandice Milloy, Evelyn Oglesbee, Steve Ruckman and Shirley Potter.

## Church announces plan to revitalize sanctuary

■ Project coincides with the congregation's 120th anniversary.

**DOWNEY**—First Presbyterian Church of Downey marks its 120th anniversary with the announcement of a revitalization of their historic sanctuary.

The original church, built in 1886 at La Reina and Second Street, served the area for 41 years until the massive landmark building was constructed at Downey Avenue and Seventh Street. The sanctuary's exposed wooden beams, archways and strained glass windows will be complimented with a reconfigured chancel area, adaptable seating and new lighting and audio systems.

"We are creating more flexible space for multiple uses while preserving the architectural integrity of our historic sanctuary," said Pastor Candie Blankman. "The revitalization of the sanctuary supports the church's vision as a multi-ethnic, multi-generational Christian community."

Moen Architecture of Long Beach has been awarded the contract. Their project experience includes several institutional and religious facilities in Southern California and the West.

## Christian Women's Club buffet luncheon

**DOWNEY**—The Downey Christian Women's Club will hold its monthly Buffet Luncheon Wednesday, Aug. 9 at its usual venue, the Los Amigos Country Club, 7295 Quill Drive in Downey. The meeting starts at 11:45 a.m.

Special feature is a "Tea Party" arranged by Marilyn Madru. Speaker is award-winning Christian author Diana Taylor, whose topic is "Runaway finds her Home."

Reservations are requested by the Monday before the luncheon. Cost is \$12. Information/reservations: Ginnie, 927-8488, or Delores, 868-7135.

## Chamber Golf Classic slated for Aug. 7

**DOWNEY**—The Downey Chamber of Commerce holds its 10th annual Golf Classic Monday, Aug. 7 at the Rio Hondo Golf Club, 10627 Old River School Rd. It will be a four-man Best Ball Scramble affair, with the usual putting, hole-in-one, and closest to the pin (on all par 3's) contests and cash prizes, with a BBQ lunch and dinner. Shotgun start is at noon.

Entry fee of \$140 covers green fees, carts, both luncheon and dinner, awards and prizes. A portion of the proceeds will provide scholarships to youths at the local high schools (Downey High, Warren High, and Columbus High), and for the winner of the Miss Downey Pageant.

For more information, call 923-2191.

## He might write poetry, but don't call him a poet

By Eric Pierce

Poets are strange. If you've ever met one (they usually like to congregate at Starbucks or other independent coffee shops that play moody instrumental music), you probably know what I'm talking about. They're a bit off-kilter, using strange adjectives to describe perfectly ordinary situations. Like my friend Patricia.

Me: "Boy, it sure is hot today, isn't it?"

Patricia the Poet: "I should say, the sun is burning like the serological Bennu bird, soaring under a cloud of heat and despair. Agonizing. Burning. Suffering."

Me: "Right...So, want to get some ice cream?"

The dilemma I face is that I write poetry. But I'm not a poet. There's a difference. Poets are reclusive people who own cats and sip wine and genuinely enjoy reading books like *The Canterbury Tales*.

I own a German Shepherd, drink beer and subscribe to Maxim magazine.

And I write a little poetry on the side.

In fact, I keep my poetry for the most part private. Only one of my poems has been published in "The Poets' Corner" and that was only because I was trying to impress a girl.

But now, apparently, somebody has gotten hold of my poems because I've been invited to read some of them at a theater event next month in (surprise! surprise!) Long Beach.

I'm 95 percent sure I'm not going to go, mainly because of my silly, yet valid, male insecurities. But my friends keep insisting I participate, even volunteering to escort me to the reading, they say, to guard against potential hecklers. That's nice. I'll be the first poet in literary history to have a hip-hop posse standing behind me as I read poetry.

But as much as I don't want to do it, a small, tiny bit of me gets excited at the idea of reading poetry to a bunch of weirdoes sipping cold macchiatos. Maybe I can write a poem making fun of them. That would be fun.

So who knows. I have until next week to RSVP. But I have a feeling if I go, it will be a long night of despair.

Agonizing. Burning. Suffering.

## 9/11 remembrance at Cerritos College

**NORWALK**—The Associated Students of Cerritos College will host a 9/11 remembrance event on Monday Sept. 11 at 2 p.m.

"Remembering 9/11" will feature readings, music, and a memory poster where attendees will be invited to write about their own memories of the tragedy that occurred five years ago on Sept. 11, 2001.

The event will be in the college's Burnight Theater, 11110 Alondra Blvd., Norwalk.

For information, call Holly Bagdanovich, Director of Student Activities at (562) 860-2451 ext. 2476 or at hbagdanovich@cerritos.edu.

Call for information on campus parking.

## Property tax assessment seminars set

**LOS ANGELES**—The County of Los Angeles is sponsoring a series of seminars to assist property owners who feel their taxes should be lowered due to a decline in the value of their property.

Some homeowners who recently have received a "Notice of Assessed Value Change" will have questions regarding their appeal rights.

The meetings are intended to help taxpayers better understand the assessment appeals process, which many find confusing. The seminar will be of value to homeowners who are interested in learning about the assessment appeals process and to those who have already filed an appeal. The seminar will cover taxpayers' appeal rights and when to file an application for reduction in assessment. The seminar will also cover how to prepare for a hearing, what qualifies as admissible evidence, what will happen at the hearing and what to expect after the hearing.

The 90-minute seminars will be offered at various locations, including: Cerritos Park East, 13234 E. 166th St., Malibu Room—10 a.m., Monday, Aug. 28 (free parking), and El Monte, Jack Crippen Senior Center, Crafts Room, 3120 N. Tyler Ave.—10 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 17 (free parking).

Persons with disabilities who believe they need reasonable accommodation or help in order to attend a seminar may call (213) 397-1431. Hearing-impaired persons with TDD equipment may leave a typewritten message by calling (213) 974-1707. Schedules for meetings may be obtained by calling (213) 893-2516.

## Book club announces month's selection

**DOWNEY**—This month's featured selection of the Downey City Library Book Lover's Club which meets Thursday, Aug. 10 in the Cormack Room from noon-1 p.m. is Fanny Flagg's "Fried Green Tomatoes at the Whistlestop Cafe."

Set in a small Alabama train stop town during the 1930s, the book depicts an array of colorful characters dealing with friendship, love, racism and loss during the Depression era. The book by the author and humorist Flagg includes the cafe's recipes for grits, collard greens and, of course, fried green tomatoes.

Actual and potential book club members are asked to call in their reservations by calling 904-7360, ext. 3. The monthly book discussion club meeting is free. The Downey City Library is located at 11121 Brookshire Ave.



## Letters to the Editor:

### Longs for the 'good ol' days'

Dear Editor,

What happened to the good ol' days when the ushers in theaters would walk through the theater and ask people to take their feet off the chair in front of them. They would shine their light on the couple that was kissing in the top row and tell them to stop or they were out. Now they would have to tell them to stop doing much more than kissing.

Twice in nine months I went to the movies at the Krikorian Theatre in Downey and the movie was ruined for me. Each time a teen couple was sitting behind me and they were doing much more than kissing. I was so upset each time, I walked out of the theater. The first time I reported it to the usher that was taking tickets. He said he would check the theater. As I left I had the feeling he truly did not care what was going on the show.

The next time, just two weeks ago, my daughter and I went to the movies at the Krikorian. The movie had been running for just about 15 minutes when my daughter happened to turn around and right behind us a teen couple was having sex (with more skin that I care to mention exposed). I was in shock. We immediately left and reported them to the manager. He went into the theater and I pointed them out to him. Of course by that time they caught on and were sitting there so innocent like nothing happened. The manager said 'they are not doing anything now, so I can't say anything to them'.

Is this true, he could not even approach them? Now I am wondering what I should have done. Call 911 for indecent exposure? Lewd conduct? I am so upset about this that I do not want to go to the Krikorian Theatre anymore. This is not only lewd conduct in a public place but what about hygiene, germs, etc. Hate to be kind of graphic but it is true. Yuk!

By the way my friend was in our Downey theater within the last nine months and saw a teen couple kissing and about ready for more, she stood there and stared at them until they realized she wasn't going to move and they stopped. How about having the ushers do what they are supposed to do, like the good ol' days, and maybe I could enjoy going to the Krikorian theater once again.

Downey Krikorian theatre needs an usher to stay in each theater at the top row for all the movies until this problem is eradicated.

— Jackie Bernal,

Downey resident for 50 years

### Outsourcing and the American Dream

Dear Editor:

In pursuit of the American Dream, our son attended college, received degrees in business administration and technical writing, and went to work for Microsoft in Austin, Texas, where he advanced to team leader. Recently the dream began to fade when it was announced jobs were being outsourced to India, and he had to find work in North Carolina. What was once a busy office is now a graveyard of American dreams.

While the government chooses to sit back and allow job outsourcing of workers who "give" them operating capital in the form of taxes, millions of illegals cross the border and "take" from the operating capital to the extent of \$70 billion a year in free medical, social security, welfare, schooling, etc. Unless we deny the jobs and entitlements that are causing immigrants to cross the border illegally, America will become like the poor countries that are invading us.

Increasing border patrols is no more than a band-aid.

—J. Hawkins,

Downey

### Learning Chinese good fit for future

Dear Editor:

Some letter writers see having only English spoken in the country as a panacea that will unite the U.S. (The Downey Patriot, 7/21/06)

This assertion is contrary to the experiences of other civilized countries. Switzerland, for example, has four official languages and it is a great country that is an example to the world for its progressiveness and culture and it does seem to be affected negatively because their people speak four languages. Even more interestingly, many Swiss speak also English in addition to their native languages.

Educated people do not see speaking more than one language as a burden.

We live in a world economy and the learning of more languages should be encouraged rather than dismissed as something nefarious. Given the strength and rapid growth of China, it would behoove all of us to start learning Chinese so that we can communicate and understand better the next world superpower.

—Jorge H. Montero,  
Downey

### Defending against a rocket attack

Dear Editor:

With evil countries coming up and making trouble all over the world and to prevent the repeat of Sept. 11, 2001, President Bush should develop the Strategic Defense Initiative as quickly as possible. Especially the part which is submarine based (as suggested by Admiral Nimitz), [i.e.], precision guided missile launchers capable of knocking down a rocket at the launch site.

As an example, if North Korea sends a rocket with a WMD head aimed at Oregon, an American submarine in the Pacific Ocean close to Sakhalin can knock down that rocket. People in Oregon will be safe but people in Korea will get their own nice medicine of whatever they put in: radiation, chemical poisons or a biological Pandora's Box.

Since Iran did not want to listen to the UN, the US should protect itself with the same method as above. The American submarine can be in the northwestern part of the Indian Ocean close to Dubai.

—Paul K. Tan,  
Downey

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### E-waste added to list of roundup

**DOWNEY**—E-waste has been added to the list of hazardous household waste to be handled free of charge at a hazardous waste roundup Aug. 19 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Columbus Continuation High School, located at 12330 Woodruff Ave., Downey.

Materials such as motor oil, paint, turpentine, dye based cleaners, household and car batteries, pesticides and garden herbicides can damage the environment if dumped or poured down the drain.

E-waste is any electric equipment near the end of its life, such as computer monitors, TVs, VCRs, stereos, fax machines, computers, keyboards and cellular phones.

Do not bring explosives, radioactive items or tires. Items should be in their original containers, placed in a cardboard box.

For information call the County Public Works at 1-888-CLEAN-LA or the Sanitation District 1-800-238-0172.

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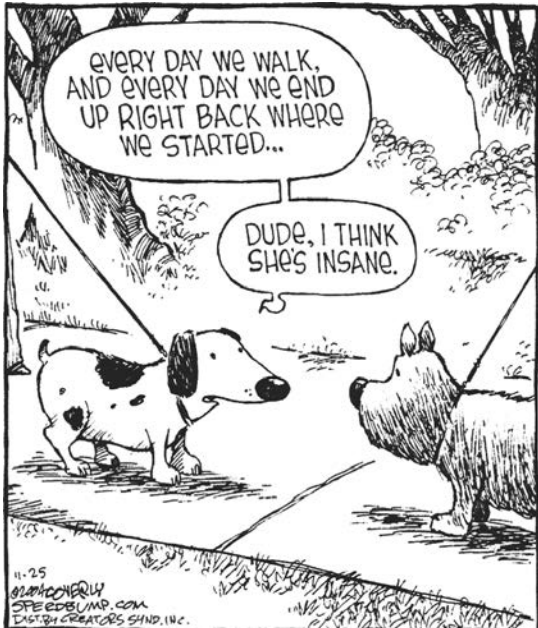
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## Downey Community Calendar

### Events For July/August

**Fri. July 28, 6:30 p.m.:** **Shawn Morgan entertains** at the keyboard with popular hits at Granata's restaurant, 11032 Downey Ave. Also Saturday night. For information call 861-2997.  
**Wed. Aug. 2, 7:00 p.m.:** **The Main Street Polka Band and Dancers** at the annual Summer Twilight Concert Series. Food available for sale or attendees may bring their own picnic. At Furman Park, 10419 Rives Ave. For information call 904-7230.

### 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 Tuesday, 4:00 p.m.:** **Recreation and Community Services Commission**, Council Chamber, City Hall.  
**1st Thursday, 9 a.m.:** **Traffic Committee**, Training Room, Second Floor of City Hall.  
**2nd & 4th Tuesday, 7:30 p.m.:** **City Council/Community Development Commission**, Council Chamber.  
**2nd & 4th Wednesday, 6 p.m.:** **Design Review Board**, Council Chamber at City Hall.  
**3rd Thursday, 3:30 p.m.:** **Parking Place Commission**, Second Floor Training Room at City Hall

### Regularly Scheduled Meetings

#### Mondays

**6:30 p.m.:** **Metropolitan Masonic Lodge #352 dinner**, mtg., for information call 426-6786.  
**6:30 p.m.:** **Overeaters Anonymous**, at Downey Regional Med. Center Conf. Room A, for info. call 426-6786.  
**1st Mon., 4 p.m.:** **2nd Century Foundation**, at City Hall, 1st floor, call 927-9790.  
**1st Mon., 7 p.m.:** **American Legion Post 270**, Los Amigos Country Club, call 869-1053.  
**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.  
**4th Mon., 7:30 p.m.:** **Downey Numismatists**, at Downey Retirement Center, call 861-3989.

#### Tuesdays

**9 a.m.:** **Downey Bocce Club**, at Apollo Park, for information call Vince Zoida at (714) 761-4439.  
**9:30 a.m.:** **Downey Seniors Club**, at Apollo Park, for information call Nadine Morris at 923-9422.  
**9:30 a.m.:** **Adventure with the Bible**, at the First Baptist Church call 928-4153.  
**12 p.m.:** **Rotary Club**, at Rio Hondo, for information call Darren Dunaway at 806-5400.  
**6:00 p.m.:** **Toastmasters Club 587**, at First Baptist Church, for info call 923-9464.  
**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.  
**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 Bakers Square. 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.  
**Last Tues., 11:00 a.m.:** **Los Companeros Service Club**, at Los Amigos Country Club, for info call 863-1549.

#### Wednesdays

**7 a.m.:** **Kiwanis Club**, at Rio Hondo Events Center. Call Steve Roberson at 927-2626.  
**1 p.m.:** **Women's Bocce Club**, for information call 869-8782.  
**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., 7:30 p.m.:** **Downey Model A Club**, at Gallatin School Cafeteria, for information call 928-4132.  
**2nd Weds., 7:30 p.m.:** **Downey Sister Cities Ass'n**, at Maude Price School, Call 862-7197.  
**2nd Weds., 11:45 - Downey Christian Women's Club**, at Los Amigos CC. Call 927-8488.  
**4th Weds., 12:00 noon:** **Retired Federal Employees**, at **Furman Park West Bldg.**, call 943-5513.  
**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.  
**12 p.m.:** **Kiwanis Club of Downey**, at Rio Hondo Events Center, call Roy Jimenez 923-0971.  
**12 p.m.:** **Downey Christian Businessmen's Committee**, for information call 928-4153.  
**12 p.m.:** **Optimist Club of Downey**, at Sambi's, for information call Steve Allen at 622-7655.  
**12:30 p.m.:** **Take off Pounds Sensibly**, at First Christian Church, call (800) 932-8677.  
**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 776-3388.  
**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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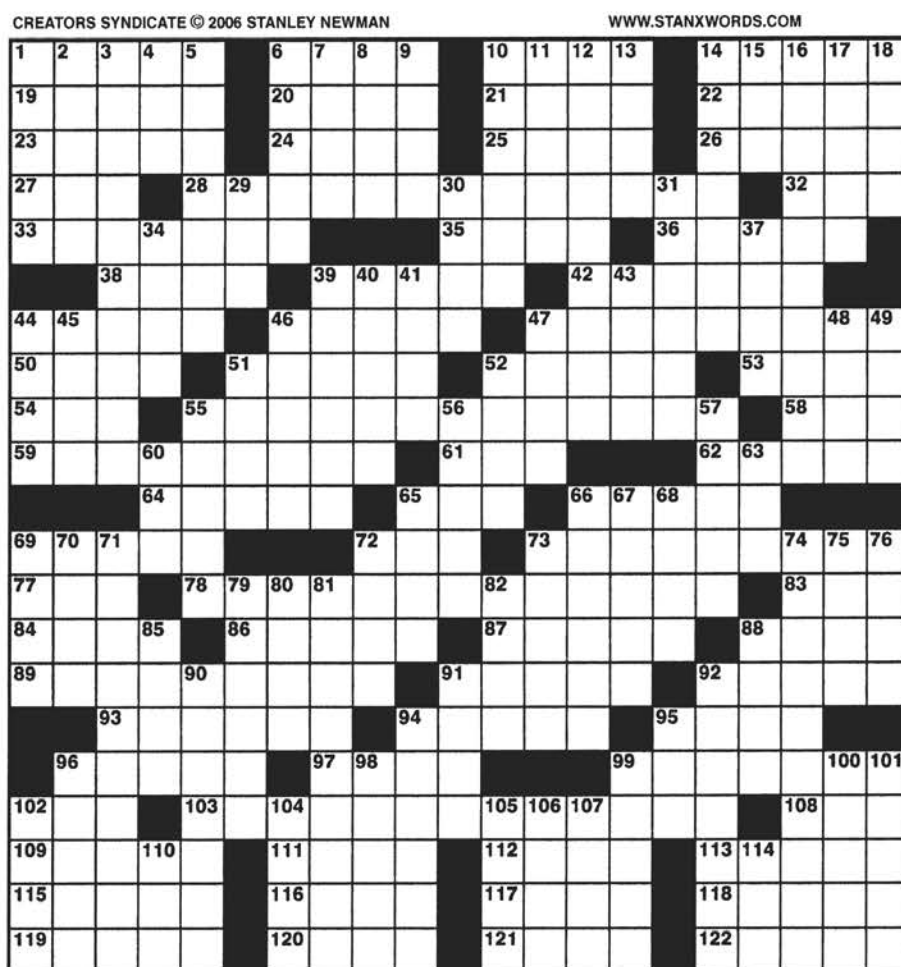
**7:30 a.m.:** **Pro Networkers**, at Mimi's Cafe, for information call Joe Becker at 869-1414  
**3rd Fri., 8:30 a.m.:** **Women's "In His Glory" Ministry** at Los Amigos C. C. (562) 622-3785.

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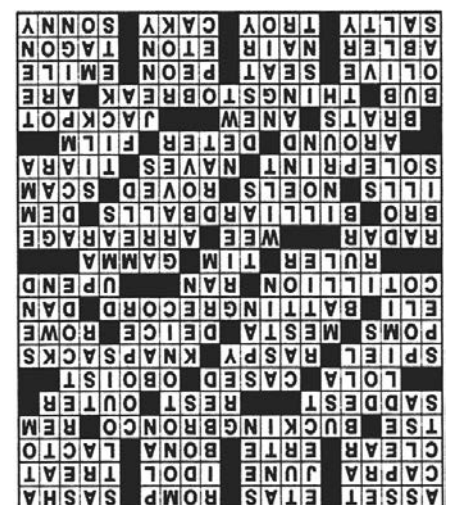
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Eighteenth-century British poet laureate Nicholas Rowe (53 Across) edited the first modern edition of Shakespeare's works. The "jack" in JACKPOT (99 Across) is an old slang term for money. Prince Charles (45 Down) retired from polo playing in 2005 for health reasons.



## Orange County Fair & Expo August schedule

**COSTA MESA**—Gem Faire, coming to the Orange County Fair & Exposition Center Aug. 4-6, has become a famous marketplace for the “finest in gemstones, beads, jewelry, minerals, fossils, meteorites, lapidary equipment, metaphysical items and much more at the lowest prices in today’s market,” according to Fair officials, and the largest gem and jewelry circuit on the West Coast.

Hours are Friday, noon to 7 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.; and Sunday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission is \$5 for adults and children under 12 are admitted free. For more information, visit [www.sugarplumcrafts.com](http://www.sugarplumcrafts.com) or call (562) 598-0857.

Other events for the month of August are listed below. Follow directional signs to general parking gates. For additional information, contact the promoter at the telephone number listed with the event. Scheduled events sirt subject to change without nice. Visit [www.ocfair.com](http://www.ocfair.com) for event updates.

### August 2006

- **4-6 GEM FAIRE** – Friday, noon-7 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m.-7 p.m.; Sunday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Bldg. #10 and Parade of Products. Admission: adults \$5, children under 12 admitted free. Gem Faire, Inc. (503) 252-8300 [www.gemfaire.com](http://www.gemfaire.com)
- **12 SPEEDWAY – AMATEUR EVENT** – Gates open 11 a.m., first race 1 p.m. Grandstand Arena. Admission: adults (18+) \$10, juniors (13-17) and seniors (60+) \$5, children (6-12) \$3, children 5 & under admitted free. Parking and Programs free. Preferred parking \$5. International Speedway, Inc., (949) 492-9933, [www.cmspeedway.com](http://www.cmspeedway.com)
- **12 COMPUTER SHOW** – Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Bldg. #14. Admission: adults \$5, children under 10 admitted free. NP Expos, Inc., (800) 800-5600, [www.lacomputerfair.com](http://www.lacomputerfair.com)
- **19-20 CROSSROADS OF THE WEST GUN SHOW** – Saturday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Bldgs. #10, #12, #14, #16, Parade of Products and Main Mall. Admission: adults \$12, seniors \$11, children 12 and under admitted free with adult. B&L Productions (801) 544-9125, [www.crossroadsgunshows.com](http://www.crossroadsgunshows.com)

### Weekly Events

- **ORANGE COUNTY MARKET PLACE** – Saturday and Sunday, 7 a.m.-4 p.m. Main Parking lot. Admission: adults \$2, children under 12 free. Tel Phil Enterprises, (949) 723-6660
- **INTERNATIONAL SPEEDWAY RACING** – Saturdays, Aug. 12, 19 and 26. Gates open 6 p.m., first race 7:30 p.m. Grandstand Arena. Admission: adults \$12, juniors (13-17) and seniors (60+) \$10, children (6-12) \$5, children under 5 free. Parking and Programs free. Preferred parking \$5. International Speedway, Inc., (949) 492-9933, [www.cmspeedway.com](http://www.cmspeedway.com)
- **FARMERS MARKET** – Thursdays, 8:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Main Parking Lot. Orange County Farm Bureau (714) 573-0374, [orange.cfbf.com](http://orange.cfbf.com)
- **CENTENNIAL FARM** – Monday-Friday, 1-4 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Admission: free. (714) 708-1916.

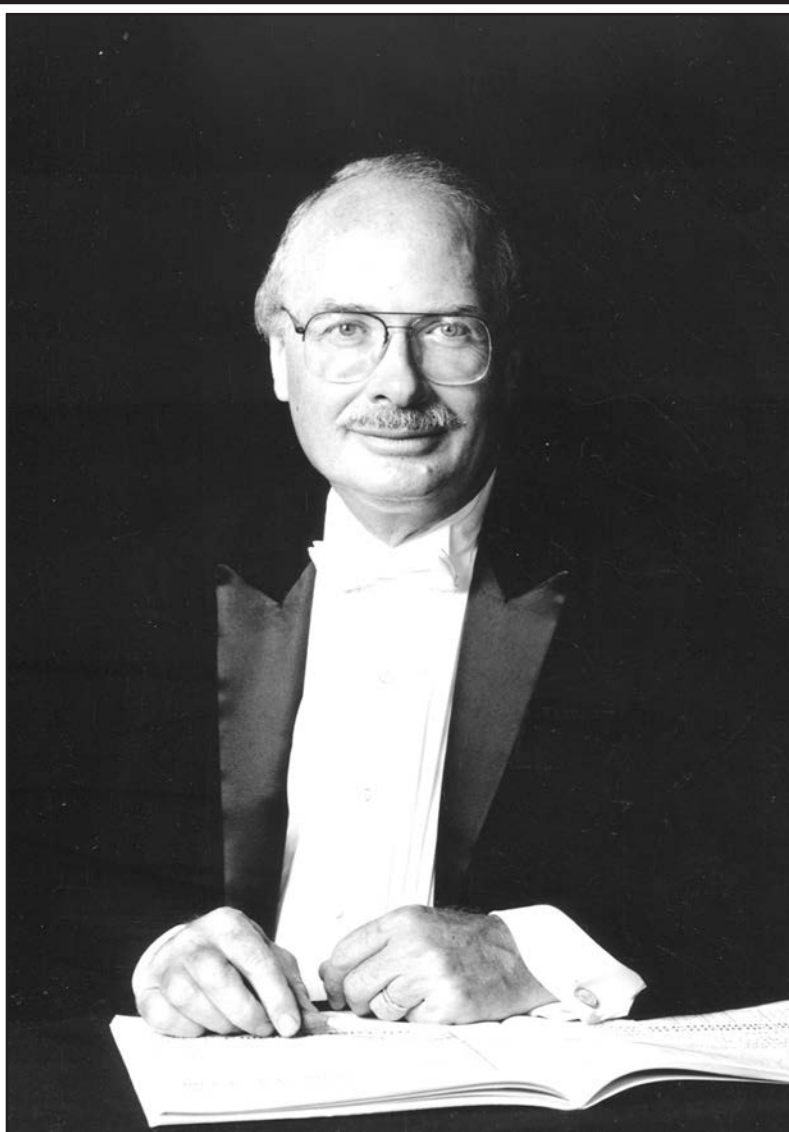
## Free rides to Hollywood Bowl concerts

**DOWNEY** – Los Angeles County is offering free rides to the Hollywood Bowl’s summer concerts.

Nonstop rides are available on Line 661 from the Downey Green Line Station, 12801 Lakewood Blvd. For information, call (323) 850-2000.

## Afternoon bingo with Woman’s Club

**DOWNEY** – The woman’s Club of Downey meets for bingo every Thursday afternoon at their headquarters, 9813 Paramount Blvd. Call 927-3000 for information.



**ARTISTIC DIRECTOR AND CONDUCTOR** – Thomas Osborn will lead the Downey Symphony Orchestra in an appearance at Furman Park for the Summer Twilight Concert Series on Wednesday, Aug. 9 at 7 p.m. Furman Park is located at 10419 Rives Ave. For information call 904-7230.

## Auditions coming soon for ‘Guys and Dolls’

**DOWNEY** – Downey Civic Light Opera will be holding auditions for the opening production of the new season, “Guys and Dolls,” on Monday, Aug. 14 and Thursday, Aug. 17 at First Baptist Church, 8348 Third St.

Male and female dance calls will be held from 7 to 8:30 p.m. both nights and auditions are scheduled from 8:30 to 10:30 p.m. Callbacks at the director’s request will be Saturday, Aug. 19 from 1 to 7 p.m.

The roles of Miss Adelaide, Nicely-Nicely Johnson and Big Jule have been pre-cast.

Marsha Moode is executive producer/director. Miriam Nelson will serve as choreographer and Eddy Clement acts as musical director and conductor.

Performances will be Oct. 5 through 22 at the Downey Theater. Rehearsals will generally follow a Saturday through Thursday evening schedule and begin Aug. 28.

For information call 923-8061.

## ‘Man Who Came to Dinner’ closes season

**LONG BEACH**—The Long Beach Playhouse Mainstage Theatre, 5021 E. Anaheim St. in Long Beach, winds up its 2005-2006 season, its 77th, with its presentation Aug. 4-Sept. 9 of “The Man Who Came to Dinner,” a comedy by Moss Hart and George S. Kaufman.

The comedy makes fun of the 1938 New York social set. It centers around Sheridan Whiteside, who having dined at the home of the Stanleys, slips on their doorstep and breaks his hip. A tumultuous six weeks of confinement at the Stanleys follow with hilarious complications such as ex-convicts being invited to meals, strange exotic gifts arriving from friends, transatlantic calls reaping \$784 phone bills and the summoning of a glamorous actress to woo away Whiteside’s secretary’s boyfriend.

The play is considered one of the American stage’s endearing classics and a Broadway favorite.

Tickets are \$20, seniors and students with valid ID \$18. Friday and Saturday performances are at 8 p.m., and Sunday matinees at 2 p.m. Parking is free. For tickets/information, call (562) 494-1014. Web: [www.LBPH.com](http://www.LBPH.com).

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## Keep Downey Beautiful seeking street help

**DOWNEY**—Keep Downey Beautiful, an independent community beautification group, is seeking groups and individuals as volunteers to maintain clean roads and thoroughfares in Downey.

The Adopt A Street program allocates streets in the city to groups and individuals who provide the labor and \$225 (\$325 if KDB provides the cleanup crew).

Carol Rowland, director of the program, said a sponsors period runs from Sept. 1 to Aug. 31, during which a designated section must be cleaned and debris picked up and removed at least four times. Street sections range from a half mile to mile in length. After the first pickup KDB will install Adopt A Street signs, one each for each direction, indicating the name of the business or individual.

If KDB recruits the volunteer such as a local church group, school or civic club, their names will be listed. For information, call (562) 904-7159.

## Friends of Library needs volunteers

**DOWNEY** – The Friends of the Downey City Library needs volunteers to work in their shop located inside the library. The shop is open during library hours.

Call 904-7360 for details.



**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**—Sue Nordin of the Downey Chamber of Commerce has announced that tickets for the Chamber's 3rd annual Oldies Concert featuring Captain Cardiac and the Coronaries are now on sale at the Chamber office, 11131 Brookshire Ave. The show will take place on Saturday, Sept. 16 live on stage at the Downey Theater. Tickets are \$25. For information call 923-2191.

## Moravian Church planning a 'fiesta'

**DOWNEY**—The Moravian Church of Downey, 10337 Old River School Road in Downey, is holding a Fiesta, from 9 a.m. to noon, July 31-Aug. 4.

The weeklong event, says Bishop Hopeton Clennon, "will provide fun and memorable Bible-learning activities for kids of all ages" and allow them to "sing catchy songs, play teamwork-building games, nibble Maraca Munchies, take on a Daily Challenge to let Jesus' love grow into their homes...and create Bible Point Crafts they'll take home and play with all summer long."

The bishop adds, "Fiesta is an exciting way for kids to learn more about Jesus' love. They will take part in a hands-on mission project that will reach children in need here in our community, as we collect Back-to-School supplies for the youngsters at the Rio Hondo Temporary Home. Each day concludes at Fiesta Finale—a celebration that gets everyone involved in living what they've learned. Family members and friends are encouraged to join us daily for this special time at 11:30 a.m. We hope Fiesta will lift up Jesus' love in our community."

For information, call the church office, 927-0718.

## Su Casa planning poker tournament

**DOWNEY**—Su Casa Family Crisis and Support Center, which serves victims of domestic violence and child abuse in Downey and neighboring cities, will hold their inaugural Texas No-Limit Hold'em Poker Tournament Sept. 10 at the Cerritos Senior Center.

Entry fee is \$100, with proceeds going towards the organization's efforts. To sign up, call (562) 303-1030.

## Optimist Club has weekly lunches

**DOWNEY** – The Optimist Club of Downey, headed by Steve Allen, meets at Sambi's Restaurant every Thursday at noon. Call 806-3701 for more information.

## SEAACA accepting toy donations

**DOWNEY** – The Southeast Area Animal Control Authority, 9777 Seaca St., is accepting donations of toys for their animal population, part of their ongoing program called Environmental Enrichment.

The program's goal is to reduce the stress of newly arriving pets.

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## Trip to Solvang coming in September

**DOWNEY** – The Community Services Department of the City of Downey will be featuring a one-day trip to one of the most charming Danish towns in the United States, Solvang, on Saturday, Sept. 16 from 7 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.

There will be time to do some shopping and have a meal at one of the many food venues. A wake-up stop will be made at Dupari's in Thousand Oaks for a beverage and pastry. The fee is included in the cost of the excursion, \$20 per person.

The annual Danish Days will be taking place at the time of the visit, so participants may see the parade or other special events.

Information and registration are available at Downey City Hall, 1111 Brookshire Ave. City Hall is open Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

## Chamber business awards set July 28

**DOWNEY**—The annual Downey Chamber of Commerce Business of the Year Awards will be presented at a luncheon at the Rio Hondo Event Center at 11:45 a.m. Friday, July 28.

The Center is located at 10627 Old River School Road, in Downey. Reservations for the 2006 Business of the Year Awards are \$25 in advance, and may be made by phone at (562) 923-2191, e-mail downey-cc@verizon.net or fax at (562) 869-0461.

## Hearing Loss association meets Aug. 10

**LAKEWOOD**—The Aug. 10 meeting of the Hearing Loss Association of Long Beach/Lakewood (formerly Self Help for Hard of Hearing) features Laine Waggoner, M.A., hard of hearing for 46 years, and her partner, Rex Waggoner, as they demonstrate their humor-filled approach to maintaining a positive attitude and a sense of humor while adjusting to hearing loss.

The association meets the second Thursday of each month at the Weingart Senior Center, 5220 Oliva Ave. in Lakewood. The free meetings start at 6:30 p.m. Information: (562) 433-6509.

## Home sales continue to increase

**DOWNEY** – The Downey Association of Realtors reports Single Family Residence, including condo sales, in Downey is up 10 percent from first quarter 2006, with the average sales price of \$660,211.

Homes stayed on the market an average of 51 days. Out of the 192 homes listed and sold in Downey second quarter 2006, 61 percent were listed and/or sold by a member of the Downey Association of Realtors. For more information, call (562) 861-0915.

## DowneyLINK services for residents

**DOWNEY** – DowneyLINK, the city of Downey's transit system, operates Monday through Friday from 6:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. For information on routes and transfers, call 529-LINK.

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## Blood drive volunteers wanted

**DOWNEY**—The American Red Cross is in immediate need of volunteers to assist with their blood drives in Downey and surrounding cities.

Volunteers assist the nursing staff by greeting and registering donors, instructing donors to read necessary paperwork, providing refreshments, monitoring for donor reactions and promoting public relations.

Training is provided, and no experience is necessary. Bilingual volunteers are highly encouraged to apply. For more information, call Zeidy Cabrera, Recruitment Representative, American Red Cross Blood Services, 1-800-498-9910, ext. 7.

## Hospice plans volunteer training

**SANTA FE SPRINGS**—Companion Hospice Care, which operates out of 10330 Pioneer Blvd., Suite 210 in Santa Fe Springs and serves a good number of surrounding cities including Downey, is now recruiting volunteers for their upcoming training program on the Saturdays of Oct. 21 and 28, and Nov. 4 and 11.

"Volunteers can become a needed friend to someone during the last part of their journey," says volunteer coordinator Deanna Miles. "Volunteers can also relieve tired caregivers for short periods of time, or help with errands and shopping. Our goal is to promote quality of life and comfort measures."

Each applicant will receive 16 hours of orientation and training, and assignments will be in their geographical area. Call Miles, (562) 944-2711 for additional information.

## Emergency preparedness group on hiatus

**DOWNEY**—The Emergency Preparedness Committee for the city of Downey will not be meeting in July and August. The next meeting of the committee will be at fire station headquarters, 12222 Paramount Blvd. on Sept. 27 at 6:30 p.m.

For information, call the Downey Fire Department at 904-7344.

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## Services held for Eloise Johnson, 87

**DOWNEY**—Eloise Johnson, who was born in Gibson County, Tenn. and a resident of Downey for 66 years, passed away on July 21 at Southland. She was 87.

She was retired and a member of Good Shepherd Lutheran of Downey. Services officiated by Dr. James Bopzor were held for her yesterday, July 27 at 11 a.m. at the Miller-Mies Mortuary Chapel of Downey, and interment took place at Roosevelt Cemetery.

She is survived by sons Norman and Jeffrey Johnson; sister Jamie Grinsell; three grandchildren; eight great grandchildren; and two great-great grandchildren.

## Howard Taslitz was professor emeritus

**NORWALK** – Professor Howard Taslitz, Cerritos College's professor emeritus of history, passed away on Sunday, July 23, the school said this week. A memorial service for Taslitz will be held, Sunday, July 30 at 2:30 p.m. at Harbor Lawn-Mt. Olive Memorial Park in Costa Mesa.

Taslitz, of Mission Viejo, served as a professor in Cerritos College's Humanities and Social Science Division from 1962 to 1992. During his more than 30 years at Cerritos College, Taslitz served as the chair of the social science department, chair of the economics, history and political science departments, co-advisor to the Omnibus Society, and president of the Cerritos College Faculty Senate—an elected position he held for ten years.

"We are deeply saddened to lose our colleague and friend," said Cerritos College President Dr. Noelia Vela.

"Howard was dedicated to his students and committed to his profession. Our deepest condolences go out to the Taslitz family and to those who were especially close to him."

Taslitz was honored twice with Cerritos College's prestigious Most Outstanding Faculty Award. In 1968, he became the first faculty member to deliver a commencement address at Cerritos College. Taslitz also provided the most recent commencement address for Cerritos College in May 2006.

Taslitz received his bachelor's degree in political science from Roosevelt University in Illinois and his master's degree in history from Northwestern University, also in Illinois.

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## Local politicians host scholarship banquet

**BELL** – Senator Martha Escutia, Assemblymember Hector De La Torre and the Southeast Community Development Corporation hosted the 14th Annual Southeast College Conference Scholarship Banquet on yesterday, July 27th at the Bell Community Center in the city of Bell.

Seeking to help reduce the financial burden associated with higher education, Senator Escutia initiated the Southeast College Conference Scholarship program 14 years ago to assist local youth in achieving their dreams of attending college. Jointly with the Southeast College Conference, the scholarship program serves as a holistic approach to providing students the encouragement, financial support and tools to succeed in college.

“It is always such an honor to recognize the outstanding talent that exists within the Southeast,” states Escutia. “These students have triumphed over so many challenges showing drive, perseverance and an unbreakable dedication to achieving their academic dreams.”

This year the banquet will honor the following students: Victor Bedoy (South Gate), Samuel Dominguez (East Los Angeles), Hilda Favela (Cudahy), Gladys Flores (East Los Angeles), Jose Gonzalez (Commerce), Jose Jimenez (Cudahy), Vanessa Lopez (Bell Gardens), Julio Martinez (East Los Angeles), Claudia Montes De Oca (Bell Gardens), Emmanuel Nila (Cudahy), and Esperanza Soria (East Los Angeles).

“Ensuring access to higher education for underrepresented youth has always been a top priority for me. That is why I will continue the tradition of the Southeast College Conference and scholarship program,” said De La Torre. “It is extremely important that we help students acquire the skills that will allow them to come back to make an impact in their community.”

This year’s Southeast College Conference is scheduled for October 7.



**DIANE BOW** – A teacher at West Middle School, she attended a three-day workshop at the American Film Institute.

### Afternoon bingo with Woman’s Club

**DOWNEY** – The woman’s Club of Downey meets for bingo every Thursday afternoon at their headquarters, 9813 Paramount Blvd. Call 927-3000 for information.

## Middle school teachers learn Hollywood ‘magic’

■ Two West Middle School teachers learn to ‘think and create’ like movie producers.

**DOWNEY**—Two teachers from the Downey Unified School District—West Middle School’s Diane Bow and Karen Kordenur—along with 56 other teachers at area public schools, have just completed a special three-day training project at the American Film Institute (AFI) in Los Angeles, where they learned how to think and create like movie producers, directors and editors.

Thus armed with the newly acquired learning initiative called Digital Video Voice, the teachers are now ready to bring a touch of Hollywood to their campuses.

The teachers were chosen through a competitive application process.

Digital Video Voice is sponsored by Instructional Technology Outreach (ITO), a division of the Los Angeles County Office of Education, and is a countywide effort to promote the use of digital classroom tools and media to empower students to share their voices and stories. Among the equipment that the teachers will help students use include: laptop computers, digital cameras, projectors, audio devices, tripods, speakers and lighting kits. Students will be taught to incorporate skills like narrative writing with digital photography, audio narratives, podcasts and video production.

Speaking about DV Voice, ITO director Raymond Chavez said, “In our daily lives, we encounter technology more and more. When matched with professional development for teachers, technology can transform our classrooms and learning communities.”

The 58 teachers who received the training from ITO and AFI’s Screen Education Center are the first educators selected for the project. Additional teachers will be chosen for next summer’s training.



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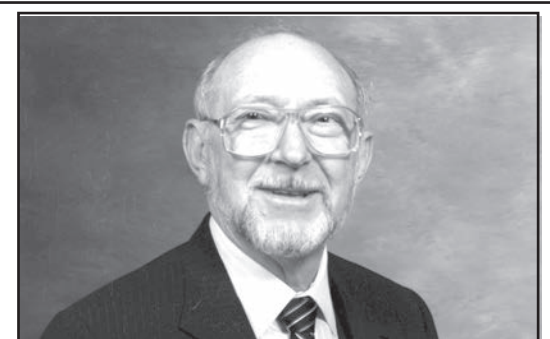
**KAREN KORDENUR** – Chosen through a competitive application process for a new classroom initiative called Digital Video Voice.

## Young scientists in two-week camp

**LONG BEACH**—Budding young scientists from fourth through eighth grades can add to their knowledge while having fun at the annual Young Scientists Camp, a two-week program offered starting Aug. 18 by the Department of Science and Education at CSU-Long Beach.

Participants will meet Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to noon in the science classroom and laboratories at the university located at 1230 Bellflower Blvd., Long Beach. This year’s theme is “Physical Sciences,” and each grade level covers a different topic through activities and experiments.

The cost is \$275 per student with a \$35 discount per sibling. For information, call (562) 985-4801.



Lionel Gerald Chaddick (L.G.), 76, died of cancer in his Downey home on July 13, 2006.

L.G. was born in Beaumont, Texas, November 1, 1929. He graduated from Louisiana Baptist College with a Bachelor of Arts. L.G. met and married Anna Laura Seymour from Winnie, Texas at Calvary Baptist Church. He received his Masters of Divinity degree from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas.

L.G. began his ministry in San Diego, California. Chaddick held a long tenure of more than 50 years of service within the state of California. He faithfully served a multitude of ministries alongside his partner, Anna Laura.

Chaddick is described by those that knew him as a “gentle giant.” He was soft-spoken and kind, compassionate and tender-hearted. His sense of humor was keen and he had a sweet, yet mischievous twinkle in his eyes as he enjoyed playful teasing.

L.G. Chaddick was loved by many as he touched many lives as a pastor, Shepard, willing servant, husband, father, grandfather and friend. The world needs more people like L.G., willing to leave things better than when they found them – to reach out with compassion, to put selfishness aside, to do the right, kind thing – just because they know it will make a difference someday to someone.

Chaddick is survived by wife of 54 years, Anna Laura, a sister, Catherine Monk of Beaumont, Texas, a son, Gerry Chaddick and family of Quartz Hills, daughter, Deborah Thompson and family of Houston, Texas, and son Bryan Chaddick and his family of Brea, and his 9 grandchildren – 8 grandsons and 1 granddaughter.

In lieu of flowers, please make donations to the California Southern Baptist Convention L.G. Chaddick Chaplaincy Memorial Fund, 678 E. Shaw Ave. 93710 Attn: Charles McClung. Services were held Monday at Greenleaf Ave. Baptist Church in Whittier and followed by a graveside memorial at Rose Hills.

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By Matt Kelly,  
California Contractors State License Board

**Q:** Yesterday a contractor came to my door and said since he was in the neighborhood he wanted to give me a free estimate on new windows for my home. At first I agreed. Then he really started pressuring me, saying my old windows were in really bad shape and were in danger of leaking. So, I signed a contract to have it done. Since then I have found a much better deal with someone else. Is there anything I can do to get out of the first contract?

**A:** Yes, but only if you hurry! California's Home Solicitation Sales Act gives you until midnight of the third business day after you sign the contract to cancel it. This includes all days except Sunday and major holidays.

The purpose is to protect consumers from the pressure they get to make an immediate purchasing decision from someone going door-to-door. Unless the contract is negotiated at the contractor's place of business, the buyer qualifies for the three-day right to cancel. The notice must be in writing and can be a letter, telegram or even a FAX sent to the address specified in the contract. Make sure the language clearly states that you are canceling the contract.

In the future, be sure to take your time when hiring a contractor, and get three bids before choosing a contractor for home improvements. This will ensure you get the most for your money and don't get scammed by an unlicensed or unscrupulous contractor. You should always be skeptical when someone shows up at your front door and pressures you into signing a contract.

**Q:** I am having a pool installed. The contractor said he could offer a better deal if I paid in cash. Is this okay?

**A:** The Contractors Board recommends that you never pay a contractor in cash. Unless you get a receipt, it's tough to trace the payment, and if something goes wrong you have little proof or recourse. By law, a swimming pool contractor can require only 10 percent down or \$1,000, whichever is less, as a down payment.

It's also important that you don't pay upfront for materials before they're delivered or for work that hasn't been completed. In fact, be sure that the down payment and subsequent payment schedule are clearly written out in your contract. This is the best way to protect yourself from being taken advantage of by a fraudulent or unlicensed contractor.

Learn more about hiring a swimming pool contractor from the CSLB publication, Before You Dive into Swimming Pool Construction. You can download the booklet on the CSLB website, [www.cslb.ca.gov](http://www.cslb.ca.gov).

**Q:** I want to file a complaint against a contractor who didn't do the job that we agreed on in our original contract. I've tried talking with him. But he won't make the necessary corrections. How do I file the complaint and who do I talk to?

**A:** Since your contract is in writing, you may have a stronger case against this contractor because you can show proof of the work he agreed to do. Log on to the CSLB website at [www.cslb.ca.gov](http://www.cslb.ca.gov) and download a complaint form, which you can print out and mail to the Board. You can also call 1-800-321-CSLB (2752) to request a form be sent to you. Be sure that you attach copies of all relevant documents with the complaint form.

The CSLB offers mediation and arbitrations services and can take disciplinary action against a licensed contractor if any laws are broken. If your contractor is not licensed, there's very little the CSLB can do to help. However, we will investigate the complaint and turn over the case to the local district attorney's office for possible criminal prosecution. This is one of the reasons why it's so important to only hire a licensed contractor.

Check to make sure your contractor has a license on the CSLB website, [www.cslb.ca.gov](http://www.cslb.ca.gov).

### Free 'reverse mortgage' seminar Aug. 2

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Organizers say homeowners should get answers to all their home improvement questions at the show.

Hours are Friday noon to 8 p.m., Saturday 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., and Sunday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. General admission is \$6.75, seniors \$4, and children are free. For more information, call (818) 557-2950, or visit [www.thehomeshow.com](http://www.thehomeshow.com).



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10721 Pangborn, Downey	5 bed, 3 bath \$780,000	Henry Sat. Juan M. Sun.	Sat. 1-5 pm Sun. 12-4:30 pm
8326 Cherokee, Downey	3 bed, 2 bath \$709,000	Patty	Sun. 1-5 pm
10853 Hasty, Downey	3 bed, 1.75 bath \$674,000	Dale	Sat. 1-4 pm
3720 Ibbetson Ave., Bellflower	3 bed, 2 bath \$575,000	Beatriz	Sat. 12-4 pm
1077 Bonnie Brae, Pomona	2 bed, 1 bath \$399,000	Luis	Sat. 12-4 pm
9434 Houghton, Santa Fe Springs	2 bed, 1 bath \$495,000	Luis	Sun. 12-4 pm
4762 Santa Ana, Cudahy	3 bed, 3 bath \$489,000	Juan M. Sat. Juan H. Sun.	Sat. 12-4 pm Sun. 12:30-5 pm
5790 Harding Ave., Hollydale/Southgate	3 bed, 1.5 bath \$539,000	Teresa	Sat. 1-5 pm
3923 Evadale, LA/Montecito Heights	3 bed, 1.5 bath \$759,000	Dale	Sat. 1-4 pm
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Bdrms	Baths	Sq Ft	City	Price
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4	2	1,675	Downey	\$599,000
4	3	2,441	Downey	\$775,000
5	4	4,300	Downey	\$1,549,000

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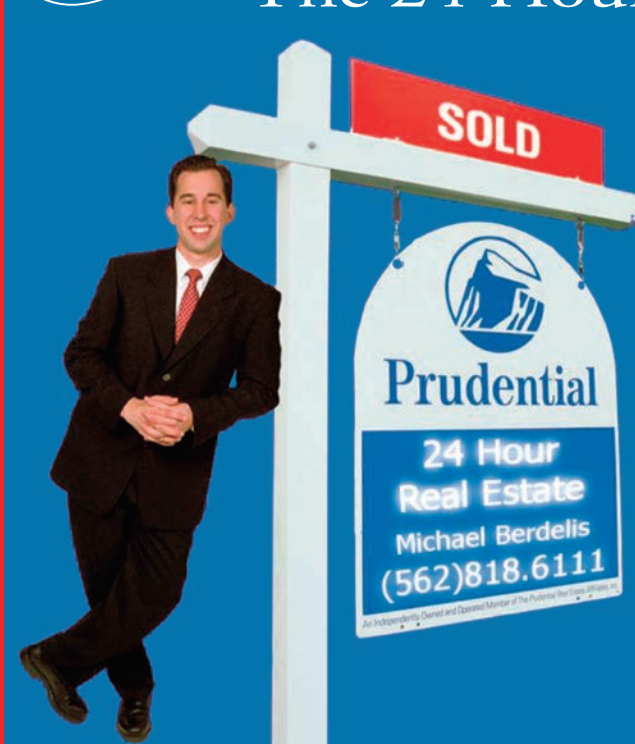
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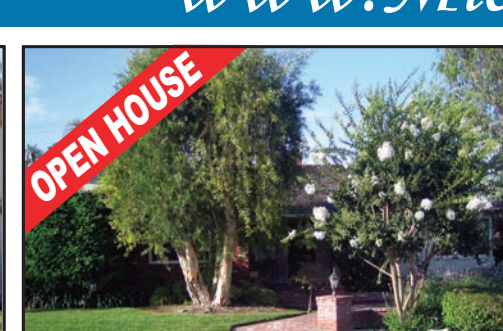
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**OPEN HOUSE**  
**Custom Built Beauty!**  
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**OPEN HOUSE**  
**Quality & Elegance**  
Beautiful 5 bedroom 4 bath newly constructed home in the NE section of Downey. With marble flooring & granite counter tops in kitchen & baths, the seller spared no expense in delivering this lavish home. The floor plan has 1 bedroom down & 4 bedrooms upstairs & has a wonderful vaulted ceiling entry that will take your buyers breath away. This home combines modern features with a very traditional floor plan. \$1,349,900  
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**OPEN HOUSE**  
**The Party is Here!**  
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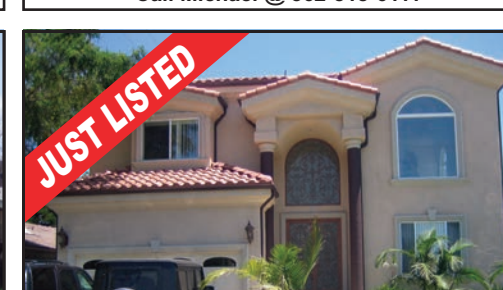
**Smart buy!**  
3 bed, 2 bath home on a large lot in the NE Downey area. With spacious bedrooms (including master bedroom w/private bath), large living room with view of backyard, and den with fireplace, this is a beautiful home that you won't want to miss. Other details include newer cement tile floor, central air and heat and inside laundry room. The property has a carport and 2 car detached garage priced \$779,900.  
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Great 3 bedroom, 2 bath home in a private area with remodeled kitchen with tile countertops and flooring, remodeled hall bathroom with large tub and shower, and master bathroom with 3/4 bath. Home has a spacious living room and a large dining area with fireplace (could be den) off kitchen. Priced to sell at \$699,900.  
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**Great Investment Opportunity on a Large Lot!**  
Large 3 bedroom, 3 bath house in front with a 2 car attached garage plus a spacious 1 bed, 1 bath house in back. The lot size of 19,000 sq ft should allow someone to build 3 units or enjoy the immense backyard. Priced reduced to sell at \$849,950.  
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**JUST LISTED**  
**Summer Delight!**  
5 bedroom, 4 bath remodeled like new in 05 POOL home. This 3700 sq. ft. home has a living room w/vaulted ceilings, family room with wet bar, and kitchen with granite counter tops and island. Home includes travertine flooring throughout, 1 bedroom down, 4 bedrooms upstairs including a spectacular master bed w/ fireplace, balcony, & a master bath with jetted tub & separate shower. In these hot summer months the backyard is perfect, with a built in bbq & newer gated pool/spa. \$1,349,900  
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