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## Woman charged in real estate fraud case

**DOWNEY** – A 30-year-old Van Nuys woman has been arrested in connection with a sophisticated real estate fraud scheme that targeted homes in Downey and elsewhere.

A 36-count felony complaint was filed against Anna Moskovyan by the L.A. County District Attorney's office on March 21.

The complaint alleges multiple counts of grand theft and the recording of false and fraudulent documents related to more than 100 properties in L.A. County and beyond.

Moskovyan was arrested March 28 when she appeared at Glendale Court on an unrelated matter.

It is alleged that between April 2010 and June 2012, Moskovyan committed "numerous sophisticated fraudulent acts of various types through Los Angeles County," authorities said. Among the allegations:

1.) Moskovyan identified real estate properties that were scheduled for tax lien sales and recorded forged grant deeds at the Los Angeles County Recorder's Office, transferring ownership to herself. She then filed claims to receive the "excess proceeds" from the tax liens.

In other words, she fraudulently claimed the rights to receive the money left over after a property is sold and the tax liens were paid off.

2.) Moskovyan recorded dozens of phony mechanics liens for painting work which was never done on the titles of real estate properties which were in foreclosure. Several financial institutions paid Moskovyan to remove the fraudulent liens in order to clear the titles so the properties could be foreclosed upon and resold.

3.) Moskovyan fraudulently transferred the ownership of two real estate properties to herself by recording forged grant deeds. She then applied for, and received, loans using the fraudulently obtained properties as collateral.

Moskovyan collected about \$100,000 through the alleged scheme, investigators said. Authorities began investigating after several property owners filed complaints with the Los Angeles County Department of Consumer Affairs.

Mechanic liens were filed on properties in Downey, Altadena, Canoga Park, Canyon Country, Cerritos, Diamond Bar, Hacienda Heights, La Canada, La Mirada, La Puente, Lakewood, North Hollywood, North Hills, Northridge, Monterey Park, Valencia and Valley Village.

The forged grant deeds were recorded on properties in Compton and South Los Angeles.

Search warrants were executed at Moskovyan's Glendale office and her home in North Hollywood, which produced allegedly certified copies of the forged grant deeds and mechanic liens, authorities said.

Moskovyan is currently in custody with bail set at \$1.24 million. Her next court date is Tuesday.



Anna Moskovyan

• Quadriplegic or not, Annie Ruth lives life to the fullest.

By Greg Waskul  
Rancho Los Amigos

**DOWNEY** – Five year-old Annie Ruth, who loved to go snow skiing and water-skiing, and playing tennis, was having fun in gymnastics class when disaster struck.

"I was trying to do a somersault off a balance beam," Annie said. "I landed on my neck and pinched my spine." Her accident damaged her spinal cord and left her a C1-C2 Quadriplegic, which meant she would never again move her arms or legs. The accident made normal breathing impossible.

Her chances of living were slim, but her family, her doctors, and Annie never gave up hope. She spent nine months at Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center in Downey before it was possible to go home to Rolling Hills. Since then, she has become an inspiration to several generations of Rancho patients and staff, and to people everywhere.

When I was at Rancho I was in traction, in a halo, with mouthsticks and a manual wheelchair," Annie said. "Both my mom and dad came down every day for nine months. I met a lot of good doctors and nurses and occupational and physical therapists at Rancho who helped me get better and stronger every day."

Her family and especially her parents, Craig and Marion, have been a tremendous support for her throughout her life. Her brothers Bob, Bill, and sister Lee are a valuable support and they are active in each other's lives. Yet she has accomplished a tremendous amount on her own.

"One of the most important things was learning to breathe on my own during the day," Annie said. "I do use a breathing machine while I sleep, but now I can go all day without any assistance in breathing."

She is a world-renowned artist and is one of the founders of the Art of Rancho program, which today includes more than 50 artists.

"I really enjoy painting and conversation with my friends," Annie said. "I like to create and work with colors and design. You have to keep working on it until it looks good, and it is fun when it does work out and I can share with others. If it makes them smile, then it makes me happy. Art has brought a lot to my life and others have enjoyed it, too."

"People can relate to art, which is really nice. It opens up a whole other world to you, where you can learn to appreciate other peoples' perspectives and outlook on life. Sometimes their personality matches their art and sometimes it doesn't. It's fascinating to see all the work that people do."

"My art is very colorful and joyful," she said. "It makes people feel a little better, even if just for the moment. Life is hard for a lot of people, and I'm glad I can bring a little bit of happiness into their life."

After her accident, Annie grew up in a very challenging world. "When I left Rancho, no regular

## ANNIE RUTH'S LIFE OF INSPIRATION



school would accept me because I was in a wheelchair and on a breathing machine, so I ended up going to a school for the disabled in Inglewood for a while," she said. "Then my local school district decided to accept me on a trial basis. I passed summer school and I was approved to go to public school, where I remained until I graduated from high school.

"It was interesting to grow up in a period where I was not accepted," Annie said. "We grew up without the ADA, without handicapped parking spaces, with no curb cuts and without laws to protect individuals with disabilities. You were on your own. There has been a lot of positive change in this area and Rancho has always been a big part of that."

"Dr. Donna Barras was my first doctor at Rancho, and all these years later, she is still a great friend," Annie said. "She was not only a very talented doctor, she was a wonderful person, too. Physical Therapist Jan Furumasu and all the people at CART (Center for Applied Rehabilitation Technology) have helped me so much over the years. Molly Doyle, Kathy Gross, Barb Phillips and so many others have helped teach me so much."

Annie had surgery for a life-threatening pressure ulcer at Rancho several years ago. "Dr. Salah Rubayi, a great physician with a great personality, saved my life," she said. "It was challenging being in one room in one position for 10 weeks. You have to be so still, not move, not change clothes."

"When the nurse told me I couldn't wash my hair, I replied that I wash my hair every day," Annie said. "I told her I could give up a lot of things, but I had to wash my hair. I asked what the other patients did. She said they were mostly guys. I said 'I'm not a guy and I need to wash my hair.' So we got some dry shampoo and learned how to make it work."

Annie had kidney surgery in another hospital where they changed out her tracheostomy so that she couldn't talk, eat or drink when she went home. "I thought they were joking, but the joke was on me," she said. "So we called Rancho, and Dr. John Farinacci changed out my trach and I quickly got back to my life. I owe so much to him and to Rancho."



Annie's many accomplishments include an outstanding educational record. After graduating from high school, she entered USC.

"Going to USC was a great experience," she said. "I went through the sorority rush, and it was a challenge because there were no accommodations for my disabling condition. So we arranged for friends to help me with a manual wheelchair. We did interviews during record heat and the rooms were so hot that by the end of the day you were exhausted, but I enjoyed talking with people so it was still fun."

"I joined Delta Gamma sorority, and we had many great times and great experiences," Annie said. "We loved to go to the football games, because there is a lot of good spirit at USC. It was just a blast."

Annie graduated from USC with honors. After college she worked for IBM and completed her MBA from Pepperdine University. After that she had a restaurant named "Annie's Pantry" in Torrance. Today she continues to work in technology as a computer forensics consultant.

She's also had many excellent adventures. "I've gone skydiving, hang gliding and paragliding, and

white water rafting, too," Annie said. She even carried the torch for the 1984 Olympic Games. "It's a thrill to do these different things, and I love them all. It's a challenge, but you just figure out a way to make it work, you go for it, and you make it happen."

Although she takes a lot from life, Annie gives a lot as well.

"I learned early on that it's important to give back," she said. "I am very fortunate to be able to help so many others through serving on boards for nonprofit organizations. I have been on the board of a public fund that provides scholarships and mentoring to students in the Los Angeles Unified School District. Ninety percent of them have gone on to college and of those, 95 percent have finished college. It was a good learning lesson, and I was chair of that for 7 years."

Annie worked with a Governance Committee for the state of California on the employment of people with disabilities. "We gave out scholarships to companies who

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## Downey homes targeted in burglary ring

**DOWNEY** – A criminal group is suspected of targeting Downey homes in a rash of recent residential burglaries, police said this week.

Police didn't say how many homes have been victimized but most of the burglaries occurred during the early evening hours.

Recent burglaries have targeted homes in northeast Downey although police officials warned all residents – regardless of their address – to be extra cautious.

The burglars have the same MO, police said: a person knocks at the front door. If someone answers, the suspect makes an excuse for being at the wrong house and leaves.

If no one answers, the suspect either leaves and returns a short time later or goes into the backyard.

"Once out of view of the street, he will look for open windows or doors to gain entry to the residence," police said. "If the house is locked, the burglar will oftentimes force entry by breaking a window or forcing a door open."

"A car with additional suspects will oftentimes wait a short distance away for the suspect to return with stolen property. The suspect may also call them to respond to the house to assist in the actual burglary of the location."

"The actions of the burglars are usually not visible from the street, making it difficult for police to discover the crime in progress. Because of this, it's imperative that residents in the area pay close attention to suspicious subjects in their neighborhood. This is especially true if you see someone knock on a door of a residence, then go to the back of the house when they fail to get an answer."

"If you see people in your neighborhood, whether they are walking or sitting in a vehicle, that you feel may be looking for an opportunity to commit a crime, please call the Downey Police Department immediately."

Residents who have questions regarding incidents such as these, or would like information regarding burglary prevention, should call Detective Jerry Price at (562) 904-2359 or Detective Mark Galindo at (562) 904-2326.

To provide information anonymously, call Crime Stoppers by dialing 800-222-TIPS (8477), or by texting the letters TIPLA, plus your tip, to CRIMES (274637), or by using the web site <http://lacrimestoppers.org>.

## Soroptimist fundraiser April 19

**DOWNEY** – Tickets are still available to "Havana Nights," the casino fundraiser April 19 benefiting Soroptimist International of Downey.

Tickets are \$40 and include hors d'oeuvres, entertainment, casino script, raffles, opportunity drawings and access to a silent auction.

The event begins at 6:30 p.m. at the Rio Hondo Event Center. Dress is "island festive."

For tickets, call Mia Vasquez at (562) 862-2611.

## Mayor traveling to Ireland on official visit

• Cost to send mayor to sister city ceremony estimated at \$5,000.

By Eric Pierce  
Editor

**DOWNEY** – A split City Council agreed Tuesday to pay \$5,000 in travel and lodgings expenses to have Mayor Mario Guerra represent Downey at a ceremonial sister city event in Ireland next month.

Roscommon County became a sister city to Downey earlier this year and a ceremony to mark the re-

lationship is scheduled for May 24 in Ireland.

John Gately Downey, this city's namesake, was born in Roscommon County.

Guerra will represent Downey in an official capacity during the visit, which is expected to include a meeting with Ireland's president, Michael Higgins.

The vote to send Guerra passed, 3-2, with council members Luis Marquez and Roger Brossmer dissenting, citing budget concerns. Downey laid off more than a dozen employees last year and instituted mandatory furloughs for other workers.

"In these tough fiscal times this is not something I'm comfortable in supporting," Brossmer said. "I don't think it's prudent to spend \$5,000 on this."

Marquez expressed a similar opinion and claimed council members had previously agreed to curb non-essential spending.

"Mr. Guerra can attend on his own dime," Marquez said.

Guerra defended the ceremony as a "once-in-a-lifetime historic event" and said the city's finances are 10 percent better than originally projected, which resulted in the elimination of two furlough days.

He also claimed the city issued

merit raises to department heads this year.

Mayor Pro Tem Fernando Vasquez and Councilman Alex Saab supported the trip as well.

The non-profit Downey Sister Cities Association is in the midst of a fundraising campaign to send its own members to Ireland at no cost to taxpayers.

Roscommon County is Downey's sixth sister city, joining Guadalajara, Mexico; Ensenada, Mexico; Valle de San Quintin, Mexico; Fresnillo, Mexico; and Alajuela, Costa Rica.



The Hernandez family of Downey traveled to the Grand Canyon over spring break and took along the Patriot. Pictured above are Marsha and Rich Hernandez with their two girls, Hillary and Allison.

## Downey delegation headed to Denver

• City will pick up the tab if fundraising efforts fall short.

By Eric Pierce  
Editor

**DOWNEY** – An 8-member delegation from Downey will travel to Denver, Colo. later this summer to compete a second time in the national All-America City competition.

Downey was a finalist for the award two years ago but didn't win the top prize.

Officials estimated the trip will cost about \$15,000 in lodging and airline tickets plus an additional \$15,000 in staff time, which is why

councilmen Luis Marquez and Roger Brossmer voted against the trip.

City officials said they will attempt to raise the money through fundraisers but, if unsuccessful, the balance will be paid by taxpayers.

In 2011, Downey sent a coalition of 18 to Kansas City that included then Mayor Luis Marquez, Councilman Mario Guerra, top city brass, a police captain, an educator, and local schoolchildren who touted Downey's award-winning reuse of the former NASA site; Gangs Out of Downey; and Keep Downey Beautiful.

This time around, Downey plans to highlight its recent efforts to recognize local veterans, the revitalization of Downtown Downey, and the Columbia Memorial Space Center.

The delegation is expected to

include Guerra, three unidentified city workers, four Downey veterans and possibly others.

The All America City award is presented by the National Civic League and recognizes 10 communities each year for "outstanding civic accomplishments."

Local cities that have won the award include South Gate (1990), Santa Fe Springs (1971), Cerritos (2008), La Habra (1973), Lynwood (2010) and Paramount (1988).

In addition to Downey, other candidates vying for the award this year include Birmingham, Lauderdale, Florida; Thomasville, North Carolina; Miami Lakes, Florida; Folly Beach, South Carolina; Sarasota County, Florida; The Colony, Texas; Peoria, Illinois; Norfolk, Virginia; Dubuque, Iowa; and Plattville, Wisconsin.



Downey residents Vanessa Chacon, Celeste Moreira, Hannah Ortega and Tommy Moreira (pictured from left) took along the Patriot on their recent trip to the San Mateo campground near San Clemente.

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CalMet Services, Inc., the City's waste hauler, will be providing Downey residents with free mulch on Saturday, April 13 from 9:00 a.m. to noon. Residents may receive up to 32 gallons of mulch, but must bring their own containers. The distribution will be a "drive-thru" only event and there will be no accommodations for walk-up visitors.

The give-away will take place in the west parking lot area at the Downey Police Department, 10911 Brookshire Avenue. Vehicles may only enter the from Civic Center Drive.

The distribution of mulch will begin at 9:00 a.m. and will end when the supply of mulch is exhausted, or at 12 noon, whichever comes first.

For more information, call CalMet Services at 562-259-1239, extension 7.

## THE BLASTERS HAVEN'T FORGOTTEN THEIR ROOTS

• Most of the Blasters still live in Downey and they haven't forgotten their original fans.

By Eric Pierce  
Editor

**DOWNEY** – When Phil Alvin takes the stage Saturday at the Epic Lounge, it won't be a homecoming for a simple reason: the Blasters frontman still makes his home in Downey.

"But it's always nice to play in your hometown," Alvin conceded. "In my teens I played here all the time in the Ric-Rac Room before it was the Anarchy Library."

Alvin, 60, sat down with this newspaper last week for an interview ahead of this Saturday's concert.

"To be honest, I'm doing this show as a favor for Don," Alvin laughed, referring to Don Lamkin, a retired Santa Fe Springs firefighter and founding member of the Downey Arts Coalition who recently launched Catch 22 Productions. "I wouldn't be doing this if it wasn't for Don."

The Blasters have a committed fan base throughout the United States and Europe, and they're renowned in Southern California for their unique rock sound unlike anything heard on the radio today. In other words, they could have easily sold out the much larger Downey Theatre.

But the Blasters are playing the Epic Lounge, an intimate venue at 8239 2nd St., to help Lamkin's efforts to bring quality, non-mainstream music to Downey.

After the show was announced on Facebook, tickets sold out

within days, no doubt spurred by the prospect of watching the Blasters perform up-close. Opening the show is an eclectic jazz group called the California Feetwarmers.

As we sat in Lamkin's backyard patio, I asked Alvin what kept him in conservative Downey after all these years. Downey produced the Carpenters, and even James Hetfield of Metallica, but still is not exactly synonymous with rock and roll.

Pardon the stereotype, but West L.A. would seem a more appropriate place for someone in entertainment.

"I never wanted to live in the Westside," Alvin says, sipping coffee and dragging on a Kool cigarette. "I've spent enough time in Hollywood, seeing drunk people at 3 in the morning."

"I've been all around the world while living in Downey. I didn't see why I had to leave."

Alvin has been in Downey nearly his entire life. He and his sister attended OLPH School, two grades apart. It was in the first grade that Alvin was "discovered," by a nun no less.

"I was singing in a choir when Sister [Mary] Antonita grabbed me by my wrist and took me out of the classroom," Alvin remembers with a smile. "She dragged me across the street and knocked on a door. Inside there was a woman on a piano and they had me singing 'bim, bo, za...bim, bo, za.'"

That was the first time people really took notice of Alvin's raspy baritone voice. Alvin, in turn, relished music and learned to play any instrument he could get his hands on, from the piano and harmonica to the violin.

He began taking music lessons at a small shop on Woodruff Av-

enue. The store owner said Alvin's hands were too small for the guitar and talked his dad into investing in an accordion.

Alvin still has that accordion, not that it got much use.

He tagged along with his cousins in their '53 Chevy to Harvey's Broiler to watch the local bands perform. When Alvin's parents left him with a babysitter, she would throw "hard rock parties" where Alvin learned to shimmy his hips like Elvis Presley.

Soon Alvin was good enough to begin playing his own gigs in Pico Rivera, Bell Gardens and Compton. Gritty locations, yes, but Alvin loved the passion in his audiences.

"Mexicans love their music, it's in their culture," Alvin says. "I also played with the local car clubs in Southern California. That was the culture I grew up in."

Alvin and his neighborhood friends formed the Blasters in 1967. They didn't enjoy major success until the punk band X put pressure on its record label to sign the Blasters.

Alvin was in the small city of Terra Haute, Ind., when he first heard a Blasters song play on the radio.

"It was really strange," he laughs.

The Blasters performed three times on "American Bandstand" and would go on to release several records. Their most recent, "Fun on Saturday Night," came out last year and is available on Amazon.

One of Alvin's biggest thrills, he says, was performing live in front of legendary blues musician Joe Turner, while Turner was in the audience. Alvin did his best to emulate Turner's sumptuous vocals.

Turner was not impressed.

"He told me, 'Stop embarrass-



Photo courtesy Catch 22 Productions

The Blasters will perform Saturday at the Epic Lounge, part of an effort to rejuvenate the local music scene.

ing me and yourself. Just sing like you," Alvin remembered. "It was the best advice I ever received. There is a thin line between emulating someone and being yourself."

The band did form their own musical sound that has been described as country, Americana and hillbilly, but neither description is entirely accurate.

"Jazz, blues, country...It can't fit into one contemporary genre," Alvin says. "Our music is much too specific to identify with anything. I mean, country music? What is country? Who's country?"

Still, he says, "I never thought I would become a musician."

At one point, Alvin indeed gave

up music after earning his bachelor's degree and taking a teaching job at Cal State Long Beach. He also continued his graduate studies. A mathematics fanatic, he wrote a master's thesis on anti-foundational set theory, a complex subject we won't pretend to understand or explain.

Music, however, always beckoned and the Blasters were performing tours around the world.

Today, Alvin continues to perform "a few times a month." The Blasters gear their concerts toward their fans and at Saturday's show Alvin promises they will play their popular hits along with unreleased tracks.

"It used to make me made

when I saw bands and they didn't play what I wanted to hear," Alvin says.

Saturday's show may be sold out but fans of the local music scene are encouraged to follow Catch 22 Productions on Facebook for details on other upcoming shows in Downey.

Alvin maintains a low profile in Downey but he likes what he sees with the recent arts resurgence here.

"I remember trying to get gigs in Hollywood and they'd ask where we were from. They'd say Downey? Get the [expletive] out of here," Alvin laughs. "I'm in favor of getting the scene going here again. Music is still good at its grassroots levels."

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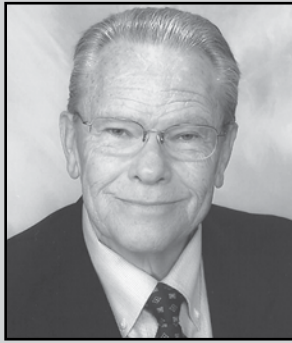
Leonore Julia Stroh, born April 11, 1919, died peacefully on April 3, 2013 in her home in Downey, California. She was preceded in death by her loving husband of 60 years, Alvin. She is survived by son, Duane C. Stroh and wife Susan, and daughter Julie Stroh, and her partner Cylvia Santillan. She also leaves her beloved grandson, Christopher Stroh, whom she enjoyed humorous conversations with as well as watching his baseball games through the years.

Leonore's career as a legal secretary for J. Patrick Conroy Law Offices in Downey spanned close to 25 years. Leonore was active in many civic organizations that included The Downey Women's Club, The Newcomer's Club, and Friends of the Downey City Library. And when not volunteering, she enjoyed her passion of reading books and playing bridge with her longtime friends, and love of animals as well as her beautiful orange tree orchard. She was a bright light in our hearts and lived a long wonderful life filled with many blessings.

A rosary will be held April 11 between 5:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. at Miller-Mies Mortuary: 11015 Downey Ave., Downey, CA 90241. A Funeral Mass will be celebrated on April 12, at St. Raymond's Catholic Church, 12348 Paramount Blvd, Downey, CA 90242 at 10:30 a.m. The graveside services will take place at Rose Hills Memorial Park, 3888 Workman Rd, Whittier, CA 90601 immediately following the service.

## In Memory of Roger James Nordin

February 23, 1947 to April 2, 2013



Roger Nordin, born Feb. 23, 1947 in Jamestown, N.Y. to Rev. Willard and Esther Nordin, passed away on April 2 at his home in Downey after a courageous battle with cancer. A longtime Downey resident he attended East Middle School and graduated from Downey High in 1965.

While training Tennessee Walking Horses in Clovis, California, he was drafted by the U.S. Army on Thanksgiving Day 1967. He was sent to Vietnam soon after and was assigned to Bravo Company as a sergeant and affectionately nicknamed "Babycakes" by his men. After his service to his country he returned home and went to work for Rockview Dairies. He then went to work for Green Spot Packaging as operations manager and was promoted to president. While at Greenspot Roger was honored by local and state officials as Employer of the Year for his compassion in hiring six physically and mentally disadvantaged individuals. When receiving the award he stated that he was inspired by these employees who often were more productive than other able-bodied employees. After retiring from Green Spot he was hired by Century 21 My Real Estate Co. as a Realtor and relocation specialist.

He was a past president of the California Dairy Industry Association, a member of Downey Los Amigos Kiwanis, and active with the Downey Chamber of Commerce.

Roger was known for his infectious smile, a great sense of humor and his contagious laugh. He always had time for his family and friends and will be missed by all who knew him and feel blessed to have been a part of his life.

Roger is survived by his wife of 42 years Susan (Sue); son, Michael; daughter Tracey (Anthony) Marquez and grandchildren Jacob, Justin, and Ali; brother Tim as well as his extended family and many friends.

A memorial service will be held Saturday, April 13 at Calvary Chapel in Downey at 11:00 a.m. In lieu of flowers donations may be made by mail to Arc, 12049 Woodruff Ave. Downey, CA 90241 or [www.thearcloac.org](http://www.thearcloac.org).

## New payment scam targets Edison customers

DOWNEY – Southern California Edison is advising customers to be aware of a new telephone scam that is demanding immediate payment for allegedly past due electricity bills.

Imposters have been calling SCE customers telling them they must make immediate payment on past due bills or have their electric service disconnected. The callers are also demanding that payment be made through a prepaid cash card, such as PayPal or a Green Dot card.

"We ask our customers to be alert to these calls that demand immediate payment and threaten service disconnection," said Henry Martinez, SCE vice president of safety, security and compliance. "Customers suspecting a fraudulent call should ask for the caller's name, department and business phone number. If the caller refuses to provide this information, customers should terminate the call and report the incident immediately to local police or SCE at (800) 655-4555."

SCE also reminded customers to ask for identification when a stranger comes to the door or calls claiming to be a utility worker. SCE utility workers will provide verification, including their department and phone number, when asked.

In most cases, home visits by SCE are scheduled by the customer and SCE will confirm the appointment in writing. If there are any concerns, SCE and law enforcement officials suggest having the utility worker wait outside until their identity can be verified. SCE customers should also note that:

- An SCE employee will never ask for money in person;
- Never reveal your credit card, ATM or calling card numbers (or PIN numbers) to anyone;
- If someone calls and requests you leave your residence at a specific time for a utility-related cause, call the police. This could be a burglary set up by the caller;
- Be suspicious of anyone who arrives at your house without an appointment asking to check an appliance, wiring or suggesting that there may be some other electrical problem inside your residence.

For more ways customers can stay safe, go online to [sce.com/safety](http://sce.com/safety) and read the safety tips section.

## Downey Library lines up several events

DOWNEY – The Downey City Library will celebrate National Library Week (April 15-20) with a variety of free programs sponsored by the Friends of the Downey City Library.

On Monday, author Julie Mammano will present "How I Wrote Six Children's Books" at a program that begins at 6:30 p.m.

The creator of the popular "Rhino" picture books will discuss the writing process and her career as a published author.

On Tuesday, children ages 3-5 and their parents can read with Mayor Mario Guerra at a preschool storytime from 10:30-11 a.m. The mayor will share some of his favorite picture books and children will make a special craft.

On Wednesday, Guerra will present the same program in Spanish and English again at 10:30.

Also on Wednesday, the library will begin its new series of money management workshops for adults starting at 6:30 p.m.

Author Julie Mammano returns Thursday at 6:30 p.m. to present "Music and Literacy Come Together." Families with children ages 3-12 will learn the importance of reading and music.

Finally, on April 20, the library is sponsoring a bus excursion to the Los Angeles Times Festival of Books. The event on the USC campus features panel discussions, cooking demonstrations, entertainment and book-signing events with more than 400 authors.

A \$5 bus transportation fee can be paid at the Friends Shop located inside the library.

To register for National Library Week events, call (562) 904-7360, ext. 132.

## Money workshops at library

DOWNEY – A free series of money management workshops will be hosted by the Downey City Library beginning next week.

Bilingual speaker Antonia Villaseñor from the California Department of Corporations will present three programs on successive Wednesdays from 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Topics include "You and Your Money: Making Smart Financial Decisions" on April 17; "Protect Yourself from Fraud, Investment Scams, Identity Theft and More" on April 24; and "Smart Financing: Home, Auto, Retirement and More" on May 1.

The workshops will include brochures in English and Spanish with information on financial terms, debt reduction, payday loans and other tips on making smart financial choices.

To register for one or all of the workshops, call (562) 904-7360, ext. 132 or visit the library.

## Services held for Jose Pajon

DOWNEY – A funeral Mass was held on April 5 for Jose Pajon, who died March 31 in Downey. He was 92.

He was born to Gonzalo Pajon and Esperanza Samos in Habana, Cuba.

He is survived by sons, George (Estrella) Pajon Sr. and Robert (Josie) Pajon; grandchildren George (Naomi) Pajon Jr., Elizabeth (Stephen) Williams, Christy (Todd) Moberaten and Robert (Brandi) Pajon; and great-grandchildren Elena B. Williams, Emily M. Moberaten, Jacob R. Moberaten and Dominic A. Pajon.

Father Joseph Magdaong led the funeral service held at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church in Downey. Burial was at Park Lawn Cemetery in Commerce.



## Coloring contest announced for kids

DOWNEY – The Downey Emergency Preparedness Committee has announced its first annual coloring contest for children, encouraging kids to show their emergency preparedness creativity in colors, words and more.

To participate, kids should decorate a coloring page that can be printed off the city's website at [downeyca.org/gov/emergency/default.asp](http://downeyca.org/gov/emergency/default.asp).

Entries will be judged on "originality, creativity and whimsy." The contest will name two winners in three age categories: ages 6 and younger, ages 7-10 and ages 11-13.

First and second place winners will have their artwork showcased at this year's Kids Day at Furman Park and on the city's emergency preparedness website. They will also be published in the Patriot and on the Downey Beat.

The grand prize winner from each age group will receive a \$60 gift card to Mambo Grill while the runner-up winner gets a \$25 gift card. Prizes are sponsored by Coach Dan Latham.

Deadline for entries is May 2. Winners will be chosen on or around May 3.

Entries should be submitted to Zelda Ross at Downey City Hall or to any Downey fire station. The back of the artwork should include the child's name, age, parents' name and contact information, and parent's signature. Complete rules are posted on the city's website.

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## Metro Briefs

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### Festival of Books April 20-21 At USC

Go Metro to the largest book festival in the country the weekend of April 20-21 at the Los Angeles Times Festival of Books. This free event at the USC North University Park Campus includes author events, storytelling and poetry readings. Enjoy it all without traffic and parking hassles; just take the Metro Expo Line to Expo Park/USC Station.

### Every Lane Is A Bike Lane

Be aware that bicyclists may need to take the full lane to safely navigate certain traffic situations. There are several situations in which bicyclists are permitted to leave the "as far right as practicable" position on the road, such as avoiding obstacles and unsafe conditions, including the door zone of parallel parked cars.

### Celebrate Earth Day April 22

Do your part to improve the environment as we participate in Earth Day 2013 on Monday, April 22. Go Metro to work, shopping or running errands. Or learn about rideshare options such as carpools and vanpools. Plan to reduce your environmental footprint and find out how to get started at [metro.net](http://metro.net).

### ExpressLanes Users Keep Growing

The number of Metro ExpressLanes transponders sold recently hit 135,000 and continues to grow. Join the motorists who are saving time in traffic on the I-10 and I-110 freeways. All vehicles except motorcycles need a FasTrak® account and transponder to use the lanes. To get yours, visit [metro.net/expresslanes](http://metro.net/expresslanes).



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## Letters to the Editor:

### Downey school board

Dear Editor:

Where is East Middle School principal's Brent Shubin's school spirit? (Letters to the Editor, 3/28/13)

He writes that renaming East to Doty Middle School is a brilliant idea. Oh wait, I forget, he is an administrator. Like all administrators in the DUSD, he serves at the pleasure of the school board. He can be promoted to the district office or demoted back to the classroom for any reason or no reason. Praising the board in public is always a good career move.

Personally, I am sick of politicians who confuse self-service with public service. Remind me, do we live in Downey or Bell? Service to students should be the board's mission statement, not service to selves.

In my humble opinion, I think it is always a mistake to change the name of a beloved institution without the consensus of the people – in this case, East students and parents.

There are other ways to honor Dr. Wendy Doty's service. But if they persist, we taxpayers should unite behind school board candidates who put students and parents first, and administrative cronies last.

**John Marinelli**  
Downey

### Trash fees

Dear Editor:

I was appalled to hear that the trash rates were going up again ("Trash Rates Going Up Again," 3/28/13). The way I see it, CalMet should get paid only if they fulfill their obligations before deciding to raise their rates.

Last week, CalMet failed to pick up the green trash can designated for lawn and tree trimmings. This was the second week in a row that this happened.

Trash pick-up for me is Fridays. I then made the unfortunate mistake in calling CalMet customer service the following Monday to report the problem. The agent that assisted me asked why I had not called earlier to report the issue. Perhaps if CalMet operated on the weekends they would have received a call.

I was unaware that not only do the residents of Downey have to pay CalMet for trash services, but they also have to make sure they do their jobs.

I think the city of Downey should reconsider doing business with CalMet.

**Arnold Lopez**  
Downey

### Fire union president

Dear Editor:

This is in response to a letter to the editor dated April 4 by one Helen Burns.

I was a resident of Downey from 1957 through the end of 2006. My wife and I raised our four children in what was a great city during our time living there. I am presently a resident of Yorba Linda but still have many friends that reside in Downey and follow the city "happenings" because of how close the city is to my heart.

I do not have all of the particulars in dollars and cents relative to the changes that the fire union wants but I do know that the city of Yorba Linda just went through outsourcing the police service to the Orange County Sheriff's Department and saved millions of dollars.

The real reason for my response to Ms. Burns is the attack she lodged on Steve Davis. She is obviously misinformed or not informed at all. I am pretty confident that Mr. Davis receives no compensation for his service as president of the firemen's union.

However, when she said, "He (meaning Mr. Davis) doesn't care about you or me," she really showed her ignorance. This is a man who has dedicated his career and service to the city of Downey as a firefighter and paramedic. He puts his own life on the line to save others every day he reports for work. For Ms. Burns to say he doesn't care just shows who she is.

His driving force is not straight up money, rather his driving force is for the betterment of the city of Downey and its residents like you.

Shame on Ms. Burns for saying he doesn't care. And please, if you feel so compelled to chime in on this matter, then get your facts straight or don't say anything at all.

**Peter Marchica**  
Downey

### MacArthur Park

Dear Editor:

Drew Kelly (Letters to the Editor, 4/4/13) should start a campaign to rename MacArthur Park because it was named after Gen. Douglas MacArthur when he was still alive.

**Jorge Montero**  
Downey

### Poets corner

Dear Editor:

Thank you for restoring the poetry corner, an engaging feature symbolic of Downey's growing emphasis on the arts.

**Joyce Sherwin**  
Downey

## Last minute tips for California taxpayers

Monday, April 15 is tax day. The Franchise Tax Board (FTB) offers time and money saving tips taxpayers should keep in mind.

**Free online filing in minutes.** FTB has two free e-file programs: Ready Return is for taxpayers who used the single or head of household filing status in the prior year, had one employer, claimed no more than five dependents, and took the standard deduction. ReadyReturn pulls data from wage reports and past tax returns to generate a completed return online. For more complex filing needs, CalFile is the state's other no-cost, easy-to-use e-file option that is available to more than 6.4 million taxpayers.

**Fast refunds through e-file.** Use e-file and direct deposit to save time and to get your refund fast - generally within seven to ten days.

**Check your refund online.** If you filed and are expecting a refund, use the Check Your Refund Status tool to see where your refund is. This service is also offered in Spanish.

**Pay your taxes online.** If you owe, consider using Web Pay to pay your tax return balance due or make an extension or estimate payment. If you make estimated tax payments, be sure to sign up for free automated reminders by email. You can schedule your estimated tax payments up to one year in advance. You can save your bank account number for future use, view scheduled Web Pay requests, and cancel a pending payment request.

**Get help paying your taxes.** Payment plans are available for taxpayers who face financial trouble. Those who owe \$25,000 or less and can repay the tax within five years generally qualify.

**Watch for errors if filing a paper return.** Double check your math, social security number(s), and the tax amount from the tax tables. You can also use the Tax Calculator to figure your 2012 tax by using your filing status and taxable income amount.

**Have a question? Try Live Chat.** FTB's Live Chat allows you to ask an

FTB representative general personal income tax questions and get help with FTB's website. Do not include personal information in your live chat conversation such as social security numbers, business identification numbers, and bank account information.

**Access Your Account.** Use MyFTB Account to change your address and get information about your wages and withholding, estimated tax payments, and more.

**What to do if you can't file on time.** California taxpayers get an automatic extension until October 15 to file their tax returns, although taxes owed must be paid by Monday, April 15.

**Claim the federal Earned Income Tax Credit.** This is a federal incentive for low-income individuals and families. Taxpayers earning less than \$50,270 can qualify for a "refundable" credit that can total up to \$5,891. "Refundable" means that you do not have to have a tax liability to get a refund check from the federal government. If you think you might qualify, visit the IRS website at irs.gov and search for EITC Assistant. California has no comparable state credit.

**Remember to report use tax.** You may owe use tax on purchases you made from out-of-state or Internet sellers. Use tax can be reported on your income tax return instead of filing a use tax return with the State Board of Equalization. New this year, taxpayers can use a "look-up" table to report their use tax obligations on their state return. The estimated amount of use tax due is based on the individual's adjusted gross income. For more details about use tax, visit the BOE's website at boe.ca.gov.

For more information on other taxes and fees in California, visit taxes.ca.gov

Contributed by the California Franchise Tax Board

## Rise of computer programming jobs

There are plenty of good jobs to be found on sites like Monster and Craigslist, says Mark Lasso, a self-described computer geek and founder of LearnToProgram, Inc. (LearnToProgram.tv). The problem is, the glut of unemployed, college-educated professionals available to fill them aren't qualified, he says.

"American companies will post positions for jobs like developing mobile apps and video games - good, high-paying jobs with benefits - but there just aren't enough qualified computer programmers out there so, after a few weeks, they send these jobs overseas," says Lasso, who has trained employees at the Department of Defense, Lockheed Martin and Discover Card Services.

Computer programming jobs are expected to grow by 12 percent by 2020, while software developer jobs are forecast to grow by 30 percent, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics. In 2010, the median

salary for software developers was more than \$90,500.

There aren't enough people to fill these jobs because technology and the job market are moving much faster than education in high schools and colleges, says Lasso, who develops online courses, books and other materials for people who want to learn programming.

"People think you have to go back to school to learn programming and other computer skills, but you don't," he says. "There's also the myth that you have to be some kind of math or science genius to learn it. Not true. You just need to learn the process, and then practice it. You can build a portfolio by doing volunteer work for a church or charity."

What types of people are ripe for skills like web development through an online course - and landing a great new job?

- Career-hoppers with an IT background: Current and former Information Technology workers are fast learners when it comes to new computer skills. If their current job is in customer service or corporate support, getting the tools to unleash their creativity may be the ticket not only to better pay but to a more gratifying career.

- Retirees: The cliché is that older folks are so far behind on tech knowledge, they struggle with email. However, many retirees are highly motivated, curious and have plenty of time for the business of learning. They may even have worked with early computers in their careers. "I know seniors who learned programming later in life and they like staying stimulated and challenged, and having an in-demand skill," Lasso says.

- The kid who plans to study computer science: Junior high and high school curricula are still woefully behind when it comes to preparing kids for careers in computer technology. Ambitious kids who want to take their relationship with technology to the next level are thoroughly engaged by web, mobile and gaming code classes - and they do very well.

- The good-idea person: Very often, someone has a great idea for a mobile app, but no idea what to do with it. A basic understanding of mobile app coding can start turning that great idea into an entrepreneurial adventure.

Courses for these training programs do not have to be expensive - high quality yet affordable programs can be found for less than \$200, he says.

## April is 'Donate Life Month'

Supervisor Don Knabe again proclaimed the month of April 2013 as "DMV/Donate Life California Month," in an effort to urge Los Angeles County citizens to save lives by signing up with the Donate Life California Registry when they apply or renew their driver's license or ID card through the Department of Motor Vehicles.

"Making the noble decision to donate can be difficult, but there is no greater expression of compassion than making the life-giving act of organ and tissue donation," said Supervisor Knabe. "Giving the gift of life through organ and tissue donation provides a measure of comfort to a bereaved family. I encourage everyone in Los Angeles County to consider signing up for the Donate Life California registry."

A single donation of the heart, lungs, liver, kidneys, pancreas and small intestine can save up to eight lives and a donation of tissue can save and heal up to 50 others. Nearly 100,000 individuals nationwide and more than 20,000 in California are currently on the national organ transplant wait list and every 90 minutes, one person dies while waiting for a donated organ. Each year, nearly 30,000 lives are saved and the quality of life for many hundreds of thousands more is enhanced by organ and tissue donation and transplantation.

To sign up for the Donate Life California Donor Registry, please visit [DonateLifeCalifornia.org](http://DonateLifeCalifornia.org)

### Reverend asks forgiveness

Dear Editor:

In March of 2011, I was interviewed by one of your reporters. ("Apocalypse Begins May 21, Downey Minister Warns," 3/24/11) The subject was May 21, 2011, a date that will truly "go down in infamy."

Harold Camping, the general manager of Family Radio, set a date for the end of the world, a date I believed and helped him promote, sadly. The world obviously did not end, but thousands of people on a global scale suffered immensely because of his teaching.

This was his fifth date that failed. The first was in 1994, then 1995, 2004 and two dates in 2011. But May 21, 2011 was not just another date predicting the return of Jesus because Mr. Camping said that, on that date, Jesus would return to take away his chosen ones and punish those left behind with five months of hell on earth. The majority of the 7 billion people on this earth would suffer horribly until Oct. 21, 2011, when the entire universe would be destroyed.

The end result of all this fear mongering was that many churches were damaged, families were broken, some left their jobs, while others cashed in their pensions and gave their money to Family Radio. One man lost \$140,000 and many others suffered bankruptcy.

But the worst thing about all this is at least seven suicides occurred, one of whom was a friend of mine. Harold Camping shows no remorse regarding this horrible event. And he is still telling people not to go to church.

I sent a six-page letter to Family Radio and to The Downey Patriot regarding my 30-year history with Family Radio and protesting what had happened. I will send anyone an e-mail copy that asks for one.

I tell everyone now: protect your children. No more suicides. Do not listen to Family Radio, 1280 AM. Harold Camping is planning to do this again soon.

I am begging your readers for forgiveness. Please protect your children from this man whom I once trusted but do not any more.

**Rev. Audie Derryberry**  
Downey

### Modern welfare

Dear Editor:

Because of a deep desire to procrastinate today, I'd like to comment briefly on Mr. Kearns' amusing letter to the editor. ("Lack of Facts," 4/4/13)

While I agree that we will all rise and fall together, wouldn't Mr. Kearns at least acknowledge that the alarming increase in welfare recipients - and the fact that Democrats have made it ridiculously easy to become such a recipient - is a sign of us falling?

I thought Ms. Simpson's letter was rather apt and eloquently written. It is indeed compassionate and Christian to look after one's neighbor, especially one in need, but at some point compassion simply ceases to be prudent and actually harms people more than helps.

Promoting welfare addiction, which Democrat politicians love to do because it guarantees them votes, actually keeps people poor. Imagine that!

And I would be happy to assist Ms. Simpson in stepping up to Mr. Kearns' challenge. Yes, let's fill a whole page of the Patriot with facts about the modern welfare state in America, including corporate welfare. With the wool over his eyes removed, perhaps Mr. Kearns will find more offense with his own party than with a simple local truth teller.

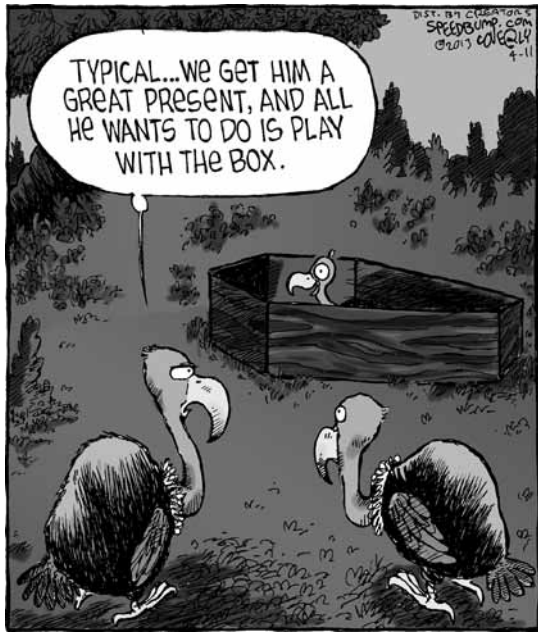
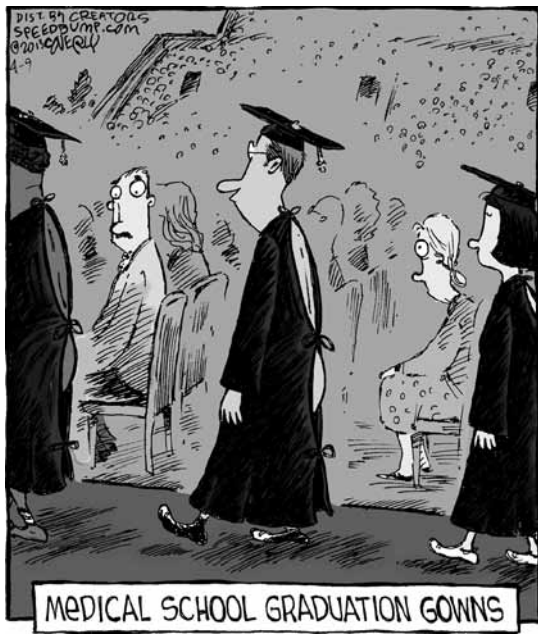
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# Downey Community Calendar

### Events For April

Sat. April 13: **TLC 5K run/walk**, Rancho Los Amigos, 7:30 a.m.  
 Sat. April 13: **The Blasters in concert**, Epic Lounge, 8 p.m.  
 Sat. April 13: **Ricky Nelson tribute concert**, Downey Theatre, 8 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

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.  
 7 p.m.: **Boy Scout Troop 2**, at Downey United Methodist Church, for information call 869-6478.  
 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 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 Cindy 803-4048.  
 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.  
 4th Weds., 7:30 p.m.: **US Coast Guard Aux. Flotilla 5-10**, at First Presbyterian Church of Downey, call Brian 419-5420.  
 Wed. & Fri., 10:15 a.m.: **Senior Bingo**, at Apollo Park, for information call 904-7223.

#### Thursdays

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 7 p.m.: **Troop 351, Boy Scouts of America**, at First Baptist Church, for information call 776-3388.  
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 3rd Thurs., 6 p.m.: **Downey CIPAC**, at Sizzler's Restaurant, for information call Rich Tuttle 413-6045.  
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9 a.m.: **Farmers Market**, Downey Avenue at 3rd Street, for information call 904-7246.  
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## On This Day...

**April 11, 1814:** Napoleon Bonaparte abdicated as emperor of France and was banished to the island of Elba.  
**1921:** Iowa became the first state to impose a cigarette tax.  
**1951:** President Harry S. Truman relieved Gen. Douglas MacArthur of his command in the Far East.  
**2007:** Charges were dropped against three former Duke University lacrosse players who were falsely accused of rape.  
**Birthdays:** Baseball player Jason Varitek (41), baseball player Mark Teixeira (33) and singer Joss Stone (26).

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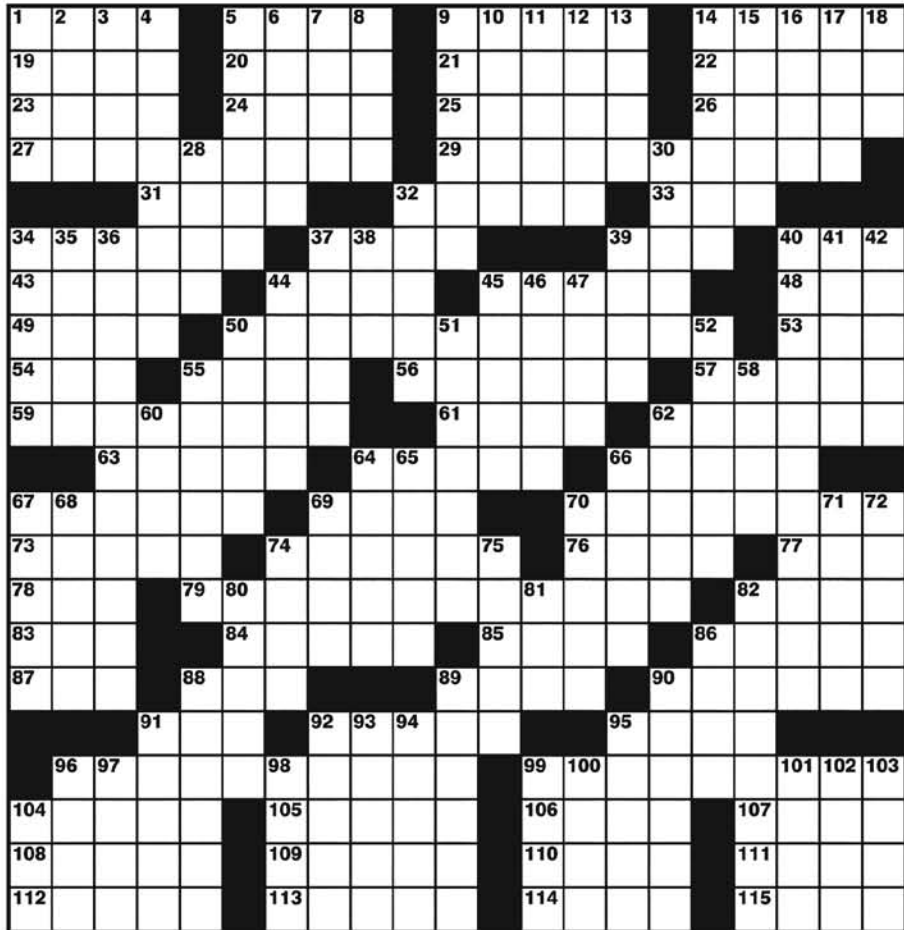
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by Gail Grabowski

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## Paging Dr. Frischer...

By Dr. Alan Frischer



Readers who visit my office can't help but notice boating magazines in my waiting room. I am an ocean boater who loves the gentle (and sometimes not so gentle) movement of the waves beneath me. For many of us, however, this rocking motion is unpleasant and can make us quite ill. Why does this happen? What is going on in our body?

Motion sickness, or kinetosis, is a condition in which there is disagreement between the movement we see, and what our vestibular system perceives. Our eyes tell us that the world is still, but our body (that is, the equilibrium sensors in our inner ears), sends signals that the environment is in motion. This discordance between the eyes and the inner ears causes us to send out a general alarm signal to stop all activities, especially the digestive process.

Seasickness, car sickness, or airsickness; they are similar problems resulting from different causes. While in a car, for example, the eyes see mostly the interior of the car, while the vestibular system senses motion as the vehicle goes around corners or over hills. Looking down makes things worse, and looking outside tends to help. Motion sickness can even occur while watching films, especially on large screens. (The cure? Close your eyes!) The most typical symptoms include dizziness, fatigue and nausea with vomiting. Typically, the symptoms of motion sickness resolve when the motion stops. Roughly one third of us are susceptible to

it in mild conditions, and up to two thirds are susceptible in more extreme conditions.

There are interesting theories as to why this process exists. The most common is that motion sickness evolved as a defense mechanism against toxins. There were no cars, airplanes, and few boats to be had throughout most of mankind's evolution. If this conflict existed between our eyes and our inner ears, it was a safe assumption that we were hallucinating, and further, that it was due to the ingestion of poison. The body's logical (and effective!) response was to induce vomiting to rid itself of the suspected toxin.

Don't want to say no to that next mountain drive, flight, or cruise? Here are some suggestions to help:

- Ride where your eyes can see the same motion that your body and inner ears feel. In a car, sit in front and look at the distant scenery. In a boat, sit up high to watch the horizon and get fresh air (despite the fact that there is actually less rocking down below!). In a plane, sit by the window and look outside. If it is dark or there are no windows, try to close your eyes and nap.

- Always face forward.
- Never read while in motion.
- Don't watch or talk to another traveler who is suffering from motion sickness. The power of suggestion is strong!

- Chewing gum can reduce symptoms. Chewing in general has the same effect of reducing the conflict between vision and balance by readjusting the fluid in the inner ear.

- Fresh and cool air can help. In a car, open a window, and on a boat, move to where you'll feel the fresh breeze. In an airplane, you are out of luck.

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- Before and during travel, avoid strong odors and spicy or greasy foods. Instead, try small quantities of 7UP, pretzels, or soda crackers.

- Ginger has mixed results in studies but has the support of the military...and my own family. The theory is that ginger calms the pyloric valve located at the base of the stomach, allowing the stomach to operate more normally.

- Wristbands that stimulate acupressure points have been used for years to prevent motion sickness. Studies have not yet confirmed their effectiveness, but I suspect that they help, and my sister swears by them...and I am not going to argue with my sister!

- When necessary, motion sickness medicines are quite effective. Over-the-counter medication includes Dramamine, Mareline, and Bonine. Take it an hour before you depart, and be aware that some of these medicines cause drowsiness. Prescription medication includes scopolamine (used by astronauts), which is effective for up to three days when used as a transdermal patch.

I wish you safe and comfortable travels!

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.

## Doctor challenges residents to get healthy

• Appicare physician offers tips to get on track with a healthy lifestyle.

By Susan Kawakami, D.O.

**DOWNEY** – Come weigh in on the new scales provided by Appicare Medical Group and get ready to get healthy, Downey!

Earlier this year, Downey Mayor Mario Guerra launched Healthy Downey, a community wide health challenge to encourage our residents to live a healthy, active lifestyle. Residents can now walk with the mayor on Wednesdays and weigh in on the Appicare Medical Group scale at Healthy Downey headquarters at City Hall.

Walking can be the start of a healthy exercise and eating program leading towards better health.

I agree with the Mayor's message to get moving and live a longer and healthier life. The Mayor is making it fun and easy for residents to walk with him and fellow Downey residents. The free walks are held at the Downey High School track, located at 11040 Brookshire Ave., beginning at 6 p.m. Mark your calendar for the next couple of upcoming walk Wednesdays with the Mayor on April 24 or May 8!

Walking is a very important part of overall healthy living. Walking brings positive medical benefits such as:

- Lower low-density lipoprotein (LDL) cholesterol (the "bad" cholesterol)
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tein (HDL) cholesterol (the "good" cholesterol)

- Lower blood pressure
- Reduces risk of, or manages, type 2 diabetes
- Manages weight
- Improves mood
- Makes you stay strong and fit

Along with exercise, eating right is an important component of healthy living as well. Make wise choices about what to eat to control weight, diabetes, high cholesterol, blood pressure and heart disease. Heart disease is the leading cause of death in both men and women. Eating right and exercising improves heart health and lowers the risk of a heart attack.

Begin by controlling portion sizes. Even though the pizza looks and tastes real good, no need to eat the whole pizza. Eat less. The serving size of pasta or meat should look like the size of your fist. Maintain a healthy weight so your heart doesn't have to work so hard.

Eat more fresh fruits and vegetables with all meals, snack on them during the day. Eat food high in fiber such as beans, kidney beans or peas. Eat whole grains, brown rice or whole wheat pasta. These foods lower bad cholesterol and help protect against heart disease.

Avoid canned or processed foods high in salt. Cook at home and substitute salt for herbs rich in flavor like basil or cayenne pepper. The American Heart Association



Susan Kawakami

recommends no more than one teaspoon of salt a day for an adult.

Also avoid foods high in fat such as butter or cream, or deep fried foods such as donuts or potato chips.

Discuss with your doctor healthy eating, weight loss and what physical activity is best for you! Keep in touch with your doctor because he or she can make sure that you remain healthy and on track with any follow-up doctor visits and treatments. Make and keep your regular appointments with your primary care doctor.

Join with Appicare Medical Group and walk in the first ever Healthy Downey 5K on Saturday, April 13 at Rancho Los Amigos. Go to the Healthy Downey website (dusd.net/tlc) for more information.

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## Poet, actress Beth Ruscio featured Thursday

**DOWNEY** – Beth Ruscio, named one of six “Newer Poets of L.A.” last year by the Los Angeles Poetry Festival, will read some of her select work at the Third Thursday Poetry series this Thursday, April 18, at the Rives Mansion.

The event begins with a reception at 7 p.m. The first 12 poets to sign up will read at open mike at 7:30.

An actress, writer and vaudevillian, Ruscio won the Patricia Bibby Scholarship to Idyllwild Summer Poetry in 2006 and is published in the “Poetry Goes to the Movies” issue of “Speechless” with her poem, “Strangled Eventually,” along with her essay and tribute to her dad, “On Acting and the Art of Boxing.”

She has read her poems at the Taper Library, the RedCat Theatre, Beyond Baroque, the Cobalt Cafe, Horse of Another Color and the Pacific Resident Theatre.

The event is free and open to the public. Hot food and soft drinks will be sold for \$11.

Valet parking is available by entering the mansion’s driveway on Paramount Boulevard.

Third Thursday Poetry is curated by Lorine Parks, who can be reached at lorineparks@verizon.net.



## Downey hires consultant to relocate restaurant

**DOWNEY** – The City Council on Tuesday hired a consultant to help relocate a Mexican restaurant forced to move due to widening of Firestone Boulevard.

Last month, council members agreed to pay \$690,000 for property located at 7966 Firestone Blvd., at the intersection of Paramount Boulevard.

As part of the deal, Downey agreed to pay relocation costs for La Chiva Loca restaurant, which is being forced to move because the city plans to demolish its building and add a right-turn lane eastbound on Firestone.

Shober Consulting Inc. will be paid up to \$12,000 to help the restaurant find a new location.

“In order to ensure a seamless, expedient relocation to the extent possible, the services of a professional relocation consultant to assist with the relocation process will be necessary,” assistant city manager John Oskoui wrote in a staff report.

In the meantime, La Chiva Loca is expected to become the city’s tenant for about three months. A lease agreement is in the process of being drawn up.

## City donates golf foursome

**DOWNEY** – Guests at this Saturday’s Amistad gala fundraiser in support of Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center will have a chance to win a foursome of golf and free passes to the Columbia Memorial Space Center after the City Council agreed to donate the prizes this week.

Council members donated a foursome at the city-owned Rio Hondo Golf Club along with four passes to the space center.

The total prizes are worth between \$100 and \$220, depending on when the donations are redeemed, city officials said.

Rancho Los Amigos is celebrating its 125th anniversary this year.

### PEOPLE PROFILE

## Retirement for Bob Belcher means more time for softball

• Recently retired from L’Abri Management, Bob Belcher finds more time to be active.

By Henry Veneracion  
Staff Writer

**DOWNEY** – In the months before he retired at the end of February this year as chief financial officer (CFO) of Downey-based L’Abri Management, Inc., Bob Belcher, who joined the property management firm in 1989, began to notice that he was spending more and more hours at work.

When the pressure of work got too much, he figured the “time was right” for him to go.

Bob has always been actively engaged anyhow in a variety of community activities. As a member of the Downey Los Amigos Kiwanis, he has taken part in stage plays to raise funds for underserved kids. For example, for seven consecutive years, he had roles in the following Kiwanis-produced productions: “Rumors,” in 2000; “Any Number Can Die,” in 2001; “Playing Doctor,” in 2002; “Love, Sex and the IRS,” in 2003; “The Amorous Ambassador,” in 2004; “The Odd Couple,” in 2005; and “Lie, Cheat and Genuflect,” in 2006. I believe it was the production, “Playing Doctor,” in which he played the part of a dog.

Taking part in these plays was a ton of work, he says, involving hours and hours of rehearsal: “But it was a lot of fun, and we raised \$100,000 for the kids.”

He has also been very active in his church, the Downey First Christian Church, where he has served as a past trustee as well as treasurer.

Another activity which continues to command his attention and time is his involvement with his church’s 45-year old softball team, which has won numerous awards and the appropriate rings that go with the championships: the team has won six, but Bob has a special affinity for only one, and it’s the one he prefers to wear. It’s the ring won by the age-55 team. He’s managing a team now, so “they won’t cut me.”

The schedule for his team calls for travel to various destinations: this weekend it’s Hemet, in two or three



Bob Belcher portrayed a dog in “Playing Doctor,” a Kiwanis-sponsored production to raise money for local children.

weeks, it’s Las Vegas, then in June, the team travels to Reno, and so on.

“I love this community, I love Downey,” he says. “A lot of great people live here.”

He loves to play golf. He’s a “17.7 handicapper,” he says, at Rio Hondo Golf Club.

He has also climbed Mt. Whitney, and would do it again given sufficient conditioning first.

Thus Bob knows how to occupy his time and energies, and seems determined to drink from the milk of human endurance.

In his job at L’Abri Management, he didn’t complain of lack of excitement. It truly was an absorbing position. With L’Abri’s property management portfolio of over 4,500 apartment units, some 2,500 storage units, plus office and commercial space – 30 percent of which are located in Downey and the bulk found in various locations in Los Angeles and Orange counties (six are located in the Inland Empire, and a number can be found in San Diego and Northern California) – Bob was handling monthly receipts of some \$5 million, or \$60 million a year, and, as he was the liaison with the company’s banks, he would deposit them in about 150 separate accounts, among his other functions.

At any rate, his career with L’Abri will always define him.

Bob earned a bachelor’s (with honors) in business management from Cal Lutheran University in

Thousand Oaks in 1972. He graduated from Warren High, as did his two children, Carrie and Mike. He has three grandkids (T.J., Tyler, and Trey, courtesy of Carrie and her husband Toby).

He married fellow Warren High grad Cheryl in 1970.

He has coached in the Northwest Downey Little League for eight years. Joining Kiwanis in 1998, he served as past president in 2005-06.

Prior to joining L’Abri, Bob had already gained wide experience in the accounting area, working at a steel service center, a plastics adhesive manufacturer and a plastics distributorship, as well as logging several years in the banking profession working at Security Pacific National Bank.

He made CFO at L’Abri in ’93. “The years with L’Abri were 24 wonderful years,” he says.

L’Abri has for over 30 years prided itself in providing “quality property management and real estate services” to its clients. Its management promotes the company as one synonymous with values of integrity, professionalism, loyalty and dedication in the industry.

It avers that its Accredited Management Organization designation awarded by the Institute of Real Estate Management, is in recognition of it complying with their strict requirements for financial stability, protection for the owner by proper insurance coverage and experienced professionalism.” Bob says its total property management portfolio is insured at \$400 million.

“Either way,” Bob says, “it’s a blast!”

## Woman’s Club learns about autism

**DOWNEY** – The Woman’s Club of Downey celebrated Autism Awareness Month by wearing blue at its most recent meeting.

Patty Salgado, whose son has autism, spoke about the disorder and encouraged residents to wear as much blue as possible in April.

“Wouldn’t it be wonderful if our community would often wear blue this month?” she said.

Salgado also offered facts regarding autism, including:

- autism now affects 1 in 88 children and 1 in 50 boys
- autism prevalence figures are growing
- autism is the fastest-growing serious developmental disability in the U.S.
- autism costs a family \$60,000 a year on average
- autism receives less than 5% of the research funding of many less prevalent childhood diseases
- boys are nearly five times more likely than girls to have autism
- there is no medical detection or cure for autism

To find out more about autism or what you can do to help, contact Salgado by e-mailing PattyPTA@hotmail.com.

## Viall completes basic training

**DOWNEY** – Army Pvt. Christopher S. Viall has completed basic combat training at Fort Jackson in Columbia, S.C.

During the nine weeks of training, Viall studied the Army mission, history, tradition and core values, physical fitness, and received instruction and practice in basic combat skills, military weapons, chemical warfare and bayonet training, drill and ceremony, marching, rifle marksmanship, armed and unarmed combat, map reading, field tactics, military courtesy, military justice system, basic first aid, foot marches and field training exercises.

He is the son of Shirley and Steve Viall, of Downey.

## Hat contest this Monday

**DOWNEY** – The Downey Newcomers Club will host its annual “hat parade” this Monday, April 15, at Los Amigos Country Club.

The event begins at 11:30 a.m. and includes lunch at noon.

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## Downey track teams set records

**DOWNEY** – The Downey High School boys' and girls' track team had several standout performances last weekend at the Arcadia Invitational Track and Field meet. Personal, as well as school records, were not just broken; but shattered.

Interestingly, there are still duals and meets to compete in and there is a very strong possibility that more records will fall and new records will be set.

Standout sophomore and cross-country runner Lisa Vasquez crushed her 3200 meter time by running a personal best of 10:51.78. This run marked the first time Vasquez had finished the 3200 meter event in under eleven minutes.

Junior Tiffany Gilmore also crushed her own school record in the shot put by throwing 41' 4. Gilmore finished in ninth place overall. Coach Amy Overgaauw is extremely pleased with how hard Vasquez and Gilmore have worked to get to where they are and sees new records being broken and reset this season.

The Downey High School boys' sprint medley relay team also crushed the school record for a second time this season by running 3:29.57. This time is currently the best in the state and second best in the nation this year. Coach Bob Gleason is very pleased with how hard his relay team has worked and how well they are running as a team.

Standout basketball player, high jumper and sprinter Dakari Archer is running one 200 meter leg, Ismael Guerrero is running the other 200 meter leg, Fabian Mendoza is running the 400 meter leg and Eric Enriquez closes the relay with the 800 meter run. It would not be shocking to Coach Gleason if the Viking medley relay team breaks their own record at a track and field meet soon. Things are certainly heating up in track and field.

–Mark Fetter, contributor

## Mustangs football holding sign ups

**DOWNEY** – The Downey Mustangs youth football league is hosting walk-up registration April 20 at Apollo Park from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

To save time, residents can print out a registration form ahead of time at [downeymustangs.org](http://downeymustangs.org).

When signing up, parents should bring two copies of their child's birth certificate and two copies of their most recent report card.

Registration is \$180, plus \$70 for jerseys and 30 raffle tickets at \$10 each.

A \$75 deposit holds a child's place on the team but registration must be paid in full by June 29.



The Downey Firecrackers AYSO 10u girls soccer team were honored by the City Council on Tuesday for being crowned state champions. The road to the state cup began in December when the Firecrackers won the Downey Region Cup. They went on to win the Area 11Z Cup in January and then the Section 11 Cup in February. The team has yet to lose a game since starting their season last August.



The Downey United 10u boys division team won third place in the Chino Hills Tournament this past Sunday. The team is coached by Bruno Leal.

## Downey Calvary opens league with win

**DOWNEY** – The Downey Calvary Chapel softball team currently has an overall record of 13-4 and are 1-0 in league play after defeating the Paraclete Lady Spirits 4-1 in their Alpha League opener on Tuesday.

The Lady Grizzlies are currently ranked eighth in the latest Long Beach Press-Telegram weekly poll.

The Lady Grizzlies scored one run in the bottom of the first inning and led 1-0 after one inning of play. Neither team scored in the second inning and the score remained 1-0 Downey Calvary Chapel. DCC scored their second run of the game in the bottom of the third inning. The Lady Grizzlies led 2-0 at the end of three innings of play. Neither team scored in the fourth inning and the score remained 2-0 DCC at the end of four innings of play.

Downey Calvary Chapel scored two runs in the bottom of the fifth inning and took a 4-0 lead after five innings of play. Neither team scored in the sixth inning and DCC led 4-0 going into the seventh inning. Paraclete managed to push one run across in the top of the seventh inning but that was not enough. The Lady Grizzlies did not need their last at-bat and won their league opener 4-1.

Bridget Castro (Utah) led the Lady Grizzlies with two RBI, Sydney Colenzo (Cal State Fullerton) added two doubles and scored three runs and Larissa Petakoff (Colorado State) continued her dominance by striking out seven while only allowing three hits.

The DCC softball team will have a busy schedule in the next few weeks. The Lady Grizzlies will host the Marshall Lady Eagles of Pasadena on 4/16, will travel and play the Viewpoint Lady Patriots in Calabassas on 4/18 and then travel to play the Archer School for Girls Lady Panthers in Los Angeles on 4/22. Things are certainly heating up in Alpha League play.

–Mark Fetter, contributor

## Warren baseball beats Downey for second time

• Last year's co-champions appear just as even this season; rivals clash Tuesday.

By Mark Fetter Contributor

**DOWNEY** – The Warren High School baseball team defeated cross-town rival Downey at Warren on Tuesday, 5-1.

Warren previously beat Downey 5-3 in their first of three meetings on March 15. With this second win against Downey, Warren improved their overall record to 12-3 and league record to 5-1.

Warren is tied for first place with Paramount at 5-1. Gahr is one game

back at 4-2 and defending league champion Downey is currently in fourth place at 2-4. Lynwood and Dominguez round out the other S.G.V.L. competition and are currently in fifth and sixth places, respectively.

Downey's overall record now stands at 10-8 and as previously mentioned, have a league record of 2-4. Downey and Warren will play their last league game today against each other at Downey in the first of the San Gabriel Valley League's home and away series.

Both Warren and Downey have full schedules to play as league season heats up. Warren will play Ontario Christian in the St. Paul Tournament on 4/13, host Dominguez on 4/19 and play South Gate at

South Gate in the Long Beach Poly Tournament on 4/20. Warren will then play Lynwood at Warren on 4/23 and then travel to Paramount to play the Pirates on 5/3. Warren is currently ranked eighth in the latest Long Beach Press Telegram weekly poll.

Downey will play at Gahr on 4/16, Gahr will play at Downey on 4/19, Downey will play host to Paramount on 4/23 and then travel to Paramount to play the Pirates on 4/26. Things will certainly start to clear up in the next two weeks as league contenders collect wins, a S.G.V.L. champion will be crowned and the C.I.F. Division III playoff picture becomes more clear.

## Warren withstands Downey rally

**DOWNEY** – The Warren High School softball team defeated cross-town rival Downey 9-8 on Tuesday in the league opener for both teams.

Warren currently has an overall record of 8-6 and are 1-0 in league play. Warren is ranked fifth in the latest Long Beach Press Telegram weekly poll. Downey currently has an overall record of 9-6 and are 0-1 in league play. Downey is ranked sixth in the latest Long Beach Press-Telegram weekly poll.

The Downey-Warren softball game was tied 0-0 after the first inning. Warren took a 1-0 lead in the top of the second inning and Downey did not score in the bottom of the second inning.

Warren added two runs in the third inning and led 3-0 at the end of three innings.

Neither team scored in the fourth inning and the score remained 3-0 Warren. Warren scored two runs in the top of the fifth inning and Downey answered back with three runs in the bottom of the fifth inning.

Warren led 5-3 after five innings of play.

Warren appeared to break the game open in the top of the sixth inning after scoring four runs. The score going into the bottom of the sixth inning was 9-3 Warren.

Downey came to life in the bottom of the sixth inning and scored four runs to bring the score to 9-7 Warren.

Downey held Warren scoreless in the top of the seventh inning and took their last at-bat two runs. Downey managed to get one run across in the bottom of the seventh

inning but fell a run short.

Warren held on for the 9-8 win.

Both Warren and Downey have busy schedules ahead. Warren will host Dominguez at Warren on 4/11, travel to Lynwood and play the Lady Knights on 4/16, travel to Paramount and play the Lady Pirates on 4/18 and will then play in the La Mirada Showtime Tournament on 4/20.

Downey will travel to Gahr and play the Lady Gladiators on 4/11, travel to Paramount and play the Lady Pirates on 4/16 and will then play Sonora in the Downey Softball Classic on 4/20.

Things are certainly heating up as San Gabriel Valley League play rolls on.

–Mark Fetter, contributor

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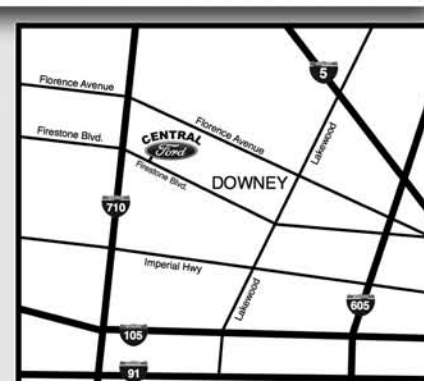
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## Mauk family opening Downey home to the public

**DOWNEY** – Are you a model train hobbyist? an antique collector? A gardening enthusiast? Do you enjoy learning more about your neighborhood?

If you share any of these interests, the Downey Symphony Guild invites you to join them for “An Afternoon of Hidden Treasures” at the unique home and property of Gene and Mary Hauk on Sunday, April 28, from 2-5 p.m.

In addition to the opportunity to stroll the grounds of this charming, half-acre-plus homestead, there will be refreshments, live music and boutique items for sale.

Since acquiring the property in 2000, Gene and Mary have developed the grounds and buildings into one of those unique treasures that surprise the visitor at every turn.

Mary is an avid gardener and antique collector who loves to decorate with the imaginative use of everyday objects and items of whimsy. Old mailboxes are turned on end to hold potted plants. A metal horse trough surrounded by flowers is now a koi pond. The property has numerous fruit trees, and every year Mary picks her own apples to make homemade apple pie.

Husband Gene, owner of Hauk Security Systems, does the carpentry, plumbing or electrical work needed to bring Mary’s ideas to life. As a long-



Photo by Carol Kearns

time member of a model train club in Santa Fe Springs, Gene is also building a train setup in a special room that was once a carport.

An antique clock and lanterns hang on the walls, and signs over doors say “ticket office” or “Downey Depot.” Off at one end is a serious historic artifact that came with the property – a decades-old, five-foot wide hand lathe with belts and gears that still turn.

Gene and Mary’s main house with its garden-like front yard won a Beautification Award from the city of Downey in 2004. At the doorway stands the welcoming moose who wears a different costume for each season.

For Easter, she was Esther the Moose dressed in spring finery. She wore a colorful frock and matching pink beribboned bonnet while holding a fancy basket of colored Easter eggs. After the holiday, the wooden greeter has become Merle the Moose. He is dressed for farming and is holding tools. For the symphony guild event, Mary says that he will be dressed as a butler.

Behind the main house is a small-

er house, and a small barn-like structure painted in traditional red with white trim. Meandering down the flower-bordered paths, visitors pass through a gate into a vegetable garden, and then through another gate to the koi pond. At the back of the property, across from the train station, is a stately dwelling known as the Plantation.

Gene’s cleverness and woodwork expertise is evident throughout the property, and amusing signs help the visitor find the way. A bare wall on one side of their patio is made more interesting with a decorated faux doorway and window. Gene also recycled an old door from the original Woman’s Club of Downey clubhouse as a cover for access to electrical work.

There are several other patios amid the greenery and gardens that offer a place to relax and stay a while longer. Delicate purple flowers poke up through a brick pathway, and lush groups of lilies border a fence near the koi pond.

The Downey Symphony Guild is pleased to present this unique fundraiser. They ask that you come dressed comfortably, wearing low-heeled walking shoes to enjoy the different walking areas.

Food will be served. A donation of \$12 for adults and \$5 for children (10 years or younger) will benefit the Downey Symphony Orchestra and the Music in the Schools program.

To make a reservation or for more information, please call (562) 861-8507. The Guild requests that you make a reservation by April 22.

–Rosalie Sciortino  
Downey Symphony Guild

## New lounge strives to bring class back to Downey bar scene

• South Downey bar initially drew concern amongst residents, city officials.

By Christian Brown  
Staff Writer

**DOWNEY** – Downey resident Luis Gomez and his business partner Osvaldo Flores always dreamt of opening up a classy, high-end lounge – in Orange County.

“Let’s go to Santa Ana, they have the clientele,” Gomez recalled his partner saying last year.

“I have neighbors who are doctors and lawyers – they drive outside of Downey for entertainment. When my wife and I go out, we go to Downtown LA or Hollywood,” Gomez confessed. “But we want to bring that clientele to Downey.”

Hoping to reacquaint style and pizzazz with the traditional bar experience, Gomez and Flores have launched The Wet Bar, located at 8832 Imperial Hwy, a posh lounge that has already attracted more than 400 patrons since opening two weeks ago.

“This is not just any bar,” said Flores, who has a background in marketing and investments. “This is something you’d see in another city or county. But why not Downey? Downey needs something like this.”

Approved by the Planning Commission last October, the property, formerly a karate center, has been extensively renovated since last year and now features upscale interior designs, including a rock waterfall at the entrance.

In addition to charcoal grey slate flooring and grey pinstriped wallpaper, The Wet Bar features four flat screen TVs, which flank the bar’s main attraction – a panoply of liquor and spirits under warm recessed lighting.

More than a dozen black and



sliver barstools surround the white caesarstone counter top from which trained staff offer “world class service” every night from 6 p.m. to 2 a.m.

“We wanted something timeless, a unique place...so far customers are impressed with what we’ve done,” said Flores, who reaffirmed the lounge’s strict dress code. “We’ve had to walk people out. The dress code is enforced and we’ve gotten some not so good reviews because of that, but there’s an ambience we want to have here.”

Operations manager Hector Lozano believes the dress code, security, and valet service help draw a different crowd to the lounge.

“We’re trying to attract those who would go to Fullerton, Long Beach, or Downtown LA...those who want to dress up, have fun at a chill spot, and meet interesting people,” he said. “Downey has a big market for that.”

While the demand for vibrant spaces is growing, city tensions concerning bars and nightclubs are also on the rise.

Over the last few weeks, the Planning Commission denied a nightclub’s request to expand and tightened the reins on hookah lounges in the downtown district.

Planning commissioners narrowly approved the bar’s alcohol license in a 2-1 vote, mandating that Gomez keep the parking lot well-lit and post signs identifying a zero-tolerance policy for nuisance behavior.

“Before we were approved, we were denied three times by the Planning Commission,” Gomez said. “The former police chief [Rick Esteves] wasn’t too comfortable with a bar in south Downey.”

“People say there are too many bars in Downey. There aren’t too many bars in Downey, there are too many bad bars in Downey,” Gomez maintained.

Gomez believes The Wet Bar offers residents a new experience that’s fun, safe, and classy.

“We don’t plan on going anywhere, I’m in it for the long-term,” he said. “The property owner is looking into adding a new facade and redoing the parking lot – it’s a win-win situation.”

After just two weeks, The Wet Bar is already set to expand next month, adding 1,295 square feet by leasing the empty retail space next door. Unanimously approved by the commission, the expansion will allow the lounge to make room for an additional 90-100 customers.

According to floor plans, the space will include a bar counter with stools, a walk-in cooler, an employee locker room, a wine storage area, and restrooms.

“This is the south side of Downey, but we’re not trying to cut any corners,” Gomez said. “Individuals we know say this bar belongs in Studio City, but there’s a lot of potential here. Downey will benefit from something like this.”

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### Warren High drama students announce next show

**DOWNEY** - The Warren High Drama Department will present the one-act musical comedy, "The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee," over two weekends beginning April 18.

The original Broadway musical was nominated for six Tony Awards and won two, including Best Book.

The musical centers around six young people in the beginnings of puberty, overseen by grown-ups who barely managed to escape childhood themselves. This hilarious tale of overachievers' angst chronicles the experience of six adolescent outsiders vying for the spelling championship of a lifetime.

The kids learn that winning isn't everything and that losing doesn't necessarily make you a loser.

This tuneful, offbeat and at times heartwarming show offers audience members the opportunity to become part of the action as on-stage spellers.

Tickets are \$10 and are available for reservations at (562) 869-7306 ext. 87910 or at emersontheatre.net. Performances are at 7:30 p.m. in Warren High's Emerson Theater and the public is invited.

All proceeds go to the Warren High Drama Department for their continued quest for young adult theatre.

Some subject material may not be suitable for younger audiences.

East Middle School students recently wrapped production of "Supercomics" after a successful four-day run.

Back row: Jenny Serrano, Emmanuel Quezada, John Eskraus, Blake Boyington and Joshua Williams;

second row: (standing) Kendra Gonzalez and Gianni Ramirez;

third row: Jenn Rauda, Sergio Sanchez, Melanie Castro, Eileen Garrido, Emilio Robles and Aimee Danillin;

fourth row: Miss Julie Moren, Brent Lugo, Alexis Gomez-Vargas, Veronica Galvez, Jennifer Hernandez and Kevin Urias;

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did employ disabled people," she said. "I was also on the equipment advisory committee for the California Public Utilities Commission. I worked on accessible cell phones for the deaf, hard of hearing and physically challenged.

"We flew to Oakland twice a month for 8 years," Annie said. "It's nice for people to have accessible phones, because without them many people would be isolated and cut off from their family. These phones help people get reconnected to life. It was interesting to see how many people needed help to get their telephones. These are land lines, not smart phones or high-tech phones, but they make a huge difference for so many people who need them."

"We even had an anti-stuttering phone, which would take the stutter out of someone's conversation," she said. "This allowed people to communicate with their family and friends and also to talk with customers."

While she has helped many individuals with disabilities connect with others, Annie has remained connected to Rancho throughout her life. "I

would like to say thank you to everyone at Rancho who has helped me so much here," she said. "Rancho has incredible doctors, therapists, nurses and staff. It's a wonderful community and everybody makes it happen for the patients."

"They help so many people and they care so much, and I have been to many hospitals where they didn't care," Annie said. "The beauty of Rancho is that the patients mean something to them. That's what brings good workers to Rancho and it's the people that are so supportive and so caring that make Rancho so great. That's been true of Rancho from way back to the present, and that's what separates it from other hospitals."

"Rancho has saved many people's lives that I have talked to," she said. "Many of these people, including me, would have died without Rancho. We owe a lot to Rancho. Rancho motivates people who have suffered terrible injuries to keep going, to keep participating at all the stages of life."

For all her accomplishments and her many contributions to Rancho and its patients, Annie will receive Rancho's highest honor, the Amistad Award, at the Rancho Los Amigos Foundation's 2013 Amistad Gala



Photo by Greg Waskul

Saturday night at the Westin Long Beach Hotel. "I am so honored and humbled to think that the Rancho Foundation would choose me for the Amistad Award," she said.

Annie sums up her life by saying that her family, her sense of humor and her simple philosophy have helped her overcome the great challenges she has faced.

"Humor helps take the pressure off any situation," she said. "If you also think of things a little at a time, you can get through anything, I have learned to break challenges down into smaller bits that are much more manageable." She even developed a motto that helps her and others overcome life's obstacles: "Inch by Inch, Life's a Cinch!"



Rotary Club of Downey president Ray Andazola presents Girl Scout ambassador Mariah Montero from Troop 275 with a Mini Grant to help finance gold awards projects in a ceremony April 2 at the Rio Hondo Event Center. Ten different organizations receive Mini Grants "showing Rotary's commitment to social service in Downey"



Downey residents Richard and Patricia Tuttle, and Lisa Ives, met with Rep. Edward Royce to present him with the CIPAC (Christians' Israel Public Action Campaign) Defender of Israel Award for his support of Israel. Royce is chairman of the house on foreign affairs "with policies and sound laws to support further the safety of Israel and America," according to CIPAC. From left: CIPAC members Jewelene Pate, Clarice Roeder and Jeannie Lewis, Rep. Royce, CIPAC California director Richard Tuttle, Patricia Tuttle, Lisa Ives, Maureen Nishimoto and Royce's district representative Ryan Holmes.

## Free hearing screenings May 4

**DOWNEY** - In recognition of Better Hearing Month in May, the Downey Sertoma Club is offering free hearing screenings May 4 from 10 a.m. to noon at the Barbara J. Riley Community and Senior Center. Appointments are recommended by calling (562) 862-9629.

## Golf tournament for YMCA

**DOWNEY** - A golf tournament to benefit the Downey YMCA will be held July 19 at the Rio Hondo Golf Club. Sponsored by the Downey Association of Realtors, the cost is \$95 per golfer and includes the tournament, lunch, prizes, goodie bags and more. The public is welcome. For more information, call (562) 861-0915 or go online to daor.com.

## Police extends deal with college

**DOWNEY** - The Downey Police Department will continue using the gun range at Rio Hondo College for at least two more years after agreeing to a two-year lease extension Tuesday.

Downey police officers have used the weapons firing range in Whittier since 1993. In fact, Downey police officers have been trained as range instructors.

In addition to firearms training, police officers also use the range for their monthly firearms qualification.

The city pays Rio Hondo about \$8,820 annually for use of the range.

The new deal extends to June 30, 2015.

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Randee Chambers and Caitin Bolt-Chambers are congratulated by Lakewood Councilman Steve Croft.

## Warren High grad named Woman of Distinction

DOWNEY – Caitin Bolt-Chambers was recognized as a “Young Woman of Distinction” by Assemblyman Anthony Rendon during an awards brunch March 23 in Lynwood.

Caitin had perfect attendance from kindergarten through high school, and earned Golden Bear awards for her work in English and band. She earned her school letter for playing trumpet and volunteering with the band, of which she served as leader for four years.

She also earned the Directors Award an unprecedented two years in a row. A plaque with her name hangs on the wall in the Warren High band room.

Caitin currently attends Long Beach City College where she serves on the school senate. She also is coordinator of Kids Clubs, which serves church families in Lakewood and Hawaiian Gardens.

Caitin's mother, Randee Chambers, a teacher at Griffiths Middle School, was nominated as a “Woman of Distinction in Education.”



Gerald Blackburn receives a volunteer service award from Larry J. Larsen, president of the Huntington Park (formerly Downey) State of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

## Blackburn receives volunteer service award

DOWNEY – Gerald Blackburn, a member of the Columbia Memorial Space Center's board of directors, was presented an Outstanding Volunteer Service Award from the Huntington Park (formerly Downey) Stake of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

Although he resides in Whittier, Blackburn has been active in Downey service projects for many years.

He retired from Boeing in 2003 after more than 40 years in the local aerospace industry. He currently serves as president of the Aerospace Legacy Foundation.

Blackburn received the award at the church's 20th anniversary interfaith Songfest concert last month.

In addition to his aerospace efforts, Blackburn has been active in educational endeavors, teaching at Cal State L.A. and USC, and serving on the state's Education Advisory Committee for Career Technology Education.



## Meals on Wheels volunteers save elderly man's life

DOWNEY – Two volunteers with Meals on Wheels who saved an elderly man in need of medical attention were honored at a City Council meeting last month.

Elizabeth Ruiz and Susan Herrera deliver meals through the Human Services Association's Meals on Wheels program, taking nutritious food directly to residents who cannot obtain food on their own.

The women recently delivered food to elderly resident James Cook. He complained he was not feeling well but declined medical attention.

After finishing their rounds, Ruiz and Herrera returned to check on Cook who by this time was in need of immediate medical attention. They called 911.

Doctors said Cook may have died if not for the two women.

For their efforts, Ruiz and Herrera received Mayor Mario Guerra's Diakonia Award that recognizes random acts of kindness in the community.

“We are blessed to have such wonderful, caring people in our community that show compassion and are willing to help others in need,” Guerra said. “Both Ms. Ruiz and Ms. Herrera did an extraordinary thing that helped save Mr. Cook's life, and for that we sincerely thank them.”

Nominations for the Diakonia Award can be submitted by calling the City Council office at (562) 904-7274 or e-mailing [sconte@downeyca.org](mailto:sconte@downeyca.org).

# LEGAL NOTICES

## FICT. BUSINESS NAME

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 201305788

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) FRESKA, 8523 10TH ST., DOWNEY CA 90241, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) ELIZABETH ANGULO, 8523 10TH ST., DOWNEY CA 90241 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 03/22/2013

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/ELIZABETH ANGULO, OWNER

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on MARCH 22, 2013

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The Downey Patriot 3/28/13, 4/4/13, 4/11/13, 4/18/13

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2013049515

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) PALALANTE 10355 LA REINA AVE. DOWNEY CA 90241, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) SONIA VALDES, 10355 LA REINA AVE, LOS ANGELES CA 90241 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 03/12/2013

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/SONIA VALDES, OWNER

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on MARCH 12, 2013

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The Downey Patriot 3/21/13, 3/28/13, 4/4/13, 4/11/13

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2013039758

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) MARU JANITOR DISCOUNT WINDOW BROKERS, 16988 COLCHESTER WAY, HACIENDA HEIGHTS CA 91745, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) DIRK P HUFFMAN, 16988 COLCHESTER WAY, HACIENDA HEIGHTS CA 91745 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 02/27/2013

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/DIRK P HUFFMAN, OWNER

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on FEBRUARY 27, 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/DIRK P HUFFMAN, OWNER

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on FEBRUARY 27, 2013

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The Downey Patriot 3/21/13, 3/28/13, 4/4/13, 4/11/13

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2013061548

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) PUPUSAMAKER.COM, 109840 CASSINA AVE. APT. B, SOUTH GATE CA 90280, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) GUILLERMO M. GOMEZ VIDAL, 10940 CASSINA AVE. APT. B, 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

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/GUILLERMO M. GOMEZ VIDAL, OWNER

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on MARCH 27, 2013

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The Downey Patriot 4/4/13, 4/11/13, 4/18/13, 4/25/13

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2013052948

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) MARU JANITOR SERVICES, 2696 W 12TH ST. APT. 1, LOS ANGELES, CA 90006, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) MARIA EUGENIA HERNANDEZ LANDAVERDE, 2696 W. 12TH ST APT. 1, LOS ANGELES CA 90006 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

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/MARIA EUGENIA HERNANDEZ LANDAVERDE, OWNER

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on MARCH 18, 2013

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The Downey Patriot 4/11/13, 4/18/13, 4/25/13, 5/2/13

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The Downey Patriot 3/28/13, 4/4/13, 4/11/13, 4/18/13

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2013052999

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) MARKS TAX SERVICE, 9020 E S LAUSON AVE STE 100, LOS ANGELES CA 90660, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) MARY ESTHER SCHNEIDER, 9020 E S LAUSON AVE STE 100, LOS ANGELES CA 90660 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

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/MARY ESTHER SCHNEIDER, OWNER

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on MARCH 15, 2013

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The Downey Patriot 3/28/13, 4/4/13, 4/11/13, 4/18/13

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2013069884

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) AFR MASOSNYR AND CONCRETE, 10025 RUSH ST, SOUTH EL MONTE CA 91733, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) ALESSANDRO DIAZ, 10025 RUSH ST, SOUTH EL MONTE CA 91733 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 04/08/2013

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/ALESSANDRO DIAZ, OWNER

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on APRIL 8, 2013

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The Downey Patriot 4/11/13, 4/18/13, 4/25/13, 5/2/13

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2013040280

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) FOLASHADE HAIRD0, 12228 WENDY DRIVE, CERRITOS CA 90703, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) FOLASHADE

OGUN, 12228 WENDY DRIVE, CERRITOS CA 90703 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

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/FOLASHADE OGUN, OWNER

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on FEBRUARY 28, 2013

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The Downey Patriot 3/21/13, 3/28/13, 4/4/13, 4/11/13

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2013057494

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) DREAM KITCHEN DESIGNS, 12947 KIPWAY DR., DOWNEY CA 90242, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) LESLIE EIB, 12947 KIPWAY DR., DOWNEY CA 90242 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

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/LESLIE EIB, PRESIDENT

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on MARCH 22, 2013

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The Downey Patriot 4/11/13, 4/18/13, 4/25/13, 5/2/13

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 201305557

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) MI CASA REALTY, 2802 WALNUT STREET, HUNTINGTON PARK CA 90255, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) RAFAEL AREVALO, 2802 WALNUT STREET, HUNTINGTON PARK CA 90255 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

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/RAFAEL AREVALO, OWNER

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on APRIL 2, 2013

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The Downey Patriot 4/4/13, 4/11/13, 4/18/13, 4/25/13

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2013048812

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) TAJ BOUTIQUE, 13307 PIONEER BLVD., ARTESIA CA 90701, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) MALANI'S INC, 13307 PIONEER BLVD, ARTESIA CA 90707 State of Incorporation: CALIFORNIA 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

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.)

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/RAFAEL AREVALO, OWNER

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on MARCH 27, 2013

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The Downey Patriot 3/28/13, 4/4/13, 4/11/13, 4/18/13

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2013056703

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) CRYSTAL RENTALS, 818 N. ROSE AVE, LOS ANGELES, CA 90221, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) MARIO C. LOPEZ, 818 N ROSE AVE, LOS ANGELES CA 90221 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

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/MARIO C. LOPEZ

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on MARCH 27, 2013

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The Downey Patriot 3/28/13, 4/4/13, 4/11/13, 4/18/13

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2013057336

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) ADVANCE LIGHTING AND ELECTRIC, 6305 CORONA AVE, BELL CA 90201, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) BERNARDO TORRES, 6305 CORONA 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

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/BERNARDO TORRES, OWNER

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on MARCH 18, 2013

NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A New Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration.



**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File Number 2013047934  
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) IAMNATALIEB, 6708 HOLLINBECK ST, HUNTINGTON PARK CA 90255, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES  
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #/ON: N/A  
REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) NATALIE BARRERA, 6708 HOLLINBECK ST, HUNTINGTON PARK CA 90255  
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  
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/NATALIE BARRERA, IAMNATALIEB  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on MARCH 11, 2013  
NOTICE-in accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A New Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration.

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**The Downey Patriot**  
3/28/13, 4/4/13, 4/11/13, 4/18/13

**STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME**  
2013045867  
File Number 2013028887 DATE FILED: FEBRUARY 11, 2013  
NAME OF BUSINESS(ES): 98 CENT ST PERLA VENEZIAN MARKET  
STREET ADDRESS: 98 CENT STATE, ZIP CODE: 6743 LONG BEACH BLVD, LONG EACH, CA, 90805  
REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) BOSCHARACAM P MEAS, 1746 WULNUT AVE, LONG BEACH CA 90813  
State of Incorporation: N/A  
This business is conducted by an Individual  
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/BOSCHARACAM P MEAS, OWNER  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on MARCH 7, 2013

**The Downey Patriot**  
3/21/13, 3/28/13, 4/4/13, 4/11/13

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File Number 2013062784  
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) STELLA'S NAILS, 12040 PARAMOUNT BLVD SUITE 1, DOWNEY CA 90242, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES  
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #/ON: N/A  
REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) THUY TRAN MAUGE, 12015 MORNING AVE, DOWNEY CA 90242  
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 03/29/2013  
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/THUY TRAN MAUGE, OWNER  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on MARCH 29, 2013  
NOTICE-in accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A New Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration.

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**The Downey Patriot**  
4/4/13, 4/11/13, 4/18/13, 4/25/13

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File Number 201305117  
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) CHINO STEEL INC., 515 EAST BANNING, COMPTON CA 90222, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES  
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #/ON: C3137497  
REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) CHINO STEEL INC, 9202 ALEXANDER AVE, SOUTH GATE CA 90280  
State of Incorporation: N/A  
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  
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/RAMIRO MEDINA, PRESIDENT, CHINO STEEL INC  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on MARCH 6, 2013  
NOTICE-in accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A New Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration.

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**The Downey Patriot**  
3/21/13, 3/28/13, 4/4/13, 4/11/13

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File Number 2013061022  
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) AMERICA 1ST REALTY & INVESTMENTS, 8043 2ND ST, STE # 101, DOWNEY CA 90241, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES (2) TRINITY ESCROW SERVICES "A NON-INDEPENDENT BROKER ESCROW"  
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #/ON: 0591980  
REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) ORACLE 4 INVESTMENTS, INC. 8043 2ND STREET SUITE # 101, DOWNEY CA 90241  
State of Incorporation: N/A  
This business is conducted by a Corporation  
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 09/20/2011  
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/JUDITH GALLARDO, PRESIDENT, ORACLE 4 INVESTMENTS, INC.  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on MARCH 27, 2013  
NOTICE-in accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A New Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration.

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**The Downey Patriot**  
3/28/13, 4/11/13, 4/18/13, 4/18/13

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File Number 2013066120  
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) RAINEHEALTH ENTERPRISE, 17522 STEINBAKER ROAD, CERRITOS CA 90703, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES (2) 9852 LINDEN ST., BELLFLOWER CA 90706  
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #/ON: N/A  
REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) RICHARD MURPHY, 9852 LINDEN ST., BELLFLOWER CA 90706  
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  
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/RICHARD MURPHY, OWNER  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on APRIL 3, 2013  
NOTICE-in accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A New Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration.

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**The Downey Patriot**  
4/11/13, 4/18/13, 4/25/13, 5/2/13

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File Number 2013066648  
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) SWISS PARK BANQUET CENTER, 1905 WORMAN MILL ROAD, WHITTIER CA 90601, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES (2) 7933 HONDO ST., DOWNEY CA 90242  
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #/ON: 201308010468  
REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) HEIDI'S WORLD, LLC, 7933 HONDO ST., DOWNEY CA 90242  
State of Incorporation: CA  
This business is conducted by a Limited Liability Company  
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A  
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/HEIDI B. PIANELLI, C.E.O., HEIDI'S WORLD LLC  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on APRIL 3, 2013  
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**The Downey Patriot**  
4/11/13, 4/18/13, 4/25/13, 5/2/13

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File Number 2013052497  
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) YOUR SOUL CAN SHINE, 3833 MARWICK AVE, LONG BEACH CA 90808, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES  
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #/ON: N/A  
REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) LEIGH DENHAM, 3833 MARWICK AVE, LONG BEACH CA 90808 (2) JANICE CHRISTOPOULOS, 21661 BROOKHURST ST # 383, HUNTINGTON BEACH, CA 92646  
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 03/15/2013  
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/LEIGH DENHAM, OWNER  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on MARCH 15, 2013  
NOTICE-in accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A New Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration.

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**The Downey Patriot**  
4/4/13, 4/11/13, 4/18/13, 4/25/13

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File Number 2013060345  
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) THE VETERANS STORE, 8840 BEVERLY BLVD. PICO RIVERA, PICO RIVERA CA 90660, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES (2) P.O. BOX 1064 DONEY, DOWNEY CA 90240  
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #/ON: N/A  
REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) A LEE, 11563 WILLAKE ST, SANTA FE SPRINGS CA 90670 (2) QUINTON GREYSTONE, 8840 BEVERLY BLVD, PICO RIVERA CA 90660  
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  
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/A LEE, OWNER  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on MARCH 26, 2013  
NOTICE-in accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A New Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration.

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**The Downey Patriot**  
3/28/13, 4/4/13, 4/11/13, 4/18/13

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS**

**NAME STATEMENT**  
File Number 2013046679  
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) 599DDORS, 6604 WALKER AVE #8, LOS ANGELES CA 90201, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES  
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #/ON: N/A  
REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) ERIKA CANALES, 6604 WALKER AVE #8, BELL CA 90201  
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 03/03/2013  
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/ERIKKA CANALES, OWNER, ERIKA CANALES  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on MARCH 8, 2013  
NOTICE-in accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A New Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration.

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**The Downey Patriot**  
3/21/13, 3/28/13, 4/4/13, 4/11/13

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File Number 2013067412  
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) AJ ON LIVE SHOPPING, 10006 FOSTER ROAD, BELLFLOWER CA 90706, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES  
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #/ON: N/A  
REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) AFSHAN HAMID, 10006 FOSTER ROAD, BELLFLOWER CA 90706  
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  
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/AFSHAN HAMID, OWNER  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on APRIL 4, 2013  
NOTICE-in accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A New Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration.

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**The Downey Patriot**  
4/11/13, 4/18/13, 4/25/13, 5/2/13

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File Number 2013051282  
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) BOTANICA SAN PEDRO, BERTH #77 SPACE P9, SAN PEDRO CA 90706, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES (2) VICTORY BLVD, NORTH HOLLYWOOD CA 91606  
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #/ON: N/A  
REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) STEVE DIAZ, 12715 VICTORY BLVD, NORTH HOLLYWOOD, CA 91606 (2) DIANA MICHEL, 12715 VICTORY BLVD, NORTH HOLLYWOOD CA 90606  
State of Incorporation: N/A  
This business is conducted by a Married Couple  
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 05/08/1997  
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/STEVE DIAZ, OWNER  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on MARCH 14, 2013  
NOTICE-in accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A New Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration.

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**The Downey Patriot**  
4/4/13, 4/11/13, 4/18/13, 4/25/13

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File Number 2013049787  
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) AGUILERA HOME IMPROVEMENT, 9862 E. LINDEN STREET, BELLFLOWER CA 90706, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES  
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #/ON: N/A  
REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) MARTIN AGUILERA, 9862 E. LINDEN STREET, BELLFLOWER CA 90706 (2) MARIA AGUILERA, 9862 E. LINDEN STREET, BELLFLOWER CA 90706  
State of Incorporation: N/A  
This business is conducted by a Married Couple  
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 11/02/2008  
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/MARIA A. AGUILERA  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on MARCH 13, 2013  
NOTICE-in accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A New Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration.

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**CITY OF DOWNEY SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE INTRODUCED**  
On April 9, 2013, the City Council introduced an ordinance to amend the downtown Downey Specific Plan (PLN-13-00052) to require a conditional use permit for hookah/cigar lounges.  
Copies of the full texts are available in the City

Clerk's Office.  
6333 Flora Ave. Apt B  
Bell, CA 90201  
Tel: (323) 572-0185

**The Downey Patriot**  
4/1/13

### LIEN SALES

**NOTICE OF SALE**  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the undersigned intends to sell the personal property described below to enforce a lien in full against the property pursuant to sections 21700 - 21716 of the CA Business and Professions Code, CA Commercial Code Section 2328, Section 1812.600 - 1812.609 and Section 1988 of CA Civil Code, 353 of the Penal Code.

The undersigned will sell at public sale by public auction on Wednesday 17th day of April, 2013 at 2:00 P.M., on the premises where said property including: household goods, tools, electronics, and personal effects, have been stored and which are located at Paramount Self Storage, 8160 E. Rosecrans Ave, Paramount, County of Los Angeles, State of California, the following:

Customer Name	Unit #
Benito Garcia	1165
Salvador Duran	1257
Serio Gomez	1336
Denise Arias	1412
Delrta Jasper	1503
Roberto Almaz	1504
Ignacio Erizzo	2052
Ramon Tachiqui	2182
Jose Pena	2370

Purchases must be paid for at the time of purchase in cash only. All purchased items sold as is, where is and must be removed at the time of sale. Sale subject to cancellation in the event of settlement between owner and obligated party.

Dated this 4th of APRIL 2013 and 11th day of APRIL 2013.

Self Storage Management Co. Bond #: W1112444  
562.630.7270

**The Downey Patriot**  
4/4/13, 4/11/13

### NOTICES

**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES NORWALK COURTHOUSE ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE NUMBER: V5024346**  
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner ELIZABETH CRISTINA FLORES filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present name ELIZABETH CRISTINA ENNIS FLORES to Proposed name ELIZABETH CRISTINA FLORES. 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 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 be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.

**NOTICE OF HEARING**  
Date: 5-22-13, 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.  
March 25, 2013  
Yvonne T. Sanchez  
Judge of the Superior Court  
Petitioner or Attorney  
Elizabeth Cristina Flores In Pro Per  
9713 Imperial Hwy., #204  
Downey, CA 90242  
(562) 441-3102

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4/4/13, 4/11/13, 4/18/13, 4/25/13

### SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES NORWALK ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE NUMBER: V5024355

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner FRANCISCO JAVIER SANCHEZ, JEANETTE DOLORES DURAN filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present name JUSTIN TROY DURAN SANCHEZ to Proposed name JUSTIN TROY 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 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 be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.

**NOTICE OF HEARING**  
Date: 5-29-13, Time: 1:30 p.m., Department C, Room 302  
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.  
March 26, 2013  
Yvonne T. Sanchez  
Judge of the Superior Court  
Petitioner or Attorney  
Francisco Javier Sanchez,  
Jeannette Dolores In Pro Pro  
2045 Sycamore Ave.  
Downey, CA 90241

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3/28/13, 4/4/13, 4/11/13, 4/18/13

### SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE NUMBER: V5024292

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner MANUEL EFREN CASILLAS MENDOZA filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present name MANUELFREN CASILLAS MENDOZA to Proposed name MANUEL EFREN CASILLAS MENDOZA. 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 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 be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.

**NOTICE OF HEARING**  
Date: 5/8/13, Time: 1:30 p.m., Department C, Room 312  
The address of the court is 6333 FLORA AVE APT B, BELL 90201  
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.  
March 11, 2013  
Yvonne T. Sanchez  
Judge of the Superior Court  
Petitioner or Attorney

Manuel Casillas  
6333 Flora Ave. Apt B  
Bell, CA 90201  
Tel: (323) 572-0185

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### PROBATE

**NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF RAFAEL R. VELASQUEZ aka RALPH R. VELASQUEZ Case No. VP014780**  
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of RAFAEL R. VELASQUEZ aka RALPH R. VELASQUEZ.

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Olivia Paniagua in the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that Olivia Paniagua be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons (other than the decedent or persons interested in the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A HEARING on the petition will be held on June 4, 2013 at 8:30 AM in Dept. No. L located at 12720 Norwalk Bl., Norwalk, CA 90650. IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code.

Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law. YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an affidavit and appraisal of estate assets of any petitioner or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

**Attorney for petitioner: LISA MACCARLEY ESQ. SBN 164458 LAW OFFICE LISA MACCARLEY 3436 N VERDUGO RD STE 100 GLENDALE CA 91208**

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### TRUSTEE SALES

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE Trustee Sale No. 734520CA Loan No. 5304290827 Title Order No. 3206-225662 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 10-18-2006. 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 PROCEEDINGS AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On 04-25-2013 at 9:00 AM, CALIFORNIA RECONVEYANCE COMPANY is a duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust Recorded 11-01-2006, Book N/A, Page N/A, Instrument 06-2425866, of official records in the Office of the Recorder of LOS ANGELES County, California, executed by: ROSA E TOPETE, A WIDOW, as Trustor, MORTGAGEE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. (MERES), SOLE AS NOMINEE FOR ENDEAVOR PREFERRED FINANCIAL GROUP, INC. DBA WWW.WHOLESALELENDINGONLINE.COM, IT'S SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS, as Beneficiary, 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 national bank 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 premiser described parcel and pursuant to the terms of 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 (as 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: Doubletree Hotel Los Angeles-Norwalk, 13111 Sycamore Drive, Norwalk, CA 90650 Legal Description: A CONDOMINIUM COMPOSED OF: PARCEL 1 UNDIVIDED 1/10TH INTEREST IN AND TO COMMENCEMENT OF MODULE 1 OF CONDOMINIUM PLAN RECORDED NOVEMBER 10, 2005 AS INSTRUMENT NO. 05-2721802 CONSTITUTING A PORTION OF LOT 1 OF TRACT MAP 54347, IN THE CITY OF DOWNEY, IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AS PER MAP RECORDED IN BOOK 1285, PAGE 76 AND 77 INCLUSIVE OF MAPS IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY, EXCEPT THEREFROM UNITS 1 THROUGH 10 INCLUSIVE AS SHOWN AND DEFINED ON THE CONDOMINIUM PLAN REFERRED TO ABOVE. PARCEL 2: UNIT 7 AS DEFINED AND DELINEATED ON THE ABOVE REFERRED TO CONDOMINIUM PLAN. Amount of unpaid balance and street charges: \$696,740.42 (estimated) Street address and other common designation of the real property: 8314 TELEGRAPH ROAD #7 DOWNEY, CA 90240 APN Number: 6367-024-030 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. The property hereofore described is being sold "as is". In compliance with California Civil Code 2923.5(c) the mortgagee, trustee, beneficiary, or authorized agent declares: that it has contacted the borrower(s) to assess their financial situation and to explore options to avoid foreclosure; or that it has made efforts to contact the borrower(s) to assess their financial situation and to explore options to avoid foreclosure by one of the following methods: by telephone; by United States mail; either 1st class or certified; by overnight delivery; by personal delivery; by e-mail; by face to face meeting. DATE: 04-03-2013 CALIFORNIA RECONVEYANCE







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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE T.S. No. 12-0076964 Doc ID #0002170313692005N Title Order No. 12-0138056 Investor/Insurer No. 204628372 APN No. 8018-009-025 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 12-18-2006. 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. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A., as duly appointed trustee pursuant to the Deed of Trust executed by MICHAEL J HAMEL, AND PHYLLIS D HAMEL, HUSBAND AND WIFE AS JOINT TENANTS, dated 11/10/2005 and recorded 11/21/2005, as Instrument No. 05-2818633, in Book N/A, Page N/A, of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Los Angeles County, State of California, will sell on 05/09/2013 at 11:00AM. By the fountain located at 400 Civic Center Plaza, Pomona, CA 91766 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 the trustee 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: 9403 SIDEVIEW DRIVE, DOWNEY, CA, 902403047. 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 \$464,657.44. 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 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 as provided in said Note, plus fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. 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 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](http://www.reconstrustco.com), using the file number assigned to this case TS No. 12-0060918. 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 sales information: (619)590-1221. Cal-Western Reconveyance Corporation, 525 East Main Street, P.O. Box 22004, El Cajon, CA 92022-9004 Dated: March 27, 2013. (R-428326 04/11/13, 04/18/13, 04/25/13)

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## Duo-cephalic monster: not a good thing

By Lars Clutterham  
Contributor

**DOWNEY** – “Duo-cephalic” is not a term normally used in everyday conversation. If you’re in the medical field, you probably know what it means, and if you’re up to speed with your Greek-Latin lexicon, its meaning may also be obvious, but the word is pretty obscure to most of us. In its simplest meaning “duo-cephalic” means “two-headed,” and it mostly conjures up ancient monsters and dragons, as would the term “poly-cephalic,” also characterizing some of the many-headed monsters in those ancient myths.

Nevertheless, the term was permanently etched into my memory when my freshman English professor graded down one of my earliest college papers because, as he said, it was “duo-cephalic”—namely, dealing with two separate topics.

Well I managed to graduate from college anyway, and, with all due respect to my English prof, I’m going to address two separate topics today. I maintain, however, that the connection is appropriate, because, like those ancient duo-cephalic dragons, this two-headed monster is also scary, and not good news.

The first dragonhead is follow-up, as promised, on our “Plastic Ocean” discussion of the last few weeks, which quoted “Plastic Ocean” author, Captain Charles Moore, on the predominance of plastic bottle caps in the stomachs of dead Laysan albatross chicks. Here’s the background: the Laysan albatross is a magnificent ocean bird which gets all its food from ocean surface and sub-surface waters. Albatrosses mate for life and raise their young in island colonies, where all the chicks’ food supply is

flown in by mama or papa after days at sea, and then regurgitated into the chick’s gullet. Unfortunately, adult albatrosses have neither the time nor the ability to distinguish between small fish and other genuine food supply in contrast to floating bottle caps, cigarette lighters, or other plastic debris that floats at or near the surface. They’re simply attracted to the bright color. So Mom and Dad inevitably bring home discarded plastic in baby’s dinner.

This is not speculation. One of the main Pacific albatross breeding grounds is Midway Atoll, about 1,000 miles northwest of Hawaii in the direction of Japan. It lives up to its name, because, roughly speaking, it’s midway between Japan and the U.S. There is no human habitation on Midway Atoll. The closest humans live 1,000 miles away in Hawaii. Yet the entire island is littered with the carcasses of dead albatross chicks, thousands per year. And in the center of every carcass, every dead chick ended its life with a stomach full of plastic. This is equally true of autopsies done on other infant albatross remains. All the babies have plastic. Not a percentage: EVERY ONE OF THEM. And, predictably, many of these infants are thought to have died of starvation or choking, not to

speak of the toxicity attached to their plastic-laden diets.

Keep in mind that this pollution and these animal deaths take place about 2,000 miles from either of the nearest two continents. Our human garbage has infested the uttermost reaches of the globe.

The second dragonhead is currently in the news, though not as much as it probably should be. Surely you’ve heard of the proposed Keystone XL pipeline, which will send tar sands oil from Canada through the U.S. to refineries on the Gulf Coast of Louisiana. This is a controversial political topic, which, like most other such topics these days, tends to break down along partisan lines. At issue are the potential environmental dangers of sending this dirty petroleum through countryside and watersheds in the American heartland versus its potential as a new source of domestically produced oil, along with the possibility of what is argued to be a significant source of employment.

One of the biggest environmental criticisms regarding the proposed

pipeline is the danger of oil spills that would contaminate groundwater supplies as well as arable land.

You’d think, with that kind of fear fueling the political debate, that the pipeline’s proponents, including Exxon-Mobil, would try very hard to mind their p’s and q’s until a skeptical public was relieved of some of these fears.

Yet, less than a week ago, a pipeline break in Mayflower, Arkansas, spilled thousands of gallons of oil into a local community. Early estimates, provided by Exxon-Mobil, put the spill at 84,000 gallons. The EPA has since revised its official estimates upwards, and some estimates put the spill at as much as 300,000 gallons.

Think of the damage that much oil would do flowing through the streets and homes of Downey.

There is more to both of these topics. But for now, there you have it, your duo-cephalic environmental monster of the week. Two dragonheads tied together by petroleum, demonstrating that Planet Earth is in a heap o’ trouble.

### Downey pitcher makes MLB debut

**DOWNEY** – Downey resident and Warren High grad Bobby LaFromboise made his Major League debut Wednesday, striking out two batters in one inning of work for the Seattle Mariners.

LaFromboise, 26, was called up from Triple-A Tacoma on Tuesday. The Mariners were down 8-3 against the Houston Astros when manager Eric Wedge inserted La Fromboise into the game at the top of the ninth.

LaFromboise said he learned shortly after midnight that he was being called up. He immediately called his father.

“I couldn’t get through it,” LaFromboise told MLB.com. “Tearing up. And then I had to talk to my mom, and that was worse. Because it’s Mom. It was just a great feeling to be able to make that phone call to them and say, ‘Hey, I made it.’”

LaFromboise was drafted by the Mariners in 2008.

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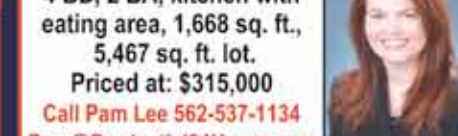
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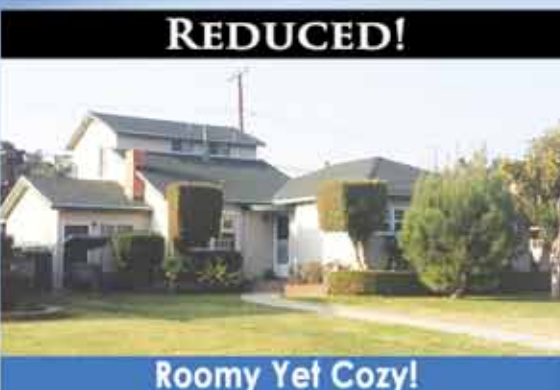
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**Location! Location! Location!**  
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**Pool Home Behind Furman Park**  
3 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, living room with fireplace, family room with bar, enclosed patio, backyard with covered patio, pool, 2,200 sq. ft. living space, on a 7,267 sq. ft. lot  
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**OPEN HOUSE**  
FRIDAY, SATURDAY & SUNDAY 12-4PM

**Custom Built North Downey Home!**  
5 bedrooms (4 up & 1 down), 3 bathrooms, remodeled in 1990 approx 3,500 sq. ft. living space, & 3 car garage. Interior has large bedrooms & living room, family room & formal dining room & large master suite.  
Approved Short Sale at: \$600,000  
Submit offer by Sun, Apr 14th at 8:00 pm

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**Northwest Downey Home**  
3 bedrooms, 2 bath pool home with large living room, family room & master bedroom, newer roof, copper plumbing, alarm system, and newer sliding door leading to backyard.  
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