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Travelogue explores holy city of Jerusalem

■ Downey Theatre's travelogue series continues Sunday with 'Jerusalem - Sacred & Profane.'

CONTRIBUTED BY KEVIN O'CONNOR
DOWNEY THEATRE

DOWNEY – "Jerusalem – Sacred & Profane" is the next film of Downey Theatre's 2006/07 Armchair Adventure Series, scheduled for 2:30 p.m., Sunday, November 5. Join intrepid travel film producer Rick Ray, an instructor at the prestigious Brooks Institute in Ventura, as he takes the audience on a personal journey to the holiest city on earth.

There are cities which time has forgotten, and cities which time can never forget. Throughout history there have been many Holy cities and places of legend. Jerusalem is the city where history began, and some believe, where history will end. It is a place of conquerors who believed their stories would last forever, but whose names have long since faded from memory. It is a place of wonders and miracles which could have been forgotten, but have been kept alive in faith and ritual. His story is told here...the story of man and the story of God. Somehow Jerusalem has survived to fulfill God's will, to keep his-story alive.

The ancient city of Jerusalem has been called the City of Peace, the Promised Land, the Holy Land and the Golden City. However, it has seldom lived up to its lofty names and ideals.

Experience the history of this most special place from the great City of

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Boy reports attempted abduction

DOWNEY - Police are on the lookout for a middle-aged man who they say tried to lure a 13-year-old Griffiths Middle School student into his van last week.

The boy was walking to school along the 7300 block of Glencliff Drive last Friday at about 7 a.m. when a man pulled alongside him, Downey Police said. The man was driving a gray utility van and motioned for the boy to go inside.

When the man opened the door, the boy reported seeing several small baggies of white powder on the van's floor. The boy quickly walked away, police said.

The man is described a male Hispanic in his late 40s or early 50s with a thin build, black hair, brown eyes and a mustache. He was wearing a beige baseball cap, the boy reported to police.

Anyone with information is asked to call Detective Jerry Price at (562) 904-2359.

--Eric Pierce

Time Traveler

Historic colleges were founded in Downey

BY JOHN ADAMS
EDITOR EMERITUS

A brass monument in front of Fire Station No. 1 commemorates one of Downey's two historic colleges that helped shape the history of early Los Angeles.

The fire station on Paramount Boulevard at Alameda Street is where Los Nietos College Institute, the first Protestant college in Los Angeles County, once stood.

The college was founded in 1868 when Methodist minister John C. Ardis bought the plot of land to found a private school.

Ardis and his family had come west by covered wagon from Arkansas.

A graduate of Emery College in Atlanta, Ardis had taught at Arkansas State College for several years. On arrival here he first established the small Alameda School District which he ran for a year. But even as he ran the small grade school, he recognized the need for a larger school with more advanced grades.

Luckily, the Methodist Church had decided to erect a college somewhere in the West. In line with the local need the Methodist Assembly convened in what later came to be Downey on March 19, 1869. They laid the college's cornerstone and named former governor John G. Downey the school's chairman, and Ardis its secretary.

After the cornerstone was in place, an auction of lots was held, establishing a community that came to be known as the College Settlement. It included an area between Paramount Boulevard and Montgomery Street, and from Alameda Street to Orange.

The first building erected was described as "barn-like" and seated 100. The five-acre campus was surrounded by a picket fence which was prettily decorated with shrubs and flowers.

Soon another large building - the general store - went up at College and Alameda. The Masonic Lodge met there.

In 1876 a Methodist Church was erected on an acre-and-a-half of property at College (as Paramount Boulevard was then called). William Steel donated the land, and the church was considered a landmark because of its 110-foot steeple.

Unfortunately, the church chose to sell the college.

Its operators chose to close it in 1879, reopened it in 1894, then closed it for good in 1897.

Meanwhile, another Downey institution of higher learning had come into being. Southern Pacific College was founded in 1877 by Downey, the

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UP FOR GRABS – District 2 candidates Robert Rubio, left, and Mario Guerra, right, flank current Downey Mayor Meredith Perkins, who is being termed out of his council seat this month.



LITTLE ONES – Children had a ball at last week's Harvest Festival at Unsworth Elementary, performing for parents and staff in an outdoor celebration. Photos by R.D. Salyer



GOOD TIME – Downey Unified School District member Martha Sodetani and Superintendent Wendy Doty took in the Harvest Festival at Unsworth Elementary last week, which also served as a dedication of 11 new classrooms, a computer lab and library.

TLC gets \$75K gift from county

BY HENRY VENERACION
STAFF WRITER

DOWNEY—Supervisor Don Knabe stunned everyone Friday at the 6th annual True Lasting Connections (TLC) luncheon when he presented Downey Unified School District Superintendent Wendy Doty with a \$75,000 check from the Board of Supervisors to help with TLC operations. TLC is a DUSD project.

Acting as emcee for the umpteenth time, Knabe made the usual introductions of special guests and TLC supporters. These included former State Assemblywoman Sally Havice, Mayor Meredith Perkins, City Councilmembers Anne Bayer, Kirk Cartozian and Dave Gafin, and DUSD Board members Martha Sodetani, Nancy Swenson and Barbara Samperi. Spreading the welcome mat were DUSD Pupil Services Director Robert Jagielski and TLC Coordinator Lucy Perez.

Also in attendance were other DUSD administrative officials and staff, teachers and school staff, and PTA officials. Maude Price Elementary School children provided musical entertainment.

Given recognition for their "commendable" contributions were Dr. Victor Wong, Luis Pardo, and Kaiser Permanente's Jaime Garcia.

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Downey voters set to elect new councilman

BY ERIC PIERCE
CITY EDITOR

DOWNEY – Downey voters are set to decide Tuesday on a city council seat due to be vacated this month by Mayor Meredith Perkins who is being forced out by term limits.

Mario Guerra and Robert Rubio are vying for the District 2 seat, both emphasizing public safety in their campaigns.

Guerra, president of a prominent insurance brokerage in Woodland Hills, brings with him an impressive endorsement list of prominent community members. Rubio, chief professional officer of the Rio Hondo Boys and Girls Club, which serves more than 10 cities including Downey, is no slouch, a member of many local service organizations.

Incumbent councilwoman Anne M. Bayer is running unopposed in District 4.

Guerra

Guerra holds a degree in economics from UCLA and is president and co-founder of Scanlon, Guerra, Jacobson and Burke Insurance Brokers, ranked one of the top 15 insurance brokers in Los Angeles County by the *Los Angeles Business Journal*. He also earned the designation of Certified Professional Insurance Agent.

He currently serves as chaplain of the Downey Police Department, oftentimes being called in the middle of the night to console families who have experienced tragedy. He is a member of the Downey Regional Medical Center Board of Directors and serves on the hospital's Finance and Litigation Committee.

He and his wife, Ann, have five children and have lived in Downey for the past 27 years.

Rubio

Rubio has lived in Downey for 23 years. His campaign has stressed an increase in community service programs and he has pledged to find new funding for the city's police and fire departments.

He is a member of the Downey Historical Society, Downey Chamber of Commerce, Downey Rose Float Association and Downey Emergency Preparedness Committee, among other organizations. He has also served on committees within the Montebello Unified School District and is a past president of the Rio Hondo Rotary.

Both Guerra and Rubio list public safety as their district's most pressing issue. Rubio has said he hopes to institute a neighborhood watch program in the district while Guerra cited the continued work of Gangs Out of Downey.

Citizens will go to the polls this Tuesday, Nov. 7.

Westerns and whiskey: The inspiring story of Karl Burger

BY HENRY VENERACION
STAFF WRITER

DOWNEY—We've heard and read of inspiring immigrants' tales before. Add Karl Burger's to the list.

Of German parents, he was born in 1936 in a town called Novisod, some 50 kilometers from Belgrade, Yugoslavia, and grew up under the "very strict" rule of Marshal Tito. At age 19, his family was able to migrate to Germany, settling near Stuttgart. Karl went to work for Bosch. He had four years of grade school, four years of high school, and three years of trade school.

When the family immigrated to the U.S. in 1957, Karl, who was fascinated by Westerns, knew only two words of English, "Hands up!" and "Whiskey!" To this day, he will only watch old cowboy movies starring the likes of John Wayne, James Stewart, Randolph Scott, Gary Cooper, Alan Ladd and Clint Eastwood. But his ultimate favorite is Audie Murphy. He says he never misses any film in which the most decorated World War II noncom stars.

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Spirited playing opens symphony season

BY BILL PETERS
CONTRIBUTOR

DOWNEY – Last Saturday evening at Downey Civic Theatre, the Downey Symphony Orchestra faced numerous challenges that included a program of difficult music requiring exacting playing and the need to adjust to perform under the leadership of a visiting guest conductor who is applying for a job. The test-run was heard by an audience that filled the hall.

Enthusiastic applause from those in attendance confirmed that the 41-member orchestra performed beautifully, sparked by conductor Steven Kerstein who is one of several candidates vying for the position of Artistic

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District 2 – Southwest Downey

INTERVIEWS BY ERIC PIERCE
CITY EDITOR

MARIO A. GUERRA
PRESIDENT
SCANLON, GUERRA, JACOBSEN & BURKE
INSURANCE BROKERS



1. Do you think illegal immigration is an issue for a local city council to combat or is that a state and national matter?

While the effects of illegal immigration have ramifications and affect us all, I believe this is a Federal and State issue.

2. What's your stance on "mansions" in Downey? Should property owners be allowed to build upon their homes as they see fit?

In talking to many of the leaders on both sides of this issue, it seems that the revised ordinance that was passed by our City Council a few months ago has satisfied most people's concerns for now. The ordinance was passed after countless hours of consideration, several public hearings and much debate and discussion from our citizens.

Some of the current homes still being built today were "grandfathered" under the old ordinance and would not be allowed to be built under the new ordinance. This will soon end and I anticipate less issues arising as a result. However, I will still welcome the opportunity to discuss and review this matter in the near future. I also feel the inclusion of the Design Review Board was vital to any changes that were approved and will be one of the factors that will have the most positive impact.

3. What do you think is the biggest issue facing Downey's District 2?

One of the main issues is, and should always be, public safety. This includes concerns of crime, local infrastructure and emergency preparedness. As a member of GOOD (Gangs Out of Downey), I have seen firsthand what a community can do when it works together. The collaboration between the Police Department, the School District and our business community makes a huge impact and is why GOOD has become a model program recognized by the State of California.

Our city is safe because of organizations like GOOD but we must always work harder to make Downey the safest community we can.

4. Do you think large shopping centers such as Downey Landing are taking away from the city's "small-town" persona?

A well thought out Economic Development Plan is vital for a community as vibrant as Downey. Downey Landing is a good shot in the arm for City of Downey and all of its residents by demonstrating that our local economy can support new types of business. And, as a result, the sales tax revenues come directly back to the city's general fund. At the same time, it is critical to do what we can to support businesses that have long been the historical fiber in our community.

Balances between the services and products we want and need are important. This is an area that we lack a comprehensive strategic plan and I look forward to using my business experience and long time community presence and involvement for the benefit of our City and residents in shaping a plan that gives us that balance.

5. Will your role as chaplain of the Downey Police Department create any conflicts of interest if you were to be elected councilman?

As an unpaid, volunteer Chaplain for the Downey Police Department and the residents of Downey, serving as your City Councilman will only enhance my ability to serve our citizens.

When I get called in the middle of the night, as I often am, to be with the family of someone who has passed away, I approach it with as much compassion, dedication and heart as I can. I can hopefully be of small comfort during the most terrible time of their lives. I am proud to be able to use my training and vocational skills for the needs of our community when any of our families are in pain.

Being Chaplain has helped me to be in touch with the people of our City and touching their lives keeps me centered on the reality of the lives we all lead in Downey.

ROBERT A. RUBIO
CHIEF PROFESSIONAL OFFICER
RIO HONDO BOYS & GIRLS CLUB



1. Do you think illegal immigration is an issue for a local city council to combat or is that a state and national matter?

I believe it's a State issue.

2. What's your stance on "mansions" in Downey? Should property owners be allowed to build upon their homes as they see fit?

To my knowledge we have a code in place that addresses this issue by the size of the lot. Reconstruction/remodeling is based on the proportion of the length and width of the lot size and homeowners should adhere to the code variances.

I am in favor of reasonable expansions to accommodate our families while beautifying the neighborhood.

3. What do you think is the biggest issue facing Downey's District 2?

As I continue to walk District 2, the single most important issue that I hear from my constituents is crime and gang activities. Everyone wants a safer Downey. I believe that we need to restore our Neighborhood Watch Program because our citizens are frustrated that enough is not being done. By involving them to record mischievous activity in their neighborhood, report crime when it occurs and be willing to testify against this negative element within us, we shall overcome the number one issue.

As budget permits, we must expand our police department and provide state-of-the-art equipment.

4. Do you think large shopping centers such as Downey Landing are taking away from the city's "small-town" persona?

I favor Economic Development throughout Downey. The Downey Landing Development is a good example of collaboration with the Federal and State Agencies for the better good of our citizenry. To the south of the shops we will have a recreational park (with lit fields), a space museum and a progressive health care facility which will employ over 3500 doctors, nurses, technicians, engineers and many others. Downey is proud to host our daily visitors through the many fine restaurants and retail facilities.

Our land is precious and these developments will only secure a stable financial base and keep our property values high.

5. You don't seem to be quite as involved in the Downey community as your opponent. If elected, do you think that will hurt you in representing Downey?

Eric, you are making a statement, in your opinion, not a question, which I do not agree with but offer the following comment: I am a Southeast Community Leader. As such, I am not limited to just Downey. Here are a few examples: As a member of both Downey's Emergency Preparedness Committee and the Board of the Salvation Army serving 16 southeast cities, I manned a charity/red bell table for days after the Tsunami and Katrina disasters at Albertson's and All American Stores.

For years our kids from the Rio Hondo Boys and Girls Club (of which many are Downey residents) have participated in the Christmas Lane Parade and helped with the Downey Float through my membership at the Chamber and Downey Rose Float Association. The Downey Historical Society and the Rio Hondo Boys and Girls Club are equal Trustees to the Peterson Support Foundation headquartered in Downey.

Lastly, our Club has been around for over 46 years serving the communities of Bell, Bell Gardens, Cudahy, Commerce, Downey, Huntington Park, Lynwood, Paramount, Pico Rivera, South Gate and others. Thus I attend functions at all those cities, but especially Downey because people know me. I have attended many Hospital Charter Ball's, Women's Club Fundraisers, Christmas luncheons with the Downey Assistance League, golf tournaments with Rotary, Chamber, Lions Club, YMCA, and DRMC to name a few.

Proposition 1E
Rebuilds and repairs California's most vulnerable flood control structures to protect homes and prevent loss of life from flood-related disasters, including levee failures; protects California's drinking water supply system by rebuilding delta levees that are vulnerable to earthquakes and storms; by authorizing a \$4.09 billion bond act.

Proposition 83
Increases penalties for violent and habitual sex offenders and child molesters. Prohibits residence near schools and parks. Requires Global Positioning System monitoring of registered sex offenders.

Proposition 84
Funds water, flood control, natural resources, park and conservation projects by authorizing \$5,388,000,000 in general obligation bonds. Emergency drinking water safety provisions.

Proposition 85
Amends California Constitution prohibiting abortion for unemancipated minor until 48 hours after physician notifies minor's parent/guardian, except in medical emergency or with parental waiver.

Proposition 86
Imposes additional \$2.60 per pack excise tax on cigarettes and indirectly increases taxes on other tobacco products. Provides funding for various health programs, children's health coverage, and tobacco-related programs.

Proposition 87
Establishes \$4 billion program to reduce petroleum consumption through incentives for alternative energy, education and training. Tax on California oil producers.

Proposition 88
Imposes \$50 tax on each real property parcel to provide additional public school funding for kindergarten through grade 12. Exempts certain elderly, disabled homeowners from tax. Use of funds restricted to specific educational purposes.

Proposition 89
Provides that eligible candidates for state elective office may receive public campaign funding. Increases tax on corporations and financial institutions by 0.2 percent to fund program. Imposes new campaign contribution limits.

Proposition 90
Bars state/local governments from condemning or damaging private property to promote other private projects, uses.

Proposition summaries provided by the State Attorney General.

Proposition 1A
Protects transportation funding for traffic congestion relief projects, safety improvements, and local streets and roads. Prohibits the state sales tax on motor vehicle fuels from being used for any purpose other than transportation improvements. Authorizes loans of these funds only in the case of severe state fiscal hardship. Requires loans of revenues from states sales tax on motor vehicle fuels to be repaid with the three years. Restricts loans to no more than twice in any 10-year period.

Proposition 1B
This act makes safety improvements and repairs to state highways, upgrades freeways to reduce congestion, repairs local streets and roads, upgrades highways along major transportation corridors, improves seismic safety of local bridges, expands public transit, helps complete the state's network of car pool lanes, reduces air pollution, and improves anti-terrorism security at shipping ports by providing for a bond issue not to exceed nineteen billion nine hundred twenty-five million dollars.

Proposition 1C
For the purpose of providing shelters for battered women and their children, clean and safe housing for low-income senior citizens; homeownership assistance for the disabled, military veterans, and working families; and repairs and accessibility improvements to apartments for families and disabled citizens, the state shall issue bonds totaling two billion eight hundred fifty million dollars paid from existing state funds at an average annual cost of two hundred and four million dollars per year over the 30 year life of the bonds. Requires reporting of annual audited reports showing use of funds, and limits admin. and overhead costs.

Proposition 1D
This ten billion four hundred sixteen million dollar bond issue will provide funding to relieve public school overcrowding and to repair older schools. It will improve earthquake safety and fund vocational educational facilities in public schools. Funds will also be used to repair and upgrade existing public college and university buildings and to build new classrooms to accommodate growing student enrollment in the California Community Colleges and Universities.



You're looking for a Councilman who will listen to your needs, speak on your behalf before the council and act on your concerns. With over 25 years living in Downey and providing service to Downey, I am the one who can get the job done.

With Your Vote, We Can Make A Better Downey!

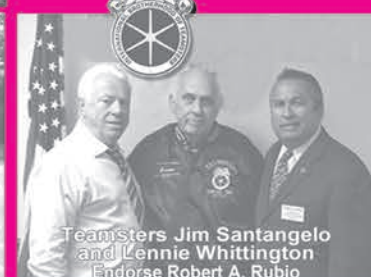
Member of the City Council, 2nd District Vote for One

ROBERT A. RUBIO
Chief Professional Officer

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WE SUPPORT AND ENDORSE ROBERT A. RUBIO for DOWNEY CITY COUNCIL, District 2

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Priorities

Public Safety:
I will beef up public safety by seeking more grants to fund additional police officers and state-of-the-art equipment.

Economic Development:
I support initiatives that are beneficial to our Business Community.

Youth Enrichment:
I propose to acquire funding for after-school homework assistance and tutoring programs.

Election results will be posted online Wednesday morning at www.TheDowneyPatriot.com

CENTURY 21 MY REAL ESTATE COMPANY PAYS TRIBUTE



Century 21 Spotlights Character Counts Around Town

Price Elementary School kicked off their Character Counts Red Ribbon Week at a school-wide assembly. K - 5th grades made presentations on each one of the six pillars of good character. Following, every student recited the "Character Counts Pledge". A PTA parent, Heidi Llanes, made a beautifully unique quilt with squares provided by each classroom. Good character is in full bloom between students, staff, parents and the business community at Price Elementary.

DOWNEY'S BEHIND THE SCENE SUPERSTARS

Martial arts expert tells how not to be a victim

DOWNEY – Robert Estrella, a third-degree blackbelt in Shotokan Karate and an expert in batons, knives and hand-to-hand combat, will be the guest speaker when the American Business Women's Association meets Nov. 15 at the Rio Hondo Events Center.

Networking begins at 6 p.m. and dinner will be served at 6:30. The program follows dinner.

For seven years Estrella was the personal bodyguard for several top-name celebrities in the music and movie industries, including Ray Charles, Ricky Nelson and Rita Coolidge. During this time he also worked with and trained members of the Los Angeles Rams, helping them incorporate martial arts techniques into their workouts.

While working in the Orange Police Department, Estrella helped train police officers with batons and assisted with the department's Neighborhood Watch Program.

He is currently director of The Guardian, a company he founded in 1995 to help people reduce the risk of becoming victims of crime.

Dinner reservations can be made by Nov. 10 by calling (562) 884-4790.

Driver crashes truck into cemetery

DOWNEY – A driver crashed his full-sized pick-up truck into a row of gravestones at Downey Cemetery late Saturday night, then fled the scene, Downey Police said this week.

The crash occurred about 11 p.m. Saturday, police said. Downey Cemetery is on Gardendale Street just east of Lakewood Boulevard.

Police found the truck on its side resting on top of gravestones. The driver had fled by the time officers arrived, police said.

-Eric Pierce

Katie Holmes to speak in Downey

DOWNEY – Katie Holmes, representative for the American Cancer Society, will be the guest speaker when Rise 'N Shine Networking meets Nov. 14 at Nordic Fox Restaurant at 7:30 a.m.

Also scheduled to speak is Dominic Vezza of Best Buy for Business.

The only cost is to order from the restaurant menu. RSVP by calling (562) 923-2191.

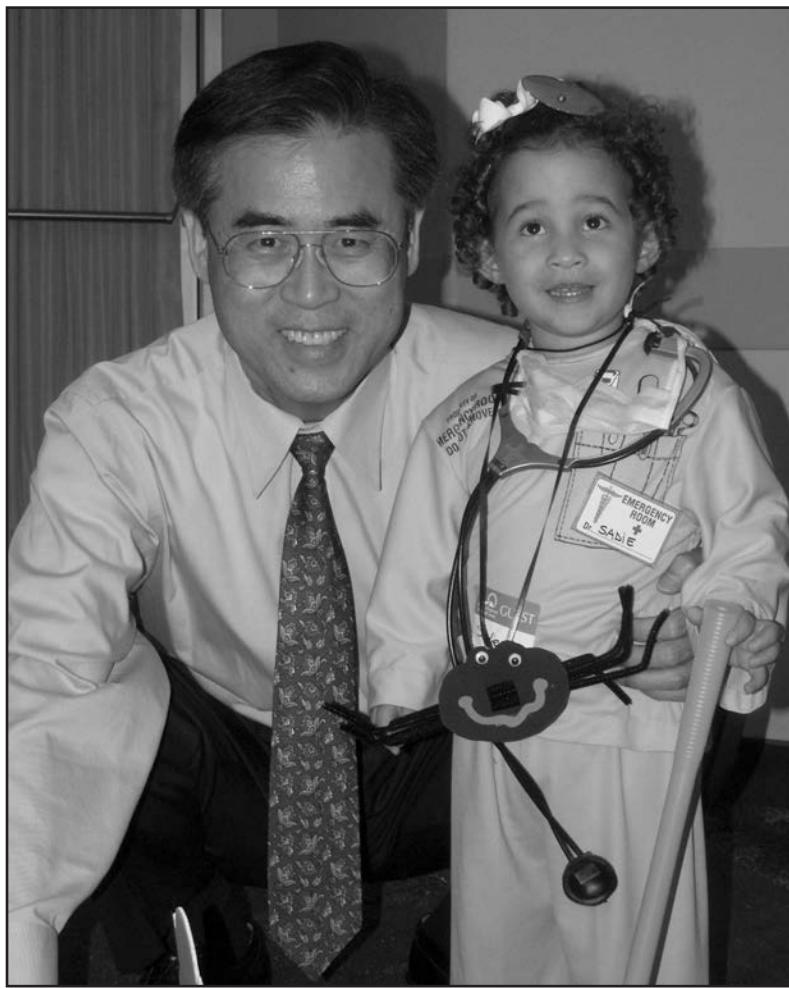
Hospital hosting healthy heart class

DOWNEY – The community is invited to a Hearty Health Nutrition Class on Nov. 8 from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. at Downey Regional Medical Center in Downey. People with high cholesterol and/or triglycerides or high blood pressure encouraged to attend.

The class is free but registration is required by calling the DRMC Education Department at (562) 904-5580.

SERTOMA club garage sale tomorrow

DOWNEY – Downey SERTOMA club is having their annual garage sale at 11921 Downey Avenue on Nov. 4. Refreshments will be available and the community is invited.



SPECIAL REUNION -- Dong Kim, M.D., a neonatologist and the Medical Director of the Special Care Nursery, visits with graduate and possible future doctor Sadie Castilla of Downey. The hospital's nursery hosted over 300 past patients last week.

USC nutritionist dishing expert advice

DOWNEY – Patrice Barber, R.D., nutritionist with Trojan Hospitality at USC where she promotes health and wellness through nutrition awareness, will be the featured speaker at the Nov. 6 meeting of OASIS at Apollo Park.

Barber is active in the National Association of Colleges and Universities Food Service and contributes to "Food Service Director Magazine." She will be sharing one of her favorite healthy cooking programs at the meeting Monday.

The OASIS program, directed by Harriett Paine, will be held at the Barbara Riley Community Center, 7810 Quill Drive, in Downey due to cafeteria renovations at Downey Adult School, where the group normally meets.

The class opens for enrollment at 3 p.m. with the program starting at 4 and an optional dinner at 5. Dinner tickets must be purchased by 3:30 p.m.

Downey Dial-a-Ride can provide transportation to the class. For information, call (562) 904-6200.

Hospital's Special Care reunion a lively event

■ More than 300 former patients of hospital's Neonatal Intensive Care Unit reunite with staff.

DOWNEY – Superheroes, cartoon characters, monsters, jail birds, lady bugs, princesses and pirates all showed up to a Halloween-themed Special Care reunion at Downey Regional Medical Center last week.

More than 300 "graduates" of the Special Care Nursery and their families spent the afternoon at DRMC to the delight of the nursery staff. Games and goodies were provided for the children, who ranged in age from just a few weeks old to 14 and included many twins.

The Special Care Nursery, also known as the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit, cares for infants born prematurely, underweight or requiring medical intervention. The newborns stay for a few days and others for several weeks, forming a close bond with their neonatal nurses, neonatologists and other hospital staff.

Each year, more than 500 newborns spend their first days in Downey Regional's Special Care Nursery, which opened in 1992.

Parents and grandparents showing their children came from Downey, Norwalk, Bell, Bellflower, Cerritos, La Mirada, Long Beach, Lynwood, West Covina, Whittier, Rosemead and throughout Los Angeles.

Youth Fishing Day at Wilderness Park

DOWNEY – The City of Downey and the California Department of Fish and Game are teaming up to provide children an opportunity to fish on Saturday, Nov. 4 from 8 a.m. to noon at Wilderness Park in Downey.

Downey Youth Fishing Day is designed for kids 15 and under. The event is free and will consist of learning stations, safety procedures, safety tips and casting. Kids will also learn about different types of fish, what happens to the lake environment and how to be a responsible angler.

A supply of bait, fishing rods and reels will be available on loan in limited quantity. (A parent with I.D. is needed to check-out equipment.) Children with their own fishing rods are encouraged to take them. Junior fishing licenses will be given to every child who participates.

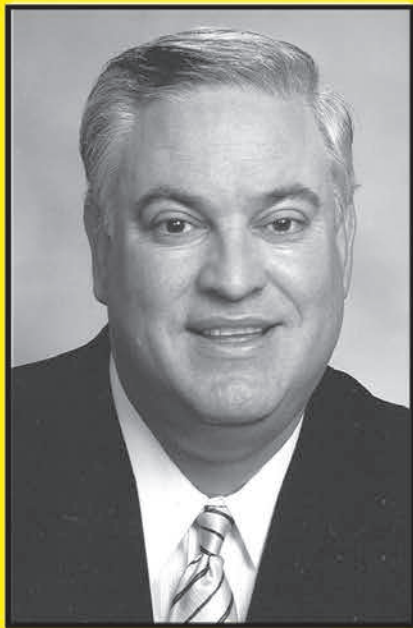
In addition to fishing, the police and fire departments will in attendance with their vehicles and free t-shirts will be given to the first 200 children. A demonstration of fly tying will be provided by the Fly Fishers Club and a breakfast consisting of pancakes, sausage patties and a drink will be available for \$2 while supplies last.

Wilderness Park is at 10999 Little Lake Road. For more information, call (562) 904-7238.

Library will study 'Fahrenheit 451'

DOWNEY – The Downey City Library is one of 72 organizations nationwide that has been selected to receive grants from the National Endowment for the Arts to support its Big Read program.

The program encourages groups to participate in reading groups. Downey City Library will read and discuss Ray Bradbury's novel "Fahrenheit 451" for one month next year.



Mario A. Guerra

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LA Supervisor Don Knabe & Downey Mayor Meredith Perkins Endorsing Mario A. Guerra



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Downey Police Department Chaplain Guerra

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- Kirk Cartozian – Downey City Councilmember – Former Mayor
- Rick Trejo – Downey City Councilmember – Former Mayor
- David Gafin – Downey City Councilmember
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- Willie Gutierrez – DUSD School Board Member
- Tod Corrin – DUSD School Board Member
- Martha Sodehani – DUSD School Board Member
- Barbara Samperi – DUSD School Board Member
- Steve Allen – Planning Commission Chairman
- Roger Brossmer – Principal, Downey Adult School, Planning Commissioner
- Michael Murray – Planning Commissioner
- John Finch – Retired Downey Police Chief
- Dr. Ed Sussman – Former DUSD Superintendent
- Judge Don Wilson
- Dr. Mary Stauffer
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- Ernest Caldwell – 10-20 Club
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- Mario & Cindy Mendoza
- Jerry & Pat Agüero
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- Dr. Dev Mishal
- Luis Marquez
- Christos Smyrniotis
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Christmas Tree Brunch a day full of activities

■ Brunch to help raise money for Downey Assistance League and their many projects.

DOWNEY – Downey residents are invited to help celebrate the season at Downey Assistance League's annual Christmas Tree Brunch to be held at the Long Beach Hilton on Sunday, Nov. 19.

There will be booths of homemade baked goods, handcrafted items, vendors of jewelry and clothing, silent auction items, and chances to win decorated Christmas tree and gourmet baskets, among other gifts.

Festivities start at 10 a.m. with brunch served at noon. A Christmas program follows by the entertaining, world-traveling Citrus College Singers.

Proceeds from the brunch will be used to fund the many philanthropic projects that Downey Assistance League supports, including:

H.O.M.E. (Housing of Medical Emergencies) – This is a 10-unit facility at Rancho Los Amigos Rehabilitation Center providing housing for families of patients.

Operation School Bell – Provides new clothing to elementary students who are in need.

Kids on the Block – Puppeteers perform programs at schools addressing difficult situations to which students may be exposed.

Books on Wheels – Delivers and picks up books from the Downey City Library for those who are unable to visit in person.

Dental Program – Cares for the dental needs of Downey students whose families cannot afford the needed care.

Hug-A-Bear – Supplies stuffed bears to local police and fire departments to be used to comfort those in emotional situations.

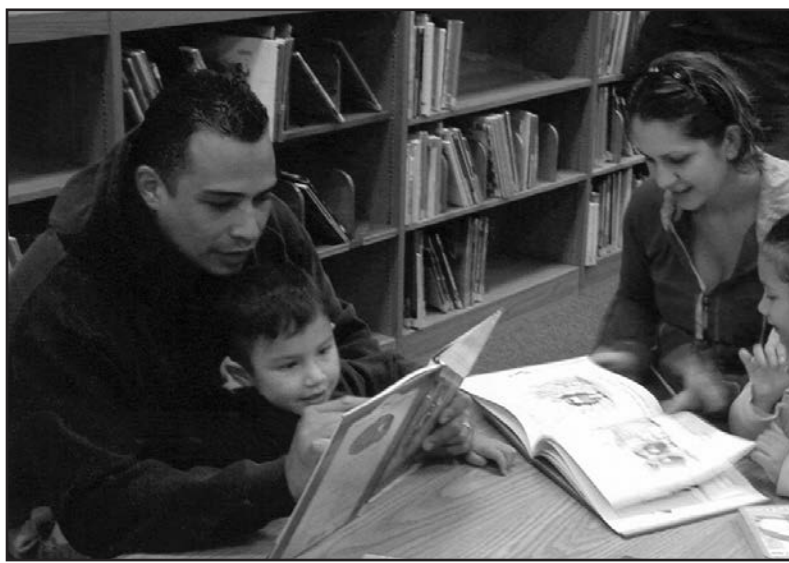
Christmas Distribution – Personal items, lap throws and other gift items are prepared and delivered by Assistees and members to those in convalescent homes or hospitals.

Downey City Library Skits – Performed at local schools by club members to encourage participation in the Library Summer Reading Program.

SAT Review Course – Provides teachers to administer the SAT program to high school students.

Tickets to the brunch are \$60 per person and reservations are available until Nov. 13. A special menu will be provided for children 10 and under at \$25 each.

The Long Beach Hilton is located on the corner of Ocean Boulevard and Golden Avenue. For more information, call (562) 869-0232.



IT'S COOL TO READ – Ward Elementary School parents, Byron and Cynthia Cadavid, enjoyed an evening at the Downey City Library with their children, Byron and Isabelle, on Oct. 17. Families were invited to one of the four grade-level events where students received their own library cards and checked out new books to take home. The library nights are part of the Ward Parent Academy which offers workshops and demonstrations throughout the year on ways to help children be successful in school.



TOURING ART SHARE LA – Congresswoman Lucille Roybal-Allard tours Art Share LA guided by Executive Director Kate Becker (right) during a benefit at the organization's Fourth Place headquarters in downtown. The two-story facility houses classrooms, gallery space, painting and pottery studios, a computer lab, executive offices, a 99-seat black box theater and dance floor and 30 residential lofts for low-income artists.

Historical Society taking tour of Nethercutt Museum

DOWNEY – Downey Historical Society's fall tour this year will be to the Nethercutt Museum – the new San Sylmar division – in Sylmar.

The bus will leave the south parking lot at Apollo Park at 8:30 a.m. and arrive back at 5 p.m. on Nov. 11. Tickets are \$20 paid at the bus.

There will be a guided tour of approximately two hours. The exhibits include an outstanding collection of restored classic and special interest automobiles displayed in a recreation of "an opulent automobile grand salon of the 1920s and 30s."

For more information, call (562) 928-4006.

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The Poets' Corner

Halloween Magic

Right down the street they come this merry host.
Space men and Barbies, Mickey Mouse and ghost.
Each holds a paper sack to gather treats,
This motley crowd with minds all set on eats.

We folks are hoping there will be no tricks
To bring on any problems we can't fix.
We all are armed with many sweet tooth bribes
To please all the demands of youthful tribes.

Their pumpkins swing with wide and toothy grins
A scary witch cries out its widdershins.
A bat flies low to join with eerie sound
All this is magic when Halloween comes 'round.

A night that's filled with things unreal
Yet children's voices raise a joyful squeal.
Though spirits walk the land and are not seen
The children claim it's only Halloween.

— **Zelma Dennis,**
Downey

The Hill

High atop the hill
facing out west
Beyond the cedar trees
on a blue mountain crest
Sits a small little boy
Humble and meek
A single white tear
Rolling down his solemn cheek

Classmates call him strange
Strangers see him odd
But the boy is merely having
A conversation with God

Every day with no fail
He kneels on the grass
His own personal sermon
His own personal mass
He cries and he sobs
Chest heaving as he weeps
But these tears are not sad
These tears are relief

God is splendid, wonderful
Reprieve to no end
God is splendid, wonderful
his perpetual best friend

— **Eric Maxim,**
Downey

Poems can be submitted by writing to *The Downey Patriot*, 11525 Downey Avenue, Suite A, Downey, CA 90241 or by e-mail to downeypatriot@yahoo.com

Expectant mothers invited on tour

DOWNEY – Expectant parents who would like an opportunity to learn more about the Downey Regional Medical Center Family Birth Center are invited to attend a Stork Tour on Nov. 11 from 10 a.m. to noon.

The program includes an overview of important information, a question and answer period and a tour of the facility.

For more information contact the DRMC Education Department at (562) 904-5580.

Art leagues holding potluck and meeting

DOWNEY – Downey Art League and the Traditional Artist's Guild of Paramount will hold a joint meeting on Nov. 19 at Progress Park Plaza in Downey. Betsy Woodward will be the day's demonstrator.

The meeting begins with a potluck at 1 p.m. followed by the demonstration at 2. The meeting is free and refreshments will be provided.

For more information call Ryo Terasaki at (562) 803-5857.

Downey is Turning 50!

And you're invited to the Party!

*Presented by the City of Downey and the
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Time: 3pm - 6pm

Place: Cul-de-sac in front of City Hall

RSVP: Lois Buchannan (562) 927-9760

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Turning 50

By Eric Pierce

The City of Downey will celebrate its 50th year of incorporation in December and to help celebrate the milestone, The Downey Patriot will be publishing a special commemorative tabloid insert December 15, chronicling the people, places and events that have made this community so unique.

The tabloid will have a glossy cover with high quality newsprint inside. It'll be inserted into the Patriot, so it's an issue you won't want to miss.

This commemorative is unlike anything the Patriot has ever tried to accomplish before. And the workload a project of this size entails is unbelievable, especially for a small business like ours. But we think the 50th anniversary of Downey is an occasion that should be marked with something special and the feedback we've received from local businesses and community members so far has been tremendous.

Work on the magazine is already underway, but now it's time to get feedback from you, our readers. Do you know of any interesting people or events you think should be covered in the commemorative? Perhaps you have fond memories of the old Johnnie's Broiler you'd like to share. We'd love to hear them.

Whatever ideas/suggestions you might have, e-mail them to me at eric@thedowneypatriot.com. We can't guarantee we'll use all of your ideas, but we sure will listen to them.

I, for one, can't wait until the elections are over Tuesday. The whole process is getting increasingly childish and tiresome, from the negative ad campaigns on television, radio and print, to the never-ending media coverage on TV.

And when I use the word 'childish,' local politics are no exception.

I was greeted very warmly last week at the Downey Symphony concert for third-graders at the Downey Theatre by Harold Tseklenis and our friend Joyce Sherwin. For most kids, it was probably their first taste of classical music up close. And, to be honest, I think I had just as much fun as the kids.

It was my first symphony concert, too.

Wouldn't it be a good rule if parking along Downey Avenue in Downtown Downey had a 40-minute time limit, Monday through Friday? Or maybe employees can park behind the stores in the public parking lots. Either way, I keep seeing the same cars parked on that street day in and day out.

Maybe our new councilman can help us out on that.

TLC

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Guest speaker was U.S. Congresswoman Lucille Roybal-Allard, who praised the work of TLC, and told the large audience that federal officials are ever mindful that health, a main focus of TLC, is all-important to every student's academic success.

In pointing out that there are 2.5 million without insurance in Los Angeles County, earning the county the dubious honor of having the largest number of uninsured in the whole country, of whom 800,000 are kids, Knabe lauded TLC's efforts especially in enrolling DUSD families in much-needed health insurance programs. TLC also provides, supported by several service and community groups, counseling, free medical care, free vision care, immunizations, dental care, and after-school tutoring to at-risk children.

The luncheon took place at the Rio Hondo Events Center.

TRAVELER

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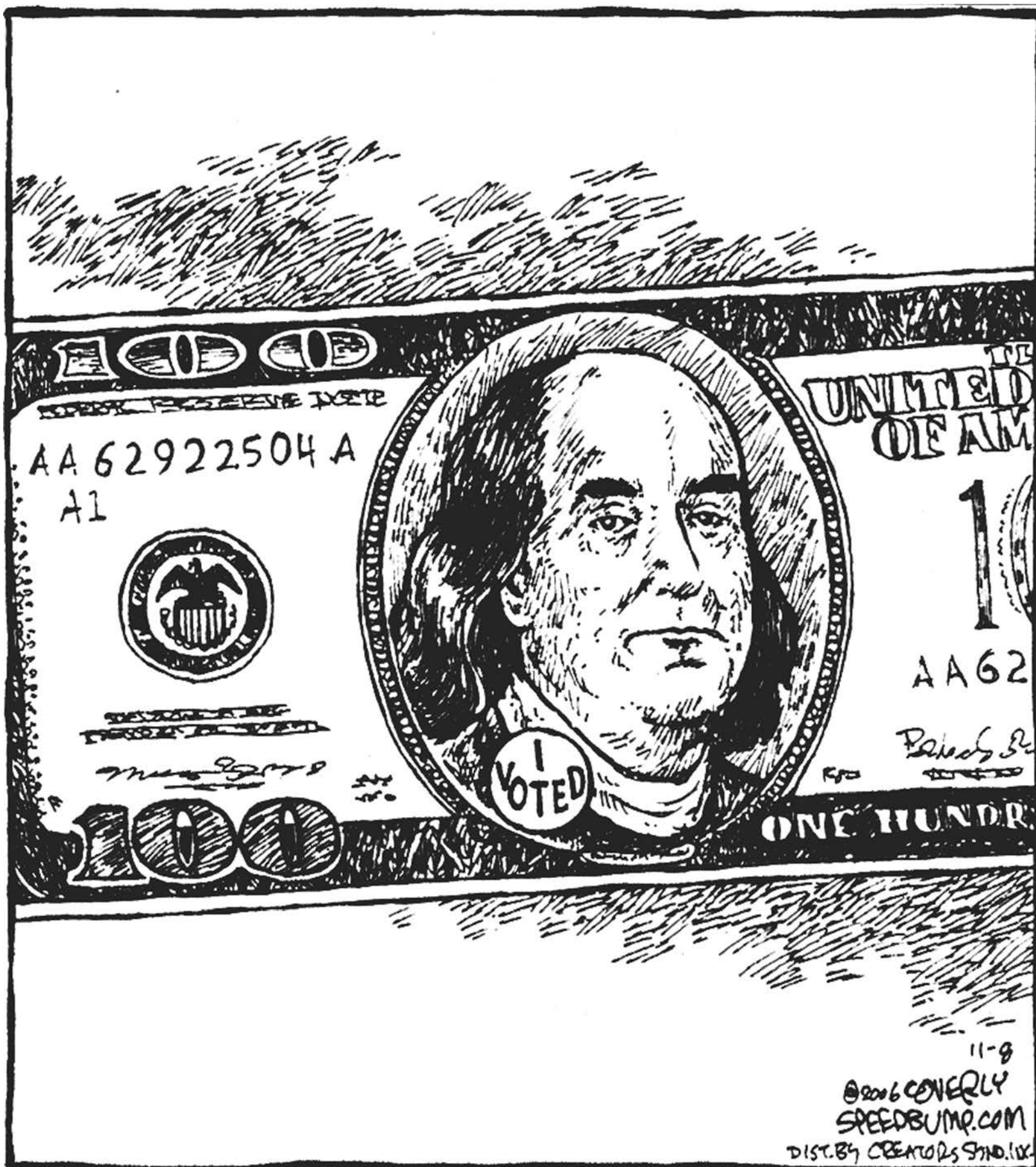
same ex-state governor who had been originally named chairman of Los Nietos College Institute.

This second and even larger school, Southern Pacific College, stood on a 10-acre tract of property just north of Fifth Street. The land was donated by Judge M. C. Crawford, a good friend and business partner of the ex-governor's.

At its peak, Southern Pacific College had 200 students, who studied in a spacious three-story building under the direction of the Rev. J. M. Monroe of the Christian Church.

Unfortunately, the building was leveled by flames in 1880. It was the midst of a depression, and money could not be raised to rebuild.

The college had established a loyal alumni which honored its name by holding reunions which continued to the mid-1930s. They met at the Central Christian Church where Monroe was pastor.



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR:

Defends Downey football

Dear Editor:

Last Friday I received my copy of your paper. Towards the middle, a large amount of print was dedicated to the much anticipated battle between Downey and Warren. In my opinion the article wasn't very objective (The Downey Patriot, 10/27/06).

Warren's last two victories versus the Gladiators and the Pirates were deemed "impressive" while Downey's last victory over Lynwood was described as "easy" suggesting a pushover opponent. Lynwood had already spanked Gahr and will provide a nice test when they meet up with Warren later on this season.

The contributor, Scott Cobos, identifies Darren Tubbs as the only positive on offense. Supposedly, Tubbs has carried the team without the assistance of a very good line which has provided excellent blocking. The entire team has been in very good physical condition which has allowed them to wear down every squad they've faced with the exception of Millikan.

This is not to diminish what has been an awesome year for Tubbs who has run often and with a lot of power. But running backs like Tubbs don't have these types of years without having huge holes to run through.

The defense has also played extremely well while suffering some lapses as all teams do. They held Dominguez close and they dominated Santa Fe. Downey did lose that Santa Fe game but both scores were on long busted plays. All the fans in attendance knew which school earned that game on the field.

Lastly, Cobos lambasted the quarterback that happens to be my son. What he doesn't know is that this is Anthony's second year as a quarterback. Not only that, Anthony was asked to play that position due to the defection of various players from last year's unit. He stepped up and assumed that role to the chagrin of some coaches, many players and quite a few parents. He was doubted from the beginning and stuck with it unlike the others that left the school.

Yes, Anthony is very inexperienced but has grown in knowledge, comfort and confidence over the last three games. Many of the initial criticisms have diminished and Anthony has earned praises for his determination and grittiness. I am proud of his work ethic and dedication.

The game has since been played and it was a tight contest as I expected. There was quite a bit of behind the scenes drama and Downey prevailed. I'm anxious to see if this Friday's article gives the Vikings the credit they all deserve. Hopefully there won't be much Bear bias to filter out.

—Javier Moreno, Downey

'Yes' on 86

Dear Editor:

How discouraging to see negative ads filled with lies that will cost thousands of lives and billions in estimated long-term health care costs.

With a "Yes" vote on Proposition 86 (which is a tax only on tobacco products) everyone wins, except the big tobacco companies that are spending over \$50 million to defeat it because it affects their bottom line. The American Cancer Society, American Heart Association and American Lung Association are supporting it. Don't be fooled because of ignorance and negative advertising.

Every vote helps. Please help save lives, vote "Yes" on 86.

—Sheila Spivey, Downey

BURGER

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Living at first in Los Angeles, he says one of the first things he splurged on after arriving in the States was buy a pair of cheap Ostrich cowboy boots, a wide, embroidered Western belt with a big buckle, and a 10-gallon hat. He was living a dream.

He encountered the same problem new immigrants faced. He would apply for a job, and was invariably asked if he had any experience here. So he worked in various places, he says, "to gain experience." It took him a year before he got a job as an auto technician. He worked five years with 4-J Motors in Huntington Park.

He also decided to learn English. He read newspapers "basically," he says, and tried to learn from TV and radio. But most important to his development was getting employed in a place "where everybody spoke English." Today he speaks fluently.

In 1966, he opened his own shop, Karl's Import Automotive, Inc., in Bell Gardens. He and his wife ran the five-man shop, initially servicing Porsches and Volkswagens. Later on, he added Mercedes-Benzes and BMWs to the line. The shop handled every automotive problem except body, paint and glass work for the major part of 32 years. When the youngest son took over and ran it for eight years, the shop offered complete auto service. Karl had a couple of customers come over from Las Vegas, and at least one faithful one from San Francisco. Over the years, his regular clientele included Steve McQueen, who owned a Porsche Speedster; Bob Smothers, who also had a Porsche; and Clint Walker, who moved around in a VW bus.

"Like any business," he says, "we had the usual headaches along with the good days. We had more good days than headaches, though. We did okay." The family relocated to Downey in 1972. Karl retired in 2002.

As a volunteer in the crafts section working 4-5 hours twice a week (plus the occasional emergency call) at Rancho Los Amigos Rehabilitation Center, he was honored as "Volunteer of the Year" in 2004. He is closing in on 40,000 hours of volunteer service. He is in his fifth year. "My volunteering here is my way of paying this country back for giving me so much. This place is heaven compared to the hard days in Yugoslavia."

Among his auto shop clients back then were three Rancho people, including former CEO Consuelo Diaz. After hearing about the path-breaking work Rancho was doing, he promised her he'd volunteer as soon as he retired from his business. He was true to his word.

He and his wife, Adele, who is also a Rancho volunteer, also received an award at last year's Amistad Gala. They've been married 47 years. One son is a retired Air Force captain and is now a pilot for American Airlines. His plane flies the same route as the one that crashed into the World Trade Center building; his was scheduled a few hours later. The other son is an electronics engineer and runs a company in Sparks, Nevada, that builds and rebuilds aircraft instruments.

Karl has seven grandkids—five boys and two girls—"all 'A' students," he says.

Karl, who for 12 years trained in the martial arts and was a 2-degree Brown Belt, turned 70 last Aug. 20. He played soccer "in my younger days" and today is a member of the Danubia Soccer Club of the German League. He is also a member of the Bell Gardens Lions Club (he chairs the district's 4-L-2 "Tree of Life" project), the German club D.S.V., and Pro Networkers of Downey.

"I can't sit still," he says. "I have to go out and get involved. This is what keeps me going."

The Downey Patriot



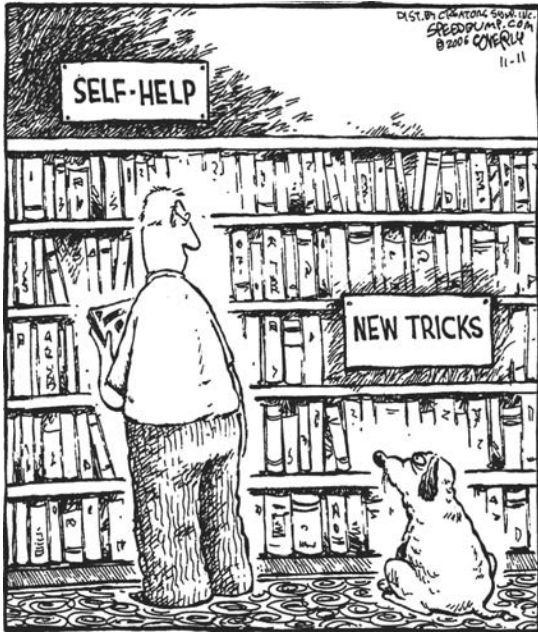
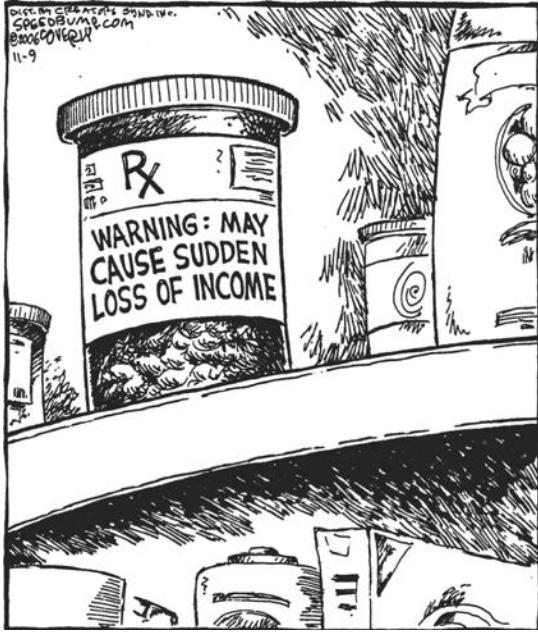
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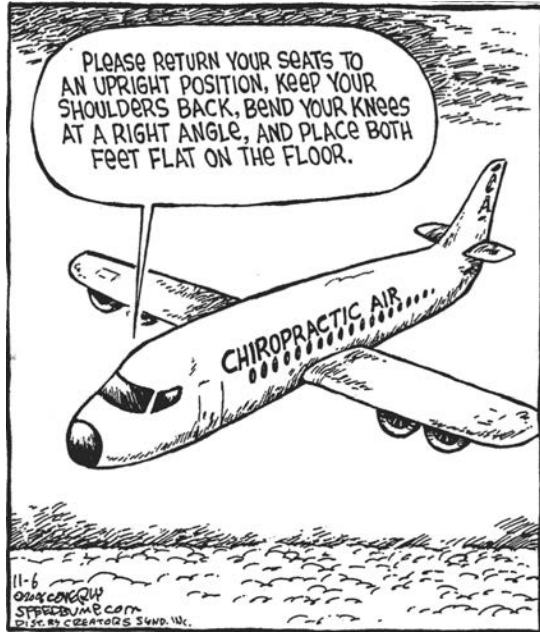
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Downey Community Calendar

Events For November

Sat. Nov. 4: **Youth Fishing Day** at Wilderness Park, 8 a.m. (562) 904-7238.
 Sat. Nov. 4: **Trick or treating** Downey Community Emergency Response Team re-certification, 8 a.m. (562) 904-7349.
 Tues. Nov. 7: **Election Day**.

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.
 12 p.m.: **Exchange Club of Downey**, at Sizzler, for information call Don Hollister at 927-5871.
 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.

Fridays

7:30 a.m.: **Pro Networkers**, at Mimi's Cafe, for information call Harry Sacks at 319-1063
 3rd Fri., 8:30 a.m.: **Women's "In His Glory" Ministry** at Los Amigos C. C. (562) 622-3785.

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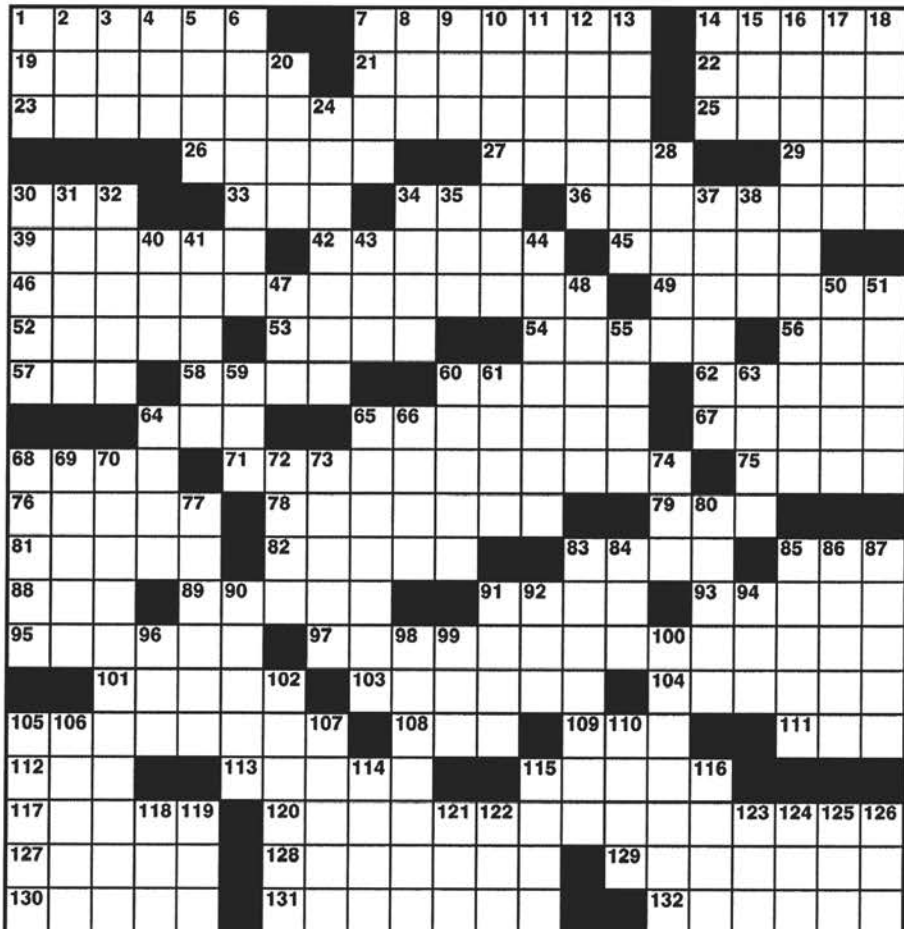
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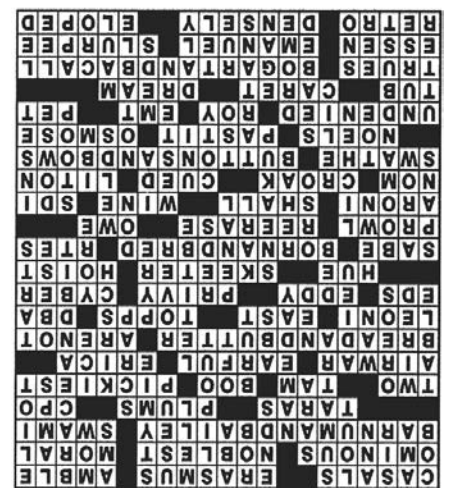
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Humphrey BOGART and Lauren Bacall (120 Across) starred in four films together from 1944 to 1947. LICHEN (77 Down) is found on surfaces such as bare rocks, soil, tree trunks, walls, and Mount Rushmore. Ang LEE (125 Down) won the 2006 Best Director Academy Award for Brokeback Mountain.



Amateur Radio Club celebrates 55th year

■ Dave Quintana to share stories covering more than 80 years in ham radio.

DOWNEY – Downey Amateur Radio Club's annual installation and awards banquet, this year titled "Thanks for the Memories," will take place Sunday, Nov. 12 at the Rio Hondo Events Center at 11:30 a.m. During the past year Downey Amateur Radio Club celebrated its 55th year as a club with a history of service in the community and within the hobby of ham radio.

Dave Quintana, W6LTJ, will be the banquet's featured speaker, sharing personal stories of his life after more than 80 years in ham radio. His personal adventure in ham radio began in 1926, when he and a neighborhood friend started on the hobby together.

Quintana, who received his radio license in 1935, will relate stories about building CW keys, spark coils, his first Field Day and the visit to his station during World War II by a federal agency.

After his talk, the club will install its new officers and present its annual awards. There will also be a raffle for prizes.

Club members are invited to take their family and friends to the lunch. Pictures are also sought which will be displayed on a table the day of the luncheon.

Cost of the banquet is \$25 with checks made out to Downey Amateur Radio Club. Reservations are due by Nov. 10 by calling Frank Hornberger at (310) 635-2222 or by e-mail at n6zds@qsl.net.

Downey Amateur Radio Club will not have a Thursday night meeting in November because of the luncheon.



BIG WINNER – Downey Regional Medical Center nurse Chiantall Paras has won a three-day Carnival cruise courtesy of Downey Federal Credit Union. Paras, a surgical/oncology nurse, entered the raffle drawing a few months ago, not realizing what the prize would be. She said she was thrilled when she heard that she was the winner. Paras married her sweetheart, Lee Mark, several months ago, but they were unable to take a honeymoon. This prize enables them to celebrate their nuptials.

Community Services Director to address Citizens for Downey

DOWNEY – Thad Phillips, former librarian and current Director of Community Services for the City of Downey, will be the guest speaker at the Nov. 8 meeting of Citizens for Downey.

Phillips will speak on his plans and goals for the city's many community services.

A breakfast buffet will be available at 7 a.m. with the program starting at 7:15 at the Rio Hondo Events Center. The community is invited.

Retired teachers meet in Whittier

WHITTIER – The California Retired Teachers Association invites retired, former and active educators to its meeting on Nov. 14 at the Greenleaf Masonic Center in Whittier. Administrators, staff and others are invited to the 11 a.m. meeting as well.

A business meeting precedes the lunch, followed by a speaker from the Workman Temple Museum who will tell of the ventures of Jonathan Temple and William Workman and their contributions to the growth of the greater Whittier area from 1830 to 1930.

For information or luncheon reservation, call Barbara Nichols at (562) 696-4474.

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It's Bear hunting season!

■ Downey, led by the outstanding play of senior running back Darren Tubbs, pulls away late to beat visiting Warren, 33-21.

By SCOTT COBOS AND ERIC PIERCE
CONTRIBUTOR AND CITY EDITOR

DOWNEY -- In front of a sold-out crowd at Allen Layne Stadium, the Downey Vikings went on to beat their cross-town rival Warren Bears, 33-21, in a predictably intense game last Friday night.

Returning home fresh off a victory against Lynwood, the Vikings were able to spread out the field against Warren, incorporating their passing game a bit more than normal and allowing star running back Darren Tubbs to find wide gaps, breaking out for huge gains. Tubbs' longest rush on the night was a 73-yard dash that put Downey in position to score one of their early touchdowns.

The defining moment of the game -- the image most vivid to those in attendance -- was Downey's last score that put the game out of reach. With 1:52 remaining on the game clock, Vikings quarterback Anthony Moreno took the snap from his center and scrambled out of the pocket. Moreno broke two tackles from on-coming defenders, scrambled toward the sideline, and off one foot, throwing sidearm and nearly out of bounds, he launched a pass deep into the end zone, finding wide receiver Conrad Valdez.

Valdez was draped by three Warren defenders but one slipped, another didn't see the ball and the third wasn't able to get to the ball in time, allowing Valdez to connect on a 39-yard-touchdown pass in Downey's version of the Immaculate Reception.

The play would seal the game for Downey. "It was supposed to be a three-step drop," Downey Head Coach Grant Warhurst said of the play. "I wasn't nervous when he threw the ball; I wanted him to do it. It was a great play. [Valdez] made a great catch."

As thrilling as the play was, it was Tubbs' stellar running that carried Downey throughout the game. Tubbs finished with 204 yards on 20 carries, including two touchdowns. He very well could have had three touchdowns: His 72-yard sprint earlier in the game fell one yard short of the endzone.

"We've been running the ball all season long," Warhurst said. "But we wanted to mix it up a little bit, keep them guessing. I think we did a good job of that."

"But the story of the game was our defense. The defense really set the tone for us."

Warren did keep it close as they went into halftime leading 14-13, but

then sputtered in the second half allowing Downey to pull away.

The Vikings scored first in the game on a 1-yard touchdown run by fullback Caleb Shifflet. Warren would answer back as they drove down the field on their next drive, having running back Jose Green carry it in from the 1-yard line.

Downey would have an answer of their own on their ensuing drive. From inside the red zone, Moreno connected with tight end Joshua Higgins for a 13-yard-touchdown pass, putting Downey up six points. On the PAT, kicker Brian Sandoval was unable to find the middle of the uprights and missed wide.

Warren would get the ball back one more time before the half ended and made the most of it. With time ticking down, the Bears made the most of their drive and put themselves in good field position with just enough time to get something going. It ended up they didn't need that extra time as Green found a big hole and rushed 42 yards for his second touchdown of the game.

The PAT was good, and Warren found themselves up by one point at the half.

On the night, Green rushed for 111 yards on 22 carries. His running game was complimented by former Viking-turned-Bear Keith Shetler who carried the ball 14 times for 67 yards. Bears quarterback Alfonso Gonzalez also chipped in with 87 passing yards completing 9 of 17 passes.

In probably his best performance of the season, Downey's Moreno finished 7-for-14 passing for 100 yards and two touchdowns, throwing only one interception.

Tight end Joshua Higgins had a 20-yard touchdown reception for the Vikings. He caught all three of his passes for 35 yards.

With the momentum Warren had going in to halftime, it disappeared in a split second. On their first possession of the half, the Bears turned over the ball on downs after trying a fake punt. Downey was unable to do anything on their next possession and punted the ball back to the Bears.

The Bears then started to crumble offensively. In their last four possessions of the game, they turned the ball over three times, fumbling once, having a pass picked off by Downey defender Scott Miranda and turning over the ball on downs in their final possession.

Before Downey's drive that sealed the game, the Bears tried an on-side. It appeared as if the ball didn't go the required 10 yards, but bounced off a receiving Viking. The referees ruled that the ball never bounced off Downey and ruled it Viking's ball.

"Warren is a heck of a team," Warhurst said. "[Warren Head Coach Jeff Welch] has done of a heck of a job with them. He really turned it around over there."

Welch was unavailable for comment after the game.



RUNNING AWAY WITH IT -- Downey's Darren Tubbs, 7, ran for 204 yards and two touchdowns in helping lead the Vikings to a 33-21 victory over Warren last week.
Photos by Art Montoya



Downey cheerleaders in action during last week's win over Warren.

Cheerleaders pump up their teams

By JACQUELINE MEJIA
CONTRIBUTOR

DOWNEY -- Although many of the supporters for the football team are evident in the coaches and the fans, there is also a very important group of supporters to both Warren and Downey High's varsity football teams. That support system lies in their cheerleaders.

As the game's leading score was passed among both teams like the football they were playing with, with Downey ultimately winning the game, the cheerleaders were there to pump up the crowd.

Warren High's varsity captains, Lauren Bliss, Brianna Forman and Melissa Iriarte, along with the JV captains, Ashley Enslin and Molly Worthy, expressed how close they are to the Warren team and how the loss was a difficult one to bear for the whole squad. When asked if homecoming week was any comparison to Spirit Week, in which Warren students have a full week of activities to pump up the Downey/Warren game, the answer was a resounding "No."

"This rivalry is huge, it's like USC and UCLA," the girls exclaimed. They're hoping that a winning game from Warren in the next game will take them to CIF prelims.

On the other side of the Downey stadium stood the Downey High cheerleaders, excited after their team's victory. Many of the cheerleaders stated that they were excited for this game at school and at practices. Paula, a Downey senior and cheerleader said she couldn't even sleep the night before.

As the victory bell rang throughout Downey High that night, the cheerleaders from both teams knew that this rivalry wasn't over yet...we have to wait for CIF prelims for that one.

Downey Association of Realtors® Update

California Housing Market Forecast for 2007:
LOS ANGELES (Oct. 18) -- The rate of home price appreciation will post a modest decline next year, while the sales pace will decrease as the market stabilizes throughout 2007, according to the CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS®. The median home price in California will decline 2 % to \$550,000 in 2007 compared with a projected median of \$561,000 this year, while sales for 2007 are projected to decrease 7 % 447,500 units, compared with 481,200 units (projected) in 2006.

"The housing market has definitely changes in 2006. Sellers are aware that the market is changing, yet still hope for the highest possible prices, while buyers sit back, watch the inventory grow, and wait for the so called CRASH" said DAOR President Angie Pierce. "While we're projecting a modest decline in the median price of a home over the long term, residential real estate in California has been and will continue to be a solid investment. Since 1968 the long term average price appreciation is 9.1%. While prices could not continue growing at the fast pace of the past four year, they will continue to grow at a normal rate. Now is the time for consumers to find a good Realtor® to help them navigate their way through." She continues.

"The market we're in now is a normal market and my advice to those buyers waiting for the Crash is, don't wait too long or you'll wait yourself right out of the opportunity of owning your own home...not to mention the still record breaking low interest rates available to buyers" says President Angie Pierce.



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Razorbacks prepare for start of postseason

■ Two Razorback teams qualify for the playoffs; Jr. Midgets go in as the top seed.

By Mike Baumann
DOWNEY YOUTH FOOTBALL

DOWNEY – The final games of the 2006 regular season were held at Downey High School this past Saturday. Razorback fans and parents were treated to six victories on the day. Two Razorback teams (MityMite Red and PeeWee) needed wins to qualify for the Pacific Coast Conference championships, and they did not fail.

The day began with the Flag Blue team's five-touchdown victory over Buena Park.

Colton McCullan's two long runs for touchdowns, Diego Velarde, Jordan Mayes, Josh Medina, and San Angelo also scored touchdowns while overwhelmed Buena Park in the MityMite's 34-6 victory. The team will represent Downey in the conference playoffs against Culver City's unbeaten team. The game will be played at 4 p.m. at Artesia High School.

A touchdown on the last play of an overtime tiebreaker by Jesse Beltran helped Downey's Jr. PeeWee win their second consecutive victory 6-0. It was also the Razorbacks second consecutive shutout.

PeeWee Razorbacks needed a win against Buena Park to force a tie in the conference playoff picture. The Hogs responded with a 35-0 victory over visiting Buena Park. Three touchdowns by David Saenz, one on a punt return pass led the Razorbacks.

Robert Davalos and Anthony San Angelo also scored touchdowns for the Razorbacks, and Augustin Barrajas and Albert Ruiz made good on extra point plays.

The PeeWee team has made the playoffs, but first must play a California Tiebreaker at Gardena High School this Wednesday evening to determine which team will be the number one wild card team.

Downey's unbeaten Jr. Midget team (8-0) will represent Downey in the conference championship playoffs as a top seed. The Hogs did not play this last Saturday. The Jr. Midget's are one, of only two unbeaten teams in the division, and will play Gardena Saturday at noon at Lawndale High School.

The Midget Razorbacks played an exciting and entertaining game winning 33-14 over a talented Buena Park team. Quarterback Sam Bettencourt led the Hog attack, and as usual, Jason LogoLogo starred with his strong running along with fullback Josh Callier and Trevor Rodriguez. The Midgets did not qualify for the playoffs.

Little League signups starting soon

DOWNEY – West Downey Little League early bird sign-ups begin Dec. 5 at the West Middle School cafeteria. Parents must have a certified birth certificate and three forms of proof of residence to sign up their children.

T-ball (ages 5 and 6) is \$55. Rookie, A, AA, AAA and Majors for older children is \$85.



DOWNEY NEMESIS – Front row, left to right: Anissa Urtez, Emily Sanchez, Alina Vega, Jordan Seargent, Elizabeth Ham, Alizah Mayagoitia and Chloe Michery. Middle row: Arianna Palomares, Justene Reyes, Sharlene Godoy, Brooke Smith, Allyson Painter, Silvia Escalera and Alexis Mercado. Back row: Coach Manny Ham, Coach Felix Palomares, Coach Rob Painter and Coach Brenda Urtez.



PONYTAIL LEADERSHIP – Downey Ponytail's new officers were recently sworn in. Back row, left to right: John Bujanowski, President; Sandy Rehberg, Player Agent; Lori Keltner, Snack Shack/Opening Day; Denise Pohl, Fingerprinting; Denise Garcia, 8U Commissioner; Dan Whitney, 14U Commissioner; Mike Hemsath, Head Commissioner; Chuck Holden, VP Umpires; and Rick Keltner, Snack Shack. Front row: Anne Bayer, Councilwoman; Jane Makepeace, High School Commissioner; Sandy Bujanowski, Treasurer; Paula Hemsath, Secretary; Linda Zarate, Fundraising; Dorothy Pemberton, Major Contributions. Not pictured are Ariel Arguelli, BJ Expinoza, Lisa Campbell and Cynthia Scott-Pascul.

Nemesis cap season with Illinois tournament

■ Girls battle extreme heat and lightning storms to finish second in national tournament.

DOWNEY — The Downey Nemesis 12U Girls Fastpitch Softball team capped a great season with an amazing run at the 2006 ASA National Championships held in Moline, Illinois.

The girls started the trip with a weekend stop in Chicago where they toured the John Hancock Observatory, took a ride on the Sea Dog Speedboat on Lake Michigan and had fun at Navy Pier. In addition, some families went to see a Chicago Cubs game at Wrigley Field while others experienced shopping sprees on Michigan Avenue, fine dining, museum visiting, sight-seeing and more.

In terms of the tournament in Moline, the girls had to deal with extreme heat during the first two days, a thunderstorm on Wednesday night, hot days again and finally a lightning storm with heavy rain on the final day of play.

In pool play, the Nemesis girls overfed the Starved Rock Bandits (Peru, IL) and grounded the Tennessee White Lightning (Knoxville). Their first place finish in pool play earned the team a first-round bye in the double-elimination phase of the tournament.

In bracket play, the girls defused the Kansas City Xplosion (Overland Park, KS) to stay in the winners' bracket. Next, the girls played outstanding defense with several spectacular plays in the infield to neutralize the Georgia ASA State runner-up West Cobb Lightning (Acworth, GA) and advance to the quarter-finals of the winners' bracket.

In the quarter-finals, the girls turned the headlights on the Deer Park TPS (Pasadena, TX) to stay undefeated in the tournament. In the semi-finals of the winner's bracket, the Nemesis girls booby-trapped the Bomb Squad team (Anaheim, CA). In the finals of the winner's bracket, the girls outran the American Athletics (Las Flores, CA) to advance to the championship game.

In the championship game, the girls weren't able to obscure the Texas Glory and finished 2nd out of 52 teams. These teams represented many states across the country from Oregon to Maine.

"The Nemesis team thanks the City of Moline for hosting a great tournament," said coach Manny Ham. "The opening ceremony, the playing facilities, the newspaper coverage of the event, and the people were first-rate all around. This is one of the best places to host a national softball tournament."

Ponytail Softball installs new officers

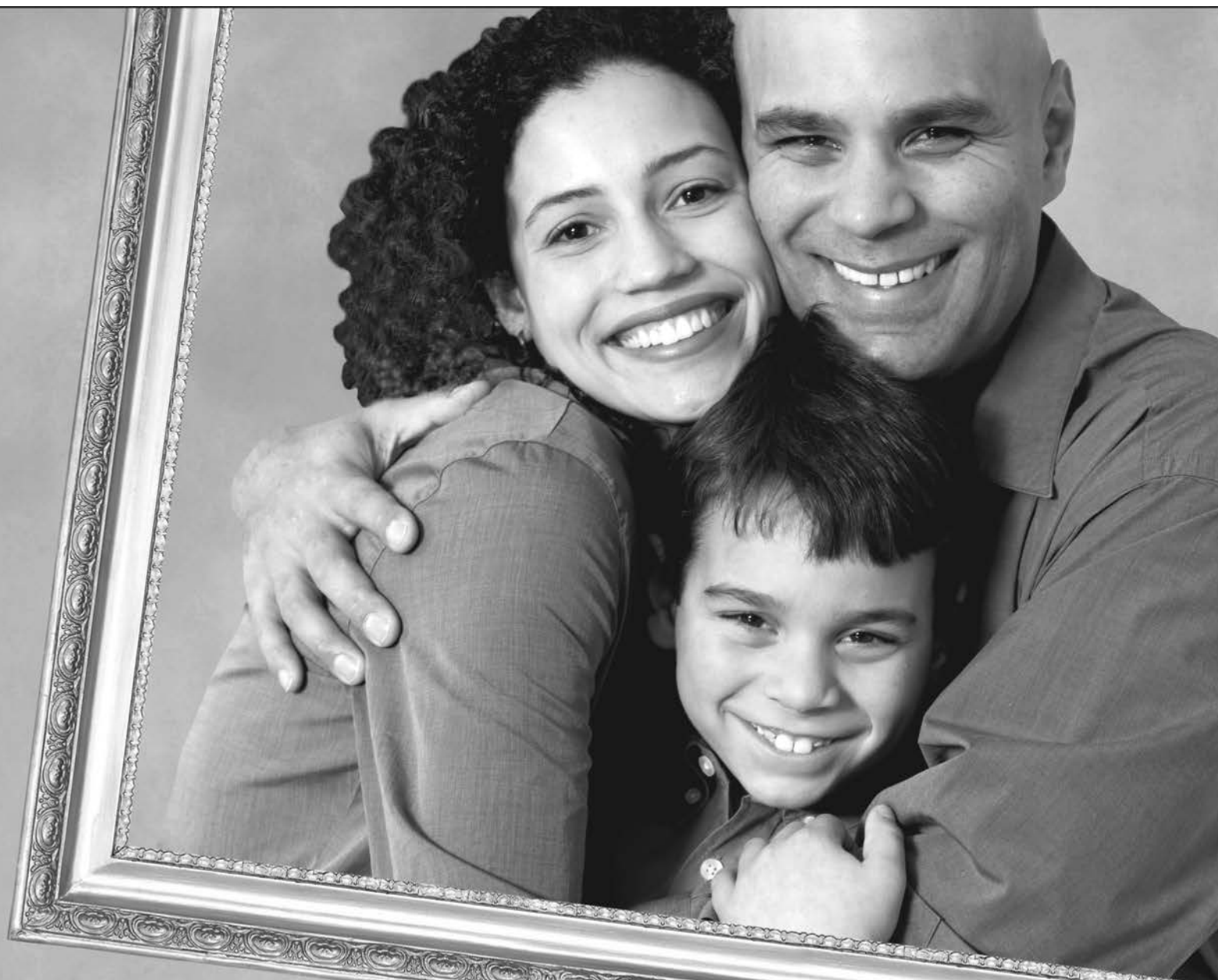
DOWNEY – Downey Ponytail Fastpitch Softball recently installed its 2006/07 board of directors in a ceremony held at the Rio Hondo Events Center.

Councilwoman Anne Bayer was the installing officer. Entertainment was provided by the Downey High School jazz vocal choir.

Sign-ups are now being taken for winter ball. Applications and a schedule of dates are available at the snack shack at Independence Park on Saturdays. Try-outs will begin in January with Opening Day scheduled for Feb. 24, 2007.

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CONCERT

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Director of Downey Symphony. Each of the orchestra's two concerts which follow in January and in March will be conducted by candidate-conductors.

It is the daunting task of the Downey Symphonic Society to find a replacement for Tom Osborn who had led the orchestra and its numerous educational outreach programs for 18 years but who passed away suddenly July 30 at age 72. Kerstein's audition went well as the crowd reacted favorably to the tuneful program presented. But, therein lays a problem.

The program was already laid out by Orsborn and trying to determine if the orchestra's outstanding performance was due to Kerstein or a tribute to the popular Dr. Osborn will be difficult. The orchestra, for its part, played magnificently but chattering and smiling in the brass section during the Tchaikovsky piece seemed less than fully supportive of the guest conductor.

Whether Kerstein can take full credit for a successful concert will have to be assessed by the selection committee.

Kerstein's presence was bold and persuasive. He comes to Downey as a credentialed conductor and has the ability to bring much to the job. It is presumed that Kerstein tendered the invitation to Michael Arnold to be guest soloist with the orchestra since Arnold serves as principal clarinet in one of Kerstein's other assignments, the Burbank Philharmonic.

No matter how it came about, Arnold was an excellent choice. He performed the Mozart Clarinet Concerto with crisp, defined and impeccable playing. The orchestra provided strong, sympathetic support.

Kerstein opened the concert with a spirited version of the overture to "Don Giovanni" and concluded with a highly lyrical take on Tchaikovsky's Symphony No. 5.

Orchestra members excelled in the Tchaikovsky, but Patricia Massey's clarinet in the opening phrases of the first movement and Ronald Applegate's French horn in the second were outstanding. Athletic direction by Kerstein provided a strong base.

The Downey Symphonic Society hopes to engage its audience in the selection process. It is allowing audience members to assess candidates. At the opening concert, the audience was provided with forms to evaluate Kerstein. While audience reaction to the concert seemed favorable there is no way to determine what the comments may have been. Many were seen submitting evaluations filled with written comments a sure-fire indication of the importance of the assignment and the seriousness given to the appointment by concert-goers.

From the stage, Lorine Parks, vice-president of the Association and chair of the conductor search committee, reported that over 100 applications had been received, many from out of the country, suggesting, she said, the international reputation of the orchestra.

Downey citizens have an opportunity to participate in the selection by attending the season's concerts. The next concert is Saturday, January 27, 2007 when pianist Norman Krieger will perform the Brahms Piano Concerto No. 1 to be followed on Saturday, March 24 with guest soloist Roger Wilkie, violinist and concertmaster of the Long Beach Symphony. The conductor-candidates have not been announced.

Tickets

Ticket prices for these concerts range from \$10 for students to \$25 general admission. For information, please call (562) 403-2944.



MUSIC TO THEIR EARS - Students from Imperial Elementary pose with members from the Downey Symphony at last week's concert held exclusively for third-graders. Symphony members, from left: Mark Artusio, principle bass and contractor; Carolyn Osborn, concertmaster; Robert Coomber, bass trombone; Colleen Coomber, violin; and Paul Lee, violin. Photo by Joyce Sherwin



AN EVENING OF MUSIC - Michael Arnold is seen performing Mozart's Clarinet Concerto under the baton of guest conductor Steven Kerstein at the Downey Symphony concert held Saturday at Downey Civic Theatre. Kerstein is the first to be considered for the post of Artistic Director of the Symphony, replacing long-time conductor Thomas Osborn who passed away in July. Photo by Bill Peters

George's Restaurant to mark first year

DOWNEY - George's Restaurant & Bar in Downey will celebrate their one-year anniversary with Chamber of Commerce mixer on Thursday, Nov. 9.

The \$3 admission will include a Mexican-style buffet, two drink tickets, entertainment and an opportunity to network. The event runs from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

For information call the Downey Chamber of Commerce at (562) 923-5401.

Kids get a lesson in classical music

■ Downey third-graders treated to an exclusive concert courtesy of Downey Symphony.

BY JOYCE SHERWIN
DOWNEY SYMPHONY

DOWNEY - When the Downey Symphony and its Board of Directors launched a new educational program in 1984, Music in the Schools each successive year has brought five musicians from the orchestra to every elementary school in the city. Children from kindergarten through second grade receive a meaty but fun introduction to the instruments of an orchestra. They learn about rhythm and melody. They hear how music from one part of the world sounds different from other parts. And music from a long time ago isn't like music written today. The program has thrived and grown to include a concert for third graders presented by the entire orchestra, then a full concert for fifth graders.

Throughout those years, the great constant was the conductor, Thomas Osborn. Tom was always there with his clarinet, wearing his clarinet necktie, speaking to the students as narrator, teacher and friend, his shiny-eyed audience cross-legged on the floor. As big third-graders, they rode school buses to the Downey's Civic Theater for a performance, and saw an orchestra that covered the stage. From the podium Tom would call out, "Good morning, boys and girls!" "Good morning, Tom!" they'd shout.

This year's concert for third-graders was on October 25, and was mostly the same as in years past. Humming along within the Unified School District's clockwork production, all elements fell into place with precision. Yellow buses glided in and out, orderly queues for kids stretched across the theater courtyard, everyone found the right seat, expectations ran high. But Tom was not there. The audience knew that Tom had died last summer.

'We won't let Tom down'

Nevertheless, a great determination to soldier on filled that theater, from symphony board members through each musician in the orchestra. We will not let Tom down, we will not let these kids down.

An accomplished, energetic guest conductor took the stage, Clyde Mitchell. He knows how to involve youngsters. Carolyn Osborn, Tom's daughter, took her accustomed chair as concertmaster. Tom's wife Joyce again introduced the instruments of the orchestra and played in the violin section.

Tom Osborn wanted to encourage children to play an instrument, so he sought out gifted young soloists that youngsters could relate to. He had already selected a splendid violinist for this concert, 16-year-old Ian Wong, whose playing of Saint Saens dazzled in its assurance, flare and technical skill. Clyde Mitchell announced that Ian first picked up a violin at the age of 3, and the kids gasped, but were reassured that it wasn't too late for them to begin.

Thank-you's

So, once again, a successful endeavor. You can kind of tell when an enthusiastic audience whistles and shouts. The credits and thanks go in many directions. To elementary teachers who prepare their classes for this event; to Ana Thorne of the District Offices, whose expert planning moves 1800 kids in and out over a three-hour period; to Denise Takano, Director of Elementary Education at DUSD; who was everywhere, helping things move smoothly the whole morning; to Ian Wong's teacher, Janice Luna of Long Beach; to the theatre crew and the volunteers; to the Symphony Board's Search Committee, working diligently to bring us a season-full of guest conductors; to Clyde Mitchell for commenting, "I love the enthusiasm the orchestra displays - they seem to like each other, what they do, and this concert was a tribute to Tom and Joyce and Carolyn"; to Downey Savings and Loan for its great gift of \$17,000, making the whole thing possible.

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A finish like this has never been sweeter

■ Former teammates recall historic game 50 years ago that ended - fittingly to some - in 13-13 tie.

By SCOTT COBOS
CONTRIBUTOR

On a foggy night in '56, two teams walked on to the Los Angeles Coliseum field to participate in a game that was included in the Los Angeles Sports Council's published list of the city's 100 greatest sports moments.

In front of a record crowd of 41,383, two teams with star running backs would battle it out for the CIF Southern Section title. CIF officials underestimated how many people would attend the game that they only opened two ticket offices. Soon enough, the line got so long that people were forcing themselves past the gates, dropping money off in a box for admission.

On Dec. 14 the Downey High Vikings and the Anaheim High Colonists would play in a game for the CIF championship, a game that drew the biggest recorded attendance for a prep game in California.

"It created such a hysteria," said Jack Trumbo, Downey's quarterback at the time in an article 10 years ago in the Press-Telegram. "It was pretty amazing to see so many people there and wondering what it was all about. I've often wondered, why then? And why not before and not since?"

Both teams, very similar in style of play and build, would play this game in to a 13-13 tie, sharing the championship.

Even though the game itself was rather anti-climatic, it was a fitting end to such a great battle of two evenly-matched teams.

"I was real happy with the result," said Downey's former center and team barber Lash Stevenson, who now owns a hair salon in San Mateo. "I would have hated being on the losing end of that game. Both teams were so evenly matched."

Almost 50 years removed from the big game, it is still remembered and celebrated in the city and school. Walking on the campus of Downey High School, you see signs posted on the walls of the campus building commemorating the 50th anniversary of that foggy night. The game was not just a championship game. It was a part of something that the whole team would carry through their lives.

"I remember the practices and the drills we had to do at the end," Stevenson said. "The 50 finger-tip pushup, the 50 sit-ups, the wind sprints. I especially remember climbing that rope in full pads and saying the name of the team we played that week when we got to the top."

The focus, the concentration, the commitment and hard work are all life lessons that were taken from the experience of '56.

Downey's best football team ever will be acknowledged tonight at the football game at Allen Layne Stadium. Thirty members of the team of '56 are expected to attend tonight's game, having a section of the stands blocked off for them.

They will be honored during halftime for the great accomplishment achieved during their tenure at Downey High. That CIF championship game was nothing short of a classic.

Both teams boasted two star running backs. Downey had running back Randy Meadows, who had set the state scoring record that season with 30 touchdowns. On the other side of the field stood reigning player of the year, Colonist running back Mickey Flynn. Both players were very similar in size and skill. Flynn and Meadows were both small, shifty, and speedy, also both averaging 16 yards per carry on the season.

The two players carried their respective offenses on the season. Meadows helped Downey score 428 points in their previous 12 games.

Downey and Anaheim's defenses were also very similar. Downey allowed 112 points on the season, while the Colonists allowed 101. With



WALKING THE PLANK - Century 21 My Real Estate sent their finest "pirates" to the Downey Chamber of Commerce Business Expo held recently at Downey Regional Medical Center. It was a celebration of Downey's 50th Birthday, themed "Golden Gala". "We sent our Diamond Service Team - Caritina De La Riva and Patricia Gomez - to show that anything Century 21 My Real Estate touches turns to gold," stated Laurie Mac Isaac, vice president of relocation and marketing.

these statistics, this game appeared to be a very promising one.

Late in the first quarter, Flynn broke out of the backfield and rushed for a 52-yard touchdown. Only minutes later in the quarter, Meadows topped his counterpart racing down the field for a 69-yard Downey touchdown.

At the half, the score was 7-6 Anaheim. Both teams would trade blows back and forth but neither team was able to consistently find the end zone.

In Downey's final score, former head coach Dick Hill elected to run the ball in to tie the score at 13, rather than kick a field goal. Back then, a PAT was worth only 1 point, regardless of how you scored.

The rationale according to Stevenson was that Hill said they were either going to tie it up as a team or lose it as a team. Downey halfback Ron Russell was given the ball and ran it in to the end zone tying up the game.

Because of a rule change earlier in the week, the score remained a tie. The change of rule was that in the event of a tie, no longer would the team with the most first downs in the game win.

To some, the tie was a disappointment. To others, it was the perfect ending. Regardless, that game to this day is one of the best remembered California high school football contests ever played.

Members of Downey's 1956 CIF team will gather at the Embassy Suites tonight before heading over to the Downey-Gahr football game. A video of the championship game will be shown at the hotel.

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Soroptimist plan November Oktoberfest

DOWNEY - Downey Soroptimist will hold their Oktoberfest fundraiser Nov. 7 at the Woman's Club of Downey from 1:30 to 6 p.m. The Express, a six-piece German/Bavarian band, will provide live musical entertainment.

Also to be enjoyed will be food, beer tasting, bingo, games of chance and a silent auction. Money raised will help provide scholarships and grants to youth, women and charitable organizations in the community.

A donation of \$40 per person or \$75 per couple is asked. For more information call Sue Potter at (562) 927-0013.

Holiday marketplace Saturday at library

DOWNEY - Friends of the Downey City Library are hosting an open house and holiday marketplace on Saturday, Nov. 4, featuring handmade crafts and fall and Christmas decorations, among other items.

The public is welcome to the sale, which will also include baked goods, Walt Disney videos, decorating and holiday craft books, quality recycled gifts, and free wassail punch.

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Plan enrollees will have access to more than 500 physicians through Blue Shield's contracted provider, AppleCare Medical Group. Hospitals in the Blue Shield 65 Plus Choice Plan network include Downey Regional Medical Center and St. Francis Medical Center, among others.

"By contracting with AppleCare Medical Group, Blue Shield is able to offer Medicare beneficiaries access to a network of physicians that can provide them quality health care," said Dr. Eric Book, chief medical officer of Blue Shield of California.

The Blue Shield 65 Plus Choice Plan includes complete coverage of the Medicare Part D coverage gap for both formulary brand and formulary generic prescription drugs. Additional plan features include \$0 monthly plan premium, \$0 deductible, \$0 inpatient hospital copay, \$0 copay for outpatient surgery services, \$0 office visit copay, \$0 specialist office visit copay, and non-emergency transportation to and from medical appointments.

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Blue Shield currently offers Medicare Advantage HMO plans in other parts of Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, and San Bernardino Counties, and will offering an MA-PD plan in San Francisco County starting January 1, 2007.

Italian Catholic group having lunch

DOWNEY – The Italian Catholic Federation of St. Raymond parish is having a bingo luncheon Nov. 5 at 1 p.m. in the Msgr. Robert Gibson Hall, 12348 Paramount Blvd., in Downey.

A donation of \$10 includes on bingo card, door prizes and lunch. There will also be a raffle of a \$25 money tree and other prizes.

For tickets or information, call Aline Amatisto at (562) 693-9430 or Charlene Drobeck at (562) 928-1937.

Kids invited on 'Pirates Adventure'

DOWNEY – Children who live or go to middle school in Downey are invited on a trip to the "Pirates Dinner Adventure" in Buena Park on Nov. 4 from 7 to 11 p.m., offered by the City of Downey Community Services Department.

At the show, guests are transported back to the 1800's with the help of their own private mascot as a cast of 12 actors, singers and stunt performers engage in exciting exploits, accompanied by cannon blasts, pyrotechnics and wizardry.

The price of \$40 includes bus transportation, supervision and the show. The buss will leave City Hall at 6:15 p.m.

To register, call (562) 904-7238.



ROBERT F. MILLER – A longtime Downey resident, he died October 29. Services will be held today at St. Raymond's.

Services today for Robert F. Miller

DOWNEY – Robert F. Miller, self-employed in professional cutlery and a Downey resident for 56 years, died October 29 at Downey Regional Medical Center. He was 71.

He was born in Springfield, Illinois in 1935. A longtime local resident, he was involved with the Knights of Columbus, Knife Club and Rotary.

Services will be held today, Nov. 3, at 10 a.m. at St. Raymond's Catholic Church in Downey. Burial will take place at Forest Lawn in Cypress. A visitation was held Thursday night.

Miller is survived by his wife, Germaine; children Terri, Sherri, Bob and Michelle; sister, Barbara (Bob) Rysavy; brother, Jerry Miller; daughter-in-law, Sue; sons-in-law Robert and Lewis; 11 grandchildren and four nephews.

Leo Hartmann survived by family

DOWNEY – Leo Hartmann, a Russian immigrant and longtime Downey resident, died October 24. He was 92.

He was born in Saratov, Russia on May 23, 1914 to Frederick and Leontin Hartmann.

He and his wife, Cecelia, enjoyed square dancing and spending time with their family.

Hartmann was buried at Downey Cemetery on Oct. 30. Cecelia predeceased him in 2004.

Hartmann is survived by his daughter Nancy (David) Spilburg; grandchildren Daniel (Caren) Spilburg, Carl (Heather) Spilburg and Gary (Lisa) Spilburg; great grandchildren Daniel Jr., Aubrey, Sherrie, Michelle, Ronnie, Kaleigh, Jessica, Ryan, Anabelle and Gwen; and his great great grandchildren Alex and Christopher.

Services were entrusted to Downey Zrelak Mortuary.

Betty 'Linda' Randolph had a love for the arts

DOWNEY – Longtime Downey resident Betty "Linda" Randolph passed away Oct. 30. Services were held at Rose Hills.

Randolph was born on Dec. 23, 1925 in Long Beach and grew up in Paramount. In 1954, she her husband, Charles, moved to "the middle of nowhere" in Downey.

During her college years, Randolph skated in ice show tours with Norwegian Olympic skater Sonja Henie. An alumnus of Whittier College, Randolph also graduated with a Masters Degree in Library Science from USC.

She had a love for art, theater and opera.

She is survived by her son, Don Randolph; daughter, Holly Gebert; and grandchildren Ashley Randolph, Amy Gebert and David Gebert.

Disaster drill participants needed

DOWNEY – Downey Regional Medical Center needs 125 volunteers for an earthquake preparedness disaster drill on Nov. 9, where participants will primarily act as patients and concerned family members.

Some volunteers will be given simulated injuries; participants must remain in their roles for the entire time they are involved in the exercise.

The drill will test the hospital's responses to mass casualties generated by an earthquake. Representatives from throughout the hospital will perform specific, detailed tasks to ensure readiness and recover in an actual disaster.

Volunteers of all ages are needed but they need to be at the hospital from 7:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Pre-registration is required as is a brief information session prior to the drill.

A complimentary lunch and Certificate of Participation will given to all volunteers. To register, call (562) 904-5580.

Floats are topic of Christian meeting

DOWNEY – Mike Prokop of the Downey Rose Float Association will be the special feature when the Downey Christian Women's Club meets Nov. 8 at Los Amigos Country Club.

Men are invited to the luncheon meeting, which starts at 11:45 a.m.

Pearl Anderson will provide the day's music and Kris Anderson will speak on "Having a Bad Hair Day."

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Cerritos College fills five management posts

■ Chief of Campus Police among the positions filled by Board of Trustees.

NORWALK – The Cerritos College Board of Trustees approved the hire of five managers to fill open positions at the college during its recent regular board meetings.

Managers hired include Interim Chief of Campus Police Richard Bukowiecki; Director of Research and Planning Dr. Nathan Durdella; Coordinator of CalWORKs Services Norma C. Rodriguez; Director of Community Education Dr. Patricia Robbins Smith; and Director of Public and Governmental Affairs Mark L. Wallace.

“We are very fortunate to attract individuals of such a high caliber,” said Cerritos College President Dr. Noelia Vela.

“Their unique talents allow us to continue to work toward excellence in everything we do.”

Interim Chief of Police Richard Bukowiecki most recently served as lieutenant on the force, a position he held for 11 years. He first joined the campus police squadron in 1988 as an officer. Bukowiecki will oversee the Cerritos College Campus Police Department, a full-service police agency that employs fully sworn peace officers and is responsible for patrolling college grounds, taking all crime reports, conducting follow-up investigations, enforcing all applicable traffic laws and providing for the safety of persons and property within the district's campus boundaries.

Dr. Nathan Durdella, new director of Research and Planning, most recently served as a research analyst for the college's Research and Planning Department. He holds a doctorate in higher education and organizational change at the University of California, Los Angeles, where his research projects included evaluation theory, veterans in higher education, and Latin American higher education systems. Durdella also holds a master's degree in education, a master's degree in Latin American studies, and a bachelor's degree in sociology, all from UCLA. Durdella began his undergraduate studies at Santa Ana College.

Norma C. Rodriguez continues a 22-year career at Cerritos College as the new coordinator of CalWORKs Services. Prior to this position, she served as a student affairs assistant and part-time counselor in the Cerritos College Financial Aid Department. Rodriguez has also worked in the college's Fiscal Services Department. A graduate of Cerritos College, Rodriguez holds a bachelor's degree in interdisciplinary studies and a master's degree in clinical psychology from California State University, Dominguez Hills. She also is working to complete her marriage and family therapy license.

Dr. Patricia Robbins Smith is the new director of Community Education program, part of the college's Community, Industry and Technology Education unit. Smith was most recently director of Foster and Kinship Care Education at Cerritos College, a position she held since 2002. Prior to joining Cerritos College, Smith served as coordinator of the Disability Support Services Program at Loyola Marymount University, and earlier in her career she led a school research team at the University of California, Irvine and served as an elementary school counselor. Smith holds a bachelor's degree in psychology from UCLA, a master's degree in counseling psychology from Cal State Fullerton, and a doctorate in educational administration and leadership from a joint UCLA/UCI program.

Mark L. Wallace, new director of Public and Governmental Affairs, has more than 25 years of experience as a communication professional in higher education. He joins Cerritos College from Western University of Health Sciences, where he served as executive director of communications since 2003. Prior to that, Wallace served as an “executive on loan” from Pasadena City College for the California Community College's Chancellor's Office in Sacramento. Wallace served for 10 years as director of public relations for Pasadena City College.

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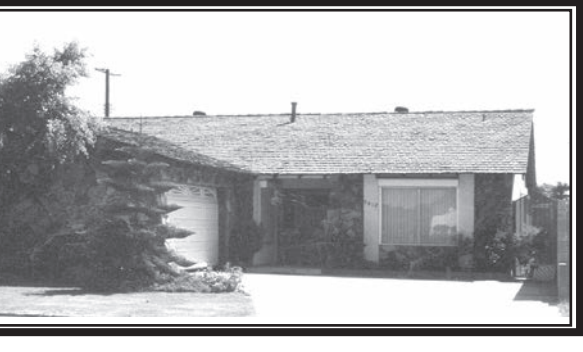
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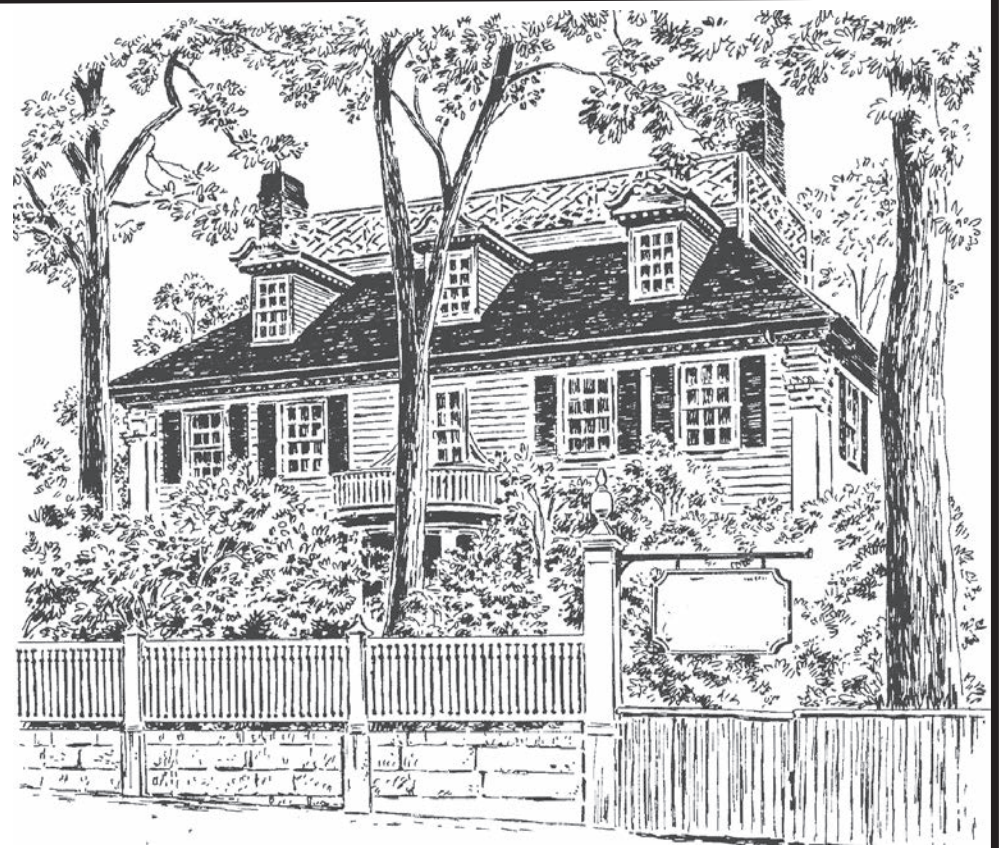
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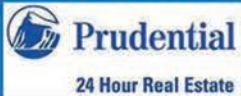
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