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## HEROES & HISTORY: 'DEFYING GRAVITY'

• 'Defying Gravity,' a play about the 1986 Space Shuttle Challenger tragedy, opens Sept. 20 in Downey.

By Marisa Urrutia Gedney  
Contributor

**DOWNEY** – What was it like to almost touch the future? Claude Monet, Christa McAuliffe and her daughter, a member of the NASA ground crew, and a tourist couple explore the anticipation, wonder, and grief of the 1986 Space Shuttle Challenger disaster in the play, "Defying Gravity."

In partnership with the City of Downey and the Aerospace Legacy Foundation, the Downey Arts Coalition (DAC) is producing a unique weekend of live theater under the stars this September (20th-22nd) at the outdoor amphitheater of the Columbia Memorial Space Center. For three nights, DAC will run a fully staged production of "Defying Gravity" by Jane Anderson, a compelling play that explores the emotional core of the 1986 Space Shuttle Challenger disaster, artfully weaving together the lives of participants and bystanders. Sunday evening will feature a Q&A with shuttle engineers, the cast, and the playwright.

The Columbia Memorial Space Center (CMSC) was built by the City of Downey as a monument to the efforts of ordinary men and women who played a major role in the success of the U.S. space program through their work at North American Aviation (and later Rockwell) in the 1960's and 70's. CMSC holds the only Challenger Learning Center in Los Angeles which places emphasis on honoring the Challenger mission, among others. This play welcomes a multi-generational audience to experience and contemplate a pivotal chapter in aerospace history in the city where the spacecraft was created. Due to mature emotional content, children under the age of thirteen are not recommended to attend. The outdoor performances underscore the themes of the play along with the human drive to question and explore. There is no greater venue for this play.

"Defying Gravity" was originally produced off-Broadway by Daryl Roth, starring Philip Seymour Hoffman. The Downey production stands out for its local connection to the history portrayed on stage.

Gerald Blackburn, Aerospace Legacy Foundation's president, reflects on the play's significance to Downey's history, "We designed and built the Challenger from here in Downey. Those of us who worked here and were part of that creation and story shared in the trauma of the loss of the crew and the spacecraft. Anyone who attends this play will understand the complex emotional feelings we all have and still struggle with when we watched with the world, seven brave and courageous people make the ultimate sacrifice for a dream."

The play will automatically connect to aerospace professionals and those who remember seeing the explosion broadcast on TV only 73 seconds after liftoff.

"As an industry witness to these events I find it remarkable that the author and this cast are able to

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## Former minor leaguer has a new title: missionary

• From a devastating neck injury to a battle with alcohol addiction, Eddie Navarro says God saved his life.

By Christian Brown  
Staff Writer

**DOWNEY** – At 40 years of age, Eddie Navarro can honestly say he's living the greatest year of his life right now.

"I'm on cloud nine," he said. "It's a beautiful thing -- and it's just the beginning."

Instead of erstwhile dreams of playing professional baseball, Navarro has discovered a new life far beyond the United States of America.

After years of searching for purpose and destiny, Navarro is now living a new dream as a worldwide missionary, traveling from country to country where he preaches the love of Christ not just through words, but in deeds.

"Someone told me once that I should sleep with my shoes on," said Navarro with a smile. "And I stay ready...whatever opportunities, whether it's one person or 10,000 people -- I give it the same heart."

But the Norwalk native wasn't always headed down a road of international ministry.

Once a star pitcher at John Glenn High School, Navarro soon assumed the role of starting pitcher at Cerritos College. By 1993, he was signed to the Baltimore Orioles minor league.

However, his life changed drastically in 1994 when his neck snapped during a season game, damaging the fifth vertebrae in his spine.

"I should have been a paraplegic like Christopher Reeve," he recalled. "I had to wear a halo cage on my head for five months."

Navarro says it was this life-altering experience that challenged him to search for the one he believed saved his life -- God.

"I was not walking with the Lord,

but I was determined to change and find this God that changed my life. There was a reason he left me here," Navarro said.

Months later, after receiving prayer, Navarro says the front pins of his halo brace popped out.

"I got up and my family rushed me to emergency. The doctors took the back ones out and said, 'if the bone is healed then you're free,'" recalled Navarro. "They x-rayed my neck and it came back healed. God proved he was real."

Full of passion, Navarro dropped his sports aspirations and enrolled at International Bible College in San Antonio, Texas where he studied for three years.

"I came back and started working for my church, but ministry never manifested -- not behind the pulpit. It wasn't God's timing," he said. "I still hadn't broken through to my purpose in Christ. I got sidetracked and made some wrong decisions."

"I was drinking alcohol -- I didn't even go to church. I thought it would take a miracle for me to get back in ministry."

Navarro encountered that miracle in 2009 when someone found his body on the side of the road near Baker, Calif. after he flipped his car while driving under the influence.

"A helicopter airlifted me to Loma Linda hospital. I was knocked out for 13 hours," he said. "In the hospital room, I cried out to God -- 'if you deliver me, I'll serve you' --

and he touched me. I was re-broken in a magnificent way."

At that moment, Navarro says he felt the call to full-time ministry. Quitting his day job, he devoted his time to cleaning the church facilities and assisting his pastor, Don Metcalf of Desert Reign Assemblies of God in Downey.

"He's the reason I'm at where I'm at," said Navarro. "He [and his wife] literally taught me and raised me up in ministry."

Navarro went on his first missionary journey to Thailand in 2010 and was hooked.

"In 2013, I was invited to Botswana, Africa for 30 months. I preached over 80 times in 90 days at six different churches," he said.

"I preached to 900 kids in public elementary school every Friday morning."

As part of the Powerhouse Sports Program, Navarro worked with nearly 1,500 children a week in the village of Botshabelo, teaching sports and demonstrating the character of Christ.

"That's what I did during the day. We'd feed them, give them drink and preach the word," said Navarro, who had an interpreter with him at all times. "I used the language of love -- and they just felt you, man."

Although extensive in scope, Navarro says the experience was worthwhile.

"Thousands of souls were led to the Lord and I experienced the power of God," he said. "On the mission field it's 100 percent giving.

They'll take all you give. I came back to my room each night spent. It was quite a challenge, but a life-changing experience."

And Navarro isn't slowing down. The self-described "minister of pain" just returned from Kamchatka, Russia and Beijing, China.

"When I got back from Botswana, Pastor Don said, 'don't unpack your bags, you're coming with me to Russia,'" said Navarro with a laugh. "I preached at one of the biggest churches in Russia."

Using his testimony as a backdrop, Navarro is determined to inspire others to faith in God -- all around the planet.

This October, Navarro is heading to the Philippines with Pastor Jason Neville of Praise Chapel Downey and he's already been invited on a missionary trip to India in 2014.

"It's not about your ability, but your availability...I'm not the best preacher, but the Lord can use me," he said. "I've been to nine countries, but it's just starting...I humbled myself in the form of a servant and the Lord has highly exalted me to the nations."

Navarro's advice to anyone with a dream? Take the limits off what they can do and trust God to do what only he can do.

"What we can do is limited, but he is unlimited. We think locally, but he thinks globally," said Navarro. "Trust him, fully surrender your life to him -- he'll blow your whole world wide open."

## Controversial crosswalk signal gets green light

• Concerned over student safety, city council votes to install crosswalk beacon outside Doty Middle School.

By Christian Brown  
Staff Writer

**DOWNEY** – After months of discussion and now under the threat of liability, the Downey City Council on Tuesday voted unanimously to install a high-intensity pedestrian-activated crosswalk beacon at Woodruff Avenue and Via Amorita in lieu of a traffic signal.

Councilmembers believe the HAWK beacon is the best option for the city to ensure student safety at nearby Doty Middle School while addressing the aesthetic concerns of local homeowners.

"I know it's not ideal, but give it a try," said Mayor Pro Tem Fernando Vasquez addressing residents who live in the vicinity of the school. "I know it's not an ideal environment to live in, but in three to six months, if it's not working we can revisit it."

Vasquez continued: "I can't look parents in the eye and say we failed to do anything...I've got to look at the best interests as a whole."

With more than five vehicular accidents reported at the congested crosswalk over the last four years, city officials received a request from Doty Middle School, then East Middle School, five years ago asking for increased safety measures at the intersection.

City officials are hopeful the device helps curb accidents by providing a safer means for children to cross Woodruff Avenue to attend Doty Middle School.

According to a traffic study performed by city staff, nearly 8,100 vehicles and 700 pedestrians utilize Woodruff Avenue every day, leading the city to originally propose a traffic signal at Via Amorita.

However, residents in the area expressed concerns earlier this year when the council moved forward with the plans, awarding a \$127,700 contract to Select Electric, Inc.

"Based on their input, the City Council directed staff to halt the installation of the traffic signal until such time that the City Council could hear directly from all interested parties about their concerns related to this issue," said John Oskoui, director of public works.

During a special council meeting in July, the city council approved a number of safety recommendations including the assignment of a crossing guard, the installation of drop-off and pick-up zones, and a left turn restriction from westbound Via Amorita to southbound Woodruff Avenue during school hours to reduce conflicts between pedestrians and vehicles.

City staff also suggested the installation of a HAWK beacon instead of a traffic signal. Unlike a signal, the beacon can only be activated by pedestrians wishing to cross the street. During non-

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represent these complex emotions in such an accurate way," Blackburn said.

And what about those who don't have it listed in their memory or aren't space enthusiasts? Lana Joy, producer and co-director with husband Andrew Wahlquist, describes the play and its message.

"This play is definitely for more than just space-lovers. It is for us all," she says. "Defying Gravity explores our human impulse to explore things out of our reach-- both physical and spiritual and the potential for achievement, for discovery, for triumph, and also for mistakes and regret. The seven brave astronauts who gave their lives that day are remembered as heroes-- as they should because they are."

"But Defying Gravity goes a step beyond that and looks at the aftermath. The Teacher and her daughter are both characters in this play, and the daughter recalls the memories she has of her mother as she works through her grief. There is a NASA ground crew member in the play, to whom many Downey-area engineers may relate, as he goes through the "was it my fault?" question and deals with his own survivor's guilt. There is a simple tourist couple who perhaps represent all of us with their hopes and dreams for the future that were dashed on that cold morning."

Many elements, including Joy and Wahlquist's direction, the very nature of the script, along with the strong acting, will leave the audience with more than just the reality of the devastation. "Even though it is about a tragedy, you definitely walk out of the theatre feeling good about the universe and our place in it, and very proud of Downey's specific place in history," Joy explains.

A drama and a comedy all at once, "playwright Jane Anderson brilliantly paces the sadness in the play with humor, lightness, and hope," remarks Joy. The

impressionist painter, Monet, is an unexpected central character who gently guides magic and fantasy into the play. "Monet is our spiritual guide through the events leading up to the day of the tragedy and after. He puts the disaster into a spiritual and emotional framework, connecting its significance to the greater story of humanity. And his presence is a reminder that this story is about so much more than just the facts of the Challenger accident," describes Joy.

If you think Monet has nothing to do with space, Anderson explains how he came to be the narrator of the play, "one day I was looking at these photographs of earth that were taken from space shuttles -- there's no horizon in these photographs, just stunning fields of color made up of ocean and land and clouds. I was struck by how much they looked like Monet's water lily paintings, which were huge canvasses which he did at the end of his life. The similarities are stunning. Monet was seeing the world, in essence, from space. So I made him my narrator. It just seemed right."

It is clear that the main character of the play is Christa McAuliffe, a high school teacher who was selected out of 11,000 applicants in the NASA Teacher in Space Project to be the first civilian to fly in space. She planned on conducting experiments and teaching two lessons from space, as it was NASA's hope to gain more public interest by sending a teacher in a mission. "It worked. We all were watching when the Challenger took off. And yes, it worked for the status of teachers in this country, which definitely needed a boost. It was terrific that Christa became this beloved figure and that people were saying, "Teachers are fantastic!" The disaster turned McAuliffe into a saint. Are teachers more valued because she died? I'd like to believe that wouldn't be the case. I'd like to believe that we would have cherished Christa just as much if she had returned safely back to earth and resumed her regular

life as a high school teacher," says Anderson.

McAuliffe is listed as "Teacher" in the script. She is the only character with a generic name, Anderson explains. "It didn't seem right to use her name. Out of respect for the McAuliffe family I didn't want to make the presumption that I knew what was going on in Christa's head and heart. And I love the word "Teacher." It triggers so many responses in us, doesn't it? As little kids we idolize our favorite teachers, we put them up on pedestals. We think that they're impervious to harm. But they aren't. Teachers are human. They can be inspiring and magical but they can also get frustrated and overwhelmed and scared. I wanted to be able to explore all those various aspects of this character and simply calling her Teacher gave me the freedom to do that."

Stan Barauskas, a 50-year veteran of the U.S. space program serving as technical advisor to the production, was part of the year-long review of the shuttle system after the Challenger disaster. Every single component went under thorough inspection to be qualified and certified, "and yet, with all these precautions another major disaster occurred with the STS-107 re-entry catastrophe making it very clear that space flight continues to be extremely dangerous and warrants the utmost scrutiny. I hope the Columbia failure is the last the space program we will have to endure -- but, we said that after the Challenger disaster," says Barauskas. With such monumental space history surrounding the stage, the audience will be reminded that this play isn't just about one incident, but the pains and risks humans take to make advancements both in the unimaginable world of space and within our own daily lives.

Through this partnership, DAC hopes to inspire greater awareness and support for the Columbia Memorial Space Center, and its goal of building a permanent home



Doug Haverly portrays painter Claude Monet in "Defying Gravity."

for the full-size shuttle mock-up Inspiration as an educational exhibit for both students and adults.

"This is a big project for Downey Arts Coalition and we knew we would need a lot of local support. Our city council is very arts-friendly, and Councilman Brossmer was an early supporter of this project. And since we have a local foundation dedicated to preserving that history, the Aerospace Legacy Foundation was a natural fit. They were very excited about it. Others in the community have also come alongside us, such as Financial Partners Credit Union and the Peterson Foundation. The model for local arts includes a lot of community support and we have seen the community come together many times since Downey Arts Coalition began," Wahlquist explains.

Lana Joy and Andrew Wahlquist are co-directing and producing the show, as a project of the Downey Arts Coalition, an arts group they organized out of a love for their hometown and a desire to see the community come together with a renewed passion for the arts. Joy says, "We have

an interest in bringing theatre to Downey that is local in more than just one sense. With this play, we bring a new dimension to the idea of local theatre. This play is more specifically about us and for us. We would like to see more theatre in Downey that represents who we are specifically-- theatre that expresses our history and heritage, our values, our dreams. This is just one tiny piece of that mosaic and we think there is a hunger for much, much more."

Performances are Friday and Saturday, Sept. 20-21 at 8 p.m., and Sunday, Sept. 22, at 7 p.m. Each night doors open one hour early for a space-themed art show and educational exhibit.

Tickets are available through the Downey Civic Theatre Box office. For tickets or for more information call the box office at (562) 861-8211 or visit online at www.DowneyTheatre.com. Box office hours are Tuesday - Friday from 11am - 6pm. Ticket office is located at 8435 Firestone Blvd.

Tickets are \$20 (\$15 students with student ID).

## Space center pays tribute to the moon

**DOWNEY** - International Observe the Moon Night will be celebrated at the Columbia Memorial Space Center on Oct. 12, an event highlighting the moon in all its glory.

Guests will have an opportunity to view the moon through several different telescopes (weather permitting), participate in activities and enjoy giveaways.

There will also be a presentation, titled "From Formation to Exploration," explaining the formation of the moon and how it affects our daily lives.

The event is sponsored by the space center and the Columbia Astronomers Club. It is from 6:30-9:30 p.m.

Admission is \$5 except for space center members, who get in free.

For more details, call (562) 231-1200.

## Immunizations for kids

**DOWNEY** - St. Francis Medical Center will be administering free immunization shots to low-income children ages 4-18 at West Middle School on Wednesday from 3-6:30 p.m.

Immunizations for chicken pox, hepatitis A and B, DTP, Tdap, MMR, polio, meningococcal and HPV are available to children whose families receive Medi-Cal or have no medical insurance.

No appointment is necessary but a parent or guardian must be present with the child's official immunization card with past immunization history.

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## Weightlifting poet to read from work

**DOWNEY** – Jean Barrett Holloway, author of “Weightlifting Rules” (Tebot Bach), a “surprising and fascinating” collection of poems that explore the world of Olympic-style weightlifting, will be the featured poet at Third Thursday Poetry on Sept. 19 at the Epic Lounge.

Holloway’s poems describe her years of involvement with a hardcore weightlifting team, and immerse readers in the dark energy of the training room “dungeon.”

An accomplished poet, Holloway is also author of “This World So Frail: Kwajalein Poems” (Conflux Press). Her work has been published in “Spillway,” “Poetry Bay,” “Tiger’s Eye” and “Ha!”

An actor, weightlifting coach and teacher in the UCLA Extension Certificated Program in Fitness Instruction, she has written articles that touch on the issues of strength and women, and the specific benefits of strength training for women of all ages.

She holds a BA and an MFA in theater arts and an MA in physical education from USC.

Doors to Third Thursday Poetry open at 7 p.m., followed by an open mike at 7:30. All ages are welcome.

## New chorus holding auditions

**DOWNEY** – A Downey Master Chorale is now forming under the direction of Margaret “Meg” Zeleny, who has founded several chorales and served as artist-in-residence in area cities.

Auditions and interviews will be held at Downey Moravian Church from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Sept. 21 and 28, and from 6-9 p.m. on Sept. 24. Previous training or experience is not required and singers as young as 15 are invited to apply.

For a 10-15 minute appointment, send an e-mail with contact information and several times you can be available to info@downeymasterchorale.org. Rehearsals are set to begin Oct. 1.

In addition, a Downey Children’s Chorus is being formed, which will provide professional training in vocal techniques and performing skills. Send requests for more information to the same e-mail address.

## Parks host after-school activities

**DOWNEY** – Downey’s Parks and Recreation Department is offering games, homework help and activities at Downey parks weekdays from 3-6 p.m.

The free program is open to kids ages 6-12. It is offered at Apollo, Dennis the Menace, Furman, Golden and Rio San Gabriel parks.

Parents can register their children at participating parks between 3-6 p.m.

For more details, call (562) 904-7238.

## Cheer clinic for kids

**DOWNEY** – Downey High School cheerleaders will conduct their annual cheer clinic this Saturday in the campus gym from 8 a.m. to noon.

Boys and girls ages 5-13 can participate.

Participants will learn game action cheers and perform at halftime of the Sept. 20 varsity football game at Downey High.

Cost is \$30 and includes a Downey High cheer T-shirt and two tickets to the football game.

To register, call Janet Minnig at (562) 923-5883.

## Fundraiser for chiropractic foundation

**DOWNEY** – A benefit dinner in support of the non-profit CHER Foundation is scheduled for Sept. 28 at the Columbia Memorial Space Center from 6-9:30 p.m.

General admission is \$75. Special VIP tickets are \$100.

The night consists of dinner, wine tasting, awards, and silent and live auctions. Proceeds benefit the CHER Foundation, which works to establish free or low-cost chiropractic clinics.

For tickets or information, call (562) 776-1727.

## Quilting technology topic of meeting

**DOWNEY** – The love of the traditional meets tech-savvy artisan when Jennifer Rapacki speaks on quilting techniques with technology-driven designs and inkjet printing on fabric Wednesday at the Woman’s Club of Downey.

The presentation is part of the regular meeting of the Los Angeles County Quilters Guild.

Doors open at 9 a.m. for social hour. The program begins at 10.

Cost is \$5 for non-members. The public is invited.

## Service club meets Monday

**DOWNEY** – The Downey Newcomers Club is meeting this Monday at 11:30 a.m. inside Frantone’s restaurant.

On the agenda is the formation of a nominating committee to recruit members for next year’s officers.

Membership dues are \$12 until Dec. 31. New members are welcome.

## Sponsors announced for Dia de los Muertos

**DOWNEY** – Five local businesses have signed on as “charter” sponsors of the Downey’s first Dia de los Muertos Festival on Nov. 3, officials have announced.

The festival will be held at the Downey Theatre and includes live music and a dance floor, a children’s interactive area, an art exhibit, altar displays, food court, beer and wine garden, clowns, and more.

Charter sponsors include CareMore, Downey Federal Credit Union, El Super grocery chain, Ford and Funereal del Angel.

CareMore’s Dwayne Jenkins, who frequently sponsors city events such as the summer concerts in the park, said it’s “good for business to have a presence at local events that bring the community together for a day of enjoyment.”

Lee Wade of L.A.-based Events Marketing secured the sponsors and said that “to get sponsors of this stature right out of the box shows their level of enthusiasm for the festival and the generosity of the local business community.”

Wade added that in an increasingly digital world, “It’s experience and a sense of community that consumers value.”

## Pastor to discuss Hunger Walk

**DOWNEY** – The public is invited to the OLPH Catholic Women’s Guild meeting on Wednesday, where Pastor Christie Melby-Gibbons of the Downey Moravian Church will speak about the second annual Crop Hunger Walk scheduled for Oct. 13.

The meeting begins at 10 a.m. A donation of \$10 is requested to cover the cost of a salad lunch, which includes desserts, coffee and wine.

## Church offers financial class

**DOWNEY** – Downey First Christian Church will begin offering a financial literacy course starting Sept. 29.

The class, titled Financial Peace University, teaches students how to eliminate debt, manage money, and spend and save wisely.

Classes meet for two hours each week for nine weeks.

For more details, or to register, contact Pastor Mark Schoch at (562) 862-2438 or mark@downeyfirst.com

## Free mental health class

**DOWNEY** – Downey United Methodist Church is offering free mental health classes for adults living with mental illness.

The 10-week course offers peer-to-peer help in an educational setting focused on recovery that offers “respect, understanding, encouragement and hope.”

Course topics include relapse prevention, brain biology, mental illness symptoms, stigma and recovery, cultural perceptions of mental health, mindfulness, spirituality, substance abuse and addiction, physical health, suicide prevention, advanced directives, working with your doctor, and empowerment and advocacy.

The class meets Saturdays from 9-11:30 a.m. starting Sept. 21 and through Nov. 23.

To register, call Lauren Baker at (562) 298-3002.

## Residents competing in speech contest

**COMMERCE** – Toastmasters will hold its Tall Tales & Evaluation fall speech contest Sept. 21 from 7:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Smart & Final corporate headquarters in Commerce.

Local residents are invited to hear stories of “larger than life” characters and outrageous situations. Members of Toastmasters’ Downey chapter are scheduled to participate.

Admission is free for guests and visitors. For more details, call (562) 977-8632 or e-mail 977tme2@gmail.com.

## Sebastian Sidi concert on KCET

**DOWNEY** – Sebastian Sidi’s documentary and concert special, “From Street to Center Stage,” airs this Friday, Sept. 13, at 11 a.m. on KCET public television.

The special was filmed last April at the Downey Theatre.

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peak hours, the device is inactive, allowing traffic to flow with reduced congestion.

Hoping to learn more about the beacon, the council directed city staff in July to present the option at a later meeting with the opinion of the city attorney.

On Tuesday, City Attorney Yvette Abich Garcia recommended the council install the beacon or risk potential liability in the future.

“There are concerns from a city standpoint. First, we have not one, but two traffic studies that conclude a HAWK or signal is warranted,” she said. “Also, the city is aware of accidents at this intersection. Anyone could use those two facts against the city.”

Garcia said the exposure would be great if the city stalled to place a safety device at the intersection.

Before the vote, Brent Shubin, principal of Doty Middle School, also endorsed the installation of the HAWK beacon, confident the device could prevent another kid from being hit by a car.

“Is there anything too safe for our kids,” he asked. “Student safety trumps any of the other concerns mentioned. For every one in opposition, there’d be 100 grateful parents.”

“We’ve had too many close calls...God forbid another kid is hit, but if so, at least I’ll know in my heart that we did everything we can.”

Via Amorita homeowner Jennifer Alvarez, however, disagrees with the council’s decision and questions whether it’s in the best interests of the students.

“Someone should be accountable for those who were hit -- why did it go on for so long,” Alvarez asked. “There is no place for the kids to walk on Via Amorita. The city hasn’t come full circle yet. If they were really sincere, they’d put in sidewalks so our kids wouldn’t have to walk on the streets.”

Alvarez also criticized the drop-off and pick-up zones on Woodruff Avenue, which she says prevents her family from parking on the street before and after school.

Nonetheless, councilmembers maintain their decision will promote a safer experience for kids and parents during the busy hours before and after classes at Doty Middle School.

“I couldn’t have this on my conscience. Number one, it’s safety and number two, it’s liability,” said Mayor Mario Guerra. “It’s not even a question to me anymore -- I cannot not vote for this.”

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## A Tribute to John Hume on the Occasion of the 10th Anniversary of His Passing

### They Called Him, "Mr. Hume"

### Shirley Mark, 93, mourned

DOWNEY - Local community leader Shirley Mark passed away Sept. 5 at age 93 after battling Alzheimer's disease.

She was born Sept. 2, 1920 in New York City and graduated from high school with honors at 16. When she was young, Shirley traveled through Europe and other countries, often by herself.

She worked for Revlon Company for many years and moved to Los Angeles in 1957, about the same time as her beloved Dodgers.

She was an active volunteer in the general and Jewish communities, serving as president of the Downey chapter and Southwest Council of B'nai B'rith Women. She was also an active member of Temple Ner Tamid.

Shirley was active with Friends of the Downey Library and was honored as the longest volunteer (22 years) at Lakewood Park Health Center.

Shirley returned to college later in life and graduated from Cal State Long Beach at age 64, where she wrote for the school paper.

She is survived by her husband of 54 years, Harold Mark; children and close family, Mindy Friedman, Adrienne Yukawa, Alan Mark and Judy Mark (Allen Erenbaum); and grandchildren, Ilana, Tami, Brittany, Brandon, Joshua, Jeremy and Emma.

Funeral services were held Wednesday at Mount Sinai Hollywood Hills. In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to the Alzheimer's Association of Los Angeles, the Autism Society of Los Angeles or the Friends of the Downey Library.



Meat cutter - Marine on Iwo Jima - Actor performing Shakespeare - Director staging Children's Theatre ... he was many things ... but foremost he was a man who inspired, encouraged and educated a multitude of children and adults for 30 years as the primary director and manager of the theatre programs in the City of Downey. To this day, there are parents and grandparents who as children were motivated to excel in their lives because of the life skills that were forged from the theatrical training they received from him. Some continued in the entertainment industry ... but most became architects, engineers, teachers or homemakers. But, all of them were instilled with the drive to succeed and to be good human beings by this one very special and unique individual ... Mr. Hume.

John Griffith Hume was born in Oakland on December 15, 1921, and grew up in the capital of California. His first job was working for his father at Hume & Sons, a meat market; but John was not destined to become a meat cutter. He left Sacramento to attend San Jose State University and earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Theatre with a minor in Philosophy.

While at San Jose State, John joined the Marine Corps but deferred enlistment until finishing college. After boot camp at Paris Island came Officers Training (OTC) at Quantico, then Camp Pendleton. Special training in Hawaii prepared him for the historic assault of Iwo Jima on February 19, 1945. Captain Hume was honorably discharged in 1946 and attended Stanford University on the GI Bill, receiving a Masters of Arts degree. John moved to Oregon for a summer, laboring as a lumberjack and radio announcer while performing for the Oregon Shakespeare Festival as Othello opposite his new bride, Katherine, as Desdemona.

Returning to California, John was hired as Manager of the Sacramento Civic Repertory Theatre enterprises that included a full season of plays at the Eaglet Theater; an Arm Chair Cruise Series; a series of children's plays; drama and stagecraft classes; and the famous Sacramento Music Circus. He made his way down to the Los Angeles/Hollywood area during the infancy of the television industry and appeared on live programs such as "Playhouse 90," "Hallmark Hall of Fame" and commercials while working for the Post Office in Downey.

In the early 1950's, John captured

the lead role in the play "Harvey" with the Downey Community Players at the Encore Playhouse (on Downey Avenue) and his performance was favorably compared to Jimmy Stewart. Mr. Dan Furman then offered him an opportunity to present a children's play ("Heidi") to be performed at Downey High School. This was followed by a proposal to develop a program of children's plays on the stage at the Rio Hondo Elementary School. "Hansel & Gretel" was the maiden offering of the Downey Children's Theatre.

In 1955 over 200 children turned out to audition for "Hansel & Gretel" and John was prompted to initiate a policy of double casting his shows. The following year, the Downey Children's Theatre was incorporated as a 501(c)(3) non-profit and an Administrative Council was established in order to co-sponsor the productions with the Downey Recreation & Parks District. Now

having attained the distinction of being called "Mister Hume" by both children and adults, he rallied an army of parents and volunteers to watch over the young actors backstage, to make costumes, build scenery, create props, apply make-up, sell tickets, serve punch and wrangle animals. His wife, Katherine, joined their children, Griffith and Margery on stage from time to time. With hundreds clamoring to be cast, he established the Drama Workshop Program conducted at local elementary schools to accommodate all of the children interested in performing.

When he was cast in a production of T.S. Eliot's "The Cocktail Party" at the famed Pasadena Playhouse, he arranged for a performance to be done in Downey as a benefit for the Downey Children's Theatre. The response was so positive that in 1960, the Downey Adult Theatre (later, Downey Theatre Guild) was established and joined the roster of children's shows presented on the Rio Hondo Elementary School stage. In no time, the operations expanded to include: The Proscenium Club, The Arm Chair Cruises programs, The Downey Teen Theatre, The Downey Reader's Theatre (later The Downey

Experimental Theatre), The Downey Marionette Theatre -- and ultimately the Downey Civic Light Opera. In

1963 the Downey Adult Theatre and the Downey Children's Theatre joined forces to present their first musical: "The Wizard of Oz."

During the 1963-1964 Season, 75,000 participated in 71 performances of 7 plays and this caught the attention of National publications and the Los Angeles Junior Programs, who arranged tours of the shows on college campuses from Cerritos to UCLA. They were particularly impressed that Mr. Hume did plays for children with children, selecting scripts which told stories that illustrated how to be a better person and utilized young performers in leading roles and large ensembles of youngsters.

The success of all these programs was unquestionable. Mr. Hume and the community felt that the Downey Children's Theatre, Inc. should have a permanent home. In 1964, following a production of "The Music Man," a building fund was finally initiated with the support of film star Shirley Jones and the backing of City Council member and local attorney, Priscilla Dunnum. After almost a decade of different concepts and possible locations, the City of Downey used funds from a "sin tax" on cigarettes and hotel rooms to build the Downey Theatre, winning National recognition for a design that had been carefully researched by Mr. Hume. Dedicated

in April of 1970, the theatre opened its doors on June 11, 1970, with The Downey Teen Theatre production of "Guys and Dolls." The Downey Theatre Guild presented the Official Premiere when "The Sound of Music" inaugurated the 1970-1971 Season that Fall. And after 15 years of successful productions in a lunch room with folding chairs and only the "Girls" and "Boys" bathrooms as dressing rooms, the dream of Mr. Hume and the community was realized.

For the next decade, Mr. Hume managed the Downey Theatre and produced and directed memorable, entertaining productions as he continued to influence a new generation of eager young children. However, change for the better and for the worse, would be inevitable. In 1972, Mr. Hume changed leading ladies in his life and married the

frequent Leading Lady in his shows, Pauline. The following year, a full season of musicals was presented under the new banner of the Downey Civic Light Opera Association. But after the passage of Proposition 13 in 1978, the City withdrew its support of all the theatre programs and the Board of Directors of the Downey Children's Theatre, Inc. reluctantly was forced to suspend operations of everything except the financially successful Downey Civic Light Opera.

Mr. Hume retired in 1979, as the longest serving City of Downey employee. He produced one additional season for the Downey CLO Board and then returned once more to direct his final production in Downey, "The Music Man" ... his favorite musical. He filled his years of retirement with writing, attending local theatre productions and fishing at his favorite vacation spot in Idaho. He had been introduced to the wilds of Idaho by his father; and, in turn, shared his favorite lakes and mountains with his children, grandchildren and Pauline and her children. His last challenge was a devastating battle with cancer. Mr. Hume passed away on September 12, 2003.

Those who knew him ... those trained by him ... those encouraged by him ... and those challenged by him have become better and more successful in life because of him. As a result of the generosity of his time, efforts, talent and his dedication to the children of Downey for over 30 years, his former protégés and supporters strive to keep his memory alive. They communicate to share stories and remembrances via the "Downey Children's Theatre" group on Facebook. It is their desire to continue his philosophies and teachings and to open the curtain of opportunity for others through the Arts ... as Mr. Hume opened for them.



Source: "A History of the Downey Theatre," curator Larry Dusich; and the UCLA Master Thesis "A Historical Study of the Formation, Growth and Development of the Downey Children's Theatre" by Tom Fitzgerald.

### Raymond Paris laid to rest

DOWNEY - Raymond Patrick Paris succumbed to multiple myeloma cancer Aug. 25 after a three-year battle.

He was born in El Paso, Tex., on Oct. 20, 1952 but had lived in Downey since 1989. He was employed by the Boeing company for 30 years, including 15 years working on the space shuttle program in Downey.

He is survived by his wife, Yolie Paris; grandchildren, Dominique, Adrina and Marilyn Paris; daughters-in-law, Debbie and Melissa; brothers, Alfred, John and Fred Paris; and sister, Rosemarie Paris.

Funeral services were held Sept. 4 at Forest Lawn in Cypress.



### Mary Welch was Downey teacher

DOWNEY - Mary Louise Welch, born May 1, 1942 in Maywood to Saul and Louise Toledo, died Aug. 31 after a three-year battle with B Cell lymphoma.

She spent most of her childhood years in Downey with her sister, Sandy, and brother, Saul Jr.

She graduated from Cal State Long Beach with a degree in early childhood education. Soon after - on June 22, 1963 - she married her husband, Jerry, before beginning her career as an elementary school teacher.

After teaching in Downey for several years, Mary and Jerry retired to Fox Island, Wash.

Mary is survived by her husband of 50 years, Jerry; mother, Louise; children, Jay (Arlene), Mynette (Nathan) and Brett (Amber); grandchildren, Trent, Kira, Riley, Tanner, Emily, Ava and Noah; brother, Saul (Louise); and sister, Sandy.

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## Letters to the Editor:

### School board election

Dear Editor:

On the race for school board: what a good article and well-written! ("School Board Incumbents Charting Unfamiliar Waters," 9/5/13). It is good sometimes to have challenges.

I want to say this about the race for school board: I, too, did not like to see the names of the schools changed. It was at East Junior High in 1968 that I had my first kiss! (I was 17 – unheard of in these times.)

But to have the challenge come because of one not so popular move on the part of the school board does not take away from the enormous amount of time, dedication and experience the incumbents have to offer.

I am supporting the incumbents.

**Marie Augimeri  
Downey**

### Close calls

Dear Editor:

Being a Downey resident, I feel the city should do something about the traffic signal at the intersection of Wiley Burke and Florence Avenue. In order to turn left on Wiley Burke, a car must wait for no oncoming traffic to turn.

What the city should do is put a green arrow light to stop the traffic that builds up for residents in the area. While the solid green light is on to turn, many pedestrians are crossing the street which makes the driver vulnerable of hitting the person walking because you are so concentrated on turning. Not only is it dangerous for pedestrians but for the driver that is turning also.

I have been so close to being hit by over-the-speed-limit drivers trying to catch the yellow light. In many occasions I have seen cars close to getting hit because they think the other car is going to stop at the yellow light and they don't.

Either the city should do something about it or drivers should be more careful and stop when there is a yellow light and a car is waiting to turn.

**Yorlin Guido  
Downey**

### Postal service

Dear Editor:

I'm sharing my experience that I recently had at the Downey main post office on Firestone Boulevard.

One busy mid-morning, I stopped in for a change of address packet/envelope. As I looked around the office, I could not find any that were accessible. I asked a postal worker behind the counter for one and was told to stand in line. I then waited patiently to speak to the second and only other postal worker available.

Avoiding the line, I waited for the transaction to be completed with the customer before myself. I was then able to ask the same question and I was told the very same, "You need to stand in line." In this case the postal associate explained to me while the packet was in hand, hovering over the countertop, that this was not "standard practice."

Can't we please have this item available to new residents without standing in line? Nobody needs the bad attitude that I received from each of these workers.

I don't think it is asking too much for them to change their character to hand one politely.

**Denise Lerma  
Downey**

### Needless war

Dear Editor:

As an old veteran of World War II and a veteran of the Korean War, it is apparent our President and several of our politicians with nothing better to do are intent on getting us involved in another war.

We seem to enjoy periods of war. We are ready to fight them anytime, anywhere, for any reason. Most of us yearn for peace but it seems we only enjoy peace for short periods of time before we fight again.

War is a losing proposition. They are costly in human lives. Trillions of dollars are lost. Visit the VA hospital in Long Beach and observe veterans passing by showing the terrible results of the many wars we have fought.

I observed my father, a veteran of the Spanish American War (1898), two uncles of World War I (1916), my brother and other relatives of World War II (1941) spend their lives dealing with the mental and physical injuries of those long ago forgotten wars.

Very soon some of our politicians, if they have their way, will involve us in another war in a location few of us know for reasons unknown to most of us.

**Byron Dillon  
Downey**

## LET'S SUPPORT YOUTH SPORTS PROGRAMS, NOT TAX THEM TO DEATH

**By Sen. Bob Huff**

Sometimes good intentions, when acted upon, may have unforeseen bad consequences. We've all heard this proverb before, but it couldn't be truer for Senate Bill 323 which is making its way through the Legislature right now.

Senate Bill 323 attempts to stop discrimination against gender identity and sexual orientation by using the coercive power of government to impose tax penalties on youth groups and supporting public and private educational institutions to suppress differing opinions. That means organizations such as Pop Warner Football, California Youth Soccer Association, and even some East L.A. boxing gyms supported by the Catholic Church, may have problems raising money.

There's a lot wrong with that.

Many inner-city church programs mentor troubled youth by providing after-school sports and skills programs that keep them out of trouble and prepare them for the future. Without the existing state tax exemption, churches and other nonprofits will have a difficult time funding these programs. Do we want to make it more difficult for these programs to help our at-risk children?

Nonprofit organizations, even the ones we disagree with, should be allowed to exist representing wide varieties of opinion. The proper place to take action against discrimination is through the court system, not through making it harder for single fathers and mothers to find a place where their kids are surrounded by positive influences.

It's a shame the ruling party is using the government tax authority to force their ideas and moral values on others while suppressing the opinions of those with whom they disagree. How does that help our kids?

Playing organized sports like soccer or football is supposed to teach teamwork and to be fun, but by threatening to take away tax-exempt status from select charitable organizations, the ruling party is forcing its will on these organizations to choose between raising funds and protecting children.

If you don't agree with a nonprofit group's beliefs or practices, you have a choice; don't volunteer and don't donate to their cause. Or, if you want to participate in the group's activities, respect their beliefs. Using the

power of the government to impose tax penalties upon groups of which the majority party disagrees is a very slippery slope.

More importantly, we have to remember that not every parent or child has the same resources. If we destroy some of these programs by taking away valuable resources, we're ultimately putting a roadblock in the way of children who don't have anywhere else to turn, except for these programs.

There is a much better approach to ending discrimination, and it doesn't involve discriminating against children who need these programs.

*Senator Bob Huff (R-Diamond Bar) serves as the Senate Republican Leader and represents the 29th Senate District covering portions of Los Angeles, Orange and San Bernardino Counties. Follow Senator Huff on Twitter @bobhuff99.*

## Congress and Syria

**By Lee Hamilton**

As Washington swirls with proposals, counter-proposals, and political brinksmanship in response to diplomatic efforts on Syria, the situation has a lot of people scratching their heads. Couldn't President Obama and Congress have handled this differently?

I prefer to take a step back and ask a different question. Given that we are stronger as a country and our foreign policy more effective when the President and Congress forge a unified response to an international crisis, how can the two branches of government work together less chaotically to confront a dilemma like this one?

Let's put a possible congressional vote on Syria in context. Washington has long been divided over the power to use American military force, thanks to ambiguity in the Constitution itself: it gives Congress the power to declare war, but makes the President commander-in-chief. The last time Congress formally used its war powers was during World War II. Ever since, as we've engaged often in military action, it has ceded authority to the President. It tried to regain lost ground with the War Powers Resolution of 1973, which passed over a presidential veto and which no President since has considered constitutional, but it has been a losing battle. Grenada, Kosovo, the Iraq and Afghanistan wars, Libya -- all were launched by presidents without prior congressional authorization.

So I'm encouraged to see the possibility of a real debate on Capitol Hill on Syria, on what to do when another country uses chemical weapons, and on the projection of U.S. power. Congress should have returned much sooner from its vacation to address issues of such obvious national importance. But at least it's stepping up to the plate in a way it has preferred to avoid before now.

For let's be clear. Presidents should not get a free pass on foreign affairs, but neither should Congress get to avoid declaring itself. On such difficult issues in the past, Congress has preferred to sidestep its constitutional responsibility, defer to the President, and then snipe from the sidelines when things go wrong. It has done so repeatedly not just on military issues, but on such matters recently as developing a national cyberwarfare strategy -- which it failed at, leaving a matter of critical national security to the President -- and on the NSA's surveillance of Americans' electronic communications, which members of Congress in the know never saw fit to bring up for public debate, even though it amounts to the largest expansion of government power in recent history.

This time, for better or worse, is different. The arguments both for and against a limited use of American force are reasonable, and congressional leaders are correct when they say this is a matter of conscience. I happen to believe that the United States' credibility in the world is at stake here and that restoring an international norm against the use of poison gas is important. My guess is that, should a full-fledged debate take place, members will acquit themselves well.

What I don't want to see is a chaotic process that leaves the U.S. appearing divided and indecisive, with the President forced to wonder how to "consult" with a disorganized Congress in which power is diffused. There is a better way, but it requires a regular mechanism for consultation. A few years ago, a bipartisan National War Powers Commission, of which I was a member, came up with a pragmatic framework that would create a routine process for the President and Congress to follow. It would require the President to consult with congressional leaders before any military action expected to last more than one week -- and then would require Congress to declare itself, either by voting to approve action or, if that resolution fails, to allow for a vote to disapprove military involvement.

Had this structure been in place already, a high-stakes vote on Syria wouldn't seem so unusual and the consultative process would have been far less messy. My hope, once this is over, is that the idea will gain greater currency. When international crises arrive, a routine process that's allowed our political leaders to build credibility with each other would save them a lot of heartburn.

*Lee Hamilton is Director of the Center on Congress at Indiana University. He was a member of the U.S. House of Representatives for 34 years.*

## Remembering the attacks of Sept. 11

**Rep. Linda Sanchez:** "Today, we remember the unspeakable tragedy of 9/11 and honor the victims and their families. We also honor the brave men and women who paid the ultimate price in protecting our country and defeating the terrorists.

"9/11 may have changed the world, but it didn't change our commitment to each other as Americans. When we work together, we can secure the blessings of liberty."

**Rep. Lucille Roybal-Allard:** "Following the September 11th attacks on our country it didn't matter where we lived, what sport team we rooted for or our political affiliation, we stood together as Americans.

"On the 12th anniversary of that tragic day, as we honor the memory of those who lost their lives and the heroic actions and sacrifices made by so many courageous men and women, let us reignite that spirit of unity and never forget that in spite of our differences we are one nation of people united as Americans."

## Letters to the Editor:

### Tierra Luna

Dear Editor:

I read the Mayor's Corner in the Sept. 5 issue of *The Downey Patriot* to see if there was anything new about a better sounding name for our new shopping area.

I saw that Mario put his cell number and stated I could call at anytime. So I called and left a voicemail and he called me back within a couple of hours.

He gave me wonderful news and stated it looks like it will be called the Promenade at Downey. I told him that if this becomes true I would vote for him for the rest of my life. He laughed very hearty at that comment.

The sooner they make this new name official the better.

I would like to say thank you to Mario for all his efforts to make this happen and anyone else who helped. Thank you, thank you!

**Mike Sandoval  
Downey**

### Islamic radicals

Dear Editor:

After reading the editorial "Torture Admission Would Help U.S. Standing in World" (9/5/13), I wanted to write a whole book which I started to, and then said to myself, "You can't change a liberal progressive mind."

Our admission to a lie would not change anything in the Muslim world -- either they like us or they don't. Most Americans know you cannot change a fanatic's mind.

Instead of trying to change America's minds, why doesn't author Azizah Y. al-Hibri and her organization try to change the minds of the Islamic radicals who are trying to kill us?

The last thing I will say is just because one is a professor and a lawyer, that doesn't mean you have common sense or that you are smart.

Remember: all Muslims are not terrorists, but all terrorists are Muslims.

**George J. Hofstetter  
Downey**

Dear Editor:

My response to Azizah Y. al-Hibri is that her last paragraph should read, "If the Muslim world wants to gain respect and admiration in the USA, the Muslims should refrain from performing atrocities like bombing the World Trade Center, setting off bombs and killing innocent people throughout the world.

Regarding Guantanamo, I haven't heard of anyone imprisoned there who was beheaded, shot in the back, or bombed. No noses, ears, legs or arms have been removed. The only thing hurt is their pitiful pride.

What does she propose we should do with those that harm our people? Should we merely say "naughty, naughty" and release them back to society to commit more terrorist acts in our county and Europe?

My question to Azizah and others who come to America to try to change our laws and way of life is, "Why?" If our country is so insensitive, why are you here?

**Martha Call  
Downey**

### Wildfire frontlines

Dear Editor:

I wish to commend our firefighters and law enforcement agencies. With all the wildfires all over, there's a distinct possibility that without their heroic efforts most, if not all, of our country could end up in smoke.

Our firefighters are out there in the searing heat, loaded down with heavy equipment, risking their lives fighting the flames while law enforcement officers make sure people are evacuated and safe.

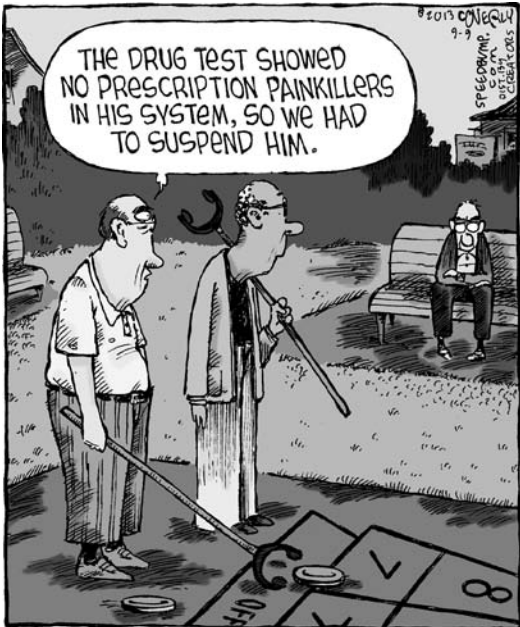
So please, let's give credit where it is due and a big thank you and vote of gratitude to our heroes. And a big thank you to our news media for keeping us informed.

**Harold Houghland  
Downey**

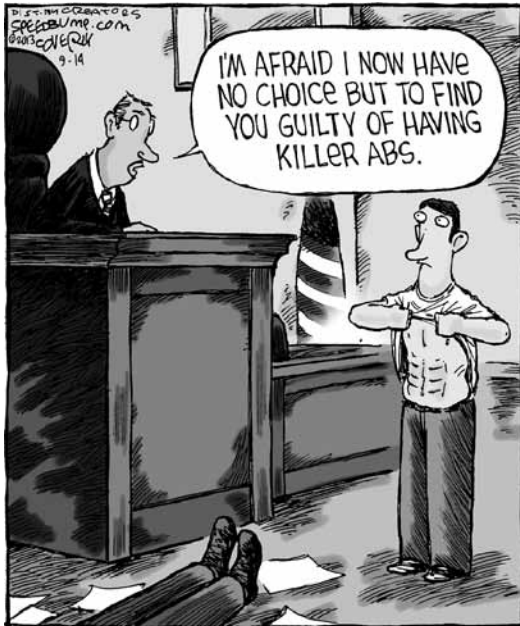
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# Downey Community Calendar

### Events For September

Thurs. Sept. 19: **Taste of Downey**, Downey Avenue, 5:30-9 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 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 (310) 322-2342.
- 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.
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#### Thursdays

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- 7:30 a.m.: **Soroptimist Int'l of Downey**, for information, call Mia Vasquez, 806-3217.
- 9:30 a.m.: **Take off Pounds Sensibly**, at Barbara Riley Senior Center, call (800) 932-8677.
- 12 p.m.: **Kiwanis Club of Downey**, at Rio Hondo Events Center, call Roy Jimenez 923-0971.
- 12 p.m.: **Optimist Club of Downey**, at Rio Hondo Events Center.
- 6:30 p.m.: **Downey United Masonic Lodge # 220**, 8244 3rd St., Call 862-4176.
- 7 p.m.: **Troop 351, Boy Scouts of America**, at First Baptist Church, for information call 776-3388.
- 1st Thurs., 12:00 noon: **Downey Christian & Professional Luncheon**, at Sizzler's Restaurant, call James Vanlengan 310-1335.
- 2nd Thurs., 7:30 p.m.: **Beaming Rebel Foxes Collectors Club**, for more information call Carl D. Jones at 923-2400.
- 3rd Thurs., 4 p.m.: **Public Works Committee**, at City Hall Training Room.
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#### Fridays

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#### Saturdays

- 9 a.m.: **Farmers Market**, Downey Avenue at 3rd Street, for information call 904-7246.

## On This Day...

**Sept. 12, 1609:** English explorer Henry Hudson sailed into the river that now bears his name.  
**1953:** Massachusetts Sen. John F. Kennedy married Jacqueline Lee Bouvier in Newport, R.I.  
**1977:** South African black student leader Steven Biko died while in police custody, triggering an international outcry.  
**2003:** Country musician Johnny Cash died at age 71.  
**Birthdays:** Actress Linda Gray (73), comedian Louis C.K. (46), actor Paul Walker (40), singer Ruben Studdard (35), retired basketball player Yao Ming (33), singer Jennifer Hudson (32), actress Emmy Rossum (27) and football player Andrew Luck (24).

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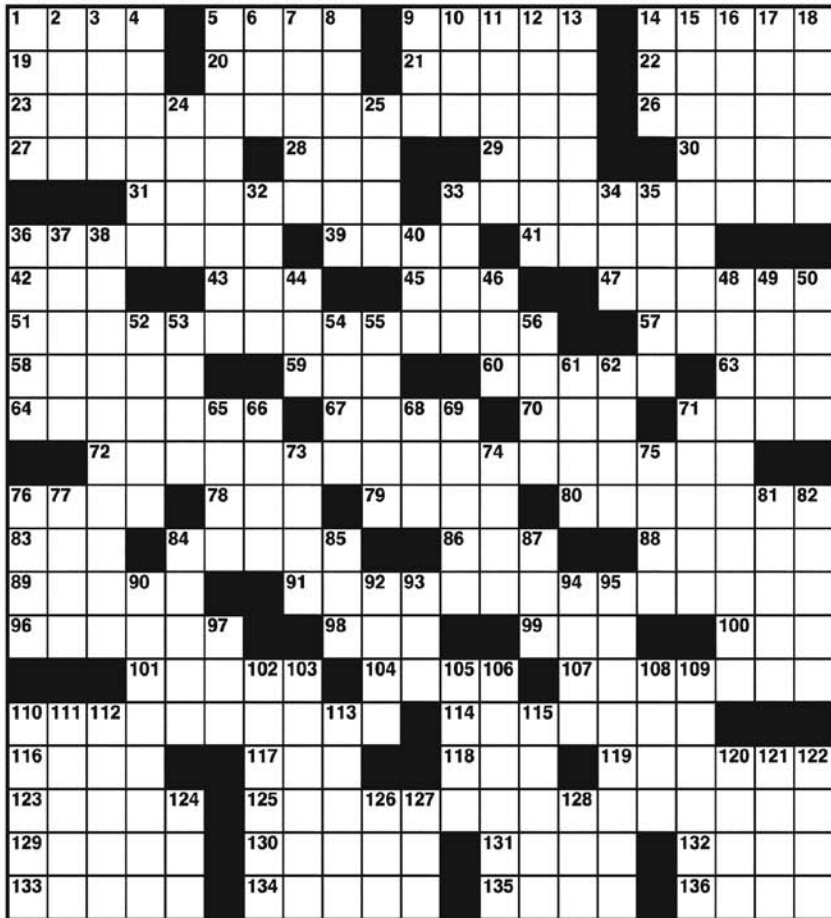
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by Bruce R. Sutphin

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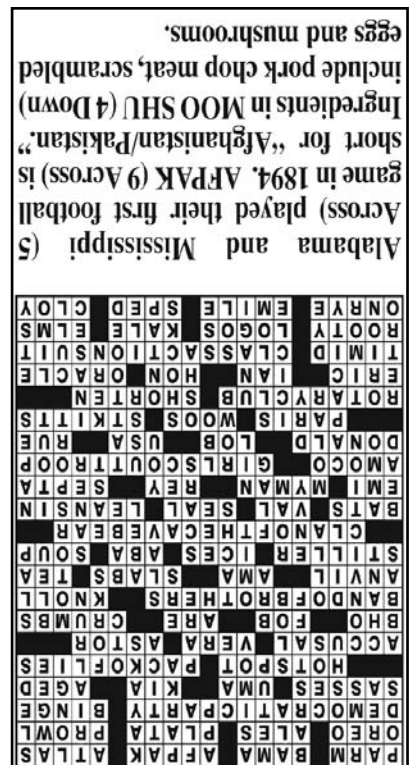
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## Paging Dr. Frischer...

By Dr. Alan Frischer



It makes a morning glass of orange juice taste unpleasant. This is due to a chemical reaction between the stannous fluoride in toothpaste and acetic acid in the juice. Interestingly, apples take on a more pleasant taste! Toothpaste may increase the risk of mouth ulcers. Most toothpaste is not intended to be swallowed; swallowing too much can lead to nausea and diarrhea. Children under 12 who swallow excessive amounts could develop dental fluorosis. Note that toothpastes sold in the United States tend to have lower concentrations of fluoride than those sold in European countries.

I recently saw an old TV ad for toothpaste and was amused when the actor applied a two-inch long strip of paste on his toothbrush. This struck me because I just had my own six-month check-up and was told that I should either use a pea-sized amount of toothpaste, or none at all.

No, I'm not a dentist, but advanced tooth or gum decay can lead to infection, illness, hospitalization, and even death...so let's explore toothpaste.

We all know that toothpaste is a paste used with a toothbrush to clean and maintain both the look and the health of teeth. It serves as an abrasive to remove dental plaque and food from the teeth, freshens breath, and delivers fluoride. Let's note that most of the benefits are achieved through the mechanical action of brushing, not from the toothpaste itself.

Typically, toothpastes are made up of 20 - 42% water, as well as:

- 1) An abrasive, to remove plaque from the teeth.
- 2) Fluoride, to prevent cavities through the formation of dental enamel and bones.
- 3) Surfactants, which are foaming agents which help to distribute the toothpaste. Many toothpastes contain sodium lauryl sulfate (SLS), also seen in other personal care products such as shampoos.

Toothpaste also often contain antibacterial agents, flavorings, and remineralizers for the enamel.

Should we have health concerns about toothpaste? Toothpaste can alter taste perception; you may notice, for example, that

## Vitamins and anti-aging

Women's worries about wrinkles, dark spots and other aging skin concerns aren't all vanity, a new poll reveals.

Forty-two percent of women ages 50 to 59 believe they need to look young to be successful at work, according to a recent poll by Penn Schoen Berland.

"Increasingly, both men and women have anxiety about looking older, but the good news is that science has developed natural tools to help us look younger longer," say Drs. Rick and Arlene Noodleman, the husband-and-wife physician team at Silicon Valley's Age Defying Dermatology, ([www.agedefy.com](http://www.agedefy.com)), national leaders in medical and cosmetic dermatology and integrative medical treatments.

Something we all battle daily is damage from free radicals, a term that has entered the public lexicon with little understanding by most people.

"Free radicals are oxygen molecules that have lost electrons through oxidation, making them unstable. If your body doesn't have enough antioxidants to stabilize them and render them harmless, they can damage cell membranes, which eventually breaks down the proteins that support and plump the skin," explains preventive medicine specialist Dr. Arlene Noodleman.

"We're bombarded by free radicals every day," she says. "We produce them when we metabolize food and even when we breathe. They're also in the environment - diesel exhaust, air

pollution, UV radiation (from the sun) and cigarette smoke are all major producers."

"What's worse, those free radical oxygen molecules are always looking to stabilize themselves by swiping electrons from stable molecules, which creates even more free radicals," says dermatologist Dr. Rick Noodleman.

"We have lots of natural defenses against free radicals, but as we age, we begin to lose them," he says.

Some vitamins are antioxidants, meaning their molecules provide electrons that stabilize the free radicals. Clinical studies have found that certain of these are effective in preventing damage, or correcting damage such as reducing wrinkles and dark spots.

In certain cases, "taking your vitamins" means applying them on your skin so they can work from the outside-in, the physicians say.

• Vitamin A - "There is significant scientific evidence that the form of vitamin A called retinoid, when applied topically, can treat damage caused by sun exposure," says Dr. Arlene Noodleman. "It can soften fine lines and wrinkles and lighten dark spots." In one study, subjects had significantly fewer fine wrinkles after applying a prescription-strength retinoid cream (0.1 percent isotretinoin) once a day for 36 weeks. "Of the over-the-counter retinoid products, Retinol appears most effective", Dr. Noodleman says.

• Vitamin C - "Vitamin C applied topically is much more effective than taken orally," says Dr. Rick Noodleman. "That's because vitamin C is relatively unstable -- it quickly oxidizes when exposed to air and in certain other conditions. So, to get the full benefit, you would need it in much greater amounts than you would normally consume in a tablet. You can get that benefit by using a topical formulation," he says. "Look for 'stable' vitamin C of the L-ascorbic variety, which offers the best protection against sun damage," he states. "It reduces lines and wrinkles, protects against sun damage, and encourages production of collagen, one of the proteins susceptible to free radical damage. Importantly, collagen makes up 75 percent of our skin and gives it support and volume."

• Vitamin B3 - "As a 'damage corrector', test-tube studies have shown that vitamin B3 boosts collagen production and clinical studies have shown that it reduces dark spots," says Dr. Arlene Noodleman. In one significant study, 50 Caucasian women applied a 5 percent vitamin B3 solution to one side of their faces every day for 12 weeks. They had a marked reduction in dark spots, redness and yellowing, and increased elasticity.

The two doctors advise that, for best results, people should buy these topical vitamin products at concentrations that have proved effective - and use them for the length of time recommended.

## Local resident with MS to ride 100 miles

**SANTA FE SPRINGS** - Two days after being diagnosed with multiple sclerosis (MS), Santa Fe Springs resident Matthew Bullard formed a team for Bike MS to take control and fight back against this unpredictable disease that attacks the body's central nervous system.

Bullard, who is general manager of Southern California Valve, recruited family, friends and co-workers for Team SCV, and together they raised more than \$6,000 for better treatments and a cure.

This year, Team SCV has grown to 25 team members and is set to ride 100 miles in the Bike MS: Coastal Challenge taking place Oct. 12-13, hosted by the local chapter of the National MS Society.

"Since my diagnosis, I have been symptom free and I am grateful for that," Bullard said. "Despite having MS, I live a healthy and active life."

Team SCV is hosting a spaghetti lunch fundraiser Friday, Sept. 13, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at Southern California Valve, located at 13903 Maryton Ave. in Santa Fe Springs to raise money for the cause.

The goal of Bike MS: Coastal Challenge is to raise \$1 million. Funds raised will support direct services for the more than 19,000 people with MS and their families in Southern California and Nevada, along with worldwide MS research efforts.

People can participate in the race individually or as a team. Volunteers are also needed. For details, go online to [bikeMSsocial.org](http://bikeMSsocial.org) or call (310) 479-4456.

Experts agree that only a pea-sized dab on the toothbrush is enough. The major purpose for toothpaste is to deliver fluoride, and if fluoride comes from other sources, toothpaste may be unnecessary. Baking soda and water are an alternative, or consider choosing from among natural products. As the saying goes, if you can't pronounce the ingredients, you may not want it in your body.

Here are some recommendations:

- Brush your teeth thoroughly at least twice a day.
  - Use a soft-bristled toothbrush that fits comfortably in the mouth or an electric toothbrush.
  - Use a fluoride toothpaste in minimal quantities, or no toothpaste at all.
  - Keep your toothbrush clean. Rinse it with water after brushing, and store it in an upright position. Allow it to dry out in order to discourage the growth of bacteria.
  - Replace your toothbrush every three to four months or sooner, before the bristles get frayed.
  - Floss daily to clean those hard to reach areas.
  - Consider using an antimicrobial mouth rinse containing fluoride but not alcohol.
- Remember that oral hygiene is part of maintaining a healthy body!

*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.*

## Parenting tips from an author

For many parents, having children is the most significant reckoning in one's lifetime.

The birth of Anthony Sposato's first child made him realize he had not taken full advantage of the opportunities presented to him in life. He had not been raised with all of the tools for turning opportunity into success, and he and his wife, Carol, determined to give their children a better chance to succeed.

"Like just about all new parents, we had no formal training on how to raise children when our first was born. As a manager and later owner of my own business, I recognized a tragic lack of work ethic in the 20-somethings I worked with. I put much of the culpability on the parents and I used my management skills to help raise my kids."

Sposato, author of "Successful Parenting," ([tinyurl.com/ou392jh](http://tinyurl.com/ou392jh)) offers four tips for raising well-adjusted children:

- Start making necessary changes ASAP. It all starts in the womb; as soon as you know you're pregnant, it's time for both Mom

and Dad to start adjusting their lifestyle for the baby. That means implementing a consistent routine and forming better habits. If you know you eat poorly, or if you smoke, change those bad habits. They can not only hurt the child while it's in the womb, he or she will grow up modeling them.

• Create a healthy routine for your child. Children crave structure and therefore, routine. A consistent routine also takes the guesswork out of parents with busy schedules. This includes bathing, brushing teeth and talking or reading to your son or daughter. Don't put a television in their room, and do not let them watch excitable programs before bed elsewhere in the house. Consistently eat dinner together at the table with no distractions.

- Get control of yourself or you'll never be able to control your children. The old joke, "Do as I say, not as I do," simply doesn't fly when trying to raise well-adjusted children. Children often pick up on what they see and not what we

tell them. They are very sensitive to hypocrisy; if you use profanity in front of them, how will they feel when you scold them for repeating what you've said? When telling them what is right and wrong, explain to them why that is so.

- Teach your children to question and reason for themselves. Smart adults don't simply accept the claims of others; they need reason and evidence to agree with any statement. Parents should emphasize to their children the importance of questioning claims and to reason for themselves.

## PIH Health hosting health fair

**WHITTIER** - PIH Health will host its annual Community Health, Wellness & Safety Fair on Oct. 5 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Pioneer High School, located on the corner of Washington and Pioneer boulevards.

The free event will feature blood pressure screenings, diabetes risk information, bone density screenings to help detect osteoporosis, and a limited supply of flu shots.

Childhood vaccines will be available on a first-come, first-served basis to local residents with Medi-Cal (must present insurance card) and non-insured children. Parents must bring their child's immunization record (yellow card) to the health fair.

Doctors will be on hand to answer health-related questions, and there will be a blood mobile for blood donations.

A variety of organizations will provide information on health and wellness including cancer detection, breast health, emergency preparedness, home health services, nutrition, parenting, stress management, adult day care services, domestic violence awareness, alcohol and drug abuse prevention, and other health and safety topics.

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## LAST CHANCE FOR GARDEN PARTY TICKETS

By Joyce Sherwin,  
Downey Symphony

**DOWNEY** – Time is slipping by, but you can still make your reservations for the Downey Symphony's wonderful Garden Party, scheduled for Sunday afternoon, Sept. 22, from 4-7 p.m., at the Rio Hondo Event Center.

This event raises funds for the orchestra's Music in the Schools program, to benefit all the city's elementary school children.

Do I have to be a supporting member of the symphony to get invited? No.

Do I have to know the difference between a symphony and a tuba? No.

Do I have to like classical music? No.

Do I have to like kids? It helps.

Do I have to want quality

music education for Downey's kids? Yes.

OK, so if you passed this pop quiz with a grade of C or better, you are good to go. Be prepared for entertainment from a very cool, very live sax quartet. Come hungry: hors d'oeuvres and dinner will be ample and delicious with spirits flowing. Fun drawings for good stuff. Some live auction deals you may not be able to resist. Relaxing views across the golf course. Children welcomed.

You'll find friends at the party whom you already know, or you

will make friends on the spot, including our totally splendid orchestra director, Sharon Lavery, who wants to meet everybody. Sharon will also give us an inside look at how that crazy miracle, an orchestra concert, comes together.

Reservations at \$75 per person should be received by next Tuesday, Sept. 17, so call (562) 861-4845 for more information or to reserve your place. And don't be surprised if you return home knowing stuff about a symphony and a tuba. That's a freebie.



Downey mayor Mario Guerra will be the Downey Historical Society's guest speaker Sept. 26. The meeting begins at 7:30 p.m. inside the John Downey Room at the Barbara J. Riley Community and Senior Center. The mayor is pictured above with police chief Carl Charles at a special Blue Mass honoring Downey first responders at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church on Tuesday.

## Making each moment count

• Downey High School football player pays tribute to a woman he never knew.

By Michelle Elizarraraz  
Special to The Downey Patriot

**DOWNEY** – Football season is upon us. Every week I sit and watch football games. We thrive on the excitement and yearn for that win against the opposing team. It is no surprise when I read the paper to see the usual highlights outlined. I see the same players featured and pictured. Every week it is the same unless, of course, we lose, but nonetheless the same players are featured and pictured.

I bring this to your attention because while no one is watching, there is one individual who does stand out. He wears a memorial name on his jersey that means nothing to no one except those close to him. He wears that name proudly because of what it represents but no one's curiosity has been piqued to ask him the story behind the name.

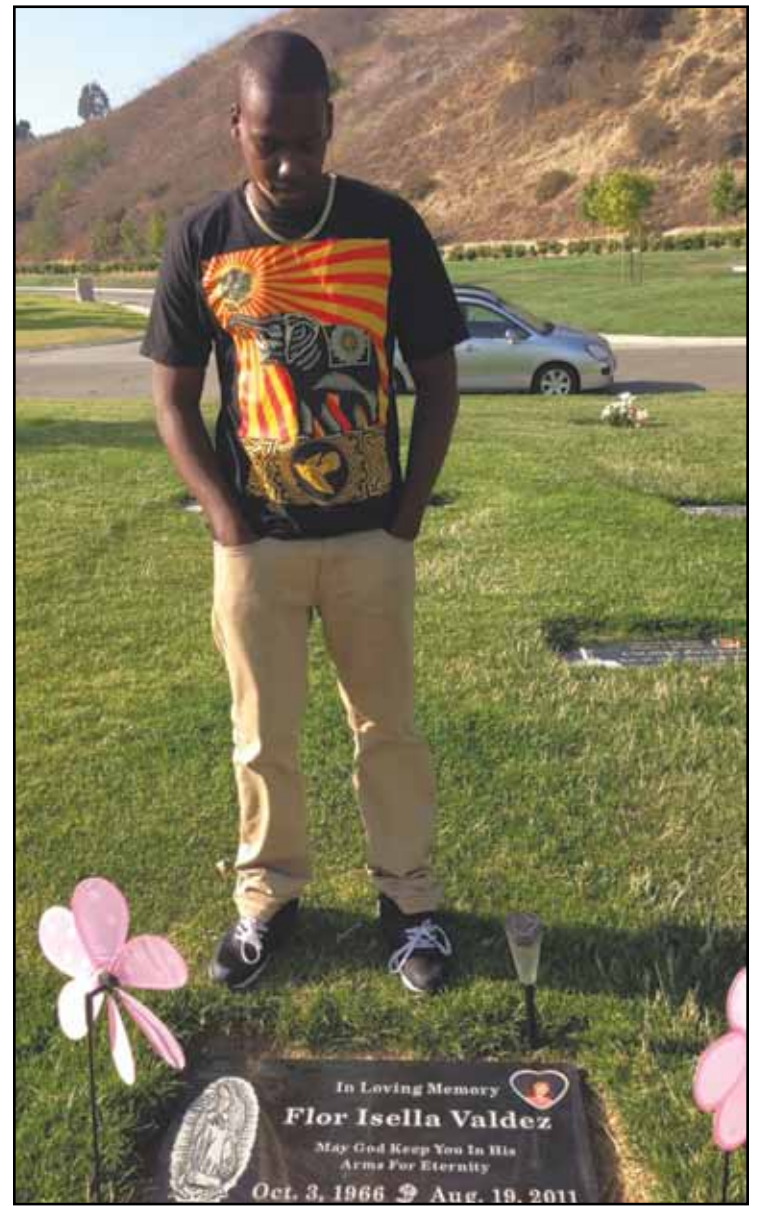
I was so touched by this individual's character that I decided to write this letter because we need more youths like him to raise awareness and influence one another to be the voice.

I know you're probably wondering, "So what's the story behind the name and who is this athlete?" So here goes:

If you ever watch a Downey High School football game, pay attention to defensive end Chris Blanton (42). The memorial name he wears is Flor. She was my mother who died two years ago from ovarian cancer at age 44. Now that you know the athlete, here's the story behind the name.

As most teenagers go through that "ungrateful-I-know-everything" stage, my best friend, Regina, was pulling her hair out trying to get through to her son, Chris, who wanted to go to parties with his football friends because it was the cool thing to do. I decided to share with Chris details about my mom, whom he never got a chance to meet. I took him to her resting place at Rose Hills and shared her story.

My mother Flor had battled ovarian cancer for 11 years. She was diagnosed at age 33, two years after giving birth to my sister. She was amazing, selfless, humorous, outgoing, the life of the party, disco diva, best cook ever, an extraordinary mother who always had a smile on her face. She was the kind of mother who hung yellow ribbons on each tree up and down our street to show her support for me and all the troops serving in the military. The kind of mother you take for granted because you don't realize how great she really



Chris Blanton visits the grave of Flor Valdez.

was until it was already too late.

I explained how I lived with that regret of wasting time I had with my mother. It was Christmas Day, I was 16 at the time she was diagnosed. I thought I knew it all, denied she was sick, and figured out of sight, out of mind. I lived it up, never fully understanding what she was really going through and the grief I put her through because I was selfish, only thinking of myself.

It's only now that I realize parents have your best interest at heart. What I would give to fight with her again.

It wasn't until three years before she passed that I realized how lucky I was to have her as my mother. It was my day off and she needed a ride to her doctor's appointment. This was the first time going with her to a doctor's appointment and it was then that I realized how much she had to go through. Everyone in the waiting room was fighting for his or her own life against cancer. They weren't guaranteed tomorrow but they sure were determined in fighting to make it to the next day and the day after that.

Suddenly the light bulb turned on and I realized how stupid I had been all these years. It was real – my mom had cancer and I couldn't hide from that reality anymore. She was dying.

That day I apologized for all

the pain, grief and tears I put her through. I made a promise to her that day that I would fight for her until her heart stopped beating. That's exactly what we did. We did everything we could to save her life. She was one tough cookie but sadly I could see the chemo, pain medications and everything else she had going on take a toll on her. I knew we had to have that death talk and knowing how she was, I knew it would not be an easy conversation.

I asked her one day, "Momma Bear, what motivates you to keep fighting?"

She must have known where I was going with this because she replied exactly how I expected. "I'm not even dead yet and you're already trying to bury me six feet deep."

She took her phone and showed me a picture of my brother, sister, me and my kids.

"My motivation is time," she said. "Time to see my kids and grandbabies grow up."

I did my best to make up for the time we had lost and when she passed I had no guilt because I made the most of each moment with her. My only regret was that it took me so long to figure it out. I could have had 11 great years versus three.

When I looked over at Chris I could see him bawling. I told him that a mother's love is courage, strength and sacrifice. One day he would understand but in the meantime he needed to get his act together and listen to his mom, because there are people out there like me who wish they had a mother to tell them what to do.

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## SPORTS BRIEFS: tough week for football

• Warren, Downey and Downey Calvary Chapel all look to rebound after Week 2 losses.

By Mark Fetter  
Contributor

**DOWNEY** - The Warren High School football team lost their season opener last Friday night to South East of South Gate, 35-7.

Warren is now 0-1 on the young season.

South East kicked the ball off to Warren to start the game. Both teams started the game a little sluggish by going three and out on their first possessions.

After their first possession, Warren wasted little time in the first quarter and took a quick 7-0 lead at the 6:54 mark. South East answered right back and scored a touchdown and converted the extra point to even the score at 7.

The score at the end of the first quarter was 7-7. Warren looked good after one quarter of play.

South East scored at the 9:35 mark of the second quarter and proceeded to convert the PAT. to take a 14-7 lead.

The Bears had a golden opportunity at the 3:29 mark to tie the game when Bear safety Moses Alaniz intercepted a Raquan Ford pass at midfield and returned it to the Jaguar three yard line. The Bears appeared poised to score when the ball was fumbled on the next play.

South East recovered the fumble and proceeded to move the ball the other way. The Bear defense held the Jaguar offense and the score at halftime remained 14-7, South East.

The Jaguars managed to control the time of possession game for a good part of the second

half and kept Warren's offense off the field. South East outscored the Bears 21-0 in the second half.

South East quarterback Raquan Ford completed 6 of 13 passes for 96 yards and had nine carries for 82 yards and three touchdowns. Jaguar running back Daniel Belton had 11 carries for 107 yards and one touchdown. Senior Dae-quan Howell led the Jaguar receiving corps with four receptions for 66 yards.

Warren hopes to even their record tonight against Norwalk (2-0) at Excelsior High School at 7 p.m. Norwalk is coming off an impressive 48-10 victory against Diamond Bar last Friday.

The Downey High School football team traveled to Vista Murrieta (2-0) last Friday night and came up short in a 66-28 defeat to the Broncos.

It was the first loss of the season for the Vikings who beat Mayfair two weeks ago, 38-0. Downey now stands at 1-1 and will host Mira Costa (0-1) tonight at 7 p.m.

Downey found themselves trailing at the end of the first quarter, 28-7, and were down at halftime, 45-13. The Vikings scored a touchdown and kicked the extra point in the third quarter but were still behind, 59-20, as the third quarter came to a close.

Downey did outscore Vista Murrieta, 8-7, in the fourth quarter but ended up falling 66-28.

Viking quarterback Jorge Reyna finished the game completing 7 of 18 passes for 207 yards and accounted for three touchdowns. Senior Juwan Pleze completed 2 of 3 passes for 29 yards and one touchdown.

The Viking ground game was led by Justin Huff's 11 carries for 107 yards, Jorge Reyna's seven

carries for 81 yards and Eric Carrillo's seven carries for 38 yards.

Downey's receiving corps were led by Jason Thomas' three catches for 146 yards and two touchdowns and Justin Huff's two catches for 54 yards and two touchdowns. Viking kicker Mario Galvan was 2/3 on PAT's and accounted for two points.

The Viking defense was led by junior Ricky Wong's 10 solo and four assisted tackles, Juwan Pleze's two solo and six assisted tackles, sophomore Darrian Franklin's two solo and four assisted tackles, junior Miguel Esquatin's three solo and two assisted tackles and junior Manny Ramirez's five assisted tackles.

Vista Murrieta came into the game ranked 26th nationally and seventh in the state.

Downey will look to rebound from this tough loss tonight against Mira Costa of Manhattan Beach at Downey. Mira Costa lost their season opener to Sherman Oaks Notre Name, 42-6, last Friday.

The Warren High School boys' water polo team started their season with a sweep of all levels at home against Santa Fe on Tuesday.

The varsity team won, 18-7, the junior varsity team won, 19-5, and the freshmen team was victorious, 16-3.

Coach Nichols was very pleased with the performances on all three levels. All teams now stand at 1-0 and will continue their respective pre-season schedules.

In the varsity game, senior Juan Sixtos led all Bear scorers with four goals, freshman and brother Ignacio Sixtos had three goals, senior Reynaldo Hernandez tallied three goals and sophomore driver Justin Espinoza had two goals.

Nichols is very pleased with the improved play of Espinoza, who was on the junior varsity team last year and has quickly demonstrated his ability to compete at the varsity level.

Sophomore goalie Matthew Bettencourt had five saves in net for the winning effort.

Warren High School's boys' cross country team is ranked No. 5 in the current Division I poll, according to CIF rankings released Monday.

Coach Miranda and his runners are excited for the season to start and are focused on

"getting to state." Junior standout Benjamin Gonzalez leads a Bear squad determined to make the goal of getting to state a reality.

In the latest CIF rankings, Arcadia is ranked first followed by Great Oak, Dana Hills, Loyola and Warren. Rankings six through 10 are Crescenta Valley, Newbury Park, Burbank, Fountain Valley and Burroughs of Burbank.

The Downey Calvary Chapel football team lost their season opener, 41-8, at Western Christian last week.

DCC is now 0-1 and will face Albert Einstein Academy on Saturday, Sept. 21, at Downey High School.

DCC trailed Western Christian, 27-0, at the end of the first quarter. Western Christian scored 14 points in the second quarter and led at halftime, 41-0.

There was no scoring in the third quarter as both teams exchanged the ball and field position. DCC scored a fourth quarter touchdown and were successful on the two point conversion but fell 41-8.

The latest rankings have been released from the CIF Southern Section in several fall sports.

The Downey High School girls' volleyball team is currently ranked No. 7 in the Division 2-AA poll released Monday. The Lady Vikings fell to Valley Christian at Valley Christian on Tuesday night in straight sets 12-25, 21-25 and 20-25.

Despite the setback, Coach Sims and her team are looking forward to another highly competitive season and a run in the CIF Division 2-AA playoffs.

The Downey High School football team is ranked third after a 66-28 defeat to Vista Murrieta last Friday night.

Norwalk is now the CIF Southeast Division No. 1 ranked team. Interestingly, cross-town rival Warren will travel to Excelsior High School this evening to face the Norwalk Lancers.

Current C.I.F. Southeast Division football rankings 2-5 include: Diamond Ranch, 2012 C.I.F. Southeast Division champion Downey, Santa Fe and 2012 C.I.F. Southeast Division runner-up La Serna.

Rankings six through 10 include La Mirada, West Covina, Bonita, Los Altos and John Muir of Pasadena.

## Author pens baseball book

**WHITTIER** - Whittier resident Patrick Rockenbach has released a new novel, "Double A Blues," an inside look at professional baseball and the lengths one man will go to achieve his dream.

The story introduces readers to Zach Fredericks, who has spent his entire life dreaming of becoming a Major League Baseball player, and everything has gone according to plan until now.

About to start his third year with the Birmingham Barons, a minor league affiliate of the Chicago White Sox, if he doesn't move up to the next level this year it could mean the end of his dream. Zach's best friend, Manny, tells him to be patient and involve himself with something other than baseball, but he won't listen, sure that any change from the plan will only hurt him.

He is not about to let that happen and will do whatever it takes to keep his dream alive. But how far will he go?

Published by Tate Publishing and Enterprises, the book is available at bookstores nationwide and on Amazon.com.

Rockenbach received his B.A. in communication from Cal State Fullerton. He has worked in the financial industry for 24 years.

## Flag footballs sign-ups

**DOWNEY** - The Downey Junior Athletic Association is hosting sign-ups Saturday from 9 a.m. to noon at Apollo Park for flag football.

The league is open to kids as young as 4 up to eighth grade. When registering, parents should bring their child's birth certificate, last report card and \$75 cash for league fees.

Other registration dates are Sept. 18 from 6-8 p.m. and Sept. 21 from 9 a.m. to noon, also at Apollo Park.

For more details, call (562) 879-0919 or go online to [djaainfo.org](http://djaainfo.org).

*The Downey Razorbacks kicked off its 53rd season with Week 1 games last week. Week 2 games start at 8:30 a.m. at Downey High School and continue until 7:30 p.m. All games are free and open to the public. Photos courtesy Downey Youth Football*



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 S/RUBEN CHAVEZ, OWNER  
 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on AUGUST 15, 2013  
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**The Downey Patriot**  
 8/29/13, 9/5/13, 9/12/13, 9/19/13

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
**File Number 2013189690**  
 THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) **HEREZBETTER COACHING, 17785 CENTER COURT DRIVE, SUITE 600, CERRITOS CA 90703, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES**  
 Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: C3283289  
 REGISTERED OWNER(S): (1) CALIFORNIA PROFESSIONAL ACADEMY, INC., 17785 CENTER COURT DRIVE, SUITE 600, CERRITOS CA 90703  
 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.)  
 S/NITAI H. PATHAK, PRESIDENT, CALIFORNIA PROFESSIONAL ACADEMY, INC.  
 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on AUGUST 28, 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**  
 9/12/13, 9/19/13, 9/26/13, 10/3/13

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
**File Number 2013163887**  
 THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) **OLIVE CATERING, 10633 E. IMPERIAL HWY, NORWALK CA 90650, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES (2) 11532 RIVES AVE., DOWNEY CA 90241**  
 Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A  
 REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) HERIKA LOPEZ, 11532 RIVES AVE., DOWNEY

**The Downey Patriot**  
 9/12/13, 9/19/13, 9/26/13, 10/3/13

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
**File Number 2013172234**  
 THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) **HAWAII DISTRICT CENTER, 3740 E. IMPERIAL**

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 08/06/2013  
 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/HERIKA LOPEZ  
 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on AUGUST 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**  
 9/12/13, 9/19/13, 9/26/13, 10/3/13

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
**File Number 2013186278**  
 THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) **REALSWEET&LOW, 7255 CARSON ST, SUITE 121, LONG BEACH CA 90808, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES**  
 Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A  
 REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) JENNIFER MARIE E MORAN, 3459 CASPIAN AVE, LONG BEACH CA 90810  
 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/JENNIFER MARIE E MORAN  
 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on SEPTEMBER 5, 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**  
 8/22/13, 8/29/13, 9/5/13, 9/12/13

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
**File Number 2013170405**  
 THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) **EP STICKERS REMOVAL, 725 E. IMPERIAL HWY, LOS ANGELES CA 90001, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES**  
 Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A  
 REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) EDGAR IBARRA, 9685 DEMPSEY AVE, FONTANA CA 92335  
 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/EDGAR IBARRA, OWNER  
 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on AUGUST 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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 9/12/13, 9/19/13, 9/26/13, 10/3/13

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
**File Number 2013178189**  
 THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) **PINKYS THREADING, 3100 E. IMPERIAL HWY 1107, LYNNWOOD CA 90262, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES**  
 Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A  
 REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) PRALIT INC., 3100 E. IMPERIAL HWY 1107, LYNNWOOD CA 90262  
 State of Incorporation: CA  
 This business is conducted by a Corporation  
 The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 02/27/2009  
 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/JHA LALIT K, PRESIDENT, PRALIT INC  
 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on AUGUST 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**  
 8/29/13, 9/5/13, 9/12/13, 9/19/13

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
**File Number 2013174678**  
 THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) **LAB MEAT MARKET, 9305 S BROADWAY, LOS ANGELES CA 90003, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES**  
 Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A  
 REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) GAVINO RIVAS, 9305 S BROADWAY, LOS ANGELES CA 90003  
 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/GAVINO RIVAS, OWNER  
 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on AUGUST 21, 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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 8/29/13, 9/5/13, 9/12/13, 9/19/13

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
**File Number 2013172234**  
 THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) **HAWAII DISTRICT CENTER, 3740 E. IMPERIAL**

**The Downey Patriot**  
 8/22/13, 8/29/13, 9/5/13, 9/12/13

**STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME**  
**File Number 2013188315**  
 File Number 2012016287 DATE FILED: JANUARY 30, 2012  
 NAME OF BUSINESS(ES): HONG KONG EXPRESS  
 STREET ADDRESS, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE: 306 W COMPTON BL STE 100, COMPTON, CA 90220  
 REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) YUNJING LI, 739 YALE ST 11, LOS ANGELES CA 90012  
 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/YUNJING LI, OWNER  
 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES on SEPTEMBER 9, 2013

**The Downey Patriot**  
 9/12/13, 9/19/13, 9/26/13, 10/3/13

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
**File Number 2013172234**  
 THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) **HAWAII DISTRICT CENTER, 3740 E. IMPERIAL**

**HWY, LYNNWOOD CA 90262, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES**  
 Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A  
 REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) CARLA GREENWOOD, 7959 JEANNIE ANN CIRCLE, EASTVALE CA 92880 (2) ADOLPHUS LANN BRADY, 745 WALKER AVE., KANSAS CITY KS 66101  
 State of Incorporation: N/A  
 This business is conducted by Joint Venture  
 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/CARLA GREENWOOD, SECRETARY/OWNER  
 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on AUGUST 19, 2013  
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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
**File Number 2013170405**  
 THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) **EP STICKERS REMOVAL, 725 E. IMPERIAL HWY, LOS ANGELES CA 90001, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES**  
 Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A  
 REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) EDGAR IBARRA, 9685 DEMPSEY AVE, FONTANA CA 92335  
 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/EDGAR IBARRA, OWNER  
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**File Number 2013170405**  
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 REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) EDGAR IBARRA, 9685 DEMPSEY AVE, FONTANA CA 92335  
 State of Incorporation: N/A  
 This business is conducted by an Individual  
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 8/22/13, 8/29/13, 9/5/13, 9/12/13

## GOVERNMENT

### NOTICE CALLING FOR BIDS

**CASH CONTRACT NO. S.S. 605A UNDERGROUND UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 22, PHASE 1 (BELLFLOWER BOULEVARD BETWEEN DALEN STREET AND ± 900 FEET NORTH OF IMPERIAL HIGHWAY)**

Sealed bids will be received at the office of the City Clerk of the City of Downey until 11:00 AM on Thursday, September 26, 2013 which hour the proposed bids will be publicly opened and read in the City Hall at 11111 Brookshire Avenue, Downey, California for **Cash Contract No. S.S. 605A, Underground Utility District No. 22, Phase 1 (Bellflower Boulevard between Dalen Street and ± 900 Feet North of Imperial Highway)**.  
 The work to be performed under this Contract generally consist of the installation of underground utility substructure improvements including new primary conduits with full concrete encasement, conduits, fittings, sweeps and radii, pull ropes, manifold of conduit, vaults and covers, manholes, vent pipes and stand pipes, transformer pads; trenching, shoring, backfilling, compacting and bedding; restoration of concrete improvements and asphalt pavement; traffic control and all appurtenant work thereto necessary for the proper construction of the contemplated improvements, in accordance to Plans and Specification entitled as Cash Contract No. S.S. 605A.

**Plans and Specifications for this project are file in the office of the City Cashier at 11111 Brookshire Avenue, Downey, California, where they may be examined and copies obtained at a cost of \$40.00 per set.** The cost of said Plans and Specifications is **non-refundable** and purchased Plans and Specifications need not be returned. Plans and Specifications may be mailed for an additional charge of \$20 via On-Trac Overnight courier.

**BIDS MUST BE MADE ON THE PROPOSAL FORM INCLUDED IN THE PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS FOR CASH CONTRACT NO. S.S. 605A.** Each proposal or bid must be accompanied by a certified cashier's check, bidder's bond, or a cash deposit, payable to the City of Downey, in the sum of not less than ten percent (10%) of the total amount bid as a guarantee that the bidder, should be successful, will, within ten (10) days after the contract has been mailed or delivered to him or his authorized agent, execute the contract and furnish the necessary bonds. Should a bidder's bond be submitted with any proposal or bid, the bid bond form provided by the City shall be used, and use of substitute forms may disqualify the bid.

The successful bidder will be required to submit Corporate surety bonds with the Contract. A bond in the sum of one hundred percent (100%) of the Contract price shall be furnished, guaranteeing the faithful performance of said Contract, and a bond in the sum of one hundred percent (100%) of the Contract price shall be furnished for the protection of all laborers and materialmen. The prevailing wages, as determined by the State of California, Director of Industrial Relations pursuant to California Labor Code Part 7, Chapter 1, Article 2, Sections 1770, 1773 and 1773.1 are on file in the office of the City Clerk of the City of Downey. The Contractor for this work shall not pay less than the prevailing wage determinations by the State of California.

All projects require the successful bidder to possess a valid State of California Contractor's License at the time of Contract Award, in accordance with Section 20103.5 of the Public Contract Code. Pursuant to Section 3300 of the Public Contract Code, the City has determined that the Contractor to whom the subject contract is awarded shall possess a valid **State of California Contractor's License in the Classification of a "General Engineering Contractor" and must be a Southern California Edison (SCE) "Approved Contractor."** Each Contractor submitting a proposal or bid for his work shall complete and submit with the proposal all of the forms included therein, including the Bidder's Qualifications Statement, Designation of Subcontractors, the Non-Collusion Affidavit, the Pre-Bid Site Inspection Certification and the Signature Page. Failure to include any of these documents with the proposal may disqualify the proposal.

The City of Downey reserves the right to reject any and all bids, and to waive any informality in any bid received, and to be the sole judge of the merits of the respective bids received. The award, if made, will be made to the lowest responsible bidder.

**QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS PROJECT SHOULD BE ADDRESSED TO THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.**

**ENGINEERING DIVISION, AT (562) 622-3468. NO LATE BIDS WILL BE ACCEPTED. CITY OF DOWNEY, CALIFORNIA**  
 Adria M. Jimenez, CMC  
 City Clerk

**The Downey Patriot**  
 9/5/13, 9/12/13

### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON A PROPOSED APPEAL OF VARIANCE PLN-12-00261

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held before the DOWNEY CITY COUNCIL on the 24th day of September, 2013, at 6:30 p.m., in the Council Chamber of the Downey City Hall, 11111 Brookshire Avenue, Downey, California. At that time and place, consideration will be given to the following:

**AN APPEAL OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION'S DENIAL OF A VARIANCE, (PLN-12-00261) A REQUEST TO DEVIATE FROM DOWNEY MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 9312.08(A) IN ORDER TO EXCEED THE REQUIRED 20-FOOT REAR YARD SETBACK TO ALLOW THE MAIN STRUCTURE TO BE BUILT TO THE PROPERTY LINE AT PROPERTY LOCATED AT 7215 BAIRNSDALE STREET (AIN: 6366-031-002)**

All interested parties are invited to submit written comments and/or to attend and give testimony.

As required by the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), this request has been found to be categorically Exempt from CEQA, per CEQA Guideline, Section 15305 (Class 5, Minor Alterations in Land Use Limitations).

If you challenge the proposed actions in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City Council at, or prior to, the public hearing.

For more information, contact Associate Planner Jessica Flores at 562-904-7154.

Adria M. Jimenez, City Clerk  
 Published: September 12, 2013

**The Downey Patriot**  
 9/12/13

### NOTICE OF BID

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Education for the DOWNEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT, DOWNEY, CA (Los Angeles County), will receive Bid Number 13/14-01 for the procurement of the following:

**PURCHASE OF CONCRETE PRODUCTS (Annual Price Agreement)**

Sealed bids must be delivered to the Downey Unified School District, Purchasing Department, 11627 Brookshire Avenue, Room 169, Downey, CA 90241, no later than 11:00 AM on Monday, September 30, 2013.

Companies interested in bidding should request appropriate bid documents from the Purchasing Department, (562) 469-6531.

The Board of Education reserves the right to reject any and all bids. No bidder may withdraw their bid for a period of thirty (30) days after the date set for the opening of bids. Refer to the formal bid documents and specifications for additional information, terms, and conditions.

**Darren Purselglove, C.P.M.**  
 Darren Purselglove  
 Director of Purchasing and Warehouse







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DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED January 12, 2006. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On **October 02, 2013**, at 9:00am, Cal-Western Reconveyance LLC, as duly appointed trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust recorded January 20, 2006, as Inst. No. 06 0139933 in book XX, page XX of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Los Angeles County, State of California, executed by Joe Carl Ward, Jr., a Married Man As His Sole and Separate Property, will sell at public auction to highest bidder for cash, cashier's check 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 will be held by the duly appointed trustee as shown below, of all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County and State described as: **Completely described in said deed of trust** The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above purported to be: 14420 Ermita Ave La Mirada CA 90638 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be held, but without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession, condition or encumbrances, including fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust, to pay the remaining principal sums of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is: \$404,558.50. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located. **NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS:** If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. **NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER:** The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call **(619)590-1221** or visit the internet website [www.dlpplc.com](http://www.dlpplc.com), using the file number assigned to this case **1322991-10**. 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 LLC, 525 East Main Street, P.O. Box 22004, El Cajon, CA 92022-9004** Dated: August 28, 2013. (DLPP-432776 09/12/13, 09/19/13, 09/26/13)

**TÀI LIỆU NÀY**  
**YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 12/28/2006. 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.**  
A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state will be held by the duly appointed trustee as shown below, of all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by the trustee in the hereinafter described property under and pursuant to a Deed of Trust described below. 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, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount of the Note(s) as stated in the publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale.  
Trustor: **DAVID HUBBARD AND SHAUNDA HUBBARD, HUSBAND AND WIFE AS JOINT TENANTS** Duly Appointed Trustee: **Western Progressive, LLC** Recorded **12/11/2006** as Instrument No. **06 2738349** in book \_\_\_\_\_ page \_\_\_\_\_ and recorded on \_\_\_\_\_ as \_\_\_\_\_ of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Los Angeles County, California, Date of Sale: **10/2/2013 at 11:00 AM** Place of Sale: **By the fountain located at 400 Civic Center Plaza, Pomona, CA 91766** Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: **\$745,659.21** Street Address or other common designation of real property: **12054 GRADLEY RD, NORWALK, CALIFORNIA 90650** A.P.N.: **8022-024-010**  
The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address or other common designation, if any, shown above. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale. Pursuant to California Civil Code §2923.54 the undersigned, on behalf of the beneficiary, loan servicer or authorized agent, declares as follows: The beneficiary or servicing agent declares that it has obtained from the Commissioner of Corporation a final or temporary order of exemption pursuant to California Civil Code Section 2923.53 that is current and valid on the date the Notice of Sale is filed and for the timeframe for giving Notice of Sale Specified in subdivision (e) of California Civil Code Section 2923.52 applies and has been provided or the loan is exempt from the requirements.  
**NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS:** If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. **NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER:** The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call **(866)-960-8299** or visit this Internet Web site <http://allsource.com/resware/TrusteeServicesSearch.aspx> using the file number assigned to this case **2012-26525**. 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. Date: 8/21/2013 **Western Progressive, LLC, as Trustee c/o 2002 Summit Blvd., Suite 600 Atlanta, GA 30319** Automated Sale Information Line: **(866) 960-8299** <http://allsource.com/resware/TrusteeServicesSearch.aspx>  
Laternika Thompkins, Trustee Sale Assistant  
**9/12/13, 9/19/13, 9/26/13**

**RECORDER: THE FOLLOWING REFERENCE TO AN ATTACHED SUMMARY APPLIES ONLY TO COPIES PROVIDED TO THE TRUSTOR. NOT TO THIS RECORDED ORIGINAL NOTICE.** NOTE: THERE IS A SUMMARY OF THE INFORMATION IN THIS DOCUMENT ATTACHED YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 07/05/2006. 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. NDEX West, L.L.C., as duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust recorded on 07/11/2006 as Instrument No. 06 1524137 of official records in the office of the County Recorder of LOS ANGELES County, State of CALIFORNIA, EXECUTED BY: **HASSAN HAKEEM AND CHAIENGA M. HAKEEM, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH, CASHIER'S CHECK/CASH EQUIVALENT** or other form of payment authorized by California Civil Code 2924h(b), (payable at time of sale in lawful money of the United States). DATE OF SALE: 09/18/2013 TIME OF SALE: 11:00 AM PLACE OF SALE: **BY THE FOUNTAIN LOCATED AT 400 CIVIC CENTER PLAZA, POMONA, CA 91766. STREET ADDRESS AND OTHER COMMON DESIGNATION, IF ANY, OF THE REAL PROPERTY DESCRIBED ABOVE IS PURPORTED TO BE: 10947 LIGGETT ST, NORWALK, CALIFORNIA 90650 APN#: 8075-006-006** The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said note(s), advances, under the terms of said Deed of Trust, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is \$337,884.19. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written Declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located. **NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS:** If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. **NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER:** The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call 714-730-2727 for information regarding the trustee's sale or visit this Internet Web site [www.lpsasap.com](http://www.lpsasap.com) for information regarding the sale of this property, using the file number assigned to this case 20120015002512. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. FOR TRUSTEE SALE INFORMATION PLEASE CALL: AGENCY SALES AND POSTING 2 3210 EL CAMINO REAL, SUITE 200 IRVINE, CA 92602 714-730-2727 [www.lpsasap.com](http://www.lpsasap.com) NDEX West, L.L.C. as Trustee Dated: 08/23/2013 NDEX West, L.L.C. MAY BE ACTING AS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED MAY BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. THE INFORMATION OBTAINED MAY BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. A-4413788 08/29/2013, 09/05/2013, 09/12/2013

ATTACHED YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED January 19, 2006. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On October 03, 2013, Sage Point Lender Services, LLC, as duly appointed Trustee WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH, CASHIER'S CHECK/CASH EQUIVALENT drawn on a state or national bank, cashier's check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a cashier's check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state, or other form of payment authorized by 2924h(b), (Payable at time of sale in lawful money of the United States). The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to satisfy the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in said note(s), advances, under the terms of said Deed of Trust, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the property address or other common designation, if any, shown herein. All right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County and State described as: **AS MORE FULLY DESCRIBED IN BELOW MENTIONED DEED OF TRUST** Executed by: Ramon Adolfo Gutierrez, A Single Man Recorded on January 19, 2006, as Instrument No. 06 0211716, of Official Records, in the office of the County Recorder of Los Angeles County, California Date of Sale: October 03, 2013 at 11:00 AM Place of Sale: **By the fountain located at 400 Civic Center Plaza, Pomona, CA 91766** The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 14018 LEIBACHER AVENUE, NORWALK, CA 90650 APN# 8052-007-027 The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of this Notice of Sale is \$559,118.08. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written Declaration of Default and Demand for Sale and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the County where the real property is located. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagee, or the Mortgagee's Attorney. **NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS:** If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. **NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER:** The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call (866) 684-2727 or visit this Internet Web site [WWW.LPSASAP.COM](http://WWW.LPSASAP.COM), using the file number assigned to this case 2068-005629-F00. 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. Date: September 6, 2013 Sage Point Lender Services, LLC 400 Exchange, Suite 110 Irvine, CA 92602 949-265-9940 Edward Foster FOR TRUSTEE'S SALE INFORMATION PLEASE CALL (866) 684-2727 or visit [WWW.LPSASAP.COM](http://WWW.LPSASAP.COM) SAGE POINT LENDER SERVICES, LLC MAY BE ACTING AS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED MAY BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. A-4413788 09/12/2013, 09/19/2013, 09/26/2013

CORBY AVENUE NORWALK, CA 90650 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 12/03/2007. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On 09/18/2013 at 10:00 A.M., First American Title Insurance Company, as duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust recorded 2/10/2007, as Instrument No. 20072699072, in book \_\_\_\_\_ page \_\_\_\_\_ of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of LOS ANGELES County, State of California. Executed by: HECTOR OLIVAS, A MARRIED MAN AS HIS SOLE AND SEPARATE PROPERTY, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH, CASHIER'S CHECK/CASH EQUIVALENT or other form of payment authorized by 2924h(b), (Payable at time of sale in lawful money of the United States) Behind the fountain located in Civic Center Plaza, 400 Civic Center Plaza, Pomona CA All right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County and State described as: **AS MORE FULLY DESCRIBED IN THE ABOVE MENTIONED DEED OF TRUST APN# 8029-019-013** The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 12348 CORBY AVENUE, NORWALK, CA 90650 he undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to satisfy the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in said note(s), advances, under the terms of said Deed of Trust, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is \$273,929.75. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust has deposited all documents evidencing the obligations secured by the Deed of Trust and has declared all sums secured thereby immediately due and payable, and has caused a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be executed. The undersigned caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the County where the real property is located. **NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS:** If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. **NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER:** The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call (916)939-0772 or visit this Internet Web site <http://search.nationwideposting.com/propertySearchTerms.aspx>, using the file number assigned to this case CA1300250989 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. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagee, or the Mortgagee's attorney. Date: First American Title Insurance Company 6 CAMPUS CIRCLE WESTLAKE, TX 76262 First American Title Insurance Company MAY BE ACTING AS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED MAY BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. INFORMATION FOR TRUSTEE'S SALE INFORMATION PLEASE CALL (916)939-0772NPP0219831 To: THE DOWNEY PATRIOT 08/29/2013, 09/05/2013, 09/12/2013

OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On 09/26/2013 Sage Point Lender Services, LLC, as duly appointed Trustee WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH, CASHIER'S CHECK/CASH EQUIVALENT drawn on a state or national bank, cashier's check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a cashier's check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state will be held by the duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust recorded January 20, 2006, as Inst. No. 06 0139933 in book XX, page XX of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Los Angeles County, State of California, executed by Joe Carl Ward, Jr., a Married Man As His Sole and Separate Property and ROBERTO E. ESPARZA, A MARRIED MAN AS HIS SOLE AND SEPARATE PROPERTY AS JOINT TENANTS. Recorded on 02/08/2007 as Instrument No. 20070274113 of Official Records, in the office of the County Recorder of LOS ANGELES County, California Date of Sale: 09/26/2013 at 10:00AM Place of Sale: Behind the fountain located in Civic Center Plaza, 400 Civic Center Plaza, Pomona CA 91766 The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 8022 ALAMEDA STREET, DOWNEY, CA 90242 APN# 6259-007-046 The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of this Notice of Sale is \$379,768.02. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written Declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to the return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagee, or the Mortgagee's Attorney. **NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS:** If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. **NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER:** The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call (949) 236-5599 or visit this Internet Web site [www.nationwideposting.com](http://www.nationwideposting.com), using the file number assigned to this case 2013-004429-F00. 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. Date: 08/27/2013 Sage Point Lender Services, LLC 400 Exchange, Suite 110 Irvine, CA 92602 949-265-9940 JOSEPH HIRSCHY FOR TRUSTEE'S SALE INFORMATION PLEASE CALL (949) 236-5599 or visit [www.nationwideposting.com](http://www.nationwideposting.com) SAGE POINT LENDER SERVICES, LLC MAY BE ACTING AS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED MAY BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. NPP0219831 To: THE DOWNEY PATRIOT PUB: 09/05/2013, 09/12/2013, 09/19/2013

**The Downey Patriot**  
**9/12/13, 9/19/13, 9/26/13**

T.S. No.: 2012-26525 Loan No.: 7100724934  
**NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE**  
**PURSUANT TO CIVIL CODE § 2923.3(a),**  
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**The Downey Patriot**  
**9/12/13, 9/19/13, 9/19/13**

**NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE** Trustee Sale  
No.: 20120015002512 Title Order No.:  
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**The Downey Patriot**  
**8/29/13, 9/5/13, 9/12/13**

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Nilda Flores Rogel and her sister, Carmen Rogel, recently spent five weeks in Argentina, including a stop in their hometown of San Martin de Mendoza. The family moved to the United States in 1990 and settled in Downey, a city not unlike San Martin, they said. "Everyone seems to know each other, very tight-knit community," said Valentin Flores, Nilda's son. "It's 40 minutes from Mendoza, one of the biggest cities in Argentina. Very similar to the L.A.-Downey dichotomy. In the last few years, with my brother (Matias) and I getting more involved in our community, my parents have come to love and adopt a lot of our local cultural customs." Nilda and Carmen spent an entire morning walking around San Martin taking pictures with the Patriot.



Hundreds of people attended the opening of "aproductof" by photographer Andrew Quesdada last weekend at Stay Gallery. The exhibit re-opens Thursday night, Sept. 19, as part of the Taste of Downey festivities. Photo by Sam Rodriguez



Nicole Pierce took the Patriot on a week-long vacation to the Hawaiian island of Kauai. She is pictured here in front of Spouting Horn, a blowhole that shoots ocean water up to 50 feet into the air.



Karen Voigt took this photo at the Church of Resurrection of Christ in St. Petersburg, Russia, while on a Princess Scandinavian cruise. The church was built in 1883.

## CRIME REPORT

**Thursday, Aug. 29**

During the evening hours, the Department's Special Enforcement Team and Crime Impact Team conducted numerous compliance checks at local bars and restaurants throughout the city. During a check at the Casa Blanca Bar (8744 Imperial), officers arrested an adult male employee of the bar for possession of cocaine.

**Saturday, Aug. 31**

The Crime Impact Team conducted a warrant sweep at various locations throughout the city. Four suspects were arrested, two of which were also found to be in possession of illegal drugs. Both were booked for their warrants with additional charges related to the drugs. Two of the arrestees were on parole.

At 2:00 p.m., officers cited a male adult for being in possession of alcohol at Rio San Gabriel Park.

At 10:45 p.m., a maintenance worker at Downey High School saw a vehicle leaving the campus lot at a high rate of speed. He then found numerous locations on campus that had been vandalized with graffiti. Detectives are investigating.

**Sunday, Sept. 1**

At 7:00 a.m., officers arrested two men for burglary after they were caught with stolen property belonging to Old River Elementary School and West Middle School. A witness reported seeing suspicious activity at Old River Elementary School and provided a description of a vehicle that left the scene. Officers located the vehicle in a nearby residential neighborhood and detained two suspects. Further investigation revealed that they had broken into both schools and stole electronic equipment, including computers. Stolen property was recovered in the suspects' possession.

*Information provided by Downey Police Department.*

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