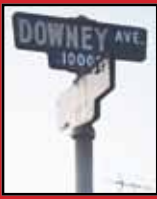




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## SHARED STORIES: THE TIES THAT BIND

### Boarding School

As a single, working parent in rural Maine, Helen Hampton's mother made the courageous decision to put Helen in a boarding school so that Helen could catch up on her studies after a year-long illness. Shared Stories is a weekly column featuring articles by participants in a writing class at the Norwalk Senior Center. Bonnie Mansell is the instructor for this free class offered through the Cerritos College Adult Education Program. Curated by Carol Kearns

By Helen Hampton

In 1934, when I was ten years old, I had my tonsils taken out. After I came home from the hospital I had a hemorrhage and almost died. It caused a heart murmur, as I lost so much blood. I was so sick that I missed a full year of school.

My mother thought I would need a good school to get caught up with my studies. She decided that I should go to a private school, so I began attending a convent boarding school called Mount Merici in Waterville, Maine. It was taught by the Ursuline nuns. I would board there Monday through Friday, and return home each weekend.

My mother was a nurse, and after my father died, she had made our large home into a nursing home and cared for elderly patients. When she had just a few patients who could be left alone for a short time, my mother was the neighborhood "doctor."

She would answer various calls, such as attending to a person with a gallbladder attack. Or she would care for someone's sick child. I was happy that I would still be able to see my dear mother each weekend.

Life in a convent was quite an experience for a child of eleven. The sleeping quarters consisted of a long line of beds, head to head, in the middle of a large dorm room. The room had sleeping "alcoves" along the walls, with drapes that could be drawn for privacy. I had one of these private rooms with the bedspread and curtains of my choice. It was quite nice.

We ate our meals at long tables in a large dining hall. The nuns would walk up and down to see that everyone ate all of their food.

We wore black stockings, black dresses with white hard collars and cuffs that needed to be scrubbed every week with Bon ami. A big black bow tie completed the costume.

If anyone in the dorm came down with a cold, every child was given a dose of castor oil. There was only one bathroom at the end of the dorm. Needless to say, it was a very disturbing situation when we had to stand in a long line waiting our turn to use the bathroom. Everyone was hopping up and down in great distress. But I guess we must have managed to live through it.

We had great fun on our time off from our studies. There were many activities to fill our spare time. We roller-skated in the fall and spring, and we ice-skated in the winter. We put on plays, and I had many singing parts in our musicals.

I boarded in Mount Merici for three years. By then I was caught up with my studies, so I was able to go to public school for my remaining school years. Mount Merici was a good experience.



Author Helen Hampton (right) at a boarding school in Maine where she spent three years in order to catch up on her studies after a year-long illness.

### Rooftop concerts start Wednesday

DOWNEY – Concerts in the park may have ended, but there are still opportunities to hear free live music while outdoors in Downey.

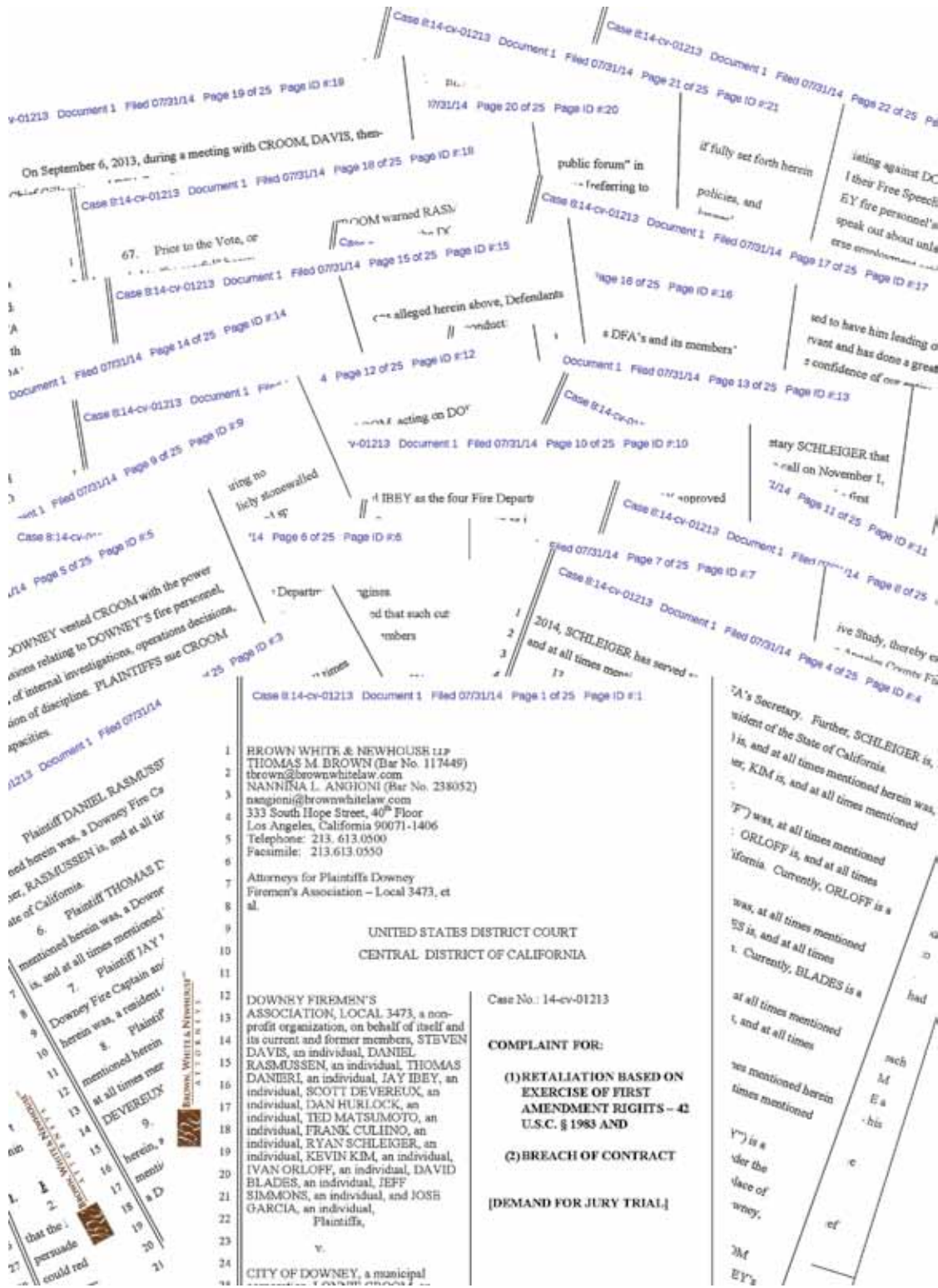
The city's new rooftop concert series debuts Wednesday, with a concert on the top deck of the downtown parking structure behind the Krikorian Theatre.

Swing Kings, a big band that plays everything from 1940s jazz to Top 40, will open the series. The band is accompanied by professional dancers and has performed at Disney Concert Hall and Paramount Studios.

After the concert, the Golden Globe-nominated film "Grease" (PG-13) will be screened.

The free event begins with the concert at 7 p.m. and the movie at approximately 9 p.m. Residents should bring their own chairs.

The rooftop concert series will take place every fourth Wednesday of the month through October. For questions, call (562) 904-7238 or go to downeyca.org and click the "Discovery Downey" tab.



Relationship between Downey firefighters and City Hall is further strained after fire union files lawsuit against city claiming retaliation and breach of contract.

By Christian Brown  
Staff Writer

DOWNEY – The Downey fire union filed a lawsuit against the city of Downey last month citing allegations of harassment, retaliation, and breach of contract since members voted no confidence in former Fire Chief Lonnie Croom last summer.

The lawsuit comes seven months after the Downey Firemen's Association filed a tort claim against the city with similar accusations. City officials released a statement last Thursday expressing disappointment in the "suit mired with inaccuracies."

In the 25-page deposition, the fire union and 14 individual members accuse Councilman Mario Guerra of using city funds for campaign expenses and allege Croom retracted his support for county fire services in order to secure a 5.5 percent pay raise in 2013.

The lawsuit also alleges Croom, who retired last month, withheld promotions, initiated unwarranted disciplinary actions, and threatened to stall pay increases as a result of union activities.

"By taking adverse employment actions against

plaintiffs substantially motivated by protected speech and association, Defendants violated Plaintiffs' rights under the First Amendment to the United States Constitution to freedom of speech, expression, and association, as well as federal statutes protecting labor organization," the suit reads.

Dan Rasmussen, who serves as fire union vice president, said the lawsuit is just the next procedural step in an arduous process to end tensions between the fire department and city management.

"It's not about politics, it boils down to work environment," Rasmussen said. "As firefighters, we don't deserve to work in an environment that supports intolerance and discrimination. We're hoping for some relief from the justice department."

City officials, nonetheless, are linking the lawsuit to politics and the council's refusal to disband the Downey Fire Department in favor of county fire services.

"The association continues to use the litigation process to politicize its disagreement with former chief Croom's objective and candid assessment to the council regarding the association's proposal to contract out fire services to the county," Mayor Fernando Vasquez said in a statement.

"That's an easy spin on it," said Rasmussen, who said plans for the lawsuit were already underway before Downey voters in June

rejected a fire union-sponsored charter amendment that would have eliminated residents' right to approve contracting out public safety services.

"The root of it is our current work conditions. It's an environment of hostility... something needs to change."

In a statement, the city reiterated its commitment to providing a workspace free of retaliation. City officials said they expect to prevail in court.

"This is another attempt to mislead and deceive Downey residents in what has become an abuse of the legal system," said Councilman Mario Guerra. "I was appalled to read the false statements against me and the attempt to slander my name and character. I look forward to Downey moving past this distraction and continuing on with our positive growth."

In addition to a jury trial, the Downey fire union is seeking both general and economic damages due to lost wages and benefits as well as "distress, anxiety, and humiliation."

Rasmussen said the legal process could take more than two years to resolve, but he hopes residents will remain supportive of the fire department.

"We just ask that residents keep an open mind," he said. "If any residents went through this harassment that we're experiencing, they would understand that enough is enough."

## Weekend at a Glance

Friday 86°

Saturday 83°

Sunday 84°

## Things To Do



**The Avenue** - A photography exhibit showing what Downey Avenue looked like 40, 70, even 100 years ago. Friday, 8 p.m., Stay Gallery



**Tall Ship Festival** - The Tall Ship Festival not only features a variety of ships and boats, there is live entertainment, movies, food trucks, cannon demonstrations, and more. Friday-Sunday, Port of Los Angeles, 57-585

## One Thing to Know

The Downey Historical Society is open for tours every third Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

## Throwback Thursday



DUSD staff participate in a midget basketball game, part of a school fundraiser.

## Facebook Conversation



**Muller Street pine trees removed**

**Lana Joy:** "Where is the Lorax when you need him?!"

**Dee Dee Demarest:** "My heart is breaking seeing those trees destroyed."

**Mariajose Reyes:** "This makes me sad, those trees were beautiful!"

**Alexander Lopez:** "While the trees are beautiful and it seems like an awful shame to lose them, it seems like most people here aren't considering the reasoning. Damage to the road and sidewalk is a hazard to the many people that use them, and a liability to the city."

**Matt Millard:** "What a shame. This city won't be satisfied until we have no trees left!"

## Tweet of the Week

**@melissanunez:** My jeans fit me like they did pre-freshmen 15. It's a good day.

# THE CLASS OF 2030

• Today's students are learning the skills necessary for a 21 Century workforce.

By Joseph Manacmul  
Contributor

**DOWNEY** - In the coming weeks, all across America, the Class of 2018 will be stepping onto their respective high school campuses as another school year begins. These kids seem like ordinary students from any other year, yet there is something special about them.

They will be the first class of high school graduates as newborns of the 21st Century. Meaning, the incoming freshmen students were born mostly in 2001, coincidentally being my senior year of high school.

To put this into perspective, in 2001 the very first Apple Store was opening, only three of the seven Harry Potter books had been published and Mark Zuckerberg was still in high school. I began to wonder what makes this generation of students so different and the reasoning behind it.

This past year the organization I work for, Downey Art Vibe,

embarked on a mission to develop numerous youth programs. In order to do so, I had to go back to high school and investigate what it is like for the students of this generation.

I began by visiting the local schools in and around the Downey Unified School District and began meeting with staff, students and teachers. I was also able to catch up with former professors, administrator and classmates, who are now teachers themselves. Through this experience, I discovered that even though I had been completely removed from high school for over a decade, the schools' foundation had not changed enormously. Great teachers are still educating students in the CORE subjects and STEM curriculum, and the staff continues to work hard to ensure the needs of parents and students are met; the students themselves are thriving.

Although many aspects remained the same, I was shocked to learn about the new innovative programs at some of these schools, the most intriguing being the new Career and Technical Education (CTE) courses available to all students. CTE provides students

with opportunities to acquire skills through technical classes while integrating the CORE curriculum in their studies to prepare them for higher education and a successful future. These classes range from construction, to animation, and even engineering.

In addition, the facilities these students utilize are updated with current tools and technology that emulate a professional workplace. This learning environment exposes students to opportunities in robotics, architecture and entrepreneurship. These new technologies are creating cultural changes and new possibilities for these students as they are no longer confined inside campus walls, and can now apply their education to real world situations.

As a result, students involved in these new educational opportunities have thrived in hands-on classroom environments where they learn to think critically, collaborate with other students and prepare themselves with skills needed for the 21st Century workforce.

While technology progression accelerates and the world becomes more complex and interconnected, it is great to see that our local schools are keeping up by preparing the next generation of students for the issues and challenges that await them.

As Sir Ken Robinson, an expert on education, once said, "Finding ways to live together in a world more nuanced and interconnected is a task of our community through education."

I think the school district and the residents of this city have delivered on these tasks and will continue to do so, making sure that the future is brighter than ever before.

Joseph Manacmul is director of operations for Downey Art Vibe. He attended Ward Elementary, South Middle School and Downey High School.



Downey High School's new engineering building, pictured above, will be open for a community open house next Thursday, Aug. 28, from 5:30-7:30 p.m., with official ceremonies at 6 p.m. Guests can tour the facility and get a first-hand look at some of the new technology being implemented in Downey schools.

The 19,500 sq. ft. building is two stories tall. The first floor includes four labs, a regular classroom and eight work bays. This will be the main site for all Career Technical Education (CTE) engineering programs, including automobile repair, product design, a Project Lead the Way engineering class, a robotics lab, and a technology engineering class.

The second floor will also be used for advanced physics courses.

A second open house will be held Sept. 24 to celebrate the grand opening of Building A and William H. Walker Hall. This building is in the final stages of completion and will house new technology-equipped classrooms, removing 30 bungalows from the campus.

The grand openings come at the closing stages of Measure D, a school bond measure that was passed by voters in 2002.

## Police expands canine force

**DOWNEY** - The Downey Police Department has expanded its canine program with the addition of a new canine handler, Cpl. Ed Hano, and his police service dog, Dani.

Dani is a 3-year-old female Dutch Shepherd who was hand-selected by Downey Police after testing several other dogs.

Cpl. Hano has been a police officer in Downey since 2002. He has worked in field operations as a police officer and a field training officer, and worked in the detective bureau as a narcotics detective.

Cpl. Hano has received awards for his enforcement efforts in the recovery of stolen vehicles and arresting vehicle theft suspects.

Cpl. Hano and Dani recently completed six weeks of suspect apprehension training and soon will attend an additional five weeks of training in narcotics detection.



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## DUI checkpoint next week

**DOWNEY** – The Downey Police Department will hold a DUI and driver's license checkpoint at an undisclosed location in Downey next Friday, Aug. 29, starting at 8 p.m.

"Over the course of the past three years, DUI collisions have claimed no lives but resulted in 101 injury crashes, harming nearly 150 of our friends and neighbors," Sgt. Perry Miller of the Downey Police Department said.

Funding for the checkpoint is funded by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

## Free business workshop

**DOWNEY** – Tax-411 in Downey is hosting a free small business seminar this Tuesday, Aug. 26, from 7-9 p.m.

Guests will learn how to start a business; the advantages of filing as a DBA or incorporated; the difference between fiscal and quarterly taxes; bookkeeping; business assets; how balance sheets and payroll work; how workers compensation works; trademarks and service marks; and how to brand a business.

Tax-411 is at 11455 Paramount Blvd. For questions, call (562) 869-4000.

## '50s sock hop at senior center

**DOWNEY** – Cafe Quill at the Barbara J. Riley Community and Senior Center is hosting a 50's-style sock hop Wednesday, Aug. 27, from 5-7 p.m.

Cost is \$5 (cash only).

Guests are invited to dress in their best '50s attire and join in dancing the twist, the jitterbug, the mashed potato, and other dances from the 1950s.

Residents can register at the community center. For more details, call (562) 904-7223.

## Used tire collection Sept. 6

**DOWNEY** – City Hall will be collecting used tires Saturday, Sept. 6, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Residents of Downey, Cerritos, La Mirada, Norwalk, Pico Rivera and Santa Fe Springs are eligible to drop off tires. Up to nine tires can be dropped off per trip; multiple trips are OK.

For more information, call (562) 904-7103.

## Student immunizations Tuesday

**DOWNEY** – Stauffer Middle School (formerly West) is offering free immunizations for families with no medical insurance.

Vaccinations will be given Tuesday, Aug. 26, from 1-5:30 p.m. No appointment is necessary and a parent or legal guardian must accompany children, and have the child's official immunization card with past immunization history.

For questions, call (562) 469-6589.

## Library has books up for auction

**DOWNEY** – The Friends of the Downey City Library holds monthly silent book auctions in order to raise money to help support the various programs of our local library. These books are donated by the library's many friends and patrons.

Its summer auction includes a variety of interesting books that make for relaxed reading as the summer winds down and children return to school.

Up for auction are:

"The Children's Atlas of the Universe" (lots of pictures, great artwork and many stories that make it easy to study our universe);

"Magnificent Desolation-The Long Journey Home from the Moon" (autographed by Buzz Aldrin);

"Best of the Pillsbury Bake-Off" (350 of the best recipes of America's cooks);

"The Illustrated Cottage" (inspired by Provence in southeastern France, this is a grown-up fairy tale for decorating and design lovers);

"Elvis-By the Presleys" (a compilation of memories of close family and close friends);

"Infamous Scribblers-The Founding Fathers and the Rowdy Beginning of American Journalism" (how journalism was indispensable to the development of the new nation);

"Vintage Sports Magazines" (four magazines from 1957-1962 with articles on baseball's greats);

"Graffiti World-Street Art From Five Continents" (amazing art work from ancient Rome to modern New York);

"How Everything Works - Making Physics Out of the Ordinary" (examines everything from roller coasters to Ipads and shows how fundamental physics can explain how every technology works);

"Winter of the World-Book Two of the Century Trilogy" (Ken Follett's story of five interrelated families from the rise of the Nazis to the beginning of the Cold War);

"Screen Lovers" (180 photographs of the screens greatest);

"The Official Military Atlas of the Civil War" (a must for any serious Civil War buff).

Books have opening bids from \$5-\$15 and are on display in the library lobby. Bids can be made through noon on Saturday, Sept. 6, on cards in the Friend's Bookstore which is located in the young adult section of the library.

## 'Observe the Moon Night' Sept. 6

**DOWNEY** – International Observe the Moon Night will be observed at the Columbia Memorial Space Center on Saturday, Sept. 6, from 6:30-9:30 p.m.

A presentation titled "From Formation to Exploration" will start at 8 p.m.

Telescope viewings, provided by the Columbia Astronomers, will be offered on the space center's front lawn. The club will also be photographing the moon and placing digitized images on a thumb drive, free of charge.

Admission to the space center is \$5 but all outdoor activities are free.

For more information, call (562) 231-1200 or visit [columbiaspacescience.org](http://columbiaspacescience.org).

## 'Poetrypalooza' comes to Downey

**DOWNEY** – Running informally for several years, "the green salon" evolved into a Downey Arts Coalition event to simplify the monthly meeting of local artists, poets, musicians, and other creative people who gathered in the tradition of 1920s Paris to share and discuss art. It is open to anyone interested in the arts.

On Aug. 23, "the green salon" will host POETRYPALOOZA, a county-wide, month-long poetry festival that celebrates local poets, artists, and musicians.

Held the fourth Saturday of every month (except November and December), "the green salon" shows artwork or art films, has one or more local musicians or musical groups, and holds both open mic and featured poets' readings. At times, it has included dance, theatrical reading, and documentary film.

Started by Roy Anthony Shabla, the Director of Collections of the Downey Museum of Art and a poet and painter, "the green salon" was an attempt to create community among artists. Until the Downey Arts Coalition collaborated on a poetry series that evolved into "the green salon," attendance was primarily filled by Los Angeles and Long Beach artists, though guests have come from San Francisco, Portland, Oregon, and beyond.

Now, it is an institution for local Downey poets, musicians, and other creative people.

The August salon will begin early with poetry workshops by Frank Kearns and Terry Walker. Both Downey residents, Kearns will work on surface construction of the line; and Walker, a respected artist and craftsman, will work with functional poetry.

Representing Downey at POETRYPALOOZA this year, Lorine Parks, host of Poetry Matters, will give a rare reading of her work with ZzyZx WriterZ, the acclaimed writing group that created POETRYPALOOZA. Shabla hopes it will double the attendance of "the green salon" and fill the day.

In between sessions live music by Shy But Flyy, Skypeia, and Nick Adams will be performed.

Books of poetry and CDs by local Downey artists will be available. Garden ornament "light catchers" will be sold to raise funds for the Downey Museum of Art.

This is a free event and everyone is welcome. For more information, see the schedule below, "like" "the green salon" on facebook, or email [roy@downeyarts.org](mailto:roy@downeyarts.org).

**What:** POETRYPALOOZA

**When:** Saturday, Aug. 23, 4-10 p.m.

**Where:** Private home of Roy Anthony Shabla. For the address, email [roy@downeyarts.org](mailto:roy@downeyarts.org) or call (310) 625-0143.

**4 p.m.:** poetry and a movie

**5:30 p.m.:** dinner and a movie ("Dead Poets Society")

**5:30 p.m.:** poetry critiques

**7 p.m.:** music (skypeia)

**7:30 p.m.:** open mic

**8 p.m.:** featured readers (Lorine Parks and ZzyZx, WriterZ)

**9 p.m.:** music and poetry (Shy But Flyy)



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# Bringing back Main Street (Downey Avenue)

• Progress is being made on Downey Avenue, but still a long road ahead of us.

By Valentin Flores  
Contributor

**DOWNEY** – I don't have a clue why I obsess about this particular little street that many in the world don't even know exists. I never paid attention to it until I returned home after years of college and travelling. Now, I find myself daydreaming of what Downey Avenue could be.

As the main arterial of 'Downtown Downey,' many different streets that have historically been the commercial and cultural outlets of our town feed into Downey Avenue. The development of our main street is key to the overall transformation of our downtown.

While many see the negative, I envision Downey Avenue with vibrancy and full of life. I hear the chatter coming from coffee houses, see kids playing around public art installations, hear local bands performing during festivals, revel in a wide choice of local eating options, and see people living right above their main street. Rather than complain about what we lack, I focus on the potential for this avenue of ours.

After finishing my post-graduate studies in urban planning, I knew I wanted to be involved in the development of Downey Avenue. During my studies, I become obsessed with how district branding and creative placemaking initiatives had the capability of turning entire downtown areas into thriving 'places.' I didn't truly understand

the power of this idea until we opened up Stay Gallery.

My passion for Downey Avenue (named Crawford Street until the 1930s) has not only dictated my professional aspirations, but has also planted a vision to revitalize and engage a community in transition. It is my opinion that Downey Avenue needs to be the epicenter that symbolizes who we are as a city. During the last few years, a very interesting conversation began to develop about the future of our main street. To me, this process provides an opportunity for our community to reconnect with the cultural and historic heart of our city.

This is part of the reason why I am so excited for Stay Gallery's first historical exhibition, "The Avenue: Historical Photographs of Downey Avenue" (exhibit opens Aug. 22 at 8 p.m. at Stay Gallery and runs until Aug. 31). I believe that where we came from points us to where we are going. Downey Avenue has gone through many ups and downs but has the potential to return to a thriving state that comprises many local businesses and cultural amenities. It is important to note that Downey was not only the commercial hub of our city but also of a much larger area of Southern California. Did you know that the very first LA County Fair was held in Downey in 1884? Yes, it's true.

But honestly, Downey Avenue is not unique. And, that's okay. It has followed the same development patterns as thousands of other suburban downtowns throughout America.

Early pioneers created our "main street" as the center of commerce, built near the railroad

station and clustering businesses around today's Firestone Blvd and Downey Avenue. Post World War II prosperity brought revitalization to Downey Avenue, and the city began its hyper suburbanization. However, as the process of urban sprawl continued, it began to challenge the economic role of Downey Avenue. By the 1950s and 1960s, families began abandoning this main street because it lacked retail options. Instead, they were being introduced to gigantic shopping malls. Stonewood was introduced to Downey as an outdoor mall in late 1958. Why fight traffic, drive around the block a few times for a parking spot, or feed a meter when you could go to a mall with hundreds of free parking spaces, fresh new stores, and an energizing crowd of shoppers? The next 30 years saw many boarded up and empty storefronts as businesses and jobs continued to sprawl outward, leaving behind our dilapidated "main street."

However, the last few years have seen the beginning of a renaissance for many American main streets. With sustainability being at the heart of New Urbanism's thinking and development, people now want to live, work, and play within close proximity. The creation of districts and creative placemaking initiatives are transforming renewed main streets into unique places and revitalizing entire downtown areas.

Downey Avenue is experiencing similar patterns, and we are beginning to see results. Though these processes take time and often endure growing pains, real progress is being made.

I see a local government reacting to these development



Photo courtesy Larry Latimer and Downey Historical Society

This rare 1890 photograph of Los Nietos Valley Land and Water Association was taken of the northeast corner of what is today Firestone Boulevard and Downey Avenue. This is where Stay Gallery and Simply Elegant stand today. The famous "Indian Joe" sits at left. Harvey Gray stands in the doorway, and the bewhiskered Dave Smart leans on a porch post. Smart and Gray were officers of this real estate venture. Benbrook's saloon is on the corner. This photo will be on display during "The Avenue: Historical Photographs of Downey Avenue," which opens this Friday, Aug 22 at 8PM @ Stay Gallery.

trends by setting in motion a Downtown Specific Plan, investing in street improvements, bringing in residential housing, and supporting the local arts movement. Slowly, I see sidewalks being re-populated with pedestrians throughout the daytime and into the evening. I see young entrepreneurs opening a variety of innovative businesses. There is a new sense of hope on Downey Avenue.

True, we have a long road in front of us if we are to go create a vibrant downtown district. We still need more creative public spaces, inspiring interactive forms of public art, diverse district-wide

events, more local restaurant options, bike lanes and bike parking, and an efficient parking plan to mirror downtown's growth. We need to get away from the idea that we need to park right in front of the business that we are patronizing and allow for the creation of a walkable district.

Though it has taken a while, the push to bring back Downey's "main street" is alive and kicking. Downey Avenue is at the inception of its newest renaissance.

This isn't a merely nostalgic return to what Downtown Downey once was. By making it a destination that offers a variety

of amenities for all types of people and activities, including restaurants, bars and taverns, entertainment, the arts, public spaces, and sports venues, we can create a new local and unique economic engine suited to our own time: our very own main street, Downey Avenue.

Valentin Flores is the executive director of Downey Art Vibe, operator of Stay Gallery. Flores has a BA in History from UC Berkeley and a dual-masters from USC in Urban Planning & Public Administration.

## Frontier Fiesta is Coming September 5 & 7 Everyone is invited!!!!

Downey United Methodist Church is celebrating 160 years as a worshipping community and we want you to be a part of the celebration. On **Friday, September 5**, we are hosting a mixer in the Fellowship Hall from 7-10 p.m. There will be food, music, games, historical displays, and much more. Then, on **Sunday, September 7**, we will be having a special service of worship beginning at 10:00 a.m. followed immediately by our "Frontier Fiesta". There will be games, lots of activities for the kids, food, prizes, music, and much, much more. This will be a grand celebration. Come and be a part of the excitement. Everything is free and all are welcome.

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR:

## Keep U.S. independent

Dear Editor:

Mr. Drew Johnson's op-ed piece ("Jumpstart the economy with trade reform," 8/14/14) deserves a rebuttal because what he advocates on behalf of establishment Republicans and Democrats, not to mention well-funded Washington lobbyists and a host of other internationalist insiders, is nothing short of a train wreck waiting to happen.

The reason he is advocating for Congress to pass Trade Promotion Authority (TPA) legislation is in order to provide smooth passage of two key so-called Free Trade pacts: the Trans-Atlantic Trade and Investment Partnership (TTIP) and the Trans Pacific Partnership (TPP). This was conveniently omitted from his article.

The U.S. Constitution grants only Congress the power to regulate Commerce with foreign nations (Article I, Section 8), therefore for Congress to delegate the role of negotiating a trade deal with other nations to the Executive branch is flatly unconstitutional. The secrecy that shrouds such negotiations is also troubling as most rank and file members of Congress are not privy to the text of the trade deal during negotiations even though select business leaders with much at stake for their corporations and industries get a free pass and even help craft the fine print. Then when the negotiations are completed and the proposed Trade deal is finally brought before Congress, our Representatives are only allowed to cast a yes or no vote without the possibility of much debate or amendments. This does not sound like Congress has much of an input, if any, in regulating commerce with foreign nations other than to rubber stamp what the Executive branch and special interests have already decided upon.

As if this isn't bad enough already, lets look now at these two proposed trade pacts. Proponents of such trade agreements argue that in order for the United States to secure a good chunk of the global market, such free trade deals are necessary especially with such trading partners as Pacific Rim nations (in the TPP) but even more so with the European Union (in the TTIP). This sounds good especially when the promise of good jobs are mentioned, as they always are, in order to sell them to the American public. This is exactly what was promised when the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) was passed in 1992 or the Central American Free Trade Agreement (CAFTA) in 2005. It doesn't take a PhD in Economics to recognize that we have instead lost many good paying jobs with the rollout of NAFTA and CAFTA, the promises notwithstanding. So then who benefits?

What one must understand concerning these Free Trade deals is that (1) they are not free, and (2) they are not even all about trade! Instead they are about economic and political integration, in other words regional government. In the early stages of the European Union, a free trade bloc, the people of the member states mistakenly thought that it was all about a free and open market. However as time went on and new phases were introduced, the end result was a complete economic and political union including a common currency, the Euro, with the resulting loss of national sovereignty of the previously independent nation states. So who benefited? Proponents of centralized governmental power and control over millions upon millions of people. On a more practical level, multinational corporations benefit to the detriment of small local businesses. Even though there is nothing wrong with a large corporation wanting to have access to foreign markets, Free Trade deals decidedly favor them as only their highly skilled team of attorneys and export compliance officers can navigate the labyrinth of regulations often times hundreds of pages in length - NAFTA for example is 700+ pages. So much for Free Trade for all.

As with any arrangement that seeks to harmonize the economies of a developed nation with that of an underdeveloped nation, or that of a free-market based system with that of a heavily socialized economy, the highly developed nation must lower their effective wages and its overall standard of living. We are seeing that right now with the engineered destruction of our once vibrant middle-class in part due to millions of manufacturing jobs lost to Free Trade deals such as NAFTA.

A net loss of jobs, lower wages and lower standard of living, a diminished middle-class, loss of small and family-owned businesses and farms, the eventual loss of our own currency and national sovereignty, the Constitution and our Bill of Rights, is this what Mr. Drew Johnson is advocating for by pushing for TPA legislation? It is precisely! Please join countless other Americans by opposing TPP/TTIP Free Trade deals by first blocking passage of TPA. While a vote on the TPA is not expected prior to the November elections, and you can probably guess why, it is most likely planned for the lame-duck session of Congress later this year. Let us start now by sharing this message with others and let us together urge Congresswoman Lucille Roybal-Allard to vote NO on the TPA. You can be sure that special interests and other aforementioned stakeholders are already making their voices heard. I think our voices should be heard too. Don't you?

Dan Cristea  
Downey

## Sheriff's helicopter

Dear Editor:

Two times this week I was abruptly woken up by the loud whirring of a sheriff's helicopter circling overhead.

I understand they are doing their job to keep us safe, but it seems the helicopter has been more visible lately. I hope Downey Police are attempting to catch truly dangerous criminals, and not requesting use of the helicopter simply because it's available.

God bless our police officers, please stay safe.

Dolores Perez  
Downey

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## Why government openness matters

By Lee H. Hamilton

One of the fundamental lessons of the 9/11 tragedy was that our government carried a share of blame for the failure to stop the attacks. Not because it was asleep at the switch or ignorant of the dangers that Al Qaeda posed, but because the agencies charged with our safety did not share what they knew, either up and down the chain of command or with each other. The attacks were preventable with shared information.

This insight was highlighted in the report of the 9/11 Commission — on which I served — and became a key driver of the reforms instituted by the U.S. intelligence community over the last dozen years. Within the government, there are plenty of people who now understand that sharing information and using it to inform planning and debate produces better policy: rooted in facts, well-vetted, and more robust.

So it's worrisome that today it seems harder than ever to know what our government is doing, and not just when it comes to national security. Secrecy and a widespread failure to share information both within government and with the American people remain major barriers to the effective operation of representative democracy.

This unwillingness to be open often arises for the wrong reasons. In many cases, officials claim they're trying to prevent harm to the national security, but actually want to avoid embarrassing themselves or to sidestep the checks and balances created by our Constitution.

So secretiveness infiltrates government culture. The White House has become remarkably adept at making sure the President rarely faces an unscripted or uncomfortable moment — a trend that's been building for decades. The government classifies far too many documents at too high a cost, to the point where vital information is inadequately protected because of the sheer volume of needlessly classified information.

Federal agencies often keep information from inspectors general, our nation's appointed watchdogs. They do their best to put strict limits on what Congress finds out; I often get the impression that the executive branch would prefer an uninformed Congress to one knowledgeable enough to press high-ranking officials, including the President, on their understanding of policy challenges, the steps they're taking to address them, and the articulation of the policy. Congress — ostensibly the people's branch of government — all too

often lets the Executive get away with it.

Failing to share information makes us weaker. It enfeebles congressional oversight, which is one of the cornerstones of representative democracy and which, when aggressively carried out by fully informed legislators, can strengthen policy-making. It makes it far more difficult to maintain our system of checks and balances. It exacerbates mistrust between branches of government and between the government and the American people. And it chips away at the foundation of our system, which rests on a public that is well-informed about what government is doing and why.

Without that information, we are poorer in our ability to exercise discriminating judgment on the conduct of policy and of politicians, and we lose our advantage over authoritarian societies: the spread of knowledge to people searching for a solution to our society's challenges and problems.

In fact, if you look at the public discussion of any number of recent controversies — Benghazi, NSA surveillance, the IRS rulings, reform of the VA, the subsidies going to solar manufacturer Solyndra — what's clear is that as more information became available, resolving the problem became more straightforward. And failing to share information can ensnare an administration in worse problems than it was trying to avoid. Iran-contra, Watergate, the Pentagon Papers: each of these had a major impact on our constitutional system, and each was characterized by efforts to suppress information.

In short, on most issues we're better off if the American people know what's going on. Full disclosure doesn't produce good government by itself, but it makes it more likely.

To be sure, on occasion secrecy is legitimate and necessary, but representative government — with its systems of checks and balances — cannot function properly without openness and the presumption should always be in its favor. If officials want to keep information secret, they should bear the burden of explaining why. I hope you'll join me in pushing for an era of openness in government.

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.

## The business of America's marijuana revolution

By all accounts, America's emerging cannabis industry is looking very promising and is shaping up to be the country's biggest business experiment of the 21st century.

But the mushrooming niche sector could quickly prove to be the proverbial bull in a china shop, with contradicting state and federal laws, the resulting apprehension of banks to touch the industry's abundance of money and the precarious lack of cohesion as dozens of states continue to rethink their laws on the substance.

While many entrepreneurs are eager to put business plans into action if and when legalization occurs in their state, "the patchwork nature of marijuana legalization on the local, state and federal level creates problems for buyers, sellers and users," says Wall Street Commodities expert Steve Janjic, CEO of Amercanex (<http://www.amercanex.com/>), the first fully electronic marketplace exchange for the cannabis industry.

"We will soon hit the tipping point at which state after state will legalize cannabis like falling dominos."

What is the best way to insure a legal, fair and accountable business model for the young industry? The solution is a Wall Street-like model to allow the young industry to participate in exchanges to buy, sell or trade inventories in a fully-disclosed and transparent marketplace, he says.

Janjic outlines the various benefits such a system would have on the cannabis industry.

- Ensures regulatory and tax-agency accountability and reporting: One of the benefits touted by cannabis legalization is radically increased tax revenue, but could an understaffed IRS really track the unknown volumes of money in this embryonic market? A digital commodities exchange system would monitor, track and audit orders, activities and transactions of all market participants

in a jurisdiction from a simple online user-interface or automated reporting formats complete with e-mail capability. Growers and retailers could calculate, apply, debit and credit taxes and related fees in real-time at the point of transaction and have revenues accrued.

- Helps cultivators, distributors and retailers stay connected to market trends, insuring a fair and open market and business success: A Wall Street-like model would allow cultivators and vendors a central electronic platform to sell/buy their inventories anonymously, so that only product, quantity and best-available pricing are shown, enabling a completely transparent, neutral and non-manipulated free market. Under such anonymous conditions, supply and demand are the only factors affecting price discovery.

- Forces the industry to self-regulate: The more states that allow for cannabis usage, whether for medical or recreational purposes, the bigger the industry will get. The longer the industry endures without a unifying and orderly structure like a commodities exchange, the more exposure to scrutiny it's likely to receive. An automated system could avert unnecessary criticism by allowing all parties to monitor, track, account and audit every aspect of every transaction for every participant within the intra-state network.

- Ensures fair and orderly transactions, efficient dissemination of pricing, market trends and more: A Wall Street-like model should display the full depth of market with live, executable prices and associated quantities per a given product or strain. A real-time interface would provide market access to participants using prevalent best sell/buy prices. Goals of such a model should include a diverse base of clients within the market, true price competition, tailored solutions to suit the needs of all participants and 24/7 access over the internet.

## The price of beauty -- paid for by animals

More and more, we are living in an age of information, the substance of which is increasingly difficult to ignore, says animal rights advocate Santosh Krinsky.

Are our coffee and chocolate products fair trade? Were poor workers in developing countries brutalized in the process of making our clothes? How was the food sourced in the groceries we buy, and what exactly is in it, anyway?

Increasingly, the answers to these questions matter to more consumers, Krinsky says.

In the same vein, Rep. Jim Moran is sponsoring the Humane Cosmetics Act, which would phase out animal testing for U.S.-made cosmetics within a year and imported cosmetics within three years.

"Consumers value cosmetics and manufacturers want them to be safe for daily use, but we do not have to blind, maim and kill scores of animals to ensure our beauty-enhancing products won't hurt us," says Krinsky, head of the international personal-care brand Beauty Without Cruelty ([www.beautywithoutcruelty.com](http://www.beautywithoutcruelty.com)) -- the first to ban animal-testing for its products in 1963. BWC's products are all produced with no animal testing and contain no animal ingredients.

"In the past, testing was done on dogs, but now it's done on rabbits, guinea pigs, mice and rats. These are conscious creatures with the capacity for immense suffering. Think about it: Tests are done on these animals because they are biologically similar to us. Doesn't that also mean we should be especially empathetic to their suffering?"

Krinsky, who recently partnered with the Humane Society of the United States' "Be Cruelty-Free" campaign, urges voters to call their U.S. representative and ask for him or her to vote in favor of H.R. 4148. Follow up with a personalized mail or email reiterating your request.

He reviews some of the tests that mainstream cosmetic companies

still commonly conduct on animals.

- Acute dermal toxicity ... uses 20 rabbits, guinea pigs or rats to determine how much substance causes half of the tested animals to die within two weeks of exposure. A chemical is applied to their shaved skin for 24 hours, and a patch is used to cover the area so they do not lick or clear off the tested area.

- Eye irritation or corrosion ... tests one to three rabbits; a chemical is applied to their eyes to determine how severe the resulting irritation or damage. The exposure tests for signs of redness, ulcers, bleeding, blindness and other forms of damage.

- Developmental toxicity ... examines either 480 rabbits – 100 adult females and 480 kittens (babies) – or 1,300 rats – 100 adult females and 1,200 pups – to test for birth defects. Usually by force-feeding, a pregnant female is exposed at the beginning of an implemented pregnancy; exposure persists throughout the term. She is then killed on the day before she is expected to give birth, which is about 22 days for rats, or 31 days for rabbits. Her young are extracted and evaluated for signs of developmental abnormalities.

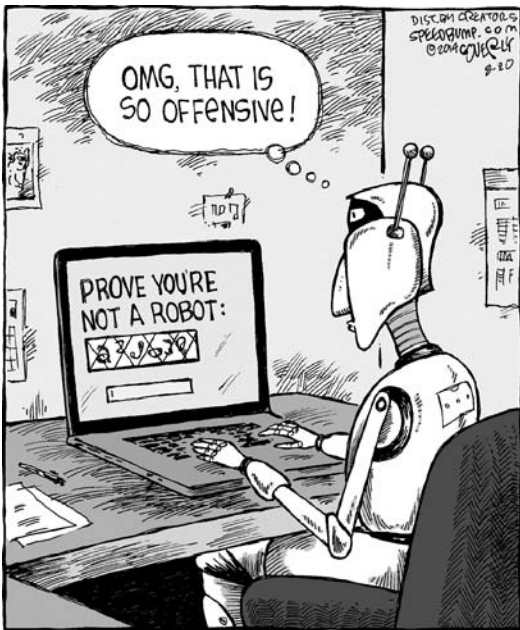
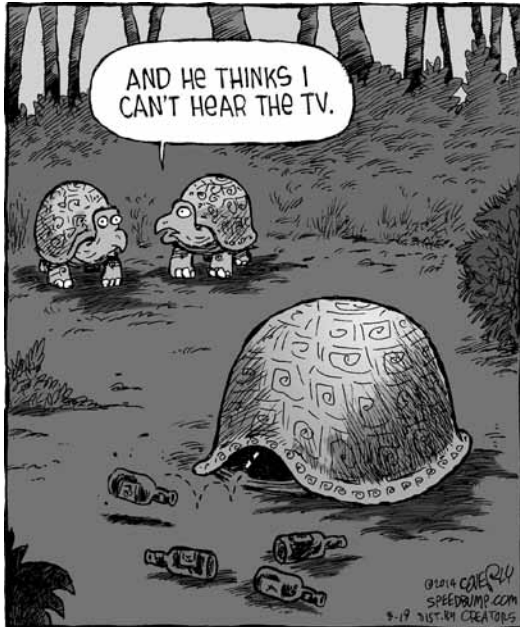
- Acute oral toxicity ... subjects seven rats to determine how much of a chemical causes half of the exposed animals to die within 14 days of exposure, when the substance is swallowed. The rats are force-fed the substance, causing them to experience convulsions, diarrhea, bleeding from the mouth, seizures, paralysis and sometimes death.

"The European Union has already banned cosmetics that use these practices, and I think Rep. Moran's efforts are a sign of things to come here in the U.S.," Krinsky says. "In fact, many consumers prefer lipstick, mascara, shampoo, lotion and other products consisting of material that's so safe that they don't require animal testing."

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# Downey Community Calendar

### Events For August

Fri., Aug. 22: "The Avenue: Historical Photographs of Downey Avenue," Stay Gallery, 8 p.m.  
 Thurs., Aug. 28: **Bicycle master plan workshop**, Barbara J. Riley Community & Senior Center, 6:30 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, 6:30 p.m.: **City Council**, Council Chamber.  
 3rd Tuesday, 6:30 p.m.: **Library Advisory Board**, at Downey City Library.  
 4th Mon., 5 p.m.: **Green Task Force**, at City Hall.

### Regularly Scheduled Meetings

#### Mondays

7 p.m.: **Boy Scout Troop 2**, at Downey United Methodist Church, for information call 869-6478.  
 2nd Mon., 11 a.m.: **American Legion Auxiliary #270**, at United Methodist Church, for info call 304-3439  
 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 Paul Sheets at 714-618-1142.  
 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 dianedavis4sc@gmail.com.  
 6 p.m.: **Toastmasters Club 587**, at First Baptist Church, for info call Raul Castillo 400-2561.  
 6:15 p.m.: **Downey Knights of Columbus Bingo**, at 11231 Rives, for info call 923-1932.  
 1st Tues., 7:30 a.m.: **Gangs Out of Downey**, at City Hall training room.  
 2nd Tues., 3:30 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., 6 p.m.: **American Legion #270**, at Sizzler Restaurant, for information call 544-0372.  
 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.  
 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.  
 Wed. & Fri., 10:15 a.m.: **Senior Bingo**, at Apollo Park, for information call 904-7223.

#### Thursdays

7:30 a.m.: **Connections Networking**, at Bob's Big Boy, for info., call Nick Smith, 861-5222.  
 7:30 a.m.: **Soroptimist Int'l of Downey**, for information, call Mia Vasquez, 806-3217.  
 9:30 a.m.: **Take off Pounds Sensibly**, at Barbara Riley Senior Center, call (800) 932-8677.  
 12 p.m.: **Kiwanis Club of Downey**, at Rio Hondo Events Center, call Roy Jimenez 923-0971.  
 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.  
 2nd & 4th Thurs., 6 p.m.: **Lions Club**, at Coco's, for information call Lenora (310) 283-9825.  
 3rd Thurs., 4 p.m.: **Public Works Committee**, at City Hall Training Room.  
 3rd Thurs., 6 p.m.: **Downey CIPAC**, at Sizzler's Restaurant, for information call Rich Tuttle 413-6045.  
 4th Thurs., 10 a.m.: **Assistance League**, at Casa De Parley Johnson, for information call 869-0232.  
 4th Thurs., 7:30 p.m.: **Downey Historical Society programs**, at Community Center. Call 862-2777.

#### Fridays

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

#### Saturdays

9 a.m.: **Farmers Market**, Downey Avenue at 3rd Street, for information call 904-7246.  
 4th Sat., 12:00 p.m.: **Downey Arts Coalition**, at Epic Lounge.

# On This Day...

**Aug. 21, 1858:** The first of seven debates between U.S. Senate candidates Abraham Lincoln and Stephen A. Douglas took place in Ottawa, Ill.  
**1959:** President Eisenhower signed an executive order proclaiming Hawaii the 50th state of the union.  
**2009:** Leaders of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America voted to lift a ban that prohibited sexually active gays and lesbians from serving as ministers.  
**Birthdays:** Country singer Kenny Rogers (76), actress Kim Cattrall (58), Jamaican sprinter Usain Bolt (28) and actress Hayden Panettiere (25).

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## SPORTS BRIEFS: Bears return from Placerville

• Warren High sends 17 cross country runners to Placerville for pre-season training.

By Mark Fetter  
Contributor

**DOWNEY** - The Warren High School boys' cross country team returned from Placerville Camp this week. The Bears left Aug. 3 and returned yesterday.

Warren's 17 most talented runners trained in altitude, distance and heat for close to three weeks in preparation for the start of the cross country season.

The first week of camp was spent training in Placerville, the second week was in Tahoe and the last four days were spent back in Placerville. The last day of camp in Placerville featured the traditional 2.1 mile race where Warren coaches determine where the runners fall in the history of Placerville campers who have ran the same course. Head coach Ramon Miranda and assistant coach Eddie Rodriguez will now put together a varsity lineup.

Warren is currently ranked second in the C.I.F. Southern Section and third in the State behind Great Oak and Madera South, respectively. The Bears are also ranked 13th nationally. Last season, the Bears were ranked as high as third in the nation.

Warren senior and top runner Benjamin Gonzalez is currently looking to attend Cal Berkeley, UCLA or Stanford. Senior Andres Barragan is currently looking to attend CSULB or UCLA. Senior Jonathan Rodriguez is currently looking to attend Pepperdine, UCLA or Azusa Pacific University. Warren seniors Freddy Menendez and Ricky Beltran continue to work hard as do juniors Matthew Sanchez and Christopher Estrada. Junior Bryan Pluma will look to make an impact as well.

The cross country season will be here shortly and the

Warren Bears have been putting in the miles to get ready. Coach Miranda, his staff and runners are looking forward to the start of the cross country season and competing for the California state title. The Bears were C.I.F. Division I champions in 2013.

The 2014 fall sports seasons are just around the corner. Downey and Warren are looking to continue their dominance in San Gabriel Valley League competition.

Fall sports include boys' and girls' cross country, football, girls' golf, girls' tennis, girls' volleyball and boys' water polo.

Warren was the 2013 S.G.V.L. champion for both boys' and girls' cross country. The Warren boys' cross country team won the 2013 C.I.F. Division I championship and are looking to improve upon that this year by winning the state title.

Downey shared a three-way S.G.V.L. championship in football in 2013 with Dominguez and Paramount, respectively. All three teams finished league play with 4-1 records. Downey was the top league entry in the C.I.F. Southeast Division playoffs after winning the coin toss. Downey won the Southeast Division title in 2012.

Warren won the 2013 S.G.V.L. title in girls' tennis and Downey won the 2013 S.G.V.L. title in girls' volleyball. Downey schools combined to win 5/7 fall San Gabriel Valley League sports titles.

Downey and Warren have also dominated winter and spring sports. In fact, the only three teams outside of Downey or Warren to win an outright league title in San Gabriel Valley League play in 2013-14 were the Cerritos' boys' water polo team, the La Serna girls' golf team and Lynwood's girls' basketball team.

The 2014-15 athletic teams at Downey and Warren look to do even better this year with many standout student-athletes

returning to his/her respective sports.

The San Gabriel Valley League football season begins next Friday.

Downey, Dominguez and Paramount have each held a share of the league title in recent years. Oddly, Downey has beaten Dominguez but has lost to Paramount. Dominguez has beaten Paramount but has lost to Downey. Paramount has beaten Downey but has lost to Dominguez.

Downey lost in the first round of the C.I.F. Southeast Division playoffs in 2013 after winning the Southeast Division title in 2012. This year looks to be another dog fight with other S.G.V.L. teams looking to compete for a playoff spot.

Lynwood has changed to a spread offense. The Knights have been running a "wing-t" of recent years but have switched to the spread offense under first year head coach Kendrick Knox. Senior quarterback Darryl Robinson is excited for the change and looks to distribute the ball to several Knight playmakers. Lynwood hopes to compete for a playoff spot.

The Dominguez Dons look to upgrade their team this year also. The Dons rushed for close to 5,000 yards last season on offense and their defense only allowed more than ten points in a game three times. However, head coach Keith Donerson knows his team is capable of performing better. Senior running back Joshua Ford

looks to lead the Dons to a league title and playoff run this season.

The Paramount Pirates are looking for big things from freshman cornerback back Eric Fuller Jr. Fuller Jr. will also be an offensive threat with the ball in his hands. Paramount defensive coordinator Michael Fletcher said, "he's electric." Fellow Pirate teammate and safety Donzale Roddie kept it simple by saying, "he can help us win ballgames."

The S.G.V.L. looks to be highly competitive once again this year. Coaches, players and fans are anxiously waiting for Friday nights.

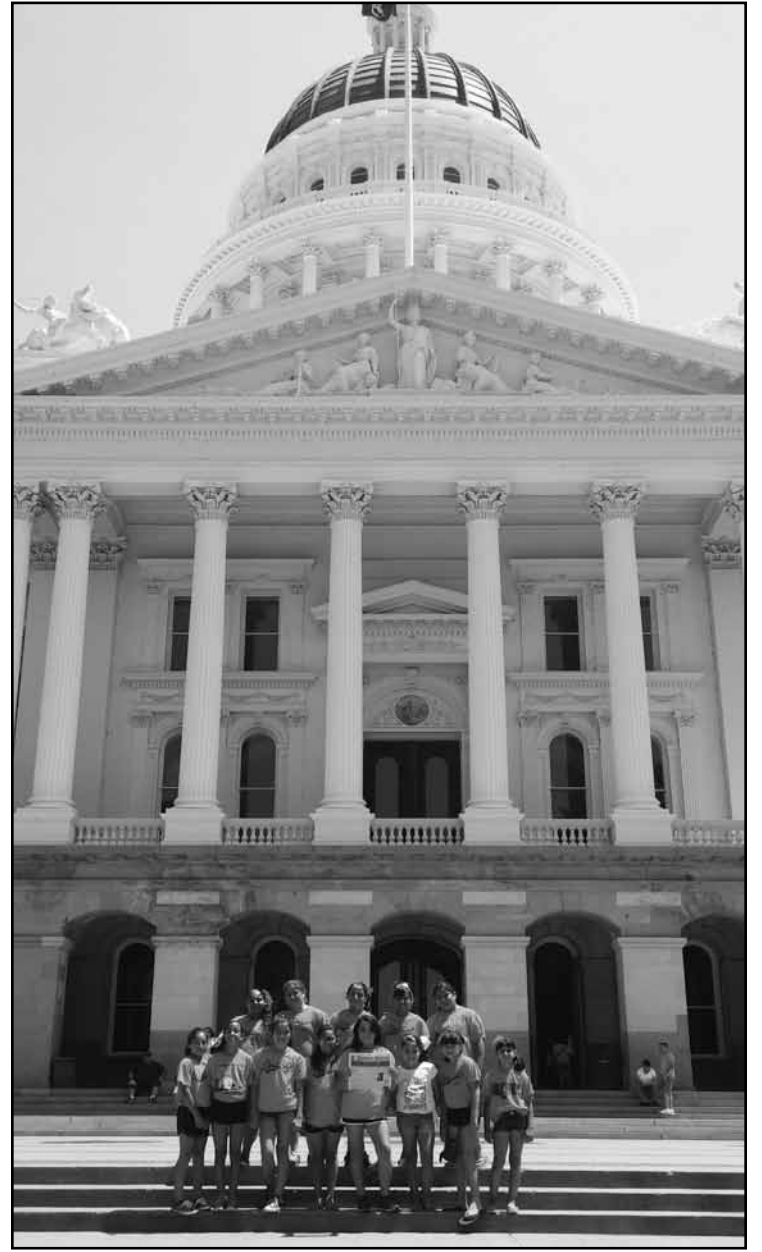
The high school prep football season will get underway later today for St. John Bosco as the Braves traveled to Honolulu for their season opener against St. Louis High School.

Downey High School will host a scrimmage against Orange Lutheran later today at 5 p.m. The Vikings will begin their season next Friday, Aug. 29, against Millikan and will host Vista Murrieta the following week.

Warren High School will start the Raul Lara era Friday, Sept. 5, at St. Paul High School in Whittier.

The Downey Calvary Chapel Grizzlies will open their season next Saturday, Aug. 30, at Santa Rosa Academy at 4 p.m.

The Grizzlies are under the direction of new head coach Jeff Welch. DCC is looking to improve upon their 2-6 finish from last season.



While playing in Western Nationals in Roseville, Calif. recently, Downey's 10U Gold All Star team took a tour of the State Capitol and took the Downey Patriot along with them.

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# It's official: Downey becomes Special Olympics host city

• Downey will host approximately 100 Special Olympic athletes next summer.

**DOWNEY** – A press conference was held Wednesday to officially announce Downey as a host city for the 2015 Special Olympics World Games.

As a host city, Downey will provide meals, accommodations, and training facilities for approximately 100 Special Olympic athletes next summer.

“We are honored and excited to be part of the Host Town program for the 2015 Special Olympics World Games in Los Angeles,” said Mayor Fernando Vasquez. “As an official Host Town, Downey is thrilled to welcome these amazing athletes to our city and we look

forward to sharing all of the wonderful things that make our community so special.”

Several local organizations and community members will be partnering up with the city to welcome the Special Olympics athletes. Some of the confirmed community organizations include Coca-Cola, Kaiser Permanente, Downey Chamber of Commerce, Downey Family YMCA, Kiwanis and numerous Soroptimist groups.

“The Host Town program is an exciting way for Southern California locals to open our doors and show the athletes and coaches from around the world our hospitality and our culture,” said Patrick McClenahan, president and chief executive officer of LA2015, the Games Organizing

Committee. “This is an important part of the World Games experience and a truly meaningful way for different communities to be part of the Games and create lasting memories for our visiting athletes.”

Before the World Games begin on July 25, 2015, more than 7,000 athletes from 177 countries will be welcomed to Southern California through the Host Town program.

One hundred communities from San Luis Obispo to San Diego will be selected as an official Host Town.

As a Host Town, Downey will be offering a warm welcome to participating athletes by engaging them in a variety of special events and activities that showcase the community.

Downey joins the growing list of officially proclaimed Host Towns, which includes Long Beach, Thousand Oaks, Calabasas, Studio City, West Covina, Manhattan Beach, Arcadia, Burbank, Palmdale, La Mirada, Santa Clarita and Palm Springs. More Host Town selections will be announced in the coming weeks.

The 2015 Special Olympics World Games will feature 25 Olympic-style sports in venues throughout the Los Angeles region.

The Opening Ceremony, to be held July 25, 2015 in the Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum, site of the 1932 and 1984 Olympic Games, and is expected to attract 80,000 spectators.

**DOWNEY** – “The Iraq War began in 2003 and that motivated me” states Nick Velez about his reason to join the United States Marine Corps.

Nick's military interest began when at the age of 15; a school counselor recommended him for the “Devil Pups” program which is essentially a “mini boot camp”. In this program, students go through different challenges and learn discipline and teamwork through military-style education. After completing the program, Velez was hooked on the discipline and his interest in joining the Marine Corps was thriving.

At the age of 18, Velez enlisted into the Marines. Nick served from 2005-2009 as an 0311 Infantry Rifleman. While serving in Iraq, Nick realized that keeping in communication with his family was going to be strenuous. According to Nick, the only form of contact he had with his family was through letters.

“Mail call was once every two weeks if you were lucky,” he says.

Not much interested in the California beaches before enlistment, Nick mentions it's what he missed most about home. The feeling of longing for home was at times overwhelming, knowing that to be a warrior only to adjust back going to the beach wasn't an option.

For Nick, the difficult thing about the transition from serving to civilian life is “training your mind to be a warrior only to adjust back” from that. Nick also mentions that losing his brothers in arms was an extreme cost for him.

Fast forward five years, Nick is still “adjusting” to civilian life. When the question was raised on whether or not he would relive the same experience of his time served,

# Coming Home: Nick Velez



he replied with a simple “yes.” “I miss the smell of gunpowder and being a Marine,” he says.

Nick is currently the co-owner of Bastards sports bar in Downey. The restaurant is named after the United States Marine Corps, 2nd Battalion, 4th Marines nicknamed the “Magnificent Bastards.” The bar is truly a tribute to them.

This Saturday, Aug. 23, Bastards will be hosting a fundraiser benefiting Eduardo Carrillo's family to help with his funeral expenses. Carrillo served with the Marine Corps for eight years and had a friendship with Velez. The event will also help “Howard's Road to Recovery” as proceeds will benefit Howie Sackett's (a former Marine) father Howard Senior who is recovering from a motorcycle accident.

All donations made will help with his medical expenses. This event will be taking place at Bastards from 2 p.m. to closing.

Nick's plans for the future

include continuing the operation of Bastards as well as the development of his own non-profit organization- “Save the Brave.” The goal of this organization is to assist Veterans with their VA claims and GI Bill as well as serving as a comfort and counsel agent to the veterans in whatever way they can.

Nick's advice for anyone considering joining the military is to “give it your best, regardless of what you do. Once you start, finish it.”

Nick describes his bond with his Marine Corps brothers as being “bigger than your country...” once you're out there “it's for your brothers.”

“Coming Home: A Veteran's Story” is a project between the Living Tree Foundation and the Downey Patriot, with the goal of telling the stories of local veterans. If you are interested in telling your story, contact Julie Garcia at (562) 884-8683 or julieg@yourlivingtree.org.

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# SUMMER OF CYCLING UPDATE



• Downey drivers ignorant concerning rights of cyclists on public streets.

By **Lars Clutterham**  
Contributor

**DOWNEY** – Last month's article on Downey's "Summer of Cycling" concluded with a promise of safety tips and rules of the road for cyclists. Since these are issues with which I am intimately familiar as a recreational and commuter cyclist, I'll take the liberty of speaking in the first person on this topic.

To begin with, bicycle safety has to be a two-way street between cyclists and drivers—if you'll forgive the pun. Both groups are guilty of errors of both omission and commission regarding the rules of the road relating to bicyclists, which have long been on the books of both local and state government, including thorough treatment in the CA Driver Handbook.

That said, here follows my view, from personal experience, on the Downey driver.

To put it bluntly, Downey vehicle drivers are woefully ignorant concerning the rights of cyclists on the streets. Why would I make this pronouncement? Here is why: I've been commuting to

work part-time on my bike from Downey to Culver City for most of the last two years, rigorously abiding by all traffic laws. During that time I've logged more than 2,000 miles to and from work through residential northwest Downey and Bell Gardens, commercial Commerce, Bell, Vernon, residential East L.A., and the USC area through West L.A. to the eastern edge of Culver City, where my work is located.

In all those miles, I've been honked at only once, and have only once been passed by a motor vehicle closer than the three-foot margin that's about to become the legal minimum clearance between a vehicle and a bicycle, according to a new California law that goes into effect on September 16.

By contrast, in Downey I ride my bicycle on the nearly deserted residential streets as much as possible. However, in the same two-year period mentioned above, I've found it necessary to ride on major arterial streets in town about five times. In those five outings on major Downey streets, I've been honked at on three of those five occasions—60% of my trips—for merely taking the lane, which the law clearly allows me to do as a cyclist.

On the most recent occasion, when I really had to be heading east on Firestone Boulevard, after stopping at a red light at Downey Avenue, the driver behind me honked at me as soon as the light turned green, then veered towards me as he passed to within about 18 inches, in an obvious attempt to scare me.

If this is not ignorance, then it's a kind of arrogant hubris that dramatically flouts the law and puts cyclists in potentially grave

danger. Given the overwhelming proportion of my being honked at as a cyclist in Downey compared to my experiences across the rest of the central L.A. area, I choose to conclude that in Downey it's simple ignorance.

So here's **RULE ONE** for the Downey driver: if a bicyclist takes the lane, you are legally required to give it to him/her. As a driver, you don't have a right to pass judgment on his/her reasons why. There are many legitimate safety reasons why a bicyclist may feel the need to take the lane. One big one is the possibility of getting "doored," hit by a car door that opens suddenly. Others include the possibility of grates or obstacles in the gutter, or of ruts or gaps in the concrete or asphalt which, though they may not even be noticeable to you, could be a big safety hazard to the cyclist.

Next month, we'll return with more safety tips, including one or two cardinal cyclist errors that take place too often in the Downey area.

In conclusion, Downey's Summer of Cycling draws to a close in the upcoming weeks with two major public workshop opportunities on the City's proposed Bicycle Master Plan. The first of these meetings will take place next Thursday, Aug. 28, at the Barbara J. Riley Community and Senior Center next to Apollo Park.

Scheduled from 6-8 p.m., the meeting will include two consecutive one-hour "Open House Sessions," with a specific presentation scheduled for 6:30 p.m.

If you're a bicyclist, you really need to be there. If you're a concerned citizen, you do too.



From left: library assistant Angie Macias-Mendez, Jaclyn Guido (Teen Kindle raffle winner), Friends of the Downey City Library president Pat Smith, Olga Gutierrez (Adult Kindle raffle winner), and adult services librarian Linda Rivas.

## Library wraps up summer programs

**DOWNEY** – The Downey City Library has announced the end of another successful summer reading program, which encouraged adults, teens and children to read and explore the many resources offered by the library.

This summer, 3,000 children registered and participated in the reading program, and more than 500 kids attended special Thursday afternoon events, including a robotic puppet dog, magic mayhem, mystifying science demonstrations, balloon mousetraps and whale shark

adventures.

Nearly 300 young adults participated in the library's Teen Summer Reading Program, which included a Dr. Who-themed event, a mini catapult creation, a marshmallow build-off and a Maze-Runner-themed pizza party.

Over 200 adults participated in the Adult Summer Reading Program, which encouraged the community to explore library resources through a bingo game.

The library also raffled a number of prizes for teens and adults, with the prizes donated by the Friends of the Downey City

Library and Del Rio Lanes.

Jaclyn Guido and Olga Gutierrez both won Kindle e-readers. Stacy Escamilla and Jennifer Landa won second and third place prizes in the Adult Program.

## Planned power outage Sunday

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# Setting boundaries in property line disputes

By Steve Perez,  
Law Offices of Steve Perez

When facing a property line dispute, take a deep breath before jumping to conclusions. Remember that you still have to live next to your neighbors, but don't let property line encroachments go unanswered. Inaction could haunt you when it's time to sell and it could also cost you part of your land.

The legal definition of a boundary is the dividing line between 1) two parcels of land or 2) between one parcel and where that parcel reaches its limit, such as a street or waterway.

Boundaries are determined on the basis of the legal description of the property. The usual description of property in an urban setting is by lot and tract number with reference to a parcel or tract map. The description is usually included in your Grant Deed or attached to it. You can obtain a copy at the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk's office.

Boundary and encroachment disputes often arise over fences, hedges, structures, walkways, driveways, walls, landscaping, and other improvements when they are placed at a location other than the true boundary of a property. Sometimes no one is aware that an apparent boundary is incorrect until one property owner decides to replace or construct improvements near the perceived boundary.

The biggest property boundary issues revolve around the ownership and responsibility for fencing that separates properties and trees planted on or near the boundary. Unless property owners agree otherwise, fences on a boundary line belong to both owners. Both owners are responsible for keeping the fence in good repair, and neither may remove it without the other's permission. In the event that tree limbs overhang from one property to another, the property owner may cut tree limbs and remove roots where they cross the property line, provided that such pruning will not damage the basic

health and welfare of the tree.

Other common boundary disputes revolving around encroachment issues happen when a neighbor builds a shed with an edge over the property line, builds a fence on your side of the property line, or expands his house so that a porch ends up on your property. You might decide that your neighbor's encroachment doesn't bother you and do nothing about it. However, if you ever sell your property, you will need to disclose the encroachment to any potential buyers so that they can consider the issue as part of their purchasing decision.

Fortunately, there are a number of ways to handle an encroachment. First, talk to your neighbor about it. He might be able to move the structure or you might come to some alternate arrangement. If you and your neighbor decide to leave the encroachment in place, you may consider giving him written permission to use your property. This can prevent a later claim of adverse possession. If your

neighbor is unable or unwilling to remove the encroachment, but is otherwise open to resolving the issue, you may wish to consider selling the encroached-upon property to him. That way, you get some money for the loss of your property and your neighbor gets to use the land without worry.

If you are unable to resolve the issue between yourselves, then you should consider bringing the encroachment to the attention of the local planning and building department. Property owners may build only on their own property absent permission from the encroached-upon neighbors. Lacking such permission may result in the local government forcing the encroaching party to remove the offending portion of the structure.

*The purpose of this column is to provide general information on the law, which is subject to change. It is not legal advice. Consult a lawyer if you have a specific legal problem.*

## Angelo D'Eramo mourned

**DOWNEY** – Angelo Carmine D'Eramo, 83, passed away July 18 of natural causes. He died in Downey with family at his side.

Born in Los Angeles on Aug. 18, 1930, he served his country in the U.S. Army, supporting the Korean War in Alaska. He retired 21 years ago from Southern California Gas Company, where he worked in the Regulatory Affairs Department.

D'Eramo was a Downey resident since 1960 and was an active member of the Downey Knights of Columbus, Y's Men Club, and other charity organizations.

He is survived by his wife, Teresa D'Eramo; daughter, Tina Triscari; sons, David D'Eramo and Marc D'Eramo; daughter, Stephanie Giandomenico; and 10 grandchildren.

A funeral mass was held July 23 at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church in Downey.



## In Memory of Wilbert G. Lidtke

January 11, 1923 to August 17, 2014



Wilbert G Lidtke (Bill) returned to his heavenly father on August 17, 2014. He was 91. He passed away peacefully in his Downey home of 60 years looking forward to being reunited with his dear wife, Dorothea.

Bill was born in Detroit, MI. Soon after graduating from Roosevelt High School his country called him to serve in the Pacific theater during WWII where he earned the Purple Heart. After discharge he attained a B. S. in Chemical Engineering from Lawrence Institute of Technology.

While studying he married the love of his life, Dorothea Witte. In 1950 his company afforded him the opportunity to move his family to Los Angeles to work in the fledgling field of electroplating. During his 38 years of employment he shared his expertise throughout the western U. S., teaching and troubleshooting.

His faith in his Lord guided his life and governed his relationships. He served in many leadership roles over fifty-five years at Messiah Lutheran Church.

As often as he could, he loved to trout fish while camping in California's Sierra Nevada.

He is survived by his children William Lidtke (Shirley) and Kathy Wright, his 4 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren.

A funeral service will be held Thursday, August 28, at Messiah Lutheran Church in Downey. Remembrances can be made to The City of Hope at [www.cityofhope.org/giving](http://www.cityofhope.org/giving)

# Historical society lines up guest speaker

**DOWNEY** – Longtime Downey resident Pat Kearns will be the guest speaker at the Downey Historical Society's Sept. 25 meeting.

Kearns was born on St. Patrick's Day 1933 in the tiny 6-room Downey Hospital located on 5th St., just west of Dolan Avenue. He was the first of seven children raised at the family home

at 338 S. Downey Avenue, across the present YMCA complex.

After graduating from Downey High School in 1951, he left for the University of Notre Dame, where he earned a degree in civil engineering. He came home to work as an aerospace engineer for North American Aviation and Firestone Rocket Division for 11 years.

During that time he met and married Joann Benadon at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church in July 1957. They had four children – Stacey, Cathy, Teri and Kevin – and lived on south Dolan Avenue.

Kearns was elected to the Downey Recreation and Park District in 1962 and served as its chairman in 1965. That same year he became a charter member of

the Downey Historical Society.

Kearns and his family moved to Ventura in 1966. He and his wife retired to Seal Beach in 2002.

The Sept. 25 meeting begins at 7:30 p.m. in the John Downey Room at the Barbara J. Riley Community and Senior Center. It is open to the public.



## CONSERVE WATER, IT'S THE LAW WATER USE RESTRICTIONS



### City Mandated Water Use Restrictions

The City urges water users to partner with the City and the rest of California to conserve water by putting into action the City's Water Use Restrictions, summarized below, to ensure compliance with the State's recent mandates and to help preserve the State's precious water resources.

#### Landscape Irrigation

- Irrigation with potable water limited to 4:00 p.m. to 10:00 a.m. on designated irrigation days with exceptions made for golf courses, parks, school grounds, recreational fields, commercial nurseries, and landscape contractors
- Reclaimed/recycled water irrigation permitted on any day
- Watering permitted any time if hand-held hose equipped with shut-off nozzle, faucet-filled bucket of five gallons or less, or drip irrigation is used
- Properties with even and odd numbered addresses limited to irrigating on even and odd numbered days of the month respectively with exceptions made if determined unfeasible in which case irrigating permitted on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays
- No irrigation runoff from landscaped areas onto adjoining streets, sidewalks, or other paved areas due to incorrectly directed or maintained sprinklers or excessive watering



#### Exterior Washing

- No washing of buildings, facilities, equipment, autos, trucks, trailers, boats, airplanes, and other mobile equipment except where a hand-held hose with a shut-off nozzle for quick rinses is used
- Washing permitted any time on the immediate premises of a commercial car wash
- Washings exempted from restrictions where health, safety, and welfare of the public is contingent upon frequent vehicle, or other facility or equipment cleaning
- No wash down of sidewalks, driveways, parking areas, patios, or other paved areas except to alleviate fire, sanitation, or health hazards



#### Ornamental/Recreational

- Filling and refilling of swimming pools and spas is discouraged and if necessary, only permitted between 6:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m.
- Filling and refilling of ponds, fountains, and artificial lakes is discouraged and recycling of water encouraged



#### Other/Leaks

- No serving of water at restaurants unless requested
- Leaks to be repaired as soon as discovered and not allowed to continue for more than 48 hours

### Looking for Water Conservation Tips, Rebates, and Additional Information?

Water conservation tips, links to State and City water use restrictions, and links to water conservation rebate opportunities for residential and commercial/industrial customers can be found on the top right portion of the City of Downey website main page ([www.downeyca.org](http://www.downeyca.org)) by clicking on "Water Conservation" under the section titled, "Most Popular". If you have questions, please call the Public Works Department Utilities Division at 562-904-7202.

## New Metro Fares Effective September 15, 2014



# Metro Briefs

GATEWAY CITIES

**New Fare Structure Begins September 15**  
Metro is adjusting fares for bus and rail service, effective September 15, 2014. The new structure allows customers to transfer to connecting lines to complete their one-way trip on a single fare when paid with a TAP card. For more complete details, visit [metro.net/fares](http://metro.net/fares).

**Four Blue Line Stations Closing**  
As part of Metro's Blue Line upgrades, the 5th Street, 1st Street, Downtown Long Beach and Pacific Avenue stations will be closed in late September for refurbishing. Free bus service is available between the closed stations and Anaheim Station. To learn more about the Blue Line overhaul, go to [metro.net/bluelineupgrades](http://metro.net/bluelineupgrades).

**Report Expected On Eastside Transit Corridor**  
Metro plans to release a draft environmental report for the Eastside Transit Corridor Phase 2 later this summer. Among the alternatives studied are extending the Metro Gold Line farther east from East LA along either the SR-60 or Washington Boulevard. For more information visit [metro.net/eastsidephase2](http://metro.net/eastsidephase2).

**Save \$5 on Long Beach Funk Fest**  
Spend Labor Day (Monday, September 1) at the 6th Annual Long Beach Funk Fest by the Queen Mary in Downtown Long Beach. Valid TAP card holders save \$5 on general admission by using the promo code GOMETRO online. For details visit [metro.net/discounts](http://metro.net/discounts).



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## Nightclub withdraws request for go-go dancers

DOWNEY – Club DB Lounge won't be getting its go-go dancers after all.

In a letter to city planners, Hayk Gevorkyan, owner of the nightclub, unexpectedly withdrew his application seeking go-go dancers.

The Planning Commission was scheduled to consider the application Wednesday night after granting a tentative approval last month, a controversial decision that upset conservative residents.

"The main reason for this

cancellation is that I noticed that many city officials, including the Downey Police Department, among others, did not like, or support the idea of me bringing Go-Go dancers to my business, and I have much respect for the city and its community," Gevorkyan wrote in the letter, dated Aug. 19. "Therefore, it's only logical for me to cancel this application."

About half a dozen residents appeared poised to speak out against the go-go dancers at Wednesday's Planning

Commission meeting.

Mayor Fernando Vasquez was the only council member to publicly criticize the commission's preliminary decision to allow go-go dancers, pending a list of conditions.

Had Gevorkyan not withdrawn his application, and the commission approved the go-go dancers, it's likely the decision would have been appealed to the City Council.

—Eric Pierce, editor

## St. Pius has record enrollment

DOWNEY – One year after becoming a co-ed high school, St. Pius X – St. Matthias Academy was forced to establish a waitlist after reaching a record number in the amount of applications, admitted and registered students for the 2014-2015 school year.

A record 200 applications were received and 191 students have been accepted for the upcoming school year.

A total of 307 students are registered in grades 9-12, and as a result, for the first time in school history St. Pius X – St. Matthias Academy has opened a waitlist for admission.

Thirteen incoming freshmen qualified for the Onwards Scholars Program scholarship, a scholarship offered only at St. Pius X – St. Matthias Academy that pays 75% of a student's tuition for

four years.

Enrollment numbers are not the only thing increasing at St. Pius X – St. Matthias Academy for this upcoming school year: five new teachers were hired this year to teach Spanish, Chemistry, Geometry, and Theology classes.

The new school year started Aug. 13.

## Dozens arrested at checkpoints Friday

NORWALK – Nearly two dozen people were arrested at a DUI and driver's license checkpoint in Norwalk last Saturday night.

Sheriff's deputies arrested 20 drivers for driving without a license.

Two people were arrested on DUI charges.

More than 1,800 vehicles passed through the checkpoint, which was located at Imperial Highway and Bloomfield Avenue.

In Pico Rivera, 11 drivers were arrested at a checkpoint on Whittier Boulevard, west of Paramount Boulevard.

Seven unlicensed drivers were arrested, along with two drivers with suspended or revoked licenses.

Two suspected drunk drivers were also arrested.

A checkpoint in Paramount resulted in five arrests, including one driver caught with methamphetamine and drug paraphernalia while driving a stolen vehicle.

BINGO

**Thursday Afternoon**

*Games start at Noon*

- many special programs -

**Woman's Club of Downey**

9813 Paramount Boulevard

- Proceeds benefit Rancho -

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# LEGAL NOTICES

### BULK SALES

NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF BULK SALE AND OF INTENTION TO TRANSFER ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LICENSE(S)

(UCC Sec. 6101 et seq. and B & P Sec. 24073 et seq.)  
Escrow No. 13030-JP  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a bulk sale of assets and a transfer of alcoholic beverage license(s) is/are about to be made. The name(s) and address of the seller(s)/licensee(s) are: IRENE HONG, 14785 CARMENITA RD, NORWALK, CA 90650  
Doing business as: BUD'S DELI  
All other business names(s) and address(es) used by the seller(s)/licensee(s) within the past three years, as stated by the seller(s)/licensee(s), is/are:  
The name(s) and address of the buyer(s)/licensee(s) is/are: JEROME OM, 14785 CARMENITA RD, NORWALK, CA 90650  
The assets being sold are generally described as: FURNITURE, FIXTURES, EQUIPMENT, GOODWILL, LEASE, LEASEHOLD IMPROVEMENT, COVENANT NOT TO COMPETE AND WINE-EATING PLACE LICENSE #41-533154 and are located at: 14785 CARMENITA RD, NORWALK, CA 90650  
The type and number of license to be transferred is/are: Type: ON SALE BEER AND WINE-EATING PLACE, License Number: 41-533154 now issued for the premises located at: SAME  
The bulk sale and transfer of alcoholic beverage license(s) is/are intended to be consummated at the office of: ACT ONE ESCROW INC, 17918 PIONEER BLVD, STE 202, ARTESIA, CA 90701 and the anticipated sale date is SEPTEMBER 12, 2014  
The bulk sale is subject to California Uniform Commercial Code Section 6106.2.  
[If the sale is subject to Sec. 6106.2, the following information must be provided:]  
The name and address of the person with whom claims may be filed is: ACT ONE ESCROW, 17918 PIONEER BLVD, STE 202, ARTESIA, CA 90701 and the last day for filing claims by any creditor shall be SEPTEMBER 8, 2014, which is the business day before the anticipated sale date specified above.  
Dated: AUG 11 2014  
G & G INC, Buyer(s)  
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and business address(es) of the seller(s) are: CUP CULTURE CORPORATION, 251 STONEWOOD ST, DOWNEY, CA 90241  
Doing business as: TUTTI FRUTTI / PRINKIPIA  
All other business name(s) and address(es) used by the seller(s) within three years, as stated by the seller(s), is/are:  
The name(s) and address of the buyer(s) is/are: G & G INC, 251 STONEWOOD ST, DOWNEY, CA 90241  
The assets being sold are described in general as: FURNITURE, FIXTURES, EQUIPMENT, GOODWILL, LEASE, LEASEHOLD IMPROVEMENTS AND COVENANT NOT TO COMPETE and are located at: 251 STONEWOOD ST, DOWNEY, CA 90241  
The bulk sale is intended to be consummated at the office of: ACT ONE ESCROW, 17918 PIONEER BLVD, STE 202, ARTESIA, CA 90701 and the anticipated sale date is SEPTEMBER 9, 2014  
The bulk sale is subject to California Uniform Commercial Code Section 6106.2.  
[If the sale is subject to Sec. 6106.2, the following information must be provided:]  
The name and address of the person with whom claims may be filed is: ACT ONE ESCROW, 17918 PIONEER BLVD, STE 202, ARTESIA, CA 90701 and the last day for filing claims by any creditor shall be SEPTEMBER 8, 2014, which is the business day before the anticipated sale date specified above.  
Dated: AUG 11 2014  
G & G INC, Buyer(s)  
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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. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.  
The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (see Section 14411 et. seq., Business Professions Code).

The Downey Patriot  
8/7/14, 8/14/14, 8/21/14, 8/28/14

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File Number 2014225766  
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) UNITED 1 CONSTRUCTION, 3391 AGNES ST, LYNNWOOD CA 90262, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) AUGUSTO K OCAMPO RODRIGUEZ, 3391 AGNES ST, LYNNWOOD CA 90262  
State of Incorporation: CA  
This business is conducted by an Individual  
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A  
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.)  
S/AUGUSTO K OCAMPO RODRIGUEZ, OWNER

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8/21/14

**FICT. BUS NAME**

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File Number 2014214302  
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) HOME REALTY AND MANAGEMENT, 9310 E FIRESTONE BLVD, DOWNEY CA 90241, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) PATRICIA REAL, 9310 E FIRESTONE BLVD, DOWNEY CA 90241  
State of Incorporation: N/A  
This business is conducted by an Individual  
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 08/05/2014  
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/PATRICIA REAL, OWNER  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on AUGUST 05, 2014  
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,

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) BLANCA MCCARTY, 3746 KAREN AVE., LONG BEACH CA 90808  
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/BLANCA MCCARTY, OWNER  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on AUGUST 14, 2014  
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(UCC Sec. 6105)  
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When you're selling a home, you have a lot of questions, and having the right answers at your fingertips could make all the difference between the success and failure of your transaction.

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Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) NYAMKHUU CHOIJINNYAM, 15311 GUNDRY AVE UNIT 5, PARAMOUNT CA 90723  
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/NYAMKHUU CHOIJINNYAM, OWNER  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on JULY 25, 2014  
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. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.  
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S/BLANCA MCCARTY, OWNER  
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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File Number 2014207681  
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) BF MANAGEMENT, 3746 KAREN AVE., LONG BEACH CA 90808, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) BLANCA MCCARTY, 3746 KAREN AVE., LONG BEACH CA 90808  
State of Incorporation: N/A  
This business is conducted by an Individual  
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Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) OYQUE MARTINEZ, INC., 15852 GALE AVENUE, HACIENDA HEIGHTS CA 91745, LA COUNTY  
The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (see Section 14411 et. seq., Business Professions Code).

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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File Number 2014201857  
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) HILLSIDE CONCRETE SPECIALISTS, 9086 IMPERIAL HWY, SUITE C, DOWNEY CA 90242, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) HILLSIDE BUILDERS COMPANY, 9086 IMPERIAL HWY, SUITE C, DOWNEY CA 90242  
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/ HILLSIDE BUILDERS COMPANY, PRESIDENT, KARINA REYES  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on JULY 25, 2014  
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7/31/14, 8/7/14, 8/14/14, 8/21/14

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File Number 2014236217  
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) CENTURY 21 EXCELLENCE RELIABLE PROPERTY MANAGEMENT, 15852 GALE AVENUE, HACIENDA HEIGHTS CA 91745, LA COUNTY

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) OYQUE MARTINEZ, INC., 15852 GALE AVENUE, HACIENDA HEIGHTS CA 91745  
State of Incorporation: CA  
This business is conducted by a Corporation  
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A  
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/OYQUE MARTINEZ, INC., SECRETARY, TERESA OROURKEMARTINEZ  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on AUGUST 20, 2014  
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. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.  
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Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) SANDRA JAUREGUI, 9023 HASTY AVE., DOWNEY CA 90240  
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/SANDRA JAUREGUI, OWNER  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on AUGUST 18, 2014 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. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.  
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**The Downey Patriot**  
8/21/14, 8/28/14, 9/4/14, 9/11/14

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File Number 201420045  
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) ELITE WEDDING SERVICES, 9936 SMALLWOOD AVE., DOWNEY CA 90240, LA COUNTY  
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) DONALD DAVID POLLARD, 9936 SMALLWOOD AVE., DOWNEY CA 90240 (2) STEVE JAN, 732 E. VALENCIA AVE., ANAHEIM CA 92805  
State of Incorporation: N/A  
This business is conducted by a General Partnership  
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A  
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.)  
S/ DONALD DAVID POLLARD, PARTNER  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on JULY 24, 2014 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. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.  
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**The Downey Patriot**  
7/31/14, 8/7/14, 8/14/14, 8/21/14

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File Number 2014213865  
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) PROPERTY MAINTENANCE, 421 60TH ST, LONG BEACH CA 90805, LA COUNTY  
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) OTTO MARQUEZ, 421 60TH ST, LONG BEACH CA 90805  
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/ OTTO MARQUEZ, PRESIDENT  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on AUGUST 05, 2014 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. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.  
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**The Downey Patriot**  
8/7/14, 8/14/14, 8/21/14, 8/28/14

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File Number 2014218270  
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) ROD WADE COLLECTIONS, 13112 VALLEYHEART DRIVE #308, STUDIO CITY CA 91604, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES  
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) JANET BROUGHTON, 2371 VIA MARIPOSA WEST #C, LAGUNA WOODS CA 92637 (2) RODNEY MCMAHON, 13112 VALLEYHEART DRIVE #308, STUDIO CITY CA 91604  
State of Incorporation: N/A  
This business is conducted by a General Partnership  
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A  
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.)  
S/JANET BROUGHTON, PARTNER  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on AUGUST 7, 2014 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. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.  
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**The Downey Patriot**  
8/14/14, 8/21/14, 8/28/14, 9/4/14

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File Number 2014220655  
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) TRU TAX SERVICES, 11148 WHITTIER BLVD., WHITTIER CA 90606, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES  
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) HUGO

TRUJILLO, 1743 WEST MALVERN AVE. APT. 2, FULLERTON CA 92633  
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/HUGO TRUJILLO, OWNER  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on AUGUST 11, 2014 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. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.  
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**The Downey Patriot**  
8/14/14, 8/21/14, 8/28/14, 9/4/14

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File Number 2014235543  
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) KOI THAI CUISINE, 1429 N. HACIENDA BLVD, LA PUENTE CA 91744, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES  
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) THITAMA NUNTEE SEYMORE, 144 S. PROSPECTOR RD., DIAMOND BAR CA 91765  
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/THITAMA NUNTEE SEYMORE  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on AUGUST 20, 2014 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. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.  
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**The Downey Patriot**  
8/21/14, 8/28/14, 9/4/14, 9/11/14

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File Number 2014196531  
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) ROMAN-GEMMA, 10700 DOWNEY AVE #103, DOWNEY CA 90241, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES  
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) MARICELA BALDOCK, 10700 DOWNEY AVE UNIT 103, DOWNEY CA 90241 (2) JENNIFER MARIE NIGRO, 4800 LARWIN AVE, CYPRESS CA 90630  
State of Incorporation: N/A  
This business is conducted by a General Partnership  
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A  
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.)  
S/ MARICELA BALDOCK, OWNER  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on JULY 21, 2014 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. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.  
The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (see Section 14411 et. seq., Business Professions Code).

**The Downey Patriot**  
8/7/14, 8/14/14, 8/21/14, 8/28/14

**GOVERNMENT**  
**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING PLANNED SIGN PROGRAM**  
PLN-14-00153

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held before the DOWNEY CITY PLANNING COMMISSION on the 3rd day of September, 2014, 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:

**PLN-14-00153 (SIGN)** – A request for approval of the number, color, size, and location of signs on a multi-tenant building, located at 9050 Telegraph Road, zoned C-2 (General Commercial).

All interested parties are invited to submit written comments and/or to attend and give testimony. The staff report, which provides a detailed description and analysis of this project, will be posted to the City's website ([http://www.downeyca.org/gov/cd/planning/planning\\_commission.asp](http://www.downeyca.org/gov/cd/planning/planning_commission.asp)) on the Friday prior to the public hearing.

As required by the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), this request has been found to be Categorically Exempt from CEQA, per CEQA Guideline, Section 15301(Class 1, Existing Facilities).

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 Planning Division at, or prior to, the public hearing.

For more information contact Assistant Planner Kevin Nguyen at 562-904-7154.

**The Downey Patriot**  
8/21/14

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING PLANNED SIGN PROGRAM**  
PLN-14-00020

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held before the DOWNEY CITY PLANNING COMMISSION on the 3rd day of September, 2014, 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:

**PLN-14-00020 (SIGN)** – A request for approval of the number, color, size, and location of signs on a multi-tenant building, located at 11400-11438 Old River School Road, zoned C-2 (General Commercial).

This application was originally heard by the Planning Commission at a public hearing held on June 18, 2014, at which time this item was continued to a future hearing.

All interested parties are invited to submit written comments and/or to attend and give testimony. The staff report, which provides a detailed description and analysis of this project, will be posted to the City's website ([http://www.downeyca.org/gov/cd/planning/planning\\_commission.asp](http://www.downeyca.org/gov/cd/planning/planning_commission.asp)) on the Friday prior to the public hearing.

As required by the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), this request has been found to be Categorically Exempt from CEQA, per CEQA Guideline, Section 15301(Class 1, Existing Facilities).

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 Planning Division at, or prior to, the public hearing.

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

**The Downey Patriot**  
8/21/14

**NOTICE CALLING FOR BIDS**  
**CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT**  
NO. 15-03  
**APOLLO PARK WALKING/JOGGING TRAIL IMPROVEMENTS, PHASE I**

Sealed bids will be received at the office of the City Clerk of the City of Downey until 11:00 AM on Thursday, September 4, 2014 which hour the proposed bids will be publicly opened and read in the City Hall at 11111 Brookshire Ave., Downey, California for **Capital Improvement Project No. 15-03 – Apollo Park Walking/Jogging Trail Improvements**.

The work to be performed under this Contract generally consists of the construction of approximately 3,400 linear feet, 7-foot wide, walking trails at Apollo Park, as shown on the contract plans. The work includes removal and disposal of existing grass and dirt surfaces, excavation, grading, compaction, furnishing and placing decomposed granite, construction of concrete curbs, and minor irrigation modification, restoration of turf and all appurtenant work thereto necessary for the proper construction of the contemplated improvements, in accordance with Plans and Specifications entitled as **Capital Improvement Project No. 15-03**.

**Plans and Specifications for this project** are on file in the office of the City Cashier at 11111 Brookshire Ave., Downey, California, where they may be examined and copies obtained at a cost of \$25.00 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 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT No. 15-03.** 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 he 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 an 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 material men.

The local 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** or **C-27, "Landscaping 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, Los Angeles County Community Business Enterprise (CBE) Program Organization Form 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**  
8/14/14, 8/21/14

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING PLANNED SIGN PROGRAM**  
PLN-14-00148

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held before the DOWNEY CITY PLANNING COMMISSION on the 3rd day of September, 2014, 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:

**PLN-14-00148 (SIGN)** – A request for approval of the number, color, size, and location of signs on a multi-tenant building, located at 12315-12321 Woodruff Ave, zoned M-1 (Light Manufacturing)

All interested parties are invited to submit written comments and/or to attend and give testimony. The staff report, which provides a detailed description and analysis of this project, will be posted to the City's website ([http://www.downeyca.org/gov/cd/planning/planning\\_commission.asp](http://www.downeyca.org/gov/cd/planning/planning_commission.asp)) on the Friday prior to the public hearing.

As required by the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), this request has been found to be Categorically Exempt from CEQA, per CEQA Guideline, Section 15301(Class 1, Existing Facilities).

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 Planning Division at, or prior to, the public hearing.

For more information contact Senior Planner David Blumenthal at 562-904-7154.

**The Downey Patriot**  
8/21/14

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING Special Event Permit**  
PLN-14-00156

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held before the DOWNEY CITY PLANNING COMMISSION on the 3rd day of September, 2014, 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:

**PLN-14-00156 (Special Event Permit)** – A request to permit the operation of an annual carnival for three consecutive days (October 17, 18, and 19, 2014), in conjunction with the Our Lady of Perpetual Help School, on property located at 10441 Downey Ave, zoned R-3 (Multi-Family Residential). Carnival activities will include mechanical rides, jumpers, a beer garden, kid rides, food sales, live entertainment, and games.

All interested parties are invited to submit written comments and/or to attend and give testimony. The staff report, which provides a detailed description and analysis of this project, will be posted to the City's website ([http://www.downeyca.org/gov/cd/planning/planning\\_commission.asp](http://www.downeyca.org/gov/cd/planning/planning_commission.asp)) on the Friday prior to the public hearing.

As required by the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), this request has been found to be Categorically Exempt from CEQA, per CEQA Guideline, Section 15304 (Class 4, Minor Alterations to Land).

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 Planning Commission at, or prior to, the public hearing.

For more information contact Assistant Planner Kevin Nguyen at 562-904-7154.

**The Downey Patriot**  
8/21/14

**NOTICES**

**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME**  
CASE NUMBER: VS026066

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner SAMANTHA LYNN HOLTGATE, ANDREW SCOTT DANIEL filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present name: (1) OLIVIA LYNN DANIEL and Proposed name: (1) OLIVIA LYNN HOLTGATE.

THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.

**NOTICE OF HEARING**  
Date: SEPTEMBER 17, 2014, Time: 1:30 pm, Department C, Room 312

The address of the court is 12720 Norwalk Blvd, Norwalk CA 90650  
A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in the county, **DOWNEY PATRIOT**.

July 21, 2014  
Margaret M. Bernal  
Judge Of The Superior Court  
Petitioner or Attorney, In Pro Per  
**Samantha Lynn Holgate, In Pro Per**  
3814 Chestnut Road  
Whittier, CA 90605  
(562) 447-9598  
Samcole7@msn.com  
Andrew Scott Daniel  
15219 Terracedale Dr.  
La Mirada, CA 90638

**The Downey Patriot**  
8/21/14, 8/28/14, 9/4/14, 9/11/14

**SUMMONS (CITACION JUDICIAL) NOTICE TO DEFENDANT:**  
**YU CHONG JUN;**  
**YOU ARE BEING SUED.**

The court may decide against you without your being heard unless you respond within 30 days. Read the following information: You have 30 calendar days after this summons and legal papers are served on you to file a written response at this court and have a copy served on the plaintiff. A letter or phone call will not protect you. Your written response must be in proper legal form if you want the court to hear your case. There may be forms that you can use for your response. You can find these court forms and more information at the California Courts Online Self-Help Center ([www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp](http://www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp)), your county law library, or the courthouse nearest you. If you cannot print the filing fee, ask the court clerk for a fee waiver form. If you do not file your response on time, you may lose the case by default, and your wages, money, and property may be taken without further warning from the court. There are other legal requirements. You may want to call an attorney right away. If you do not know an attorney, you may want to call an attorney referral service. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may be eligible for free legal services from a nonprofit legal services program. You can locate these nonprofit groups at the California Legal Services Web site ([www.lawhelpcalifornia.org](http://www.lawhelpcalifornia.org)), the California Courts Online Self-Help Center ([www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp](http://www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp)), or by contacting your local court or county bar association. NOTE: The court has a statutory lien for waived fees and costs on any settlement or arbitration award of \$10,000 or more in a civil case. The court's lien must be paid before the court will dismiss the case. UNLAWFUL DETAINER - EVICTION: CASE NO. VC063694: The address of the court is: SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, NORWALK COURTHOUSE, 12720 Norwalk Blvd, Norwalk, CA 90650. The name, address and telephone number of the plaintiff's attorney is: Amy A. Mousavi (SBN #228388), 2020 Main St, Ste 900, Irvine CA 92614 Phone (949) 864-9667.

**GN902258**  
**The Downey Patriot**  
8/21/14, 8/28/14, 9/4/14

**NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF DALE LELAND KOSKI aka DALE L. KOSKI**  
Case No. BP154633

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of DALE LELAND KOSKI aka DALE L. KOSKI  
A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Damon Ray Koski in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES. THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that Damon Ray Koski be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.  
THE PETITION requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.  
THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.  
A HEARING on the petition will be held on Sept. 11, 2014 at 8:30 AM in Dept. No. 5 located at 111 N. Hill St., Los Angeles, CA 90012.  
IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.  
IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.  
YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

**The Downey Patriot**  
7/31/14, 8/7/14, 8/14/14, 8/21/14

**PROBATE**

**NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF CLAUDE R. BUSHBY**  
Case No. BP1551292

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of CLAUDE R. BUSHBY  
A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Marie Anne Brock in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES. THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that Marie Anne Brock be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.  
THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice

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to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.  
A HEARING on the petition will be held on August 28, 2014 at 8:30 AM in Dept. No. 9 located at 111 N. Hill St., Los Angeles, CA 90012.  
IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.  
IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.  
YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

**Petitioner: Marie Anne Brock**  
**MARIE ANNE BROCK**  
4316 WORKMAN MILL RD  
WHITTIER CA 90601

**GN902039**  
**The Downey Patriot**  
8/7/14, 8/14/14, 8/21/14

**NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF JAMES E. TURNER**  
Case No. BP154805

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of JAMES E. TURNER  
A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Elli M. Turner in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES. THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that Elli M. Turner be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.  
THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.  
A HEARING on the petition will be held on Sept. 15





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002-09 T.S. No. 014820-CA Pursuant to CA Civil Code 2923.3 NOTE: THERE IS A SUMMARY OF THE INFORMATION IN THIS DOCUMENT ATTACHED IMPORTANT NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST. DATED 6/15/2007. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On 9/11/2014 at 9:00 AM, CLEAR RECON CORP., as duly appointed trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust recorded 6/25/2007, as Instrument No. 20071516044, of Official Records in the Office of the County Recorder of Los Angeles County, State of CALIFORNIA executed by: MIGUEL A. CARDENAS AND DEBORAH MARTINEZ, HUSBAND AND WIFE AS JOINT TENANTS 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: VINEYARD BALLROOM, DOUBLETREE HOTEL LOS ANGELES - NORWALK, 13111 SYCAMORE DRIVE, NORWALK, CA 90650 all right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated above is purported to be: 12910 ARROYO LANE NORWALK, CA 90650-0000. 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: \$360,371.54. If the Trustee is unable to locate 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 (800) 280-2832 or visit this Internet Web site WWW.AUCTION.COM, using the file number assigned to this case 014820-CA. 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: (800) 280-2832 Date: 8/8/2014 Date Executed: CLEAR RECON CORP., Authorized Signature CLEAR RECON CORP. 4375 Jutland Drive Suite 200 San Diego, California 92117 A-4477334 08/21/2014, 08/28/2014,

09/04/2014  
**The Downey Patriot 8/21/14, 8/28/14, 9/4/14**  
NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE APN: 8052-017-121 T.S. No. 013079-CA Pursuant to CA Civil Code 2923.3 NOTE: THERE IS A SUMMARY OF THE INFORMATION IN THIS DOCUMENT ATTACHED IMPORTANT NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 12/28/2007. 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 8/28/2014 at 9:00 AM, CLEAR RECON CORP., as duly appointed trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust recorded 1/11/2008, as Instrument No. 20080065089, of Official Records in the Office of the County Recorder of Los Angeles County, State of CALIFORNIA executed by: LANCE BARRISDALE, A SINGLE MAN 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: VINEYARD BALLROOM, DOUBLETREE HOTEL LOS ANGELES - NORWALK, 13111 SYCAMORE DRIVE, NORWALK, CA 90650 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 ON SAID DEED OF TRUST 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: \$343,136.19 If the Trustee is unable to locate 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 (800) 280-2832 or visit this Internet Web site WWW.AUCTION.COM, using the file number assigned to this case 013079-CA. 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: (800) 280-2832 Date: 8/21/2014, 8/28/2014, 9/4/14

7/24/2014 Date Executed: CLEAR RECON CORP., Authorized Signature CLEAR RECON CORP. 4375 Jutland Drive Suite 200 San Diego, California 92117 A-4474507 08/07/2014, 08/14/2014, 08/21/2014  
**The Downey Patriot 8/7/14, 8/14/14, 8/21/14**  
NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE Trustee Sale No. 757097CA Loan No. XXXXX1580 Title Order No. 120405892 ATTENTION RECORDER: THE FOLLOWING REFERENCE TO AN ATTACHED SUMMARY IS APPLICABLE TO THE NOTICE PROVIDED TO THE TRUSTOR ONLY. PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA CIVIL CODE 2923.3 NOTE: THERE IS A SUMMARY OF THE INFORMATION IN THIS DOCUMENT ATTACHED YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 02-26-2007. 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 PROCEEDINGS AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On 09-11-2014 at 11:00 AM, ALAW as the duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust Recorded 03-06-2007, Book NA, Page N/A, Instrument 20070485658, of official records in the Office of the Recorder of LOS ANGELES County, California, executed by: RICARDO SOTO, A SINGLE MAN, as Trustor, MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. AS NOMINEE FOR KAY-CO INVESTMENTS, INC., DBA PR30 FUNDING, ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS, as Beneficiary, will sell at public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn by a state or national bank, a cashier's check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a cashier's check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association, or savings bank specified in section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state. Sale will be held by the duly appointed trustee as shown below, of all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by the trustee in the hereinafter described property under and pursuant to the Deed of Trust. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, estimated fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. Place of Sale: BY THE FOUNTAIN LOCATED AT 400 CIVIC CENTER PLAZA, POMONA, CA 91766. Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$574,534.22 (estimated) Street address and other common designation of the real property: 8003 BIRCH GREEN ROAD DOWNEY, CA 90240 APN Number: 6367-011-005 Legal Description: LOT 62 OF TRACT NO. 16345, IN THE CITY OF DOWNEY, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AS PER MAP RECORDED IN BOOK 398, PAGE(S) 25 AND 26 OF MAPS, IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY. 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: \$343,136.19 If the Trustee is unable to locate 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 (800) 280-2832 or visit this Internet Web site WWW.AUCTION.COM, using the file number assigned to this case 013079-CA. 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: (800) 280-2832 Date: 8/7/14, 8/28/14, 9/4/14

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, this information can be obtained from one of the following three companies: LPS Agency Sales and Posting at (714) 730-2727, or visit the Internet Web site www.servicelinkASAP.com (Registration required to search for sale information) or Priority Posting and Publishing at (714) 573-1965 or visit the Internet Web site www.priorityposting.com (Click on the link for "Advanced Search" to search for sale information), or auction.com at 1-800-280-2832 or visit the Internet Web site www.auction.com, using the Trustee Sale No. shown above. 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. A-4479561 08/21/2014, 08/28/2014, 09/04/2014  
**The Downey Patriot 8/21/14, 8/28/14, 9/4/14**  
NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE Trustee Sale No. 752855CA Loan No. XXXXX8699 Title Order No. 110474423-CA-MAI ATTENTION RECORDER: THE FOLLOWING REFERENCE TO AN ATTACHED SUMMARY IS APPLICABLE TO THE NOTICE PROVIDED TO THE TRUSTOR ONLY. PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA CIVIL CODE 2923.3 NOTE: THERE IS A SUMMARY OF THE INFORMATION IN THIS DOCUMENT ATTACHED YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 09-19-2007. 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 PROCEEDINGS AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On 09-04-2014 at 9:00 AM, ALAW as the duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust Recorded 09-27-2007, Book NA, Page NA, Instrument 20072228415, of official records in the Office of the Recorder of LOS ANGELES County, California, executed by: ERIC HERRERA, A SINGLE MAN AND MODESTO AVILA AND GRISELDA VIRGEN, HUSBAND AND WIFE, ALL AS JOINT TENANTS, as Trustor, MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. (MERS) AS NOMINEE FOR T.J. FINANCIAL, INC., ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS., as Beneficiary, will sell at public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn by a state or national bank, a cashier's check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a cashier's check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association, or savings bank specified in section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state. Sale will be held by the duly appointed trustee as shown below, of all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by the trustee in the hereinafter described property under and pursuant to the Deed of Trust. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, estimated fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. Place of Sale: Doubletree Hotel Los Angeles-Norwalk, 13111 Sycamore Drive, Norwalk, CA 90650 Legal Description: LOT 9 OF TRACT NO. 13091, IN THE CITY OF DOWNEY, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AS PER MAP RECORDED IN BOOK 309 PAGE(S) 14, 15 AND 16 OF MAPS, IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY. Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$1,224,742.93 (estimated) Street address and other common designation of the real property: 7866 MELVA STREET DOWNEY, CA 90242 APN Number: 6245-002-009 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. The property heretofore described is being sold "as is". In compliance with California Civil Code 2923.5(c) the mortgagee, trustee, beneficiary, or authorized agent declares: that it has contacted the borrower(s) to assess their financial situation and to explore options to avoid foreclosure; or that it has made efforts to contact the borrower(s) to assess their financial situation and to explore options to avoid foreclosure by one of the following methods: by telephone; by United States mail; either 1st class or certified; by overnight delivery; by personal delivery; by e-mail; by face to face meeting. DATE: 08-03-2014 ALAW as Trustee REGINA CANTRELL, ASSISTANT SECRETARY ALAW 9200 OAKDALE AVE. - 3RD FLOOR CHATSWORTH, CA 91311 (818)435-3661 For Sales Information: www.servicelinkASAP.com or 1-714-730-2727 www.priorityposting.com or 1-714-573-1965 www.auction.com or 1-800-280-2832 ALAW

IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property 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, this information can be obtained from one of the following three companies: LPS Agency Sales and Posting at (714) 730-2727, or visit the Internet Web site www.servicelinkASAP.com (Registration required to search for sale information) or Priority Posting and Publishing at (714) 573-1965 or visit the Internet Web site www.priorityposting.com (Click on the link for "Advanced Search" to search for sale information), or auction.com at 1-800-280-2832 or visit the Internet Web site www.auction.com, using the Trustee Sale No. shown above. 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. A-4478024 08/14/2014, 08/21/2014, 08/28/2014  
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On July 24, a group from Downey First Christian Church flew out to Ecuador on a short-term mission trip. The team stayed in a church (El Recreo) near Guayaquil, Ecuador.

The group returned Aug. 5 "excited to share and inspire our community, encouraging others that the mission of the community is not limited to a trip to another country. We are called to live the mission daily."

Pictured are Downey residents Sarah Shead, Erin Shead, Monica Lopez, Marcos Labrin, Matt Wilson, Shannon Turner, Amanda Avila, Kristina Rivera and Maria Maciel.



Humberto Baez (of South Gate), Ricky Baez (of South Gate), Jose Baez (of Downey) and Joseph Baez (former Downey resident) are pictured catching yellowfin tuna off the coast of Baja California. The group left from H&M Landing in San Diego and fished Mexican and Southern California waters about 40 miles southwest of San Diego. The name of their boat was the Sea Adventurer II.



Steve, Bonnie, Marilyn and Lee Mansell are traveling Ireland and took this picture at the Cliffs of Moher. "Here we are holding the Patriot with my husband's brother and sister-in-law," says Bonnie. "As you can see from the photo, it's a very windy day! We've had amazingly beautiful weather here, and each day we have seen something to take your breath away." The group is posting more photos of their experience online at Facebook.com/InvitationtoAdventure



Julie, Heather and Mark Adamson are pictured in front of the People's Palace (Palatul Parlamentului) in Bucharest, Romania holding their Downey Patriot. They spent two weeks in Calarasi County in Southeast Romania on a mission trip for Outstretched Hands of Romania.

# POETRY MATTERS

## THE RETURN OF THE SUBJUNCTIVE

Oh, the Subjunctive,  
 May it make its bold return!  
 May it ride back proud  
 In liveried coach  
 May its two fine horses snort  
 And paw the ground,  
 And, escorted by its staunch  
 Attendants If and Whether  
 May it descend in velvet cloak  
 And black-gloved hand  
 The lacquered steps of hope  
 And happenstance.  
 May it fix upon us its deep  
 Uncertain gaze!  
 I shall be there to greet it  
 Though my company  
 Be small and moody.  
 I shall beg it stay  
 And may its presence give  
 Some respite from the steely glare  
 Of Indicative, a mantle to shield us  
 From Passive's clammy chill.  
 May it light again the land  
 Between the world that was  
 And is, and that which still may be,  
 And may we tread again desire's  
 Leaf-dappled path  
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