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Downey's newest church does things differently

• Less than two years old, Crave Life Church meets Sundays inside the space center.

By Christian Brown
Staff Writer

DOWNEY – The Rev. Moses Barrios never imagined he'd ever pastor a Christian church filled with non-Christians, but after months of preaching to a new congregation of passionate seekers, the 34-year-old pastor wouldn't have it any other way.

"Crave Life is interesting," he said with a chuckle followed by a wide grin. "The people are discovering faith in God – exploring. It's a village of people from diverse backgrounds ethnically, socially, economically.

"On a Sunday we'll have young professionals and a homeless guy at the same time in the same building," he added. "It's pretty unique."

Advertised as "not yo mama's church," Crave Life Church strives to be a creative, 21st century house of worship for a new generation of churchgoers seeking relevant Bible teaching and a welcoming environment.

Barrios believes his church offers something different for those frustrated with the old church culture.

"When you think of the term Christian today, you think of someone super conservative, ultra-Republican...someone who discriminates, judges, or is even racist," Barrios said. "I could be very conservative, but people are trying to figure things out. People come with substance abuse, just out of jail, dealing with sickness...I'd rather have them in my church."

Founded less than two years ago, Crave Life Church is perhaps the newest church in Downey after the diverse congregation relocated from the city of Buena Park to the Columbia Memorial Space Center where services are now held every Sunday morning.

Barrios, a native of Downey, felt the call to start the church after serving in six different Christian denominations over the course of 10 years.

From Pentecostal and Baptist to Methodist and Reformed churches, Barrios oversaw music ministries and young adults groups for years before eventually leaving a well-paying job to serve at a church in San Jose, Calif.

"[But] I felt God was calling us back to Southern California," said Barrios who soon met with leaders of the growing Evangelical Covenant denomination about starting a new church. "In 2011, we launched our first gatherings with just 20 members."

By early 2012, a Reformed church in Buena Park allowed the incipient congregation to coexist and use its facility for free.

Simultaneously, Barrios, a married father of three, began serving in multiple chaplaincies providing spiritual guidance and support at homeless missions, HIV/AIDS facilities, and hospice care agencies.



Moses Barrios, wife Brenda, and their three kids

Witnessing alcoholism, prostitution, mental illness and debilitating disease up close gave Barrios a new perspective on what his ministry should focus on.

"It woke me up to the fact that this is what ministry should really be about. People are hurting, broken, lost...it became real," he said.

The experience helped the young pastor to see the big picture of life instead of dwelling on the minor theological differences.

"There are people attending church with some heavy topics," he said. "The gay/lesbian community...I don't know the answer, but I know these people know what love is really about. They know what it means to care for your fellow neighbor.

"I can't explain it, but when they come in I say, 'I'm glad you're here,'" Barrios said. "I'm not trying to convert you...let's let God's spirit do the work."

After nearly a year in Buena Park, Barrios, a 1996 graduate of Warren High School, noticed many of his members were traveling from the Downey-Bellflower region.

"Downey was cool, but I didn't want to bring [the church] here," said Barrios shaking his head. "But it's not about me. If it's Downey then it's Downey...I needed to be open to that."

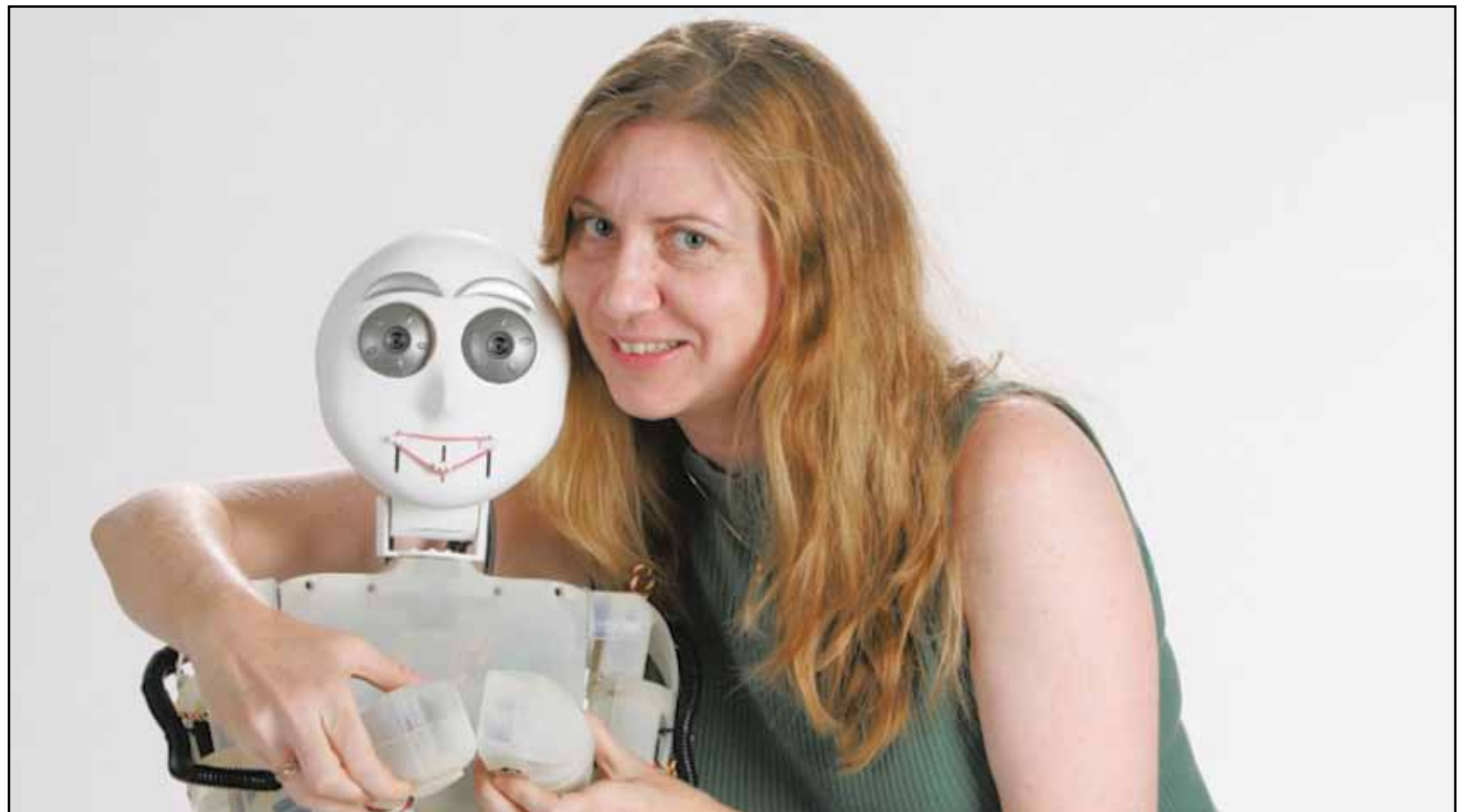
In December 2012, Crave Life met for the first time at the Columbia Memorial Space Center, located at 12400 Columbia Way, where the congregation continues to meet every Sunday morning at 10:30 a.m.

Each gathering begins with a time of music led by a live band followed by an opportunity for church members to greet one another while eating provided refreshments. After an open forum message from Barrios, parishioners are invited to partake of communion.

"We have communion every week," Barrios said. "It's the equalizer. There's a seat for everyone to commune and eat the same bread and drink of the same cup."

Although people may find reasons to avoid church in the 21st century, Barrios encourages local residents to give God a chance.

"For some it may be give God a chance again," he said. "Begin there, forgive the church. We haven't always done a good job in the past accepting people and welcoming people, but at Crave Life it doesn't matter what you look like or talk like – come with your junk. Come find Christ and a new perspective on life."



Dr. Maja Mataric with a social robot.

Photo courtesy USC

FUTURE IS NOW FOR ROBOTS IN REHABILITATION

• Rancho hosting its third International Transformational Technology Summit, bringing together leaders from around the world.

By Greg Waskul
Rancho Los Amigos Foundation

DOWNEY – Julio was paralyzed from the chest down several years ago, but today he is walking again thanks to Rancho's ReWalk Exoskeleton Robot. David is working with a shoulder robot that is helping him regain function that was lost after a devastating stroke more than a decade ago.

At the same time, Rancho researchers are planning a new brain/computer interface project with their colleagues at Caltech and USC that will assist individuals with significant brain impairment by transmitting signals directly to their brains so that they may manipulate computers or machinery with nothing more than a thought.

"These are just three of the many exciting advances that are putting Rancho at the forefront of rehabilitation robotics technology," said Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center Chief Medical Officer Mindy Aisen, MD, chair of the conference. "That's why we are convening our Third Transformational Technology Summit, entitled 'Robotics in Rehabilitation: The Future is Now!', which will bring together leaders in academia, medicine, industry and government from throughout the world to discuss how we can harness technology to best serve our patients."

Transformational Technology Summit 3 will be held February 22-23 on the Rancho campus. This groundbreaking conference will be presented by Rancho, the Los Amigos Rehabilitation and Education Institute and the Rancho Los Amigos Foundation. Attendance will be by invitation only.

"We are very excited to meet with leaders in the fields of spinal

cord injury, rehabilitation, robotics, brain/computer interface and many other emerging technological frontiers at this event," Dr. Aisen said. "Our goal is to bring together many of the world's top people in this area to discuss the impact of current and emerging technologies in improving outcomes for rehabilitation patients."

The summit comes at an exciting time in the history of Rehabilitation Medicine. "We are at a critical moment in time where we are experiencing rapid technological change that is already helping patients replace function and provide task-specific improvement that could not be achieved with conventional therapy alone," Dr. Aisen added.

The summit opens next Friday night with a presentation by USC's Ted Berger entitled "Restoring Neurologic Function: Frontiers in Neurosurgery and Technology."

Saturday's program begins with world-renowned researcher Carolee Winstein, PhD, PT, FAPTA from USC, who will discuss the role of robotics in task-specific practice.

Last year, Rancho became the first hospital in the Western U.S. to use ReWalk Exoskeleton robots to help paralyzed patients walk again. The inventor of the ReWalk, Amit Goffer, will travel to Downey from Israel to discuss how powered exoskeleton robots can help patients overcome vertical mobility impairments.

Then Dylan Edwards, PhD from the Cornell-Weill School of Medicine in New York will present on the potential use of exoskeleton robots for recovery from spinal injury. His colleague Stefan Bircher, PhD from Hocoma Inc. in Boston will address how lower extremity robots can aid recovery of function in spinal cord injury, stroke and cerebral palsy. Finally, Rodolfo Rohr from Interactive Motion Technologies in Massachusetts will discuss exoskeleton use for hand, wrist arm and ankle recovery.

"These sessions will provide a comprehensive look at where we



A boy uses a special shoulder robot.

Photo by Diane & Greg Waskul

are and where we are going with exoskeleton robots, which is an area where Rancho is continuing to advance the state of the art," Dr. Aisen said. "We are also thrilled that Maja Mataric, PhD from USC, a leading innovator in socially assistive robotics, will be sharing her latest work and her view of the present and future impact social robots will have on the lives of rehabilitation patients."

Attendees will also hear from several distinguished leaders in brain/computer robotics technology.

Beata Jarosiewicz, PhD from Brown University will discuss the results of the Brain Gate brain/computer interface project, while Caltech's Richard Andersen, PhD will speak about Caltech's experience with brain/computer robotics interfaces.

"After these two distinguished scientists discuss their work, we are going to convene a panel to delve

more deeply into this area," Dr. Aisen said. The panel will be moderated by the brilliant neurosurgeon Charles Liu, MD, PhD from Rancho and USC.

"We are going to wrap up the conference with these brain/computer sessions, because we believe this could be one of the most important technological breakthroughs in many years for individuals with severe disabilities," she added.

"We look forward to discussing the key role robots are playing today, and the larger role they will almost certainly play in the future as the art and science of Rehabilitation Medicine evolves," Dr. Aisen said.

"We are very proud of our leadership in the implementation of robotic technologies for our patients," she said. "With the state-of-the-art robots we are already using and the research we are doing on emerging robotic technologies, the future of robotics in rehabilitation at Rancho is now."

In Memory of
La Verne Monahan
February 27, 1931 to February 9, 2013



Long time Downey resident La Verne Monahan 81 passed away at her home on Saturday night February 9th. She is survived by her husband of 62 years Ronald, her four children Michael, Dennis, Thomas and Patricia as well as six grandchildren Nichole, Jason, Daylee, Danielle, Tara and Tesse. Born February 27, 1931 in Hope, Arkansas to Edward and Ola Caudle she moved to Los Angeles with her parents and brother Robert at the age of eight. She attended and graduated from Washington High School in 1949. After high school she worked at her father's clothing manufacturing company, Caudle Sportswear, until her second child was born at which time she became a full time housewife. La Verne and Ronald purchased their home on Via Amorita in Downey in 1954 and have seen a great deal of changes in the city over the years. Until months before her passing she still talked about the orange groves across the street and the horses going by the house when they first moved in. For years she was an active bowler, took up golf and enjoyed that for many years until her health issues kept her off of the courses. Also active with the Downey Elks she enjoyed the socializing and different activities provided by this organization.

Always smiling she was extremely proud of her husband, children and grandchildren and always enjoyed being out with friends. A fantastic wife, mother, grandmother and friend she will be greatly missed by all who knew her.

Funeral next week for Bonnie Mae Young

DOWNEY – Downey resident Bonnie Mae Young died Feb. 7. Born Sept. 21, 1924, she was predeceased by her husband, Douglas S. Young; son, Douglas L. Young; and grandson, Douglas W. Young. She is survived by a son, William E. Young; grandchildren Bonnie R. Brubaker, Brad Young and Brent Young; and great-grandchildren Conner, Chloe and Claire Brubaker, and Kendall, Riley and Benjamin Young. A visitation will be held Monday at 9 a.m. at First Southern Baptist Church of Downey, followed by the funeral service at 10 a.m. In lieu of flowers, the family requested donations to First Southern Baptist Church of Downey, 12382 Downey Ave., Downey CA 90242.

In Memory of
Robert (Bob) F. Warren
September 16, 1927 - February 5, 2013

Robert (Bob) F. Warren was born September 16, 1927 in Sioux City, IA and passed away with his family and loving wife by his side Tuesday February 5, 2013. Bob is survived by his wife of 25 years Yolanda her children Wendy and Victor, Bob's children Pattie, Janelle, Roberta, Arnie, Ron, Tom and Sally. Preceded in death by his parents Rita and Miles Warren his children Sandra and David Warren. Bob served in the US Navy from 1945 to 1949 as a Boatswain Mate and was most proud of the US teachers he helped rescue from China and return to the USA during WW II. Bob was an iron worker and built fence for 30+ years, after Bob was injured and could no longer build fence he became an estimator for Pilgrim fence where he spent many successful years as their top salesman. Bob was known for his generosity, kindness, sense of humor, love of pool and practical jokes. Bob's life touched many people and he will be missed, a celebration of Bob's life was held Friday February 8th at 10am at Brookshire Manor, 11410 Brookshire Ave in the community room. The family of Bob and Yolanda would like to thank everyone for there well wishes and prayers, donations may be made to Yolanda Warren.

Nick Gergorio earned Purple Heart

DOWNEY – Longtime Downey resident Nick Gergorio passed away peacefully on Feb. 5 surrounded by his family. He was 94. The son of Italian immigrant parents, he was born in Linhart, Penn., where he lived with his four brothers and two sisters. During World War II, he enlisted in the U.S. Army, served in the Normandy campaign and received both the Purple Heart and Bronze Star medals. In 1950, he moved to Downey, worked in the grocery business with his brothers and was a caregiver for his sister, Helen. He was a longtime member of the Downey Bocce Club at Apollo Park. He is survived by three brothers: Pat, Carmine and John; and 12 nieces and nephews. A viewing is scheduled for Feb. 24 from 3-7 p.m. at Miller-Mies Mortuary. Funeral services will be held Feb. 25 at 9 a.m. at the Mortuary and 11 a.m. at Rose Hills.



5K run/walk planned in Downey

DOWNEY – The city of Downey and Downey Unified School District are partnering for the first annual Healthy Downey 5K run/walk April 13. The event begins at 8 a.m. at Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center with proceeds benefiting the TLC Center. The Kiwanis Club of Downey became the event's first major sponsor this week with a \$2,500 donation to cover the cost of a commemorative T-shirt that will be provided to all runners and walkers. Proceeds from the run/walk will go to the TLC Center, which provides underprivileged students with access to physical and mental health services and more. The center operates solely on grants, donations and fundraisers. For more information on the run/walk, including registration costs, call (562) 904-3577 or go online to dusd.net/tlc.

Kids Day set for May 11

DOWNEY – Kids Day, the annual event celebrating Downey's children, will take place May 11 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Furman Park. The event will feature one-cent carnival games for children. There will also be vendors where parents can learn about local youth organizations. There will also be two stages for entertainment, food and an environmental fair. A 2K fun run starts at 10:45 a.m., with the first 25 kids to cross the finish lines receiving a medal and goody bags. All others will receive ribbons. The event is free.

Scholarships available for teens

DOWNEY – Downey high school seniors with a minimum 3.0 grade point average and who have volunteered extensively in the community may be eligible for scholarships from the Assistance League of Downey and Gypsy Johnson Auxiliary. To qualify, seniors must have a 3.0 GPA and be in good standing at a Downey Unified high school. Applications are available at each high school guidance office. Scholarships will be presented at an awards assembly scheduled by the respective schools. Deadline for the scholarship application is March 15. Assistance League of Downey and its Gypsy Johnson auxiliary raise funds for their local program, including Operation School Bell, H.O.M.E., a dental program, Christmas gift distribution, vision care, SAT programs and more.

Roger Higgins dies at 71

DOWNEY – Roger Alan Higgins passed away Feb. 5 at the age of 71. He was born in Santa Barbara to Elbert and Betty Higgins and was a resident of Downey for 41 years. He is survived by his wife of 35 years, Gail Higgins; and daughter Terri Ponce de Leon; son Roger Alan Higgins Jr. Services will be on Saturday, Feb. 16, at 11 a.m. at Trinity Baptist Church in Downey.

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Dear Downey Family,

I hope this message finds you all well. I would like to take this opportunity to share with you some of the great things happening in our City. I feel it is my responsibility as your Mayor to keep you informed about what is going on in our community and I enjoy relaying this information to you.

Let me first start off by mentioning the homeless count that was conducted here in Downey on January 29-31. As you might have read about, Downey Counts is a community-driven initiative aimed at identifying the most vulnerable individuals experiencing street homelessness with the hopes of being able to find homes for them. During these three nights, a group of close to 60 volunteers came together to help reach out to all of the homeless people living on the streets of Downey. Councilmember Alex Saab and myself were fortunate to be part of this great effort and we were amazed to see the number of volunteers that came out. It was truly a rewarding experience and I was touched by so many people I met who are currently experiencing homelessness. Folks, these are our neighbors. They are people just like you and me who have feelings, who experience hunger, who feel pain, who for unfortunate circumstances have lost almost everything. Our City will continue supporting Downey Counts and I would like to personally thank the Moravian Church of Downey, Kingdom Causes Bellflower and Our Place Housing Solutions for spearheading

this effort. While we do not have the answers yet, a journey begins with the first step.

On February 1st we commemorated the 10th Anniversary of the Columbia Shuttle tragedy with a special ceremony at the Columbia Memorial Space Center. It was a privilege to host a special event like this as we honored the crew of STS-107, who tragically lost their lives 10 years ago. A day to remember, a day to commemorate heroes that risked their lives to make ours better. We were honored to have NASA Astronaut Lt. Col. James Kelly as our special guest speaker. A special thank you to Lt. Col. Kelly for joining us on this special day and also to Congresswoman Lucille Roybal-Allard for her support in making this possible.

Next Thursday, February 21st we will be having a groundbreaking event for The View Development that will be located at 8314 2nd Street (former Verizon building site). This six-story, 50-unit multi-family affordable housing development will be a great addition to our Downtown area. We are eager for construction to begin and excited at what this project is going to do for our Downtown. Our downtown plan is working and this is yet another piece of the exciting changes happening.

I am proud to see the success of Stay Gallery Downey. Just last Friday I attended the J. Arthur Morris exhibit and I was glad to see how many art enthusiasts we have in town. It was a way to celebrate Art Morris who made such a difference

to Downey, and also celebrate a movement that our City is proud to be a part of. Stay Gallery Downey has brought such an amazing vibe to our City, specifically for our Downtown area. Thank you to Valentin Flores, Director of Stay Gallery Downey, and his team, for their dedication and hard work in instilling a positive art culture movement in our community.

Our Healthy Downey Initiative is going strong and we have so many great community partners that have joined this team effort. I would like to personally thank Kaiser Permanente, Downey YMCA, Coca Cola, Downey Unified School District, TLC, Apple Care Medical, L.A. Department of Public Health, Family Health Care Centers of L.A., Rancho Los Amigos and the U.S. Army for being part of this collaboration. My goal is to promote living a healthy, active lifestyle through education and civic engagement. All of our community partners share this same vision and together we will continue moving toward a Healthy Downey. Stay tuned for many events with educational components that will help promote healthy lifestyles for our youth and families.

Thank you to all of those who have joined me for my Mayor's Walking Wednesdays. I really enjoy getting to know our residents and encourage you all to join me the second and fourth Wednesday of each month. My next Walking Wednesday will be on February 20th beginning at 6 pm and we will be meeting at Downey High

School. Check out the full schedule on our City's website. Hope to see you next Wednesday. It is a fun and safe way to get to know each other and exercise at the same time. By the way, my official weigh-in at this week's City Council meeting was 288 pounds. I started on December 1st weighing-in at 324 pounds. Still more work to do.

Lastly, we are currently taking nominations for my Mayor's Diakonia Award. The word Diakonia means "service" in Greek and this award will be presented monthly at City Council meetings to recognize those who perform random acts of kindness and give back to others. I encourage you to nominate those who go out of their way to make a difference in the community. Anyone wishing to nominate someone for the Mayor's Diakonia Award should contact my City Council office at 562-904-7274 or email me at mguerra@downeyca.org.

Fellow Downey neighbors, we have a great City that is here to serve us. There are many exciting things happening and I welcome the opportunity to speak with you at any time. The more we all know about our community the more we realize that Downey is a special place.

Stay tuned, our future is just as bright as our shining past. Feel free to call me on my personal cell number, (562) 706-4114.

All my best, God bless.
Dn. Mario A. Guerra
Mayor



Downey police officer Karl Snow was recognized at Tuesday's City Council meeting for his recent 11-month service in Kuwait as a member of the National Guard. Snow was presented a replica military banner like the one displayed on the streets of Downey during his service.

Snow grew up in Norco and graduated from Norco High School in 2001. In January, 2005 he enlisted in the U.S. Army and was on active duty until 2009. During those years he was deployed twice to Iraq and once to South America. After being honorably discharged from the Army, Snow joined the National Guard and graduated from the Orange County Sheriff's Academy in 2011.

Upon his graduation, he worked patrol in Downey until February 2012, when he was deployed to Kuwait for the next 11 months. Officer Snow is currently back on patrol serving the citizens of Downey.

Downey police this week announced the arrest of a man who allegedly posed as a spiritual adviser to gain access to women, whom he then sexually assaulted.

Authorities released few details but said Chaman Vidente would advertise in a Spanish-language magazine. Police think there could be more victims.

Anyone with information is asked to call Detective Laura Quint at (562) 904-2308 or Sgt. Raul Salazar at (562) 904-2304.



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Church selling enchiladas

DOWNEY – Moravian Church of Downey is hosting its annual enchilada sale Feb. 23.

Residents can order their enchiladas ahead of time by calling the church office at (56) 927-0718. Enchiladas can be picked up between 12-5 p.m.

Enchiladas are \$5.25 and come two to a pan. Flavors include beef and cheese, or cheese only.

All enchiladas include black olives, onions, sauce and cheese. Residents should specify special orders.

Downey student returns inspired from environmental conference

• Karina Gonzalez represents California at national environmental seminar.

DOWNEY – Downey student Karina Gonzalez returned home last week after spending four days participating in Keep America Beautiful's national conference in Washington, D.C.

Gonzalez, a sophomore at Downey High School, was selected last May as one of 10 students nationwide to serve on the Keep America Beautiful National Youth Advisory Council, taking part in monthly conference calls to discuss environmental issues that affect local communities.

The other students selected were representing Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Florida, Georgia, Arizona, Tennessee, Texas, Kentucky and

New Jersey. Gonzalez represented California.

Gonzalez and her fellow Youth Council members attended the conference in Washington to meet with leaders in the fields of conservation and the environment.

"I was honored to be selected as part of this council, and super excited to go to Washington, D.C. to represent the city of Downey and California," she said. "I look forward to continue working with my fellow Youth Advisory Council to bring Keep America Beautiful's message to our community."

At the conference, Gonzalez shared how youth in Downey help keep parks "butt-free" by conducting regular cigarette litter clean-ups. She also spoke of her involvement with the Downey Bike Coalition and how she and her friends persuaded Downey High students to

get on their bikes after educating them on the environmental benefits.

Gonzalez also praised Carol Rowland, head of Keep Downey Beautiful, calling her a "strong mentor...who cares enough to listen to the youth and provide the support needed for beautification and environmental projects."

The conference drew to a close with a tour of the White House.

"I think Karina and I both learned what it takes to be an advocate and leader for the environment and how young leaders can make a difference in their communities,"

said Brenda Lopez, a Downey Kiwanis Club member who served as chaperone.

After returning home, Gonzalez connected with her campus club, the KIWIN's, and presented new ideas to help her city and school become more environmentally conscious. She said she plans to continue her environmental initiatives with the Kiwanis Green Team over the summer.

She will also continue encouraging teens "to get on their bikes and ride instead of asking their parents for rides."

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Metro Buys 550 New Buses

The Metro Board of Directors approved spending \$302 million to purchase 550 new 40-foot transit buses fueled by compressed natural gas. The new buses will replace vehicles that are past 12 years of age and 500,000 miles over the next three years.

Metro Looks For Bids On Regional Connector

Metro has issued requests for proposals for construction of the \$1.367-billion Regional Connector light rail line through Downtown LA. The two-mile, fully underground route will connect the Metro Gold, Blue and Expo lines. For more information visit metro.net/regionalconnector.

Gold Line Weekend Service Increased

The frequency of Metro Gold Line trains is increasing from every 12 minutes to every 6 minutes on Saturdays and Sundays from 10am to 8pm. Now you can enjoy Old Pasadena, Chinatown, Little Tokyo and East LA over the weekend all while making better connections and with less time spent waiting for the train.

Third Segment Launches On I-5 South

Major work on Rosecrans, Bloomfield and Shoemaker avenues in Norwalk kicked off earlier this month as part of the I-5 South Widening project between the 605 Freeway and Orange County. The project is adding lanes in each direction to ease the bottleneck caused when it meets the 10-lane portion at the county line.



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Letters to the Editor:

Good intentions, bad plan

Dear Editor:

It has been said that the road to hell is paved with good intentions and that is what has been done by Mayor Mario Guerra, Councilman Alex Saab, the Moravian church and the other organizations that are taking census of the homeless population.

A more effective action would have been to contact Gateway Connections at (562) 373-5264 who get the homeless into temporary housing, refer them to services like healthcare, job centers and more, and find them permanent housing.

While it may be politically correct to care for the homeless, it is quite another experience to suffer the actions of homeless people. My office building has seen the front door littered with cigarette butts, beer cans and all kinds of debris after a homeless person used the front of my office building to pass the night.

The police can't do much about it other than tell these people they are trespassing and to leave. They don't feel that they can do much more or at least that is what I've been told.

Furthermore, I find it hard to feel any empathy for people who defecate outside of my office's front door.

**Jorge Montero
Downey**

Positive car repair experience

Dear Editor:

I recently had the most wonderful car repair experience at the Downey Nissan garage.

My 1997 Pathfinder began to act up again, feeling unsteady while driving with the flow of traffic on the freeway. Last year, I used Cerritos Nissan for repairs and decided to check out the Downey place. What a world of difference.

Last year, I left my car at Cerritos at 7 a.m. A number of phone calls later (me calling in to them several times) and by 3 p.m. I had an answer as they diagnosed my car's problem as needing new sway bars. It would take two more days because the diagnosis was not made until late in the day, the parts had to be ordered and delivered. I can't believe it took them eight hours to examine my car and figure this out.

The same thing began to happen again, the car feeling unsteady on the freeway. Instead of leaving the car at 7 a.m., I did all my errands in the morning and dropped off the car at Downey Nissan later in the afternoon. Within minutes of talking to the service advisor, he put in my VIN and found warranty work with the struts that could be causing the problem.

My question is, why did Cerritos Nissan not come up with this? My car is a 1997. It's been posted for a while.

By noon the next day, the advisor, Ricardo, called to say my car would be ready that afternoon.

From now on, Downey Nissan will be my go-to place for Nissan repairs. And no, they did not pay me to write this letter. I'm doing it because I think places that give service above and beyond what is expected deserve positive comments, and other folks should be informed of places that give more than the minimum requirements.

**Rita Shertick
Downey**

Christopher Dorner

Dear Editor:

He looked like a nice guy to me, I told myself as I watched the news. A guy I would not mind marrying my daughter. Smiling, doing his bit for his country in Iraq. He looked like a nice guy to me.

Something went wrong here. Coming back smiling from Iraq, killing women and children. Something went wrong here and it was not with Christopher Dorner.

It went wrong with a country that has been killing others in some country either covertly or in your face for a long time. A soldier who went to Iraq to defend his people, only to find it was a war for money.

A country armed to the teeth with killing on its mind. A country so full of fear the people become doomsday preppers, so scared their country will not protect them.

Maybe post-traumatic syndrome was this smiling man's problem? Did anybody ask that before the police set fire to the cabin he was holed up in? And at the end of all of this, I have to ask: is there any difference between strapping a bomb to your chest and a shootout?

It is a hopelessness that so many feel. God help you, America. What a pity; all he wanted to be was a good cop. Dressed in that uniform he looked so proud.

What happened? What happened to this man? How did this happen, America, to one of your soldiers? He looked like a nice guy to me.

Shame on you, America, for killing your young in so many wars for money. Now this is what you will have to deal with. The killing fields have finally come home.

**Margaret Hittinger
Downey**

The fierce urgency of now

By Stephen Gray Wallace, M.S. Ed.

The alcohol fueled alleged serial rape of a sixteen-year-old Ohio girl by two of her similarly impaired classmates - not to mention the drunken videotaped commentary of others - points yet again to the imperative that adult America renews its commitment to address as a true national community those issues that most threaten the health, safety, and forward development of youth.

It is a priority that carries with it, in Dr. Martin Luther King's words, the fierce urgency of now. Indeed, is there a task more pressing than protecting the generation that will follow us as custodians of the future?

Probably not.

Among the key threats facing our kids are ones often overlooked, underplayed, or enabled by adults: alcohol use and its many negative ramifications, including impaired driving.

Over the past decade, our government has laid out a blueprint for reducing "demand" among adolescents and children, beginning with the National Academies report, "Reducing Underage Drinking - A Collective Responsibility." As the title suggests, it is imperative that all members of adult America make it their business to join the legions of agencies, organizations, schools, and families in combating underage drinking and the driving that often follows.

But new research reveals we have a long way to go.

According to a recently released study of teens by SADD (Students Against Destructive Decisions) and Liberty Mutual Insurance, the number of sixteen- and seventeen-year-olds reporting that their parents allow them to drink at home, host alcohol-included parties, and drink at parties away from home is on the rise.

For example, 37 percent of the teens revealed that their parents allow them to drink with them, up 10 percent from 2010.

Some believe that "de-mystifying" alcohol use by allowing kids to drink at home will make it less likely their teens will drink elsewhere. But other research tells a different story. According to a 2005 SADD Teens Today study:

Among high school teens, those who tend to avoid alcohol are more than twice as likely as those who repeatedly use alcohol to say their parents never let them drink at home (84 percent vs. 40 percent).

More than half (57 percent) of high school teens who report their parents allow them to drink at home, even once in a while, say they

drink with their friends, as compared to just 14 percent of teens who say their parents don't let them drink at home.

Similarly, between 2010 and this year, those stating that they are allowed to drink without their parents present or to attend alcohol-included parties rose from 21 to 29 percent and from 36 to 47 percent, respectively.

Finally, those teens reporting that they are permitted to host parties with alcohol increased slightly over prior years to 15 percent.

Given the known - and deleterious - effects of alcohol on evolving teen brains and the link between early alcohol use and life-long problems, this trend represents a significant concern to prevention specialists and educators.

Maybe even more alarming is the percentage of teens that admit to driving after drinking (15 percent) or using marijuana (16 percent). Hence the urgency.

Fortunately, not all the news is bad. A combination of policy, parents, and peers holds some hope.

Policy: An increasing number of states are enacting - and enforcing - social host liability laws, holding adults accountable if they provide alcohol to minors or allow alcohol-included parties to take place in their homes.

Parents: Mom and Dad remain the most powerful force in their teen's decision-making. Conversations about safe driving and saying no to alcohol can start with them.

Peers: Friends hold a lot of power, too. Eighty-seven percent of surveyed teens will ask a peer under the influence of alcohol to refrain from driving ... and 92 percent of those peers would agree.

And other help is on the way. A new media campaign from the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), Talk. They Hear You, highlights the power and responsibility of parents when it comes to youth alcohol use.

Thus, let's make a resolution in our courts, our homes, and our cars to address the scourge of youth substance use and the crash deaths and injuries from car crashes that often result.

That is the fierce urgency of now.

Stephen Gray Wallace is senior policy adviser at SADD.

Tips for self-published authors

Self-published books have transformed both the reading and writing landscape, with hundreds of thousands of authors now eschewing traditional publishing routes. Once reserved for distribution to a writer's close family and friends, these books are now respected as an affordable option with every bit as much potential for becoming best-sellers as those produced by the New York houses.

"Countless books published this way have gone on to become best-sellers, from 'Fifty Shades of Grey' to 'Still Alice' to 'Rich Dad Poor Dad,'" says independent publisher Sheryn Hara, founder of the 30-year-old Book Publishers Network (www.bookpublishersnetwork.com) and author of the new how-to, "Self-Publish Successfully."

"But it's important to note that these don't look like they were just spit out of the inkjet printer in your bedroom. You have to have a good product if you want even a shot at success. That means good content that's well edited; a good cover; good layout; and a good print job. Additionally, you can expect to spend a lot of time and/or money marketing, promoting and getting publicity for your book."

So, where to begin? First, of course, is getting the book written. But once you're ready to publish, you can easily be overwhelmed with options: Do a Google search for "independent publishers" and you'll get nearly 8 million results!

To help sort through the options, Hara offers these tips:

• **Decide how you want your book printed.** Consider your budget, time frame and individual preferences when evaluating options. They include Print-on-Demand (POD), which involves lower up-front costs and is beneficial if you need only a minimum number of books. However, there are quality issues with POD, and you must pay close attention to your contract, which may assign the copyright to the publisher. Most POD publishers do not provide editing services. Digital printing is another option for small print runs, and comes without many of the pitfalls of POD. Finally, there's standard printing, which utilizes web-fed or sheet-fed presses.

• **How to choose a printer.** Get quotes from at least three printers, and ask for samples of books and papers. Use only a printer whose main job is printing; most of these are located in Minnesota, Wisconsin and Michigan. The most economical size books to print are 5.5 by 8.5 inches; 6 by 9 inches; or 8.5 by 11 inches.

• **Covers.** People do judge books by their covers, so make sure yours is fantastic. It's worth the investment to have it designed professionally. Now you must decide whether you want soft cover, hard cover or both. You may have a choice of gloss lamination or matte. If you go with matte, check to see whether the printer has a scuff-free version; otherwise, books returned from bookstores may look beat up.

• **Paper.** For most books, you're probably safe going with the "house paper" recommended by the printer. If your book has a lot of pictures, you may want to use gloss paper.

• **Bindings.** "Perfect bound" is the norm for soft cover books; a layer of adhesive holds the pages and cover together. Most bookstores don't like "saddle stitch" - staples used in the center of the book, or comb or wire binding, because you can't print information on the spines. "Layflat binding" is used for computer, music and cookbooks, which often need to lie flat for functionality when in use.

If you plan to work with an independent publisher - a company you'll pay to shepherd you through all the details - Hara suggests talking to former customers about their experience. Did the company follow through on everything promised in the contract? Did it meet deadlines? Were representatives accessible, especially if there was a problem? Was the customer satisfied with the final product?

"Decide on your budget, and then look at the quality of books produced by publishers you're considering. Frankly, the better the quality, the more the book will cost," Hara says.

"Your pocketbook and your goals should help make the decision easier."

Columbia Landing

Dear Editor:

I agree with Mr. Sandoval in the naming of this third Downey mall. ("Renaming Tierra Luna," Letters to the Editor, 2/7/13)

A more proper and respectful name given the circumstances as to its location would be "Columbia Landing" as opposed to the proposed name of Tierra Luna.

Who is responsible for coming up with that name? Is there some significance to Downey with that proposed name? Do the words have any meaning?

Columbia Landing means something to any American and is being respectful to all and the revenue received by Downey in the glory days of space flight.

**David Abney
Downey**

Dangers of bacteria

Dear Editor:

I see that Lars Clutterham has taken up the banner for banning plastic shopping bags (again).

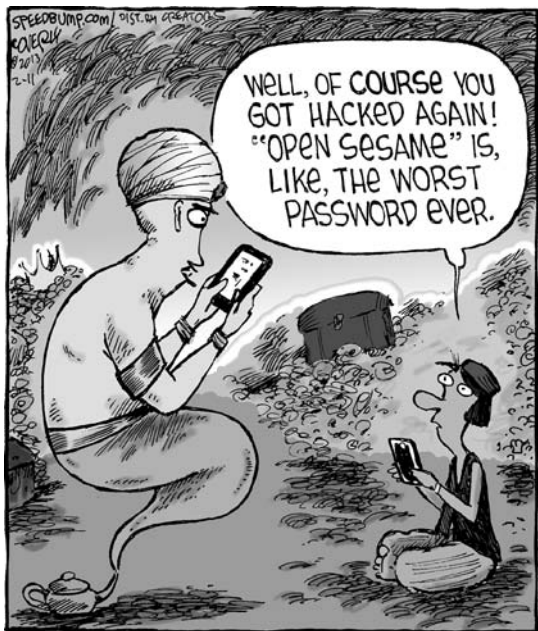
I guess the latest medical data on increased deaths from foodborne bacteria in jurisdictions that have banned plastic bags leave little impression upon him.

Why does Lars want people -- particularly seniors, who are especially susceptible to foodborne bacteria -- to die?

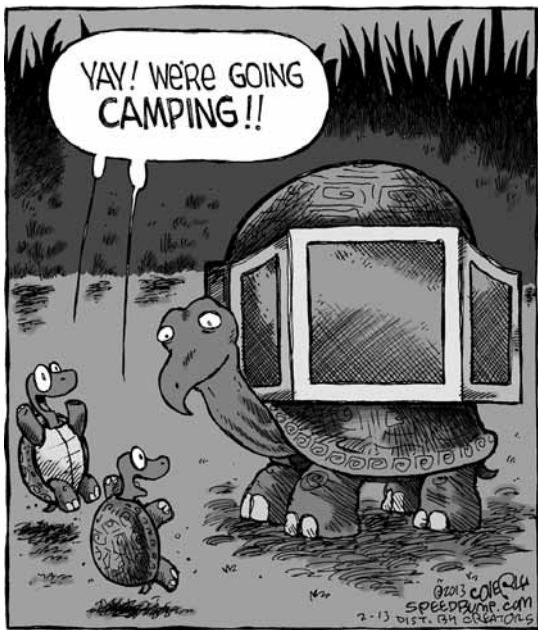
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Downey Community Calendar

Events For February

- Sat. Feb. 16: **Smart gardening workshop**, Wilderness Park, 9:30 a.m.
- Wed. Feb. 20: **Inspirational speaker Renee Bondi**, OLPH School, 10 a.m.
- Wed. Feb. 20: **Child immunizations**, Price Elementary, 3 p.m.
- Wed. Feb. 20: **Chamber of Commerce mixer**, Hackers, 5 p.m.
- Thurs. Feb. 21: **Downey High School football alumni night**, Stay Gallery, 6 p.m.

City Meetings

- 1st & 3rd Wednesday, 6:30 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 Tuesday, 6:00 p.m.: **Emergency Preparedness Committee**, at Fire Station No. 1, 12222 Paramount Blvd.
- 2nd & 4th Tuesday, 7:30 p.m.: **City Council**, Council Chamber.
- 3rd Tuesday, 6:30 p.m.: **Library Advisory Board**, at Downey City Library.

Regularly Scheduled Meetings

Mondays

- 7 p.m.: **Boy Scout Troop 2**, at Downey United Methodist Church, for information call 869-6478.
- 2nd Mon., 11 a.m.: **American Legion Auxiliary #270**, at United Methodist Church.
- 3rd Mon., 7 p.m.: **American Legion Post #270**, at Rio Hondo Event Center, for more info. call 806-2100.
- 4th Mon., 7:30 p.m.: **Downey Numismatists**, at Downey Retirement Center, call 862-6666.

Tuesdays

- 9:30 a.m.: **Downey Seniors Club**, at Apollo Park, for information call Nadine Morris at 923-9422.
- 10 a.m.: **Downey Bocce Club**, at 7850 Quill Drive, for information call John Fiorenza at 652-4399.
- 12 p.m.: **Rotary Club**, at Rio Hondo, for information e-mail Diane Davis at ddavis87@me.com.
- 6 p.m.: **Toastmasters Club 587**, at First Baptist Church, for info call Raul Castillo 400-2561.
- 6:15 p.m.: **Downey Knights of Columbus Bingo**, at 11231 Rives, for info call 923-1932.
- 1st Tues., 7:30 a.m.: **Gangs Out of Downey**, at City Hall training room.
- 2nd Tues., 3 p.m.: **Keep Downey Beautiful**, at City Hall, for more information call 904-7117.
- 2nd and 4th Tues., 6 p.m.: **Sertoma Club**, at Cafe 'N Stuff, for information call 927-6438.
- 2nd Tues., 6 p.m.: **Downey Fly Fishers**, at Apollo Park, for information call 425-7936.
- 3rd Tues., 6:30 p.m.: **Community Emergency Response Team meeting**, Fire station 1, 12222 Paramount.
- 3rd Tues., 7:30 p.m.: **Writer's Workshop West**, at at Downey High School library, for info call 862-3106.
- Tues., Thurs. & Sat., 10 a.m.: **Downey Bocce Club**, at 7850 Quill Drive, for info. call John Fiorenza 652-4399.

Wednesdays

- 7 a.m.: **Kiwanis Club**, at Rio Hondo Events Center. Call Steve Roberson at 927-2626.
- 1 p.m.: **Women's Bocce Club**, at 7850 Quill Drive, for information call Marie Puch at 869-4366.
- 7 p.m.: **Out Post 132 Royal Rangers**, at Desert Reign Church, for info call 928-8000.
- 1st Weds., 11 a.m.: **Woman's Club of Downey**, for information call Cheryl Olson 833-8954.
- 1st Weds., 11:30 a.m.: **Downey Coordinating Council**, at Community Center, for information call 923-4357.
- 1st Weds., 7:30 p.m.: **Downey Stamp Club**, at Maude Price School cafeteria, for information call 928-3028.
- 2nd Weds., 11:30 a.m.: **Christian Women's Club**, at Los Amigos Country Club, call Anita 861-3414.
- 2nd Weds., 7:30 p.m.: **Downey Model A Club**, at Gallatin School Cafeteria, for information call 928-4132.
- 2nd & 4th Weds., 5:30 p.m.: **Lions Club**, at Sunrise Realty, for information call 577-1104.
- 3rd Weds., - **Downey Dog Obedience Club**, at Apollo Park, for info. call Gina 869-5213 or Valerie 420-2972.
- 3rd Weds., 10 a.m.: **Los Angeles County Quilters Guild**, at Women's Club, for information call 426-2418.
- 3rd Weds., 6 p.m.: **American Business Women's Association**, Rio Hondo Country Club, Call Barbara Carlson 863-2192.
- 4th Weds., 12:00 noon: **Retired Federal Employees**, at Barbara J Riley Center, call 943-5513.
- Wed. & Fri., 10:15 a.m.: **Senior Bingo**, at Apollo Park, for information call 904-7223.

Thursdays

- 7:30 a.m.: **Connections Networking**, at Bob's Big Boy, for info., call Nick Smith, 861-5222.
- 7:30 a.m.: **Soroptimist Int'l of Downey**, for information, call Mia Vasquez, 806-3217.
- 9:30 a.m.: **Take off Pounds Sensibly**, at Barbara Riley Senior Center, call (800) 932-8677.
- 12 p.m.: **Kiwanis Club of Downey**, at Rio Hondo Events Center, call Roy Jimenez 923-0971.
- 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.
- 1st Thurs., 12:00 noon: **Downey Christian & Professional Luncheon**, at Sizzler's Restaurant, call James Vanlengan 310-1335.
- 2nd Thurs., 7:30 p.m.: **Beaming Rebel Foxes Collectors Club**, for more information call Carl D. Jones at 923-2400.
- 3rd Thurs., 4 p.m.: **Public Works Committee**, at City Hall Training Room.
- 3rd Thurs., 6 p.m.: **Downey CIPAC**, at Sizzler's Restaurant, for information call Rich Tuttle 413-6045.
- 4th Thurs., 10 a.m.: **Assistance League**, at Casa De Parley Johnson. for information call 869-0232.
- 4th Thurs., 7:30 p.m.: **Downey Historical Society programs**, at Community Center. Call 862-2777.

Fridays

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

Saturdays

- 9 a.m.: **Farmers Market**, Downey Avenue at 3rd Street, for information call 904-7246.
- 2nd Sat., 12:30 p.m.: **AAUW**, Los Amigos Country Club.

On This Day...

- Feb. 14, 1895:** Oscar Wilde's final play, "The Importance of Being Earnest," opened at the St. James' Theatre in London.
- 1929:** The St. Valentine's Day Massacre took place in a Chicago garage as seven rivals of Al Capone's gang were gunned down.
- 2003:** Dolly the sheep - the first mammal cloned from an adult - was put to death at age 6 due to premature aging and disease.
- Birthdays:** Actress Florence Henderson (79), New York mayor Michael Bloomberg (71), TV personality Pat O'Brien (65), comedian Teller, of Penn & Teller (65), actor Simon Pegg (43), and musician Rob Thomas (41).

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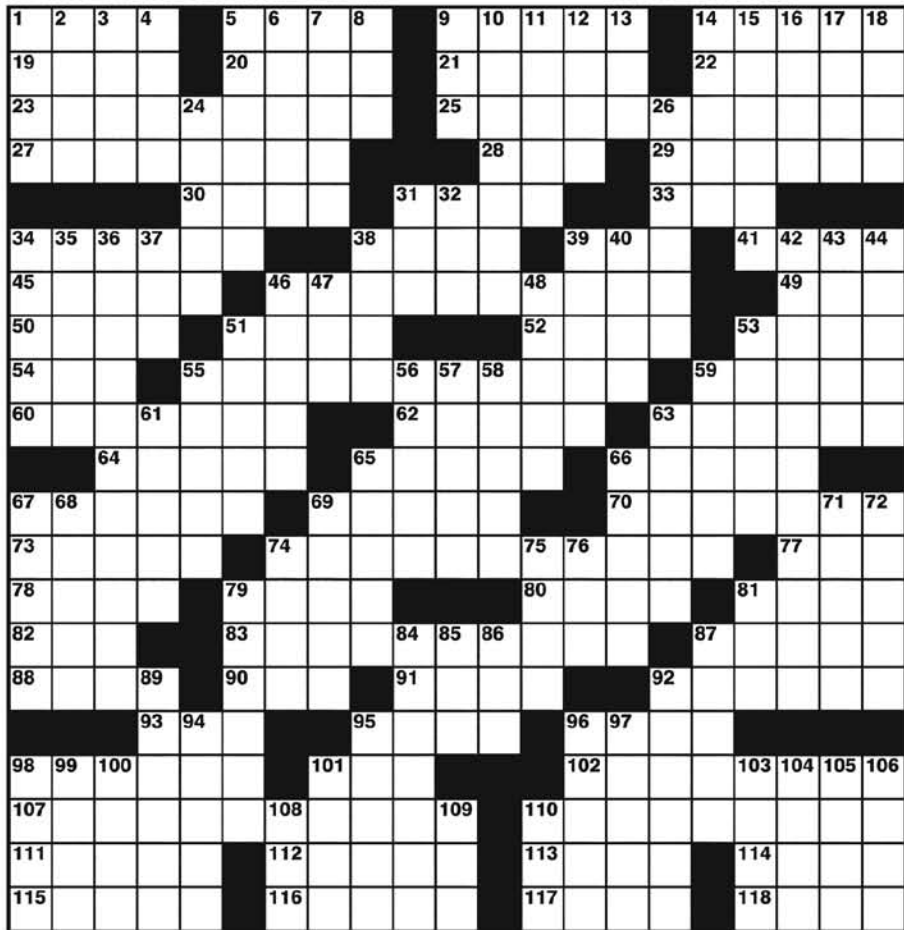
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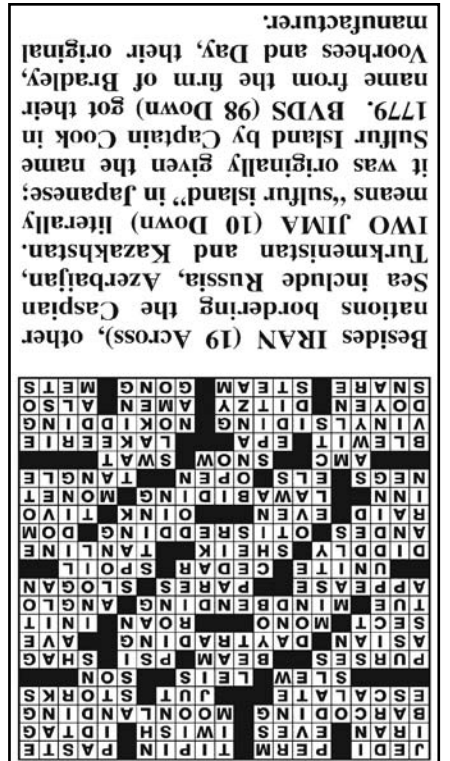
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Paging Dr. Frischer...

By Dr. Alan Frischer



diarrhea, constipation, and indigestion. The results showed improvement in those who switched to alkaline water. Another study was conducted on 20 people suffering from high blood pressure, and results also showed some benefit. Other positive studies likewise included extremely limited numbers of participants.

Academic opinions on the subject of drinking alkaline water from within the United States are also limited. Mayo Clinic researchers took the position that most of us are well served with plain water. On the other hand, a researcher from Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston does believe in drinking alkaline water to maintain good health. She recommends drinking water in the pH range of 7.4 to 7.6, using carbon and other osmotic filters. However, this researcher also warns of the dangers of buying alkaline ionizers due to inadequate water filtration, resulting in high levels of dangerous metals and other unwanted materials.

The bottom line is that we are simply a long way from having conclusive evidence, one way or the other. For now, my medical opinion is to save your money, drink filtered tap or bottled water, and wait for more research to either support or refute the benefits of drinking alkaline water.

Dr. Alan Frischer is former chief of staff and former chief of medicine at Downey Regional Medical Center. Write to him in care of this newspaper at 8301 E. Florence Ave., Suite 100, Downey, CA 90240.

Recently I was asked about the benefits of drinking alkaline water. Alkaline (ionized) water can be made by home water ionizers, and is available at some markets. Is this based on pseudo-science, or on rigorous studies? At the time, I hadn't a clue - now that I've looked into it, allow me to share my opinion.

Let's recall a little basic chemistry: all water contains positive and negative ions. If the number of positive ions is greater than the number of negative ions, the water is considered to be acidic, and if the opposite is true, the water is alkaline. Pure water contains an equal number of positive and negative charges, and is considered neutral (pH = 7). Alkaline water usually gets its additional negative ions from materials such as magnesium, calcium or sodium.

The theory is that drinking alkaline water causes the body's acid-base balance to lean toward alkaline, that this altered pH level can affect internal cell function, and that proper health starts with the correct acid-alkaline balance. Conversely, when our pH levels fall out of balance, we may experience low energy, fatigue, excess weight, poor digestion, and aches and pains. It is purported that this happens because in an acidic environment, bacteria, yeast and other pathogens can proliferate in the body. Eating too many acidifying foods like processed sugar, meat, dairy, coffee, and alcohol create such an acidic balance, and improper elimination of acids can cause a build up of yet more acid. Reestablishing the proper acid-base balance begins with a proper diet, which includes alkalizing foods such as vegetables, low sugar fruit, grains and hydration along with alkaline water. Proponents of alkaline water claim that it can neutralize acid in the body, boost metabolism and help the body absorb nutrients more effectively, and even prevent disease and slow aging.

So, what does the research show? Most of the investigation so far has been conducted in Japan. One study involved 25 people with gastrointestinal problems including chronic



PIH Health in Whittier debuts new hospital tower

WHITTIER - Hundreds of community members, local officials and employees celebrated the grand opening of the brand new PIH Health Plaza Tower on Saturday, February 9, 2013.

PIH Health's Board of Directors Chair Don Alvarado welcomed the crowd and thanked them for their attendance. "Today marks yet another important milestone in our history and is testimony to PIH Health's continued commitment to remaining at the forefront of healthcare advances," said Alvarado.

PIH Health President and Chief Executive Officer Jim West also thanked the crowd for their attendance and support of the enterprise, emphasizing PIH Health is so much more than just a hospital.

"PIH Health is the communities' health and wellness partner serving more than 1.6 million residents in over 20 cities. As an integrated delivery system we are here to care for people of all ages, from birth to hospice care in a variety of welcoming neighborhood locations," said West.

Upon its occupancy in March 2013, the new medical tower will welcome patients to the region's most advanced hospital licensed with 64 private medical/surgical beds, 48 private critical care beds, 2 catheterization labs, a state-of-the-art Surgery Department housing 10 large new operating rooms and a brand new pharmacy.

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"We are thrilled to expand our campus and services to the communities we have been serving for over 50 years. This addition is a testimony of our commitment to patient care by providing the very best healthcare services to the community and remaining at the forefront of medical innovation, technology and service," added West.

Recently, PIH Health also announced its intent to form an affiliation with Downey Regional Medical Center. If an agreement is reached, officials said it would "create an integrated regional healthcare system with many benefits for residents of the greater Southeast Los Angeles County area serviced by the two nonprofit hospitals."

Garcia introduces cyberbullying legislation

BELL GARDENS - In a move to update state law dealing with student bullying on and off campus, Assemblymember Cristina Garcia has introduced her first legislative proposal, AB 256.

Current law defines bullying as harassment or threats that are used to intimidate students, disrupt the classroom, invade the right of the students and create a hostile educational environment.

Students in grades 4-12 who perpetrate such behavior can be suspended or expelled if the bullying occurs while traveling to and from school, on campus during school hours or during or traveling to a school sponsored activity.

According to Garcia, the law is silent on cyberbullying, where students use computers, smartphones and social media to harass and threaten other students at any time or location they choose.

"My legislation is intended to reach beyond the schoolyard and stop bullying, wherever or whenever it happens," Garcia said. "Bullying is unacceptable behavior that should not be tolerated in any way, shape or form, including harassment through electronic communications."

Under current law, a bully can not be suspended or expelled from school unless the act is related to school activity or takes place during school, Garcia said. She sees her legislation as "closing a large loophole in a law that was written before the explosive growth of electronic devices and instant communication."

The bill is currently in the Assembly Rules Committee awaiting assignment to a policy committee for further action.

Ribbon cuttings set for new businesses

DOWNEY - Downey Family & Cosmetic Dentistry, located at 9212 Lakewood Blvd., will hold a ribbon-cutting ceremony Feb. 26 at noon.

The Downey Chamber of Commerce is assisting with the ribbon-cutting.

The practice is owned by Pasha Hakimzadeh, D.D.S.

Core Fusion Fitness, at 12456 Bellflower Blvd., will hold a ribbon-cutting ceremony Feb. 28 at 4:30 p.m.

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Glendale administrator chosen as Downey superintendent

• Dr. John Garcia expected to take over as superintendent April 1.

By Henry Veneracion
Staff Writer

DOWNEY – Dr. John Garcia, deputy superintendent for educational services at Glendale Unified School District, has been selected as DUSD's new superintendent to succeed Dr. Wendy Doty, who is stepping down effective March 31 after a decade of service as superintendent and over 30 years of work in all at DUSD.

Garcia takes over on Monday, April 1.

LaPlante made the formal announcement, in an e-mail to DUSD employees early Monday morning. He said the Board's decision to hire Garcia over the other finalist, Dr. Julie Mitchell, chief personnel officer for the Tustin Unified School District, was made on Friday night prior.

The third finalist, Dr. Christopher King, interim superintendent of the Anaheim City School District, had earlier unexpectedly withdrawn his name for consideration.

LaPlante said the Board expects to approve a formal 4-year, renewable employment contract with Garcia at the regular board meeting on Tuesday. Its details are currently being threshed out. He will be introduced at Tuesday's meeting.

LaPlante said the Board plans to bring the Superintendent Designate to Downey Unified to work as soon as possible to allow him to visit schools and to meet with employees before he formally assumes his new position.

Garcia, a Ph. D. in Urban Educational Leadership graduate of Claremont Graduate University, attended Carpenter Elementary School and Sussman Middle School, and is a 1985 graduate of Downey High School. Born in Hawthorne, the 45-year old educator came to Downey when he was 6.

He received his B.S. in Criminal Justice (minor in U.S./Legal His-

tory) from Cal State Long Beach in 1992; his elementary Multiple Subjects Teaching Credential with a supplement in Bilingual (Spanish) Cross-cultural Language and Academic Development (BCLAD) from Cal State Dominguez Hills in 1994; an M.S. in Educational Leadership in 1997 from Cal State Fullerton; and an Executive MBA also from Claremont in 2004.

Additional international management training included an Executive Training Module undertaken at Oxford University's Templeton College in 2003.

In an e-mail to The Patriot, Garcia expressed his initial thoughts on his new job:

"I am incredibly fortunate to be able to come home to Downey, a place that gave me so much as a young person growing up in this community. Downey Unified and the Downey community provided me with role models, athletics, arts, and a strong foundation academically and socially.

With all the outstanding work that is already being done in the district, my goal is to pick up where Dr. Doty is leaving off and to continue achieving the goals established by the Board of Education."

In his announcement, LaPlante said the Board "appreciates the input we received from many employees and our employee organization over the course of (our) search" and "wants to thank Dr. Wendy Doty for her many years of service for DUSD."

He added: "All of us are tremendously indebted to Dr. Doty for her steady leadership of the District during the trying economic times we have all faced together for the last few years."

And, finally: "The Board tremendously appreciates the work each one of you do every day to help educate the students of the Downey Unified School District. We thank all of you so much for your exemplary service."

Garcia has a significant connection to the Norwalk-La Mirada Unified School District as well.

After starting his educational



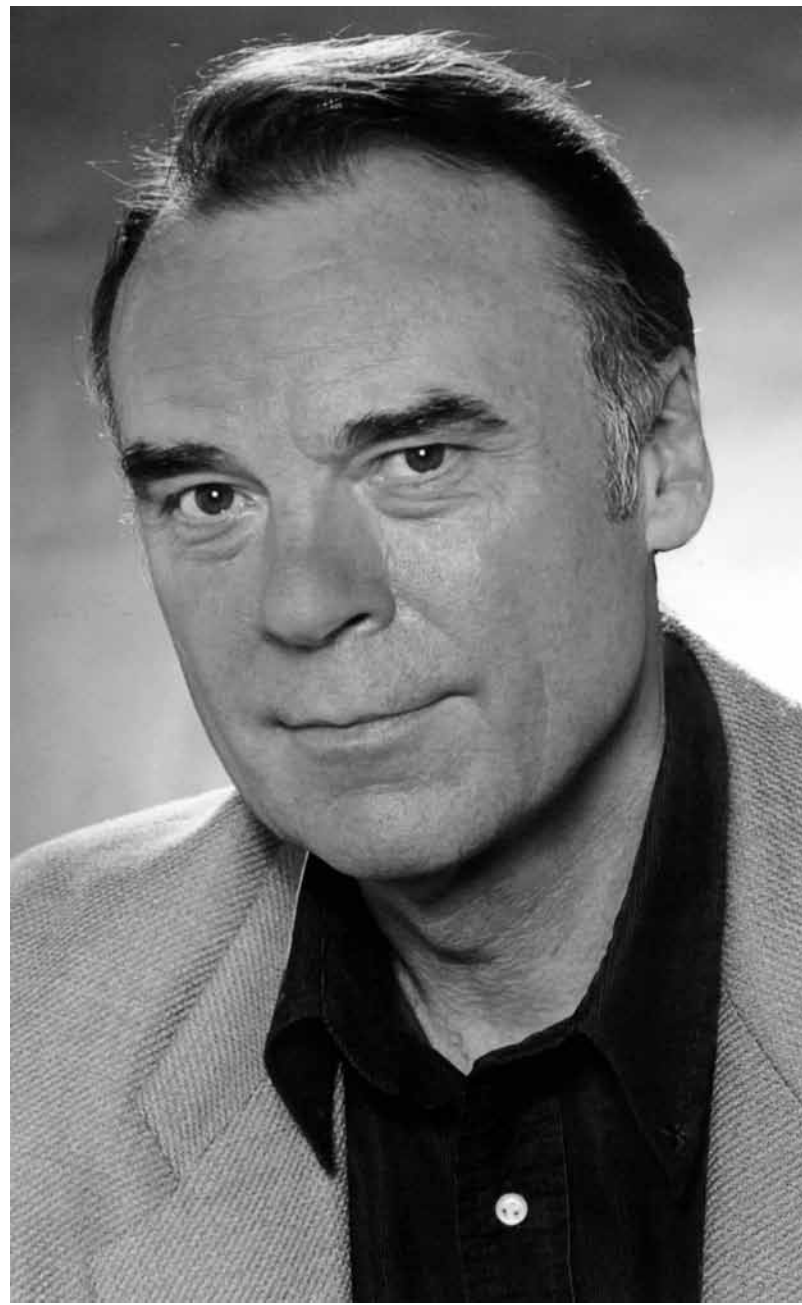
career in 1992 when he taught 5th grade at Oak Street Elementary School in the Inglewood USD until 1994, Garcia taught 4th grade at Sanchez Elementary School, NLMUSD, until 1997, then became assistant principal in Waite Middle School, NLMUSD, till 1999, then principal in Eastwood Elementary School, NLMUSD, until 2002.

He then served as principal in Costa Mesa Middle School, Newport-Mesa USD, from 2002-2005, then principal in Costa Mesa High School, Newport-Mesa USD, from 2005-2007, before his appointment as Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources as well as Director of Classified Personnel in the Glendale USD from 2007-2010, prior to his elevation to Deputy Superintendent for Educational Services in 2010.

Garcia resides in East Whittier with wife Nicole and their two children: Madeline, a senior in high school, and 7th grader Jacob.

He said the Board of Education and Superintendent in Glendale USD have meanwhile been "incredibly supportive of my efforts" to become the next DUSD Superintendent.

A community reception for Garcia is planned, time and place yet to be determined.



Joseph Culliton returns to the Downey Civic Light Opera for a third time to star in "The World Goes 'Round," now playing through March 3 at the Downey Theatre. The Broadway veteran appeared recently in the film "J. Edgar" and was seen here as Henry Higgins in "My Fair Lady." For tickets to "The World Goes 'Round," call (562) 923-1714 between 1-5 p.m., Tuesday through Friday.

City to honor outstanding kids

DOWNEY – Downey Parks and Recreation Department is accepting nominations for its Kids Hall of Fame, which recognizes children who have "demonstrated significant contributions in the areas of academics, athletics, community involvement through volunteerism or a heroic deed."

Awardees will be presented with certificates at a ceremony April 25 at the Downey Theatre.

Nomination forms are available at City Hall, the library, all city parks, the senior center or online at downeyca.org.

For more details, call Parks & Recreation at (562) 904-7225.

Frazier joins library board

DOWNEY – Elsa Frazier joined the Friends of the Downey City Library's board as second vice president/membership chair on Jan. 8.

Frazier replaces Sharon Macias, who with her husband, Greg, also a Friends volunteer, are moving out of state.

In a statement, the Friends said they "acknowledged Ms. Macias' devoted work and thanks Ms. Frazier for assuming the responsibility."

Club to celebrate Valentine's Day Monday

DOWNEY – The Downey Newcomers Club is planning to celebrate Valentine's Day at its meeting this Monday at Frantone's Pizza.

The meeting begins at 11:30 a.m., followed by lunch at 12. Bingo will be played after lunch.

The meeting is open to the public.

Downey High grad returns safe after deployment

DOWNEY – Army Spec. Michael Donahue has returned to the U.S. after being deployed overseas at a forward operating base to serve in support of Operation Enduring Freedom.

Operation Enduring Freedom is the official name given to anti-terrorism military operations involving U.S. troops and allied coalition partners.

Active duty and reserve component members from all branches of the U.S. armed forces have been deployed to support the war against global terrorism outside the borders of the United States. U.S. troops serve in south, southwest and central Asia; the Arabian peninsula; the Horn of Africa; islands in the Pacific; and Europe.

Donahue is a welder assigned to the 4th Airborne Brigade Combat Team, 25th Infantry Division at Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson, Alaska. He is the son of Melinda and Michael Donahue, of Bellflower. The specialist is a 2005 graduate of Downey High School.

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Downey wrestlers ousted in quarterfinals

DOWNEY – The Downey High School wrestling team traveled to the high desert last Saturday to compete at the C.I.F. Division IV Dual Meet Wrestling Championship at the University of Antelope Valley.

The Vikings were eliminated in the quarterfinal round by top seeded and defending champion Bloomington, 39-30. Downey finished their dual meet season with an overall record of 14-3 and league record of 3-1.

Downey defeated an overmatched California High team 72-3 in the opening round. San Gabriel Valley League champion Paramount defeated Highland 41-25 in their first round dual. The Pirates were then defeated by Buena 42-24 in the quarterfinal round. Downey and Paramount were the only S.G.V.L. teams to compete at the duals as Warren, the third-place finisher in league, did not apply for an at-large bid.

Bloomington, the top seed, had a bye in the first round. Montclair defeated Lancaster 57-18 and Bishop Amat defeated Ventura 34-23. On the other side of the bracket, Buena defeated Alemany 42-36, Canyon Springs defeated Colton 75-6 and Quartz Hill defeated Chaffey 46-15.

As previously mentioned, Bloomington defeated Downey 39-30 and Bishop Amat defeated Montclair 57-17 in the quarterfinal round to advance to the semifinal round. On the other side of the bracket, Buena defeated Paramount 42-24 and Canyon Springs defeated Quartz Hill 44-36 in the quarterfinal round to advance to the semifinal round. One semifinal saw Bloomington dismantle Bishop Amat 59-12 and the other semifinal saw Canyon Springs defeat Buena 39-22. The championship final saw Bloomington defeat Canyon Springs 42-28 to win the Division IV title.

Interestingly, Downey wrestled Bloomington to their closest match of the dual meet. Unfortunately for Downey, C.I.F. Duals are single elimination and Downey was eliminated in the quarterfinal round. The Vikings will now turn their attention to C.I.F. individual competition at Los Osos High School today and tomorrow. Top placers will then qualify for the Master's Meet next weekend at Temecula Valley High School. Top Master's Meet placers will then qualify for the state meet in Bakersfield the following weekend.

Coach Soto's team is young this year, with the core of his team being sophomores and juniors that will return next year. Things certainly look good for Downey wrestling next year and a deeper run at the C.I.F. Duals and potential Division IV championship will no doubt be a goal.

–Mark Fetter, contributor

Warren beats Pasadena in opening round

DOWNEY – The Warren High School girls' water polo team is the 2012-13 San Gabriel Valley League champions. The Lady Bears finished their regular season with an overall record of 16-11 and a league record of 5-0.

For their efforts, Warren has been seeded third for the upcoming C.I.F. Division V Championships. Crescenta Valley is seeded first, Riverside Poly is seeded second and Redlands East Valley is seeded fourth. Warren is the reigning back-to-back C.I.F. Division VI champions. For their recent success, the Lady Bears have been moved to Division V.

The Lady Bears have played a difficult pre-season schedule to prepare themselves for what lies ahead. Warren won the Benson Tournament in December, placed 13th out of 32 teams at the America's Finest City (AFC) tournament in Coronado and most recently, placed 18th out of 32 teams in the SoCal Championships tournament in Irvine. The Lady Bears have played many ranked teams from higher divisions who play different styles of water polo in preparation for the Division V playoffs.

Coach Cordero maintains that the senior class of Graci Salinas, Star Meza, Alexis Huerta, Celeste Moreira, Alma Najera and Danielle Echeverria "are looking forward to leading the Lady Bears to another exciting run through the playoffs as they look to win a third consecutive title." Juniors Jocelyn Castro, Melanie Weyers, Kayla Casas and Destiny Hernandez will also provide depth and experience as the Lady Bears prepare to make their run.

The Lady Bears opened their playoff run on Wednesday by beating Pasadena, 22-2, who defeated Nipomo (8-14) 4-3 in double overtime on Tuesday. Warren plays again Saturday.

Coach Cordero and her team are excited for this opportunity and are looking forward to what lies ahead.



Photo courtesy Dorothy Pemberton

The Division V quarterfinals are set for tomorrow, the semifinals are set for next Wednesday and the finals are set for next Saturday at the Woollett Aquatics Center in Irvine.

–Mark Fetter, contributor

Warren basketball to host Trabuco Hills

DOWNEY – The Warren High School boys' basketball team has an overall record of 21-5 and a league record of 8-2. The 16th-seeded Bears won the San Gabriel Valley League title and will host the Trabuco Hills Mustangs (13-12) this evening in the opening round of the C.I.F. Division I-AA playoffs.

Downey is the S.G.V.L. number two entry with an overall record of 16-11 and a league record of 7-3. The Vikings will travel to 10th-seeded Pasadena (20-5) later this evening and take on the Bulldogs in the opening round of the C.I.F. Division I-AA playoffs.

Coach Hart, as well as Coach Shelton, are looking forward to the Division I-AA playoffs and an opportunity to make a nice run to extend each of their seasons. The way the brackets are set up, the two teams will not play each other again this season unless they meet in the C.I.F. final.

The Warren High School girls' basketball team has an overall record of

11-14 and a league record of 5-5. The Lady Bears finished in a tie for third place in S.G.V.L. play with cross-town rival Downey. The Lady Bears will travel to third-seeded Santiago High School (24-2) in Corona and play the Lady Sharks tomorrow evening in the opening round of the C.I.F. Division I-AA playoffs.

The Downey High School girls' basketball team has an overall record of 17-9 and a league record of 5-5. The Lady Vikings will travel to fourth seeded Long Beach Poly (22-4) and play the Lady Jackrabbits tomorrow evening in the opening round of the C.I.F. Division I-AA playoffs.

Coach Palmer, as well as Coach Harris, are looking forward to the Division I-AA playoffs and an opportunity to make a nice run to extend each of their seasons. The way the brackets are set up, the two teams will not play each other again this season unless they meet in the C.I.F. final.

–Mark Fetter, contributor

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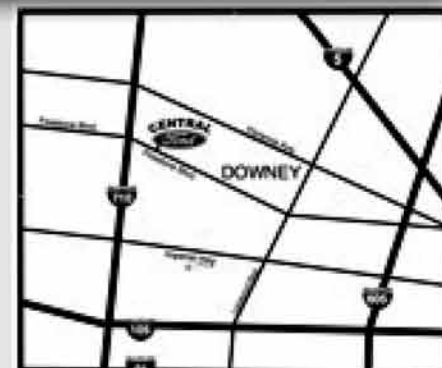
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Barely one year old, L.A. Buns at center of downtown revival

• Downtown restaurant and bars working together for everyone's benefit.

By Tina Vasquez
Contributor

DOWNEY – For many restaurants, their location can be just as crucial to their success as the food they're dishing out. When the gourmet burger shop L.A. Buns first emerged in February of 2012 promising the "best buns in L.A.," it was unknown whether the tiny restaurant's stellar, made-to-order food would be enough to overcome what at that point was still considered a "cursed" location. The hole-in-the-wall located at 8237 2nd St. had previously been a hamburger stand and Lebanese restaurant, both of which closed without much notice. L.A. Buns owner, Mike Gavica, has proven that if you make great food, it doesn't even matter if you're eclipsed by Porto's two-story parking lot: the people will come.

L.A. Buns continues to grow in popularity thanks in part to the restaurant's excellent customer service and warm, inviting atmosphere. It's a family restaurant through and through, with Gavica's brother-in-law developing recipes, his brother Marcus working alongside him on the flattop, and the restaurant owner's 18-year-old stepdaughter, Destiny Zazueta, working the register. Zazueta says the restaurant has changed her family, bringing them closer together, and the same could be said of the bonds the burger joint is building with community members.

L.A. Buns staff members know many customers by name, firing up their favorite menu items upon spotting them walking towards the eatery, oftentimes before the customer even walks in the door. Along with the food, it is this familiarity and level of care that keeps customers coming back. L.A. Buns even has volunteers, like 22-year-old Sean Anderson, who initially found out about the restaurant while working as part of the city's bike patrol. In exchange for free food and one of L.A. Buns' distinctive black and red shirts, which Gavica intends to begin selling to the public in the coming weeks, Anderson serves customers and helps clean up.

It is because of fiercely loyal fans like Anderson that Gavica decided to give away free French fries with every order on February 12, commemorating the small restaurant's one-year anniversary.

Gavica contends that he's still "figuring it all out", but he's having fun while doing it and it appears as if his customers are more than happy to come along for the ride, especially if

the restaurant's evolution continues to result in delicious food and increased attention for Downtown Downey's revitalization efforts.

"It's shocking to me, but people are coming here from Santa Ana, Anaheim, L.A. – from all over just to try the food and a lot of time it opens them up to what's going on around town, stuff they wouldn't have found out about otherwise," the young restaurant owner said.

Gavica is of course referring to the downtown area's increased efforts to build an arts scene and create some semblance of a nightlife in Downey, which is considered by many to be a sleepy suburb offering little to do past 10 p.m.

L.A. Buns' introduction to the downtown arts scene began in an unusual way: when street artist Bumblebee created a piece outside the restaurant literally as tall as the building itself featuring a young girl cutting her own hair. Slowly but surely, at first just by virtue of its location, L.A. Buns became ingrained in the effort to revitalize downtown. When comedy nights began to get sponsored by The Avenue Press at the Epic Lounge next to the restaurant, the crowd eventually made its way over to Gavica's for a late-night bite. When the Downey Arts Coalition began hosting a monthly movie night at the Lounge, Gavica gladly offered his services to the hungry masses. At first it was accidental, but during his second year of business, the restaurant owner wants to be more intentional about his efforts to give back to the community.

"I really had no idea the arts scene in Downey was this strong," Gavica said. "My first year was really spent figuring out the business and getting used to running it, but I want my second year to be about becoming a bigger part of the scene and helping to fundraise for some of the local arts organizations because once you're helping one, you're going to be helping all of them."

A few months back Gavica mentioned to his brother that he was interested in partnering up with Stay Gallery for a fundraiser. Before long Stay Gallery executive director and Downey Art Vibe (DAV) co-founder Valentin Flores caught wind of Gavica's interest and gave the restaurant owner a call. In a matter of weeks the gallery and the restaurant decided to collaborate on the creation of a menu item offered for a limited time, with 30 percent of the proceeds being donated to the gallery.

This is how the Stay Gallery Chicken Sandwich was born, featuring grilled chicken, slow-roasted tomatoes, avocado, L.A. Buns' spicy slaw, white American cheese, and "Stay Secret Sauce," a blend of aioli and pureed California peppers all piled onto high

onto one of Gavica's signature bricoche buns. The sandwich was offered at a fundraising event January 31, but Gavica continued to sell the sandwich until he ran out of ingredients. As of the second week of February, Gavica sold nearly 90 of the sandwiches to benefit Stay Gallery, who recently exceeded their \$20,000 fundraising goal, enabling them to move forward with their plans to build a loft.

"We're honored and humbled that L.A. Buns wanted to do something to help us out. What began as a random conversation turned into a great collaboration and in the coming months, we're hoping to develop a burger that remains on the menu permanently," Flores said. "It's not just about the food or the proceeds, it's about creating synergy Downtown."

The next year will be a new chapter for L.A. Buns and by extension, for downtown. Gavica plans to widen his focus to branding and social media, hoping to create buzz outside of city limits, bringing more attention to downtown events and new menu items. The restaurant owner is also interested in continuing to build partnerships with local business and organizations, even when they seem a little unusual.

Such is the case with Gavica's interesting relationship with the man he only knows as Frank, a local resident who helps Gavica prep each morning for service. In exchange, Gavica lets Frank operate his "taco bar" in front of L.A. Buns after hours, selling asada, chicken, and al pastor tacos for \$1 on Friday and Saturday nights.

Featuring the work of local artists will also be another focus for the restaurant. L.A. Buns already showcases artwork by local artist and DAV member Don Lamkin, but moving forward Gavica would like to feature the Los Angeles-centric photography of Stay Gallery creative director Gabe Enamorado. The restaurant is also in talks with Downey and Warren High Schools for future fundraising opportunities. Given the popularity of the restaurant's buffalo chicken fries, Gavica's brother Marcus is also kicking around the idea of launching an L.A. Buns food truck that will solely offer French fries with interesting toppings, like chorizo and queso fresco.

"I can't help but feel this is a really great time to live in Downey," Gavica said. "I grew up here, went to school here, but I can feel things changing. I'm excited to see the Lock & Key Social Drinkery open up. I want to check out the sports bar that's opening where Granata's & Tapas was. I want to keep seeing this art scene growing. You know you're in the right spot when there are so many exciting things going on around you."

Children's author stresses importance of reading

DOWNEY – Children's author Scott Sussman will visit two Downey elementary schools next month to present his wildly imaginative presentation as part of Read Across America.

Originally of Orange County but now living in Rome, Italy, Sussman is author of "Silly the Seed" and "Mark and the Molecule Maker." His message to students is "Reading is Succeeding."

In addition to offering his unique perspective on how reading can make you happier and more successful in everything you do, Sussman often has students begging to read more books.

"The key is to reach kids while they're learning to read, before they link the idea of reading strictly to school," he said. "With the right perspective, they'll be more likely to develop a lifelong interest in reading."

Sussman will be at Rio Hondo Elementary on March 4 and Price Elementary on March 6.

Vendors sought for veterans fair

WHITTIER – Rose Hills is seeking vendors to participate in its Veterans Resource Fair on March 24.

The one-day event is designed to provide information, support and services to U.S. military veterans.

The fair will be held in conjunction with a concert and homeless veteran burial service to commemorate Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans Day.

Participants are sought who provide services including individual and family counseling, education and training, employment help, financial matters, government programs, healthcare, legal and business matters, housing and more.

Organizations interested in participating should contact Bonnie Quintanilla at (818) 681-5777.



The Downey Lady Hogs, fifth and sixth grade division, won first place in the Swift Basketball Tournament in Riverside. Top row, from left: Coach Angelo Stephens, Coach Julio Avila, Alexandra Urzua, Leigha Harris, Surie Camacho, Ilani Avila, Jane Abuhani and Coach Marvin Harris. Bottom row: Taylor Stephens, Stephanie Chavarria, Darlene Berberabe, Giselle Magana, Kaylie Lara and Leila Garcia.

School bands to perform in mega concert

DOWNEY – More than a dozen bands from Downey schools will perform at an all-day concert Feb. 23 in Warren High School's gym.

The concert begins at 10:30 a.m. Admission is free and open to the public.

Scheduled to perform is the Griffiths Middle School band, East Middle School band, West Middle School band, Sussman Middle School band, Sussman jazz band, Warren High concert band, Warren High ensemble, Warren High jazz bands, west Middle School jazz band, Warren High color guards, Downey High color guard, West Middle School percussion and Warren High percussion.

Food and drinks will be sold by the Warren Band Boosters.

Downey girls soccer perfect in league

DOWNEY – The Downey High School girls' soccer team currently has an overall record of 17-3-2 and a league record of 10-0. The Lady Vikings are the defending C.I.F. Division V champions.

For their recent success, the Lady Vikings have been moved to Division IV. The Lady Vikings are seeded second, behind top seeded South Torrance (23-0-6), and played Valley View (5-8-7) yesterday in their opening round game (score unavailable at press time). Valley View defeated Chaffey (11-6-1) 1-0 on penalty kicks Tuesday afternoon after being tied at the end of regulation 1-1.

The San Gabriel Valley League is well represented in the Division IV playoffs. Warren (12-7-2), the S.G.V.L. number two entry, hosted Canyon Springs (11-8-4) yesterday (score unavailable at press time). Lynwood (13-5-2), the S.G.V.L. number three entry, defeated Apple Valley (10-9-6) 2-1 on Tuesday to advance and played at Riverside Poly yesterday (score unavailable at press time). Paramount (7-6-4), the S.G.V.L. number four entry, defeated Rancho Verde (10-8-2) 1-0 on Tuesday to advance and played at Serrano yesterday (score unavailable at press time).

Coach Godfrey and her team are looking forward to the challenge that lies in front of them. Godfrey believes that this year's squad is stronger all around and likes the dedication she has seen from her players. Winning the title last year also gives the Lady Vikings a mental edge in that they have been here before and believe they are fully capable of doing it again. Downey lost to top-seeded South Torrance 2-0 on December 28 in a preseason game. If both teams win out, there will be a rematch many local soccer fans would like to see.

–Mark Fetter, contributor

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Jack’s coworker, Clyde, and his wife, Lucy, set Jack up on a blind date with Lucy’s chatty but fragile colleague Connie. As Jack and Connie’s relationship takes shape, Clyde and Lucy’s own marriage begins to unravel, leading both couples to reconsider the future state of their unions.

Director Jeff Paul explains that the “depth of the storytelling and the richness of the [writer Bob Glaudivi’s] piece lies in the characters.” The characters “mostly play by the rules,” says Paul. They must navigate “things that lie beyond

their own experience, but lack the instructions.” The tensions between rules and imagination; doubts and expectations, lend a profound undercurrent to the deceptively simple narrative.

“Jack Goes Boating” opens March 1 and runs for 14 performances, closing March 16. Performances are Tuesday through Saturday at 8 p.m. with Saturday matinees at 2 p.m. on March 9 and 16.

Tickets are \$15 general admission and \$12 for seniors and students. Parking is available next to the theater for \$5.

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We are grass

By Kris Morado, West Middle School, sixth grade

Restaurant Spotlight:



“Papa John” and Pina Persico immigrated from Italy to Southern California with their son, Caro, in 1951. Papa John worked tirelessly for others, learning the restaurant business in order to fulfill the great American dream of owning his own business. His hard work paid off and Pina Pizza House (named after his wife) first opened its doors in 1959. Of course those doors opened a much smaller establishment-serving patrons on a take out only basis. That is until the Persico family started the first delivery service in Southern California. They purchased three custom Cushman Delivery Vehicles with a propane heated oven to keep the food warm on its way to your door.

Now, 53 years later, their sons Caro and Johnny are running Pina Pizza House, and it is still serving Downey their delicious pizza to our grateful community for take out, delivery, and dine in. The menu has expanded to an assortment of

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Kiwanis Club spurs 400 students to get active

• Service club working with youth children to get them involved in the community.

By **Agustin Duran**
Contributor

DOWNEY – The Downey Kiwanis Club is one of the oldest organizations operating in Downey helping youth, but never before have the children, teenagers and young adults been more involved with the organization's principles than today.

According to Kiwanis Service Leadership Program reports from 2012, more than 400 local students from elementary to college level have served and continue serving their own community and beyond.

These activities included work to change park smoking laws in

Downey; graffiti cleanup; feeding the homeless in downtown L.A.; and cleaning up schools in Compton.

Last year, they created fundraising activities that raised \$3,000 for the American Cancer Society. In total, kids volunteered a total of 12,000 hours.

Quite often they have found themselves waking up at 5 a.m. on Saturdays to go and volunteer for a good cause with no complaints at all, just a smile on their face.

Downey Unified teacher Alex Gaytan, a member of the "noon" Kiwanis Club in Downey and the driving force behind all of these programs, said the club's goal is to instill the value of volunteerism in students, and at the same time show them the importance of what it means to be a part of the Kiwanis International organization.

"The purpose of these pro-

grams is to get the children involved as young as elementary school level to value the importance of volunteer work in the community they live in," said Gaytan. "As a Kiwanis member, we want all the kids to develop their leadership skills but also to have good grades, so when they graduate from college, they will come back as a Kiwanis member and continue the work for new generations."

So far, the organization relies mainly on its members' volunteerism, good hearts and open wallets. Today it has at least seven youth clubs that are supervised by Gaytan, including K-Kids, the BUG Program, Green Team, Builders Club, the Downey KIWIN's and Circle K. He also supports the Key Clubs in Downey and Lakewood.

Clive Graham, former lieutenant governor for Div. 13 of the

California, Nevada and Hawaii District in 2011-12, and a Kiwanis member since 1982, gives all the credit to Gaytan and the Kiwanis Club for "taking Kiwanis to the next level."

"I attribute the increase in activity, membership, projects and community participation in the Kiwanis-branded Service Leadership Programs in Downey and surrounding areas to the outreach efforts of and the rapport that Alexander Gaytan has established with the youth," Graham said. "As a dedicated teacher, with his motivation and drive, and with the backing of his Kiwanis Club of Downey (noon group), and a number of the other Kiwanis Clubs in the Div. 13 area, Alex has been the spark that has ignited the 'fire' for service in the area's youth and in the adults in Kiwanis for hands-on projects that support our Kiwanis goals and impact numerous people and other organizations not only in Downey but in the entire area of southern Los Angeles County."

As a result of the work done in 2012, Brenda Lopez, a former Downey KIWIN's member, became the first student to become a member of the Kiwanis Club right after high school.

Born and raised in Downey, Lopez said her life "probably would have been totally different

now if not for the Kiwanis Club." As president of Downey KIWIN's, she received a scholarship after graduating with a 3.8 GPA at Downey High last year.

"It is an honor being part of the club that one day helped me, inspired me and continued to support me," said Lopez, who currently attends Fullerton City College with a major in political science. "I feel really happy for the accomplishments and changes we have made and feel very proud to be part of this great club. Now it is my time to help others the same way the Kiwanis club members helped me to achieve my goals."

The incorporation of Lopez into the big club is one of the goals Gaytan and the Kiwanis Club have envisioned: to get the children involved so after they finish their academic goals and start working, they return to Downey and continue their community service.

Fernando Vasquez, a Kiwanis member and Downey's current mayor pro-tem, said few organizations can motivate 400 young leaders to give back to their community.

"Our future looks very promising," Vasquez said. "Kiwanis has been helping to shape the next generation and we are teaching these kids leadership skills at an early age so when they become young adults they have the skill set to impact their community."

Don Cuevas, current president of Kiwanis Club of Downey, also praised Gaytan, who was named Kiwanian of the Year for 2012.

"Alex is a great asset for the club and he does a fantastic job working as chairman of youth services," he said.

Agustin Duran is a resident of Downey and Kiwanis Club member.

Chamber mixer Wednesday at Hackers

DOWNEY – The Downey Chamber of Commerce is hosting a mixer this Wednesday from 5-7:30 p.m. inside Hackers at the Rio Hondo Event Center.

The mixer is in support of National Heart Month and participants are urged to wear red.

The mixer is free and open to the public.

For more details or to RSVP, call Kathy at (562) 923-2191.

'Princess for a Day' event March 2

DOWNEY – The annual "Princess for a Day" for girls ages 5-10 will be held March 2 from 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Downey Elks Lodge.

The event is presented by Miss Downey Royalty in association with the Downey Rose Float Association.

Girls will be pampered with hair and make-up sessions, and enjoy arts and crafts. They will also learn a creative movements routine, take photos and have lunch with the Miss Downey court.

All girls take home a royalty T-shirt and tiara. Participants should wear a pink shirt to the event.

Cost is \$25 if pre-paid before March 1 or \$30 for same-day registration. The event is limited to 125 girls.

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The upgrades include new electrical wire, new modern traffic signal poles, replacement of traffic signal lights to 12-inch LED, installing traffic detectors and ADA upgrades.

When completed, the upgrade will allow the city to properly synchronize each and every traffic signal along Atlantic Avenue to improve traffic flow, say city officials. In addition, the signals at Bullis Road and Imperial Highway and on Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard and Wright Road will also be upgraded. Once all of these traffic signals are upgraded the city will begin looking into upgrading all of the traffic signals along Imperial Highway and on along the entirety of Long Beach Boulevard within the city.

“Some of these traffic signals are 60 to 70 years old,” said Josef Kekula, interim director of public works. “The city has spent a lot of time and hours maintaining them and fixing them. As the city spends a lot of man-hours on fixing the shorts at these lights, a lot of time and maintenance and fixing them, this upgrade will shorten the time spent on fixing them all the time. This upgrade will help standardize and modernize everything in the traffic signal and improve traffic flow.”

“All of the lights will be upgraded with detectors as well,” he added. “Once we’re done with all the signals, drivers will notice how much more efficient traffic is going to flow throughout the entire city.”



Despite its boarded up windows, the owners of H. Salt Fish & Chips in Downey ensure residents that the restaurant is open for business. A car crashed through the restaurant last December after the driver mistakenly hit the accelerator instead of the brake. The accident caused extensive damage to the restaurant's exterior but there were no injuries.



Gangs Out of Downey president Dr. Dan Fox presents Lt. Mark McDaniel of the Downey Police Department with a check in support of the school resource officer that is on the campus at Downey high schools.

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Students enchanted by magic of music

• Musicians from Downey Symphony perform at Rio San Gabriel Elementary.

By Joyce Sherwin
Downey Symphony

DOWNEY – 288 kids on the floor, 288 kids, Wall to wall, filling the hall 288 kids on the floor.

That was an official count one recent morning at Rio San Gabriel Elementary School: 288 kids from the third- and fourth-grade classes, sitting in excited rows, focused intently on a special assembly program.

They listened, enchanted, as Carolyn Osborn drew shimmering princess music from her violin, and giggled at Mark Artusio's big string bass galumphing around like an elephant. They recognized themes from Star Wars and Pirates of the Caribbean and Franz Joseph Haydn. They applauded the skill of percussionist Danielle Squyres, soft mallets on cymbals to create those spooky, menacing sounds you hear in scary movies. Ooooh.

The five musicians appearing this day at Rio San Gabriel are principal instrumentalists with the Downey Symphony. Every spring for the past 19 years, as part of our orches-

tra's Music in the Schools outreach program, they have given a demonstration in each Downey elementary school. That's a bunch of performances, touching thousands of our children, to help them get a feel for musical concepts like rhythm and meter, and to hear what a clarinet or a trombone sounds like.

“These children were so excited to hear they were coming to an orchestra performance!” teacher Melanie Eagen said. “I look forward to this one, too.”

Patty Massey's clarinet sent out a jazz lick that inspired lines of young torsos to undulate, mimicking the sound. Bob Coomber's proudly loud trombone, “Here come the good guys!” he called out, got every head bobbing in rhythm.

As principal bass and orchestra manager, Mark Artusio is a busy man - and also the narrator for these performances. He tells the kids that music helps us move and dance. That sometimes music is meant just to make us feel good. That they can learn to play an instrument too. “Think about your personal self. What instrument matches you?”

And he tells them that when they are in fifth grade, they will be invited to go to the Downey Theatre to hear the whole orchestra play a concert just for them.

“Ooooh,” from 288 voices.

Then it's time to applaud, wave a goodbye to the quintet, stand up and

file out so that the littler children from grades 1 and 2 can come in for their special music assembly.

Veteran teacher Sandy Aguierre has heard these yearly performances many times. She seated her class in neat rows, then turned to a visitor. “They love this. They just love this. Look at them.”

Asked how many first- and second-graders there are at Rio San Gabriel, she figured about 300. To the visitor, it was 288 wonderful kids again, different faces, smaller sizes, 288 new kids on the floor, excited to learn about music.

All in all, it was a good morning to be in a Downey elementary school.

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Rotarian Vahid Babaeian takes joy in creating lasting smiles

• Downey orthodontist is chairman of Rotary's international service project.

By Henry Veneracion
Staff Writer

DOWNEY – As any orthodontist will tell you, they're in the business of fashioning smiles. By straightening teeth, improving bites, and aligning jaws, the orthodontist practically becomes an angelic collaborator in boosting people's self-image and self-confidence. A great smile is an aid to getting "a better job, better spouse, a better life," states one endorsement.

Vahid Babaeian is well aware of this standard. Vahid, who was born and raised in the southern Iranian city of Ahvaz, started his Downey orthodontics practice, Brace Connection, in 1999, occupying offices at 10800 Paramount Boulevard just south of 5th Street. He had actually begun his professional practice two years before, in a much smaller office elsewhere.

Because of growth, he moved his offices four months ago further south, still on Paramount Boulevard, close to Alameda. At 3,000 sq. ft., he says the new facility is double the capacity of his prior address.

Vahid's new location, and his facility, are impressive. Its interior appointments breathe the colors and spirit of UCLA, where he obtained his BS in biochemistry in 1990 and his DDS degree in 1994 from UCLA Dental School. (For his orthodontic residency training, he attended the University of Pittsburgh, PA, emerging after three years, in 1997, with his certificate).

At the new offices, there is a decidedly sporty theme: photos, artwork, and even slipcovers include the images of basketball icons, such as Michael Jordan and John Wooden (his pyramid of success occupies a prominent

spot as you enter the working area). If you look up at the ceiling, you'll see a hockey puck autographed by Wayne Gretzky.

His equipment and work stations are state-of-the-art. They feature the latest technology, he says, including digital record-keeping and instant video patient info update usually based on x-rays and photographs of the patient's teeth. Vahid says his services are no more expensive than the next orthodontist's office's, and payment plans are flexible.

His current staffing consists of four orthodontics assistants in his 6-cubicle work area (two of them private) and four administrative assistants manning the front desk.

Once a year, usually in April, under the auspices of the Downey Dental Academy which he headed at one time, he gives free screenings, along with other DDA member-volunteers, to kids in the 1st to 5th grades as a community service.

He has been a member of the Downey Chamber of Commerce for some time and a Downey Rotarian since 2000, having served on the board three previous times. Currently, he is chairman of the Rotary's international service project, which focuses on actions taken to expand Rotary's humanitarian reach around the globe and to promote world understanding and peace.

Vahid says he chose orthodontics as a profession because "It is a clean field, it's a 9 to 5 job, and I wanted to help people create beautiful smiles." In his service packet, he says, "My interest in orthodontics peaked while I was a second year dental student at UCLA. I truly enjoy the combination of science and art in creating beautiful smiles and healthy bites for my patients."

He adds: "Being a family man with two kids (one is a 10-



year old son, and a daughter, who is 7), I also love communicating with parents and their children to address any orthodontic concerns. The journey to creating beautiful smiles also affords lifelong friendships with my patients and their children after. I set high treatment standards for myself and keep abreast with the latest technology and efficient treatment options by continually reading and attending seminars."

His patient mix, he says, is 75 percent children, and 25 percent adults. ("Adults also need orthodontic care no matter what their age") and that the best age for children to start wearing braces is no later than age 7.

Vahid says his father was a CPA in Iran. The family moved to the U.S. when Vahid was twelve, finishing his middle school in Glendale and graduating from Glendale High School prior to enrolling at UCLA.

He keeps fit by jogging and playing tennis two-three times a week. He likes to travel with his wife and children: he says he's been to Europe (France, England, Italy) as well as Alaska but wants to revisit Europe, and perhaps go to Spain, places like that. Hawaii and the Caribbean are also in his sights. They reside in Irvine.

His reading is mostly orthodontics-related, he said.

Elderly woman dies after falling asleep with cigarette

LOS ANGELES – L.A. County firefighters warned residents to check their smoke detectors after an elderly woman died in Los Angeles when she fell asleep while smoking in bed.

Authorities said the lit cigarette sparked a fire inside the apartment home, which had no working smoke detectors.

"Our investigators determined that this fire was actually caused by the victim herself when she fell asleep in bed with a lit cigarette," said Fire Capt. Tom Richards, public information officer for L.A. County Fire. "The smoke alarms in her home were not working, so no one was able to hear the smoke alarm go off. This is really a tragedy."

According to fire statistics, 70 percent of all fire deaths occur in homes without working smoke alarms.

Band instructor charged with sexual assault

DIAMOND BAR – A 33-year-old assistant band instructor was arrested Tuesday for allegedly sexually assaulting a 16-year-old female student.

The alleged assault took place during the summer of 2006 when Albert Anthony Morales lived in Diamond Bar. The student was attending Sunny Hills High School at the time.

Morales had been tutoring band students, specifically as a percussion instructor for the past 13 years. He has taught or volunteered at Diamond Bar High School (1998-2000), Sunny Hills High (2004-09) and Diamond Ranch High (2012-13).

Detectives are asking other possible victims to come forward and call Sgt. Dan Scott or Lt. Carlos Marquez at (877) 710-5273.

CRIME REPORT

Thursday, Jan. 31

At 3:00 p.m., park staff at Dennis the Menace Park discovered that someone had forced entry into the recreation office and storage room. The suspect(s) stole miscellaneous items and office supplies. Detectives are investigating.

Saturday, Feb. 2

At 4:00 a.m., officers responded to an apartment in the 8200 block of Telegraph after receiving a report of someone being assaulted with a knife. Officers arrested an 18-year-old female resident for assault with a deadly weapon after determining that she stabbed another female in the apartment during a domestic argument. The victim's injuries were not life threatening.

At 3:00 p.m., a woman was robbed of her purse while waiting for a bus at Imperial & Lakewood. The suspect, who was wearing a black mask, approached the victim from behind, pushed her down and grabbed her purse. The suspect then ran from the scene. The victim was not seriously injured. Detectives are investigating.

At 5:00 p.m., officers arrested a 29-year-old Downey man in the 11600 block of Adenmoor who was wanted for assault with a deadly weapon relating to 2006 Downey PD case. Officers were alerted to the suspect's whereabouts by WE Tip and arrested him without incident.

Sunday, Feb. 3

At 7:00 a.m., officers arrested a 19-year-old man from Lynwood after he assaulted his girlfriend during an argument in the 10400 block of La Reina. The suspect was booked for aggravated assault and transported to the Los Angeles County Jail.

Saturday, Feb. 9

At 1:00 p.m., officers responded to 8200 block of Pivot St. regarding a report of a commercial burglary. Once on scene, officers discovered that an unknown suspect(s) forced entry into the vacant building and removed approximately \$20,000 worth of copper wiring. Detectives are investigating.

Sunday, Feb. 10

At 5:30 p.m., a 90-year-old male Downey resident was reported missing from his residence on Imperial Hwy. According to the reporting party, he walked away and suffers from dementia. He was subsequently located a few hours later at the Kaiser hospital on Imperial Hwy in the City of Downey.

Tuesday, Feb. 12

At 2:00 p.m., Officers responded to the Rio San Gabriel riverbed regarding a robbery. Officer spoke with two victims who reported they were robbed by two suspects on bikes. The suspects demanded the victim's property and rode off with the loss. No injuries were reported. Detectives are investigating.

Information provided by Downey Police Department.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2013001888
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) ADVANCE PRECISION ENGINEERING, 10136 ARTESIA PLACE, BELLFLOWER, CA 90706, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) ADVANCE PRECISION ENGINEERING, 10136 ARTESIA PLACE, BELLFLOWER, CA 90706 State of Incorporation: CA This business is conducted by a Corporation The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 01/10/2006

The Downey Patriot 1/24/13, 1/31/13, 2/7/13, 2/14/13

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2013015499
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) SUTTON-MOTON-DREW FAMILY, 14326 IBEX AVE., NORWALK, CA 90650, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) CARLOS SOTOMAYOR, 8419 FLORENCE AVE. #A, DOWNEY CA 90240, PATRICIA SOTOMAYOR, 8419 FLORENCE AVE #A, DOWNEY CA 90240 State of Incorporation: CA This business is conducted by a Married Couple The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A

The Downey Patriot 1/31/13, 2/7/13, 2/14/13, 2/21/13

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2013009326
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) MORALE MOBILE WASH, 8439 ADAMS ST APT #24, PARAMOUNT, CA 90723, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) DANIA ANDAZOLA, 12043 POMERING RD, DOWNEY CA 90242, (2) ANGEL ANDAZOLA, 12043 POMERING RD, DOWNEY CA 90242 State of Incorporation: CA This business is conducted by a Married Couple The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A

The Downey Patriot 1/31/13, 2/7/13, 2/14/13, 2/21/13

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2013008198
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) BELLARTE BOUTIQUE, 6838 PROSPECT AVE, BELL CA 90201, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES (2) BELLARTE CLOTHING

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) CYNTHIA IRIARTE, 6838 PROSPECT AVE, BELL CA 90201 State of Incorporation: CA This business is conducted by an Individual The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A

law (see Section 14411 et. seq., Business Professions Code).

The Downey Patriot 1/31/13, 2/7/13, 2/14/13, 2/21/13

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2013010400

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) THE MIRACLE OF TONY DAVIS, 11521 SIERRA SKY DR., WHITTIER, CA 90601, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) THE MIRACLE OF TONY DAVIS, 11521 SIERRA SKY DR., WHITTIER CA 90601 State of Incorporation: CA This business is conducted by a Corporation The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A

The Downey Patriot 2/7/13, 2/14/13, 2/21/13, 2/28/13

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2013008904
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) VAPE STREET, 17510 PIONEER BLVD, SUITE 207, ARTESIA CA 90701, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES (2) 9231 PARK ST. #A, BELLFLOWER CA 90706

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) DANIEL NGUYEN, 9231 PARK ST. #A, BELLFLOWER CA 90706 State of Incorporation: CA This business is conducted by an Individual The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2013004154
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) ENIGMAS, 324 S. BEVERLY DRIVE 256, BEVERLY HILLS CA 90212, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES (2) CHERISH CHANEL

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2013012959
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) BERRINGER SERVICES, 5852 CLARK AVE, LAKEWOOD CA 90712, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES (2) P.O. BOX 1556, BELLFLOWER CA 90707

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) JOHN KREMPASKY, 5852 CLARK AVE, LAKEWOOD CA 90712 State of Incorporation: N/A This business is conducted by an Individual The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A

The Downey Patriot 2/14/13, 2/21/13, 2/28/13, 3/7/13

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2013016319

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) TWO DIMES DESIGN, 2060 E. 3RD STREET #3, LONG BEACH CA 90814, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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The Downey Patriot 1/24/13, 1/31/13, 2/7/13, 2/14/13

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2013023492
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) SUSTAINING FINANCIAL SERVICES, 4095 CHANEY AVE, PICO RIVERA CA 90660, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) VANISIA TAPIA, 8554 CHANEY AVE, PICO RIVERA CA 90660 State of Incorporation: CA This business is conducted by a Individual The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2013019119
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) KNICKS FOR CHICKS, 5950 IMPERIAL HWY UNIT 51, SOUTH GATE, CA 90280, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) BRITTANY CORTES, 5950 IMPERIAL HWY UNIT 51, SOUTH GATE CA 90280 State of Incorporation: N/A This business is conducted by an Individual The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A

The Downey Patriot 2/7/13, 2/14/13, 2/21/13, 2/28/13

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2013008459
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) EVE COLLECTIVE, 17223 FLALLON AVE, ARTESIA CA 90701, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) IVETTE CENTENO, 17223 FLALLON AVE, ARTESIA CA 90701 State of Incorporation: CA This business is conducted by an Individual The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A

The Downey Patriot 2/14/13, 2/21/13, 2/28/13, 3/7/13

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2013008593
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) STAGEFILMS, 9167 ROSE ST, BELLFLOWER, CA 90706, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES (2) 13737 ANOLA ST, WHITTIER, CA 90605

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) BRIAN ALVAREZ, 13737 ANOLA ST, WHITTIER,

CA 90605 State of Incorporation: N/A This business is conducted by an Individual The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 01/03/2013

I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) S/IRIAN ALVAREZ, OWNER This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on JANUARY 14, 2013

The Downey Patriot 1/24/13, 1/31/13, 2/7/13, 2/14/13

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2013023492
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) SUSTAINING FINANCIAL SERVICES, 4095 CHANEY AVE, PICO RIVERA CA 90660, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) VANISIA TAPIA, 8554 CHANEY AVE, PICO RIVERA CA 90660 State of Incorporation: CA This business is conducted by a Individual The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2013023764
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) CERVANTES GARDENING SERVICE, 10911 PIONEER BLVD APT 3, SANTA FE SPRINGS CA 90670, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) HILARIO CERVANTES, 10911 PIONEER BLVD APT 3, SANTA FE SPRINGS CA 90670 (2) FRANCISCO G CERVANTES, 10911 PIONEER BLVD APT 3, SANTA FE SPRINGS CA 90670 State of Incorporation: N/A This business is conducted by a General Partnership The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A

The Downey Patriot 2/14/13, 2/21/13, 2/28/13, 3/7/13

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2013000133
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) C & V STEEL SUPPLY, 515 BANNING AVE, COMPTON, CA 90222, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) RAMIRO MEDINA, 9202 ALEXANDER AVE, SOUTH GATE CA 90280 (2) VICTOR BATRES, 10222 MALLISON AVE, SOUTH GATE CA 90280 State of Incorporation: CA This business is conducted by a General Partnership The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 01/02/2013

The Downey Patriot 1/31/13, 2/7/13, 2/14/13, 2/21/13

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2013022493
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) KATWALK, 312 MANHATTAN BEACH BLVD., MANHATTAN BEACH, CA 90266, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: C2960627 REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) KID D. KAT CORP. 312 MANHATTAN BEACH BLVD, MANHATTAN BEACH CA 90266 State of Incorporation: CA This business is conducted by a Corporation The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 3/04

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2013012382
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) EXCELLENCE ELITE REALTY, 9920 LAKEWOOD BLVD, SUITE B, DOWNEY, CA 90240, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES (2) SO-CAL SETTLEMENT SERVICES

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2013017651
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) SHADE COSMETICS, 5600 ORANGETHORPE AVE APT 4308, LA PALMA CA 90623, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) DEAHNA RAY, 5600 ORANGETHORPE AVE APT 4308, LA PALMA CA 90623 State of Incorporation: CA This business is conducted by an Individual The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 01/25/2013

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2013013416
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) A TRADE WINDS COMPANY, 1052 DOROTHEA RD, LA HABRA HEIGHTS CA 90631, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) TATIANA BOLDEROFF, 1052 DOROTHEA RD, LA HABRA HEIGHTS CA 90631 State of Incorporation: CA This business is conducted by an Individual The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 01/18/2013

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2013029330
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) JP DEMO, 11911 AYRES AVE, LOS ANGELES CA 90064, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) JOEL PADILLA, 11911 AYRES AVE, LOS ANGELES CA 90064 State of Incorporation: N/A This business is conducted by an Individual The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A

NOTICES

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
SOUTHEAST DISTRICT
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
CASE NUMBER: VS024150
 TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner YVETTE SANCHEZ ON BEHALF OF DOMINIC I. SANCHEZ RANSBURG filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
 Present name DOMINIC ISAAH SANCHEZ RANSBURG to Proposed name DOMINIC ISAAH SANCHEZ.
 THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
NOTICE OF HEARING
Date: 3/20/13, Time: 1:30 p.m., Department C, Room 312
The address of the court is 12720 Norwalk Blvd., Norwalk, CA 90650
 A copy of this *Order to Show Cause* shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in the county, **THE DOWNEY PATRIOT NEWSPAPER**, 8301 E. FLORENCE AVE STE 100, DOWNEY, CA 90240.
 January 25, 2013
 Yvonne T. Sanchez
 Judge Of The Superior Court
 Petitioner or Attorney
 Yvonne Sanchez on behalf of Dominic I. Sanchez Ransburg, minor
 12815 Glynn Ave
 Downey, CA 90242
 (562) 334-6398
 sanchez_yvette80@yahoo.com

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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
NORWALK SUPERIOR COURT
SOUTHEAST DISTRICT
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
CASE NUMBER: VS024200
 TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner JOSH BRIAN CAMPOS filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
 Present name JOSH BRIAN CAMPOS to Proposed name JOSH BRIAN VILLALOBOS.
 THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
NOTICE OF HEARING
Date: 4-3-13, Time: 1:30 p.m., Department C, Room 312
The address of the court is 12720 Norwalk Blvd., Norwalk, CA 90650
 A copy of this *Order to Show Cause* shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in the county, **THE DOWNEY PATRIOT NEWSPAPER**, 8301 E. FLORENCE AVE STE 100, DOWNEY, CA 90242.
 February 18, 2013
 Yvonne T. Sanchez
 Judge Of The Superior Court
 Petitioner or Attorney
 Josh Brian Campos
 7354 Adwen St.
 Downey, CA 90241
 (562) 261-7176

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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
NORWALK COURTHOUSE - SOUTHEAST DISTRICT
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
CASE NUMBER: VS024106
 TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner OSEME CLAIRE JIMENEZ GALVAN filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
 Present name OSEME CLAIRE JIMENEZ GALVAN to Proposed name OSMI INES CLAIRE JIMENEZ GALVAN.
 THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
NOTICE OF HEARING
Date: 3/27/13, Time: 1:30 p.m., Department SE-C, Room 312
The address of the court is 12720 Norwalk Blvd., Norwalk, CA 90650
 A copy of this *Order to Show Cause* shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in the county, **DOWNEY PATRIOT NEWSPAPER**, January 14, 2013
 Yvonne T. Sanchez
 Judge Of The Superior Court
 Petitioner in Pro Per
 Oseme Claire Jimenez Galvan
 10323 Birchdale Avenue
 Downey, California 90241
 (562) 234-3561

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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
SOUTHEAST DISTRICT
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
CASE NUMBER: VS024211
 TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner ANTHONY GILBERT VASQUEZ filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
 Present name ANTHONY GILBERT VASQUEZ to Proposed name ANTHONY GILBERT SOTO.
 THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
NOTICE OF HEARING
Date: 4-10-13, Time: 1:30 p.m., Department C, Room 312
The address of the court is 12720 Norwalk Blvd., Norwalk, CA 90650
 A copy of this *Order to Show Cause* shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in the county, **THE DOWNEY PATRIOT NEWSPAPER**, February 11, 2013
 Yvonne T. Sanchez
 Judge Of The Superior Court
 Petitioner Self Represented
 Anthony Gilbert Vasquez
 11337 Hercules St.
 Norwalk, CA 90650
 agvasquez36@gmail.com
 562-665-0067

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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
SOUTHEAST DISTRICT
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
CASE NUMBER: VS024211
 TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner ANTHONY GILBERT VASQUEZ filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
 Present name ANTHONY GILBERT VASQUEZ to Proposed name ANTHONY GILBERT SOTO.
 THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
NOTICE OF HEARING
Date: 4-10-13, Time: 1:30 p.m., Department C, Room 312
The address of the court is 12720 Norwalk Blvd., Norwalk, CA 90650
 A copy of this *Order to Show Cause* shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in the county, **THE DOWNEY PATRIOT NEWSPAPER**, February 11, 2013
 Yvonne T. Sanchez
 Judge Of The Superior Court
 Petitioner Self Represented
 Anthony Gilbert Vasquez
 11337 Hercules St.
 Norwalk, CA 90650
 agvasquez36@gmail.com
 562-665-0067

SOUTHEAST DISTRICT
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
CASE NUMBER: VS024078
 TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner STEPHANIE VICTORIA filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
 Present name JEREMY ALLAN FARIREZ to Proposed name JEREMY ALLAN VICTORIA.
 THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
NOTICE OF HEARING
Date: 4-3-13, Time: 1:30 p.m., Department C, Room 312
The address of the court is 12720 Norwalk Blvd., Norwalk, CA 90650
 A copy of this *Order to Show Cause* shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in the county, **THE DOWNEY PATRIOT NEWSPAPER**, January 4, 2013
 Yvonne T. Sanchez
 Judge Of The Superior Court
 Petitioner or Attorney
 Stephanie Victoria
 7873 E. Palma St.
 Downey, CA 90241
 (562) 279-5518

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1/31/13, 2/7/13, 2/14/13, 2/21/13
SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
SOUTHEAST DISTRICT
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
CASE NUMBER: VS024151
 TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner (present name) MONICA ESMERALDA SANDOVAL has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing petitioner's name to (proposed name): MAX SANDOVAL.
 THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
NOTICE OF HEARING
Date: 3-20-13, Time: 1:30 p.m., Department C, Room 312
The address of the court is 12720 Norwalk Blvd., Norwalk, CA 90650
 A copy of this *Order to Show Cause* shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in the county, **THE DOWNEY PATRIOT NEWSPAPER**, January 25, 2013
 Yvonne T. Sanchez
 Judge Of The Superior Court
 Petitioner or Attorney
 Monica Esmelrda Sandoval
 12367 Gneiss Ave
 Downey, CA 90242
 (562) 440-2907

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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
SOUTHEAST DISTRICT
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
CASE NUMBER: VS024193
 TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner JOHN GEORGE and AMY MAKARY filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
 Present name MAIKEL IHAB ALGAMEL, ANDRO IHAB ALGAMEL to Proposed name MICHAEL CYRIL IHAB GEORGE, ANDREW IHAB GEORGE.
 THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
NOTICE OF HEARING
Date: 4-3-13, Time: 1:30 p.m., Department C, Room 312
The address of the court is 12720 Norwalk Blvd., Norwalk, CA 90650
 A copy of this *Order to Show Cause* shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in the county, **THE DOWNEY PATRIOT NEWSPAPER**, February 06, 2013
 Yvonne T. Sanchez
 Judge Of The Superior Court
 Petitioner in Pro Per
 John George and Amy Makary
 7328 Adwen St.
 Downey, CA 90241
 (323) 432-9307

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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
SOUTHEAST DISTRICT
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
CASE NUMBER: VS024137
 TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner NICOLASA REYES filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
 Present name NICOLASA REYES to Proposed name NICOLE REYES.
 THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
NOTICE OF HEARING
Date: 4-3-13, Time: 1:30 p.m., Department C, Room 312
The address of the court is 12720 Norwalk Blvd., Norwalk, CA 90650
 A copy of this *Order to Show Cause* shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in the county, **DOWNEY PATRIOT NEWSPAPER**, January 22, 2013
 Yvonne T. Sanchez
 Judge Of The Superior Court
 Petitioner in Pro Per
 Nicolasa Reyes
 2806 Santa Ana St. Apt. A
 South Gate, CA 90280
 (323) 569-3584

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1/24/13, 1/31/13, 2/7/13, 2/14/13
TRUSTEE SALES
NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE
 Trustee Sale No.: 20120015003732 Title Order No.: 120357103 FHA/VA/PMI No.: YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 07/16/2007, UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. NDEX WEST, LLC, as duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust Recorded on 07/25/2007 as Instrument No. 20071754493 of official records in the office of the County Recorder of LOS ANGELES County, State of California, to enforce the provisions of the following instrument: DEED OF TRUST TO BE EXERCISED BY MICHAEL CALVERT AND CATHERINE CALVERT, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH, CASHIER'S CHECK/

CASH EQUIVALENT or other form of payment authorized by 2924(b), (payable at time of sale in lawful money of the United States), DATE OF SALE: 02/27/2013 TIME OF SALE: 11:00 AM PLACE OF SALE: BY THE FOUNTAIN LOCATED AT 400 CIVIC CENTER PLAZA, POMONA, CA 91766. STREET ADDRESS AND OTHER COMMON DESIGNATION, if any, of the real property described above, is purported to be: 9748 POMERING RD., DOWNEY, CALIFORNIA 90240 APN#: 6359-007-024 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said Note(s), advances, under the terms of said Deed of Trust, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is \$486,226.86. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written Declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located. NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off. Before you can receive clear title to the property, you are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call 714-730-2727 for information regarding the trustee's sale or visit this Internet Web site www.lpsasap.com for information regarding the scheduled sale of this property. **TRUSTEE CALL INFORMATION PLEASE CALL: AGENCY SALES AND POSTING 2 3210 EL CAMINO REAL, SUITE 200 IRVINE, CA 92602 714-730-2727 www.lpsasap.com NDEX West, L.L.C. MAY BE ACTING AS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE ONLY.** NDEX West, L.L.C. as Trustee Dated: 01/28/2013 A-4355080 02/07/2013, 02/14/2013, 02/21/2013

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TS No. 09-0079935 Doc ID #000634323662005N Title Order No. 09-8-225839 Investor/Insurer No. 063432366 APN No. 6251-021-018 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 06/18/2004. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. Notice is hereby given that RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A., as duly appointed trustee pursuant to the Deed of Trust executed by MARIA HUERTA, AN UNMARRIED WOMAN, dated 06/18/2004 and recorded 7/12/2004, as Instrument No. 063432366, in the County Recorder of Los Angeles County, State of California, will sell on 03/11/2013 at 9:00AM, Doubletree Hotel Los Angeles-Norwalk, 13111 Sycamore Drive, Norwalk, CA 90650, Vineyard Ballroom at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash or check as described below, payable in full at time of sale, all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust, in the property situated in said County and State and as more fully described in the above referenced Deed of Trust. The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 7965 4TH PLACE, DOWNEY, CA 90240. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. The total amount of the unpaid balance with interest thereon of the obligation secured by the property to be sold plus reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is \$530,868. It is possible that there may be less than the total indebtedness due. In addition to cash, the Trustee will accept cashier's checks drawn on a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the California Civil Code and authorized to do business in this state. Said sale will be made, in an "AS IS" condition, but without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances, to satisfy the indebtedness secured by said Deed of Trust, advances thereunder, with interest as provided, and the unpaid principal of the Note secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses as provided in said Note, plus fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. If required by the provisions of section 2923.5 of the California Civil Code, the declaration from the mortgagee, beneficiary or authorized agent is attached to the Notice of Trustee's Sale and is made available to you and the County Recorder's Office. NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on a property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call 1-800-281-8219 or visit this Internet Web site www.reconstrustco.com, using the file number assigned to this case TS No. 09-0079935. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale.

The Downey Patriot
2/7/13, 2/14/13, 2/21/13
NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE Trustee's Sale No. 05-FWA-123051 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 9/27/2006. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. ON February 21, 2013, at 11:00 AM, BY THE FOUNTAIN LOCATED AT, 400 CIVIC CENTER PLAZA, IN THE CITY OF POMONA, County of LOS ANGELES, State of CALIFORNIA, REGIONAL SERVICE CORPORATION, a California corporation, as duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust executed by JOSE L ALVARADO, AN UNMARRIED MAN, as Trustors, recorded on 10/4/2006, as Instrument No. 06 2209833, of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of LOS ANGELES County, State of CALIFORNIA, under the power of sale therein contained, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER, for cash, or cashier's check (payable at the time of sale in lawful money of the United States) without warranty express or implied as to title, use, possession or encumbrances, all right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it as such Trustee, in and to the following described property situated in the aforesaid California County and State, to-wit: TAX PARCEL NO. 628-006-032 from information provided by the Trustee deems reliable, but for which Trustee makes no representation or warranty, the street address or other common designation of the above described property is purported to be 9743 PRISCILLA STREET, DOWNEY, CA 90242. Said property is being sold for the purpose of paying the obligations secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, of sale. The total amount of the unpaid principal balance, interest thereon, together with reasonably estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Trustee's Sale is \$453,789.86. NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call 714-730-2727 for information regarding the trustee's sale or visit this Internet Web site www.lpsasap.com for information regarding the scheduled sale of this property. **TRUSTEE CALL INFORMATION PLEASE CALL: AGENCY SALES AND POSTING 2 3210 EL CAMINO REAL, SUITE 200 IRVINE, CA 92602 714-730-2727 www.lpsasap.com NDEX West, L.L.C. MAY BE ACTING AS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE ONLY.** NDEX West, L.L.C. as Trustee Dated: 01/28/2013 A-4355080 02/07/2013, 02/14/2013, 02/21/2013

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2/7/13, 2/14/13, 2/21/13
NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TS No. 09-0079935 Doc ID #000634323662005N Title Order No. 09-8-225839 Investor/Insurer No. 063432366 APN No. 6251-021-018 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 06/18/2004. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. Notice is hereby given that RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A., as duly appointed trustee pursuant to the Deed of Trust executed by MARIA HUERTA, AN UNMARRIED WOMAN, dated 06/18/2004 and recorded 7/12/2004, as Instrument No. 063432366, in the County Recorder of Los Angeles County, State of California, will sell on 03/11/2013 at 9:00AM, Doubletree Hotel Los Angeles-Norwalk, 13111 Sycamore Drive, Norwalk, CA 90650, Vineyard Ballroom at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash or check as described below, payable in full at time of sale, all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust, in the property situated in said County and State and as more fully described in the above referenced Deed of Trust. The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 7965 4TH PLACE, DOWNEY, CA 90240. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. The total amount of the unpaid balance with interest thereon of the obligation secured by the property to be sold plus reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is \$530,868. It is possible that there may be less than the total indebtedness due. In addition to cash, the Trustee will accept cashier's checks drawn on a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the California Civil Code and authorized to do business in this state. Said sale will be made, in an "AS IS" condition, but without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances, to satisfy the indebtedness secured by said Deed of Trust, advances thereunder, with interest as provided, and the unpaid principal of the Note secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses as provided in said Note, plus fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. If required by the provisions of section 2923.5 of the California Civil Code, the declaration from the mortgagee, beneficiary or authorized agent is attached to the Notice of Trustee's Sale and is made available to you and the County Recorder's Office. NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on a property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call 1-800-281-8219 or visit this Internet Web site www.reconstrustco.com, using the file number assigned to this case TS No. 09-0079935. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale.

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE Trustee's Sale No. : 20120015003732 Title Order No.: 120357103 FHA/VA/PMI No.: YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 07/16/2007, UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. NDEX WEST, LLC, as duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust Recorded on 07/25/2007 as Instrument No. 20071754493 of official records in the office of the County Recorder of LOS ANGELES County, State of California, to enforce the provisions of the following instrument: DEED OF TRUST TO BE EXERCISED BY MICHAEL CALVERT AND CATHERINE CALVERT, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH, CASHIER'S CHECK/

is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for that purpose. A-4359505 02/14/2013, 02/21/2013, 02/28/2013

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE Trustee's Sale No. 05-FWA-123051 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 9/27/2006. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. ON February 21, 2013, at 11:00 AM, BY THE FOUNTAIN LOCATED AT, 400 CIVIC CENTER PLAZA, IN THE CITY OF POMONA, County of LOS ANGELES, State of CALIFORNIA, REGIONAL SERVICE CORPORATION, a California corporation, as duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust executed by JOSE L ALVARADO, AN UNMARRIED MAN, as Trustors, recorded on 10/4/2006, as Instrument No. 06 2209833, of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of LOS ANGELES County, State of CALIFORNIA, under the power of sale therein contained, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER, for cash, or cashier's check (payable at the time of sale in lawful money of the United States) without warranty express or implied as to title, use, possession or encumbrances, all right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it as such Trustee, in and to the following described property situated in the aforesaid California County and State, to-wit: TAX PARCEL NO. 628-006-032 from information provided by the Trustee deems reliable, but for which Trustee makes no representation or warranty, the street address or other common designation of the above described property is purported to be 9743 PRISCILLA STREET, DOWNEY, CA 90242. Said property is being sold for the purpose of paying the obligations secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, of sale. The total amount of the unpaid principal balance, interest thereon, together with reasonably estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Trustee's Sale is \$453,789.86. NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call 714-730-2727 for information regarding the trustee's sale or visit this Internet Web site www.lpsasap.com for information regarding the scheduled sale of this property. **TRUSTEE CALL INFORMATION PLEASE CALL: AGENCY SALES AND POSTING 2 3210 EL CAMINO REAL, SUITE 200 IRVINE, CA 92602 714-730-2727 www.lpsasap.com NDEX West, L.L.C. MAY BE ACTING AS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE ONLY.** NDEX West, L.L.C. as Trustee Dated: 01/28/2013 A-4355080 02/07/2013, 02/14/2013, 02/21/2013

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TS No. 11-0063133 Doc ID #0008716457682005N Title Order No. 11-0005559 Investor/Insurer No. 1704792024 APN No. 6390-013-055 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 08/15/2007. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. Notice is hereby given that RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A., as duly appointed trustee pursuant to the Deed of Trust executed by CHUONG HEE NAHM AND STEVE K. NAHM, dated 08/15/2007 and recorded 8/24/2007, as Instrument No. 20071987521, in Book __, Page _____ of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Los Angeles County, State of California, will sell on 03/11/2013 at 9:00AM, Doubletree Hotel Los Angeles-Norwalk, 13111 Sycamore Drive, Norwalk, CA 90650, Vineyard Ballroom

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE T.S. No. 1372633-31 APN: 8050-003-050 TR. 6768 LOAN No. XXXXX8917 REF: Vargas, Felipe...

involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property.

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TS No. 11-0079646 Doc ID #000733161132005N Title Order No. 11-0067472 Investor/Insurer No. 1103616729 APN No. 6263-018-011 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 09/01/2006, UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY...

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE Trustee Sale No. 235245CA Loan No. 0687854992 Title Order No. 602130123 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 11-10-2004. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY...

and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 12115 DOWNEY AVENUE, DOWNEY, CA 90240 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein.

CA 93063 Phone: (800) 281 8219. Sale Information (626) 927-4399 By: - Trustee's Sale Officer RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A. is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. An information obtained will be used for this purpose. A-43598502/02/14/2013, 02/21/2013, 02/28/2013

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TS No. 11-0094410 Doc ID #000133600220005N Title Order No. 11-0075920 Investor/Insurer No. 133600202 APN No. 6252-020-018 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 05/15/2006. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY...

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TSG No.: 3539780 TS No.: 20079134009281 FHA/VA/PMI No.: APN: 6259-012-008 Property Address: 12115 DOWNEY AVENUE DOWNEY, CA 90240 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 04/29/2006. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE.

CA 93063 Phone: (800) 281 8219. Sale Information (626) 927-4399 By: - Trustee's Sale Officer RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A. is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. An information obtained will be used for this purpose. A-43598502/02/14/2013, 02/21/2013, 02/28/2013

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T.S. No. 2012-20358 Loan No. 7091183009 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 10/23/2006. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER.

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T.S. No. 12-0258-11 Loan No. 0599865072 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 12/9/2005. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER.

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE T.S. No. 12-30912-JP-CAYOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 03/23/2007. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER.

to California Civil Code Section 2923.5(b) declares that the mortgagee, beneficiary or the mortgagee's or beneficiary's authorized agent has either contacted the borrower or tried with due diligence to contact the borrower as required by California Civil Code 2923.5. NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself.

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T.S. No. 12-0258-11 Loan No. 0599865072 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 12/9/2005. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER.

Norwalk, CA 90650, in the Vineyard Ballroom Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$321,928.18 The purported property address is: 8200 BLANDWOOD RD, DOWNEY, CA 90240 Assessor's Parcel No.: 6367-019-016 NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself.

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE Loan Number: 046005135 Trustee Sale Number: CA1200602096 APN: 8015-039-032 Title Order No. 120329740-CA-TASKO YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 10/01/2006. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER.

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11/24/2005. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. NDEX WEST, LLC, as duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust Recorded on 12/02/2005 as Instrument No. 05 2946323 of official records in the office of the County Recorder of Los Angeles County, State of California, EXECUTED BY: JORGE R TAVERA AND LUPE TAVERA, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH, CASHIER'S CHECK/CASH EQUIVALENT or other form of payment authorized by 2924(h), (payable at time of sale in lawful money of the United States). DATE OF SALE: 03/06/2013 TIME OF SALE: 10:00 AM PLACE OF SALE: BEHIND THE FOUNTAIN LOCATED IN CIVIC CENTER PLAZA, 400 CIVIC CENTER PLAZA, POMONA, CA. STREET ADDRESS and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 11632 PLANETT AVENUE, DOWNEY, CALIFORNIA 90241 APN#: 6255-029-011 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said note(s), advances, under the terms of said Deed of Trust, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is \$507,597.29. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written Declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located. NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call 916-939-0772 for information regarding the trustee's sale or visit this Internet Web site www.nationwideposting.com for information regarding the sale of this property, using the file number assigned to this case 20120134002279. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. FOR TRUSTEE SALE INFORMATION PLEASE CALL: NATIONWIDE POSTING & PUBLICATION A DIVISION OF FIRST AMERICAN TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY 5005 WINDPLAY DRIVE, SUITE 1 EL DORADO HILLS, CA 95762-9334 916-939-0772 www.nationwideposting.com NDEX West, L.L.C. MAY BE ACTING AS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. NDEX West, L.L.C. as Trustee Dated: 02/04/2013 NPP0213583 THE DOWNEY PATRIOT 02/14/2013, 02/21/2013, 02/28/2013

ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. Notice is hereby given that RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A., as duly appointed trustee pursuant to the Deed of Trust executed by GUILLERMO ALCANTARA, A MARRIED MAN AS HIS SOLE AND SEPARATE PROPERTY, dated 07/25/2006 and recorded 8/1/2006, as Instrument No. 06-1700169, in Book , Page , of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Los Angeles County, State of California, will sell on 03/11/2013 at 9:00AM, Doubletree Hotel, Los Angeles-Norwalk, 13111 Sycamore Drive, Norwalk, CA 90650, Vineyard Ballroom at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash or check as described below, payable in full at time of sale, all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust, in the property situated in said County of State and as more fully described in the above referenced Deed of Trust. The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 7646 SUVA STREET, DOWNEY, CA, 90240. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. The total amount of the unpaid balance with interest thereon of the obligation secured by the property to be sold plus reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is \$847,425.04. It is possible that at the time of sale the opening bid may be less than the total indebtedness due in addition to cash, the Trustee will accept cashier's checks drawn on a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state. Said sale will be held by the appointed trustee as shown below, of all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by the trustee in the hereinafter described property under and pursuant to the Deed of Trust. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, estimated fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. Place of Sale: Behind the fountain located in Civic Center Plaza, 400 Civic Center Plaza, Pomona CA Legal Description: PARCEL 1 OF MAP NO 20509, IN THE CITY OF DOWNEY, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AS PER MAP RECORDED IN BOOK 230 PAGES 58 AND 59 OF PARCEL MAPS, IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY. Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$ 494,604.06 (estimated) Street address and other common designation of the real property: 7935 2ND ST DOWNEY, CA 90241 APN Number: 6251-019-042 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. The property heretofore described is being sold "as is". DATE: First American Trustee Servicing Solutions, LLC, as Trustee First American Trustee Servicing Solutions, LLC 6 Campus Circle, 2nd Floor Westlake, TX 76262 First American Trustee Servicing Solutions, LLC IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on a property itself. 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ON 03/06/2013 at 10:00 A.M., First American Trustee Servicing Solutions, LLC as the duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust Recorded 11/01/2004, as Instrument No. 04 2810936, in Book , Page , of official records in the Office of the Recorder of Los Angeles County, California, executed by: ELVA MONICA AVILA, as Trustor, CHASE MANHATTAN MORTGAGE CORP, will sell at public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn by a state or national bank, a cashier's check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a cashier's check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association, or savings bank specified in section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state. Sale will be held by the duly appointed trustee as shown below, of all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by the trustee in the hereinafter described property under and pursuant to the Deed of Trust. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, estimated fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. Place of Sale: Behind the fountain located in Civic Center Plaza, 400 Civic Center Plaza, Pomona CA Legal Description: PARCEL 1 OF MAP NO 20509, IN THE CITY OF DOWNEY, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AS PER MAP RECORDED IN BOOK 230 PAGES 58 AND 59 OF PARCEL MAPS, IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY. 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Feb. 20

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All immunizations are free and no appointment is necessary. A parent or guardian must accompany children.

Parents should bring their child's immunization card with past immunization history.

Storytime Festival at library

DOWNEY – The Gypsy Johnson Auxiliary of the Assistance League of Downey will hold its Storytime Festival from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Feb. 23 at the Downey City Library.

Informal book readings to children in the pre-school through fifth grade, face painting, and a puppet show by the Assistance League's "Kids on the Block" are all part of the festivities.

Every child who attends the event will receive a free book as part of the League's commitment to help promote childhood literacy.

More from Hawaii: humpback whales & humans

• Whale population slowly growing thanks to global whaling bans.

By Lars Clutterham Contributor

DOWNEY – Here in Lahaina, Hawaii, it's warm, and humpback whales are visible at almost every ocean glance. The whales too are here because it's warm, birthing and mating far from the cold water temperatures of their Alaskan summer feeding habitat. Pregnant and fertile females, their newborn calves, one- and two-year-old juveniles, and lots of males hoping to mate reside here between mid-December and mid-May, where they go about their business mostly oblivious to the human activities around them.

Their activities, on the other hand, captivate tourists, especially the antics of the cute and cuddly little whale calves and their mamas, as they frolic in the 70-plus degree Hawaiian ocean waters. Humpback babies, by the way, are about 2 tons at birth, and adult females, slightly larger than the males, average about 45 tons.

Our premise here is that the relationship between humans and whales can provide insight into our larger relationship with the world around us, as we undertake

a second week of observations from Hawaii.

But first, a little family history: fossil remains demonstrate that humpback whale evolution began some 55 million years ago, as four-legged land mammals slowly adapted to an all-marine environment. The hippopotamus is probably the whale's closest extant land relative, and it's striking how whale skeletal structure has stretched and shrunk from its terrestrial origins in order to maximize marine efficiency, including flippers--more properly, pectoral fins--where fingered paws or hooves used to be.

The Hawaiian islands, by comparison, began to develop through volcanic activity roughly 25 million years ago. And we humans embarked on our own existence as a separate bipedal sub-species a mere five million years ago. Clearly we're the new kids on the block. Moreover, using as a gauge the 10-million-year average species lifetime previously mentioned in this column,

humans are only about halfway to typical species duration, while whales have already outlived that average by a factor of five.

Whales have intrigued humans for millennia. The Bible speaks of "leviathan," and Aristotle categorizes them in his scientific writing as early as 400 B.C. But only in the early 19th century did humans begin to exploit whales, primarily for whale oil as an illuminant, prior to the advent of fossil fuel.

For a time during the first half of the century, more than 500 whaling ships per year stopped in Lahaina, on the shore of Western Maui, a few miles down the road from where this article is being written. Humpback whale oil turned out to be less profitable than that of the sperm whale, so the Lahaina whaling industry was short-lived.

Nevertheless, the global whale population was decimated in the ensuing century. While the most conservative scientific figures estimate a decrease to 10%

in the range of 20-23,000 and continues to increase at a rate of about 7% per year, thanks in part to the popularity of whale-watching, now a multi-million dollar industry.

So whaling's out and whale-watching is in. Happy ending, right?

Actually that's only half the story, as it turns out our mammalian whale cousins are threatened in new ways by modern anthropogenic activity.

We'll look at the second half of this story next week.

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FEATURED PROPERTY

One of A Kind Downey Estate

Drive thru Security Gate to secluded immaculate custom built home - Completed in approx. 2002. Too many features to write down formal dining and large eating area off gourmet kitchen- Upstairs game room and study library. 2 fireplaces living room and master bedroom - Lots of hard scape throughout grounds - Pool and Pool House - Tree House with electrical and cable ready - 6 car garage with large bicycle room and weight room - Circular driveway - Movie theater that seats approx 10 people - Sports court. Call today for more information.

TOP PRODUCERS

TOP LISTING
Jim Whyte

TOP PRODUCTION
Rick & Janine McDow

TOP SALES
Lorena Amaya & Lilian Lopez

<p style="text-align: center; font-weight: bold;">The Sales Keep Coming!</p> <p style="font-size: 0.8em;">This is a must see in the beautiful Glenwood community. This prime location features 3 Bedrooms and 2 1/2 bath. Also, there is a two-car attached garage with left and cabinet storage. Laundry room and walk in pantry off the kitchen. Both upstairs bathrooms are upgraded and the lower level has upgraded windows. Priced to sell at \$390,000!</p>	<p style="text-align: center; font-weight: bold;">Immaculate!</p> <p style="font-size: 0.8em;">Immaculate single story condo! This home features 3 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms and a updated kitchen with granite counters and tile floors. It is on a corner location with an extra private garden. One year home warranty also included with the sale. The HOA amenities include pool, spa, tennis, gym, woodshop, club house, billiards and a putting green. WOW!!! Call today for more information.</p>	<p style="text-align: center; font-weight: bold;">Sold In A Week!</p> <p style="font-size: 0.8em;">Fantastic opportunity! This spacious 2 bedroom, 2 bathrooms home is very well maintained. It features a fireplace in the living room, large laundry area behind kitchen, lots of cabinet space and a nice dining area off of the living room. The property also features a spacious backyard and a deep 4 car detached garage. This great home is also located in one of the most desirable areas of Downey. Priced to sell at \$425,000.</p>	<p style="text-align: center; font-weight: bold;">WOW!</p> <p style="font-size: 0.8em;">What a fantastic opportunity! This home features 3 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms and a living room with a brick fireplace. The home also features a family room with a stone fireplace. The kitchen has granite counters and newer appliances. The inside has been freshly painted and both front and backyards are nicely landscaped. Call for more information.</p>
<p style="text-align: center; font-weight: bold;">A Must See!</p> <p style="font-size: 0.8em;">This is a beautiful tri-level home. It features wood 3 bedrooms, 4 bathrooms with each of the bedrooms having their own full bath. Also, this home has a patio, wood floors and a 2 car garage. If that's not enough, it also features a fireplace in the living room, beautiful wood shutters and a balcony off the kitchen. Call today for more information on this great opportunity!</p>	<p style="text-align: center; font-weight: bold;">Turnkey</p> <p style="font-size: 0.8em;">Welcome to this beautifully updated 2 bedroom, 2 bathroom home. It features refinished wood floors, an updated kitchen with quartz counter tops and newer cabinets. Both of the bathrooms have been remodeled as well as the 2 car garage. This is a must see! Call for more information today!</p>	<p style="text-align: center; font-weight: bold;">We Don't Just List Your Home, We Get It Sold!</p> <p style="font-size: 0.8em;">This beautifully remodeled condo is spectacular. The kitchen features custom white shaker-style cabinets with Carrara marble counter tops, new stainless-steel appliances, a breakfast nook and brand new stackable washer/dryer in their own discreet closet space. The incredibly large master suite includes an oversized walk-in closet, master bath with a double sink vanity, designer shower and finishes, and a double door entry. Call today for more information.</p>	<div style="text-align: center;"> My Real Estate School DRE APPROVED LIVE REAL ESTATE SCHOOL \$299 Reimbursed Call Darlene - ext. 119 (562) 927-2626 </div>



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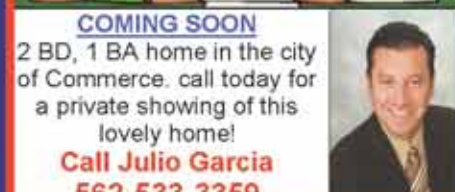


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10358 HALEDON, DOWNEY
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12259 CALADRE, DOWNEY
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North Downey Condo!
Large, remodeled 1 BD, top level unit with central air & heat, tile entry, subterranean parking and plenty of storage space.
Priced at: \$235,000



JUST LISTED
Exclusive Listing!
5 BD, 3 BA, approx 2,600 sq. ft., 2 master bedrooms (1 up & 1 down), 7,931 sq. ft. lot, 2 car detached garage with 2 separate driveway entrances to the property.
Priced at: \$599,000



JUST LISTED
Built in 2007
3 BD, 2.5 BA, 1,674 sq. ft., living room with fireplace, upgraded kitchen, master BD w/walk-in closet, central air & heat, 2 car attached garage.
Priced at: \$625,000

What are Downey Homes Selling For???

Northwest 2011: \$397,400 2012: \$428,300 8% Increase in Past Year	Northeast 2011: \$502,000 2012: \$461,800 8% Decrease in Past Year
Southwest 2011: \$331,200 2012: \$338,200 2% Increase in Past Year	Southeast 2011: \$305,600 2012: \$319,900 5% Increase in Past Year

Date compiled from multiple listing service for 4th quarter 2011 vs 4th quarter 2012. Please visit www.MichaelBerdelis.com for more detailed information.



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This One Won't Last!
3 BD, 1 BA home with new paint and carpet, large yard and a 2 car detached garage.
Priced at: \$325,000



IN ESCROW
Impressive & Distinct!
3 BD, 2.5 BA home on Northeast side of Downey, living room and family room with fireplace, master bedroom, large yard and wide driveway.
Priced at: \$475,000



SOLD
My Buyer Bought...
4 BD, 4 BA Mar Vista Heights (Whittier) home -- 3500 sq ft living space on a 26,000 sq ft lot with great city view
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