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SHARED STORIES: THE TIES THAT BIND

Lost in Los Angeles

Noemi Rabina looks back with humor on what became an exhausting ordeal as she and her husband tried to drive home after paying their property tax in person. 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 Noemi Rabina

December 10 is the deadline for paying property tax. But where is the bill? We don't remember if we have received one. If we are late in our payment, we will have to pay the penalty. My husband decided to go to Los Angeles to pay our bill in person.

He tried to figure out how to take the bus because neither of us drive on the freeway. I won't let him go alone to Los Angeles and get lost, so I studied the map and figured out how I could drive on surface streets. Even at turtle speed, it would be better to get there rather than stay at home and worry about him. We left about 11 a.m., got to the Tax Collector's office downtown with no problem, and we paid our bill.

Now, how do we go back home? With me at the wheel, how do I take the same streets back that we have traveled? My husband said, "I am already familiar with this place. You be careful not to take the lane going to the freeway which is close by."

"Okay, tell me which lane I have to take," I said. And he said, "This way, this way."

Okay, I followed his "this way" instruction. See, I am very good following directions. But his "this way" became an entrance to I-5 North, and it was too late to change lanes. We held our breath, not knowing what to do or say.

Finally, I broke the silence and said, "Sacramento! Here we come!"

He said, "No, no. Make an exit and re-enter the opposite direction." I followed as directed. But it branched to the I-10 East, and we were going the wrong way again.

I said to my partner, "Hang on, we will be in New Orleans in three days!"

Far beyond I could see tall buildings. He told me to make an exit again. After a while, familiar streets were in sight. We were in downtown again along Main Street, Hill Street, and Broadway – the place where we came from in the very beginning. There was the Tax Collector's office again. We have to be careful now, to trace back to the streets that we traversed earlier in coming to LA.

Drive, drive, drive; round, round, and round in downtown Los Angeles. Finally we saw Imperial Highway and we were excited. We were sure it would then lead us home. But we could not figure out if we were going east or west. I know that the sun sets in the west and told him to look where the sun was setting. We needed to go eastward to get back to Downey. He opened the window, looked out, but did not say a word.

"Well, did you see the sun?"

"There is no sun," he replied. "The sky is cloudy and it is already dark."

"Oh...." Following Imperial Highway was the safe thing to do. Drive, drive, drive. Miles and miles of sight-seeing.

Finally he said, "I think you are going in the opposite direction. We have to go the other way."

"Do you think so?" I replied.

"I am positive." So I made a U-turn, and drove in the direction from which we had just come. It was a long, long way. As we crossed Sepulveda Street, he was excited.

"This is a familiar street. We are on the right track," he told me. A little further and we were at the beach, facing the Pacific Ocean! I stopped because I was already tired and we were going nowhere.

He said, "Just keep on driving"

"Where?" I answered. "To the ocean?"

"No, wherever you think is right," he said.

"I think what is right is that we get help." So I drove round and round again, looking for a gas station to ask for directions. We had already lost Imperial Highway. At the Arco filling station, I asked a gentleman for the way to Downey. He pointed in the direction that we came from.

"The other way is toward the beach," he said. I knew that. Hopefully, we were on our way homeward now. Instead of Imperial Highway, I now turned on Slauson – another street that I knew would lead us to Pico Rivera. Then we could turn on Paramount and drive into Downey. It was a long way also, but it was the right way.

My navigator had fallen asleep. Good for him. I kept singing and I knew that the Lord would lead us home. Finally, familiar streets came in to view. Home at last.

I was hungry, not having eaten since breakfast. We stopped by Pop-Eye Fried Chicken and were satisfied. It was already dark in the evening. We reached home about 7:00 PM, and decided not to tell anyone about our adventure. It was exciting, though, like chasing the rainbow in winter time. So immediately I was on the phone telling my friend that we got lost in Los Angeles.

That was a lesson for us not to ever again lose an important bill such as the Property Tax bill. My husband said, "If you were not with me, maybe I would not have gotten home until morning."



Photo by Eric Pierce

Luis Marquez was unanimously chosen by his City Council colleagues Tuesday to serve as Downey mayor in 2015. Marquez is pictured above with his family at the Downey Christmas Parade.

Eight years later, Mario Guerra says goodbye

• Two-term councilman reflects on eight years as a city representative.

By Mario Guerra

Dear Downey Family and Friends,

The last eight years have been truly memorable and filled with great accomplishments for our City. It has been an honor to serve my community, our residents, and our businesses.

When I was first elected to the Downey city council I made myself a promise that every vote I would ever take would be what I thought was in the best interest of the residents of Downey. As I leave the Council this week I will be able to know that I upheld my promise. Although there were some tough votes, I always voted what I thought was going to serve our community the best. I'm also proud to say that in eight years I never missed a council meeting, 188 straight meetings.

Recently I was cleaning up my office at City Hall and I was able to find so many letters, reports and activity memos regarding things that have happened in the past eight years and reflect on so many positives levels.

I found a note with items from my first term of 2006 to 2010. I also found a brochure from my first campaign for election back in 2006. My six big goals, promises and priorities listed were, Keeping our Police and Fire Local, Improving Economic Development, Revitalizing our Downtown, working together with our fine school district and starting programs like Character Counts, make our City business friendly to attract the business and services we want and fighting crime at the local level with our DPD and groups like G.O.O.D....Promises made, promises kept.

I led several initiatives back then and working together we accomplished so much more, from our Downtown Specific Plan, bringing Porto's to Downey, opening Discovery Sports Complex, opening Columbia Memorial Space Learning Center, starting the Green Task Force, opening Kaiser Downey, Bob's Big boy was opened, starting Dine in Downey (today Taste of Downey), starting Farmers Market in Downtown (took a lot of heat for this one, lol), finishing branding plan, and making Economic Development a priority. And this is in those years, 2006 to 2009. Pretty amazing things when you consider it.

Since then we have made a lot of progress moving our city forward. Things like The Promenade, a \$300 million project on 77 acres that will be a destination place for the region and add millions of revenue to be able to keep our Police and Fire Departments local. It will include a Benihanas, restaurants of the likes of a Lazy Dog Café, Gaucho Grill Restaurant and many of your other favorite restaurants. It will also have the largest retailer in the world along with other fine retailers like a TJ Max and Home Goods, etc. The historical elements incorporated into this development are very important and will pay homage to this special site and the history that occurred here.

We also brought in over 25 new restaurants throughout Downey. Made street improvements a priority, not just the main streets but planned for every street to be redone in our city. Last year we resurfaced almost



Photo by John Zander

170 different streets in Downey and many more to come.

I have been on the Downtown Sub Committee from my first day and I am excited about what has been happening with our Downtown plan. Amazing what has transpired there, with a lot more to come. And the entire time we did all this by being fiscally responsible and working with our staff to secure our future.

Yes, we did pension reform. We made sure we were able to sustain ourselves. We added to our reserves and now have some of the highest reserves in the history of our city. We did all this by lowering crime and making public safety our top priority. We defeated special interest and were able to keep the right to vote for our fire and police. We did all this by starting Character Counts in our community and working closely with our school district too.

I am also very proud of public art projects such as Veterans Memorial, statue of Governor Downey, Police Memorial, new mural coming on Downey Avenue and power boxes being painted reflecting our spirit and history.

I am proud to have Dr. Mary Stauffer as our first inductee into the Downey Hall of Fame. I am proud to have started the Green Task Force and our Downey Youth Commission. Two new sister cities while I was mayor, building on our history as the first Sister City in the history of the United States. Built three new walking trails as part of Healthy Downey which will aid the wellness of our community. This will go along with our Master Bike Plan currently in the works along with our Master Parks Plan.

We built a new Dog Park, revitalized several parks, Treasure Island, Brookshire Park, Furman and Apollo. We became an All American City. Started neighborhood watch groups – kept them during crisis – and I attended over 140 of them (Downey currently has 160 groups) . We invested in our arts and downtown – Stay Gallery Downey. I also think Healthy Downey and Character Counts will have long lasting impacts for several generations.

I would also like to challenge our council to continue to pursue, expand and finish a few things. Keep moving forward on Healthy Downey. This will continue to make long lasting impact on our City. Please find a way to keep and display interactively our space shuttle Inspiration and build on the potential that is Columbia Memorial Space Learning Center. The Green Task Force can be a model if done properly and I feel is very important with the right leadership. Character Counts and priority planning is something that I hope you will all continue to promote and work with. I know many of you feel exactly the same.

I encourage you to keep pushing the envelope on technology for ease and use of efficiency and adaptability for both city government but more importantly for our residents. Don't settle for quick and easy – don't settle – challenge and inspire us all and our fine City staff. Make sure promises are kept, such as the hotel on our back 20 acres at The Promenade site. Keep town hall meetings going – I had eight of them and residents really appreciated the honesty, transparency and dialog between us. I know you will do this and so much more. I am proud to call several of you my friends.

Downey has accomplished some pretty remarkable things and I am proud to have been part of them. During the last eight years, crime has dropped 25%, over 10,000 jobs have been created, we revitalized our Downtown, embraced arts and culture, brought over 1000 new businesses to town, balanced our City budget, opened up our Columbia Memorial Space Center, became an All America City and completed some major street construction projects. Serving as your mayor twice and as the 43rd mayor in the history of our City is something I will eternally be grateful for.

While I am moving forward I am not leaving. I will continue to stay very active in our local charitable endeavors and great community organizations. I will have an office on the corner of Firestone and Downey Avenue and I will also work on a foundation I have started. And I will proudly continue as a Chaplain for the Downey Police Department as I have for the past 12 years. Feel free to reach me personally on my cell at (562) 706-4114 or personal email at mario@GuerraIns.com. I will truly miss the interaction with our residents and things like leading school field trips at City Hall and Columbia Memorial Space Center. Truly an honor but again, I will still be around to help anyone at anytime.

I want to sincerely thank our residents, all of my council colleagues that I have had the pleasure of working with during my time on the council, City staff, businesses, and community organizations, for allowing me the opportunity to serve my City. I am extremely grateful and humbled for being able to give back to the community that I love and that I am so proud of. Working together we made our city better. Bridging Downey's shining past with our bright future. Thank you for the opportunity to serve.

All my best, thank you Downey and may God continue to bless your families and our City.

Dn. Mario A. Guerra
Former Mayor and Downey City Councilmember

Weekend at a Glance

Friday 64°

Saturday 67°

Sunday 66°

Things To Do



Acoustic Christmas Toy Drive - Live music from six bands. All toy donations will benefit the TLC Family Resource Center.

Friday, Stay Gallery, 7-11 p.m.



Mariachi Divas - The Grammy-winning mariachi group performs live in concert.

Sunday, Downey Theatre, 7 p.m., \$21 and up

Throwback Thursday



Downey Avenue in 1968. Photo courtesy Downey Historical Society

Facebook Conversation



Downey Christmas Parade

Anne Dee: "It was my favorite parade in a long time."

Pixie Bavlle-Nolin: "I stopped going to the parades decades ago when they stopped having celebrities."

Karina Saucedo: "It was a great parade, my family and I really enjoyed it."

Brenda Hernandez: "Too many charros and not enough floats. There should be a float competition and winner get a monetary prize to benefit the group with the best float. Attendees vote for the best float via Facebook."

Patricia Carrillo: "Loved the horses!"

Tweet of the Week

@latsondeimer: OK, so Downey should have had a tying touchdown vs. Crescenta Valley. Bad call. It happens. Doesn't mean Downey would have won.

POETRY MATTERS



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 to the clouds—silly mortar, bricks and beams
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 reading off thin air.

By Beth Ruscio

In this delightful ode to a now-obsolete manual typewriter, Ruscio revs up the nostalgia with sensuous details about inky ribbons and crinkly onion-skin paper. Steel letters fanned out in the metaphorical iron orchestra pit recall a golden time when such heavyweights took care of business to the song of a silver bell and books were printed on tree-hewn paper. Ruscio will read this poem at Stay Gallery on December 18 when Poetry Matters celebrates three years of bringing good contemporary poets to Downey. The public is invited to the launch of the anthology, But Who's Counting. Lorine Parks curates Poetry Matters for the Downey Arts Coalition.

New councilman Sean Ashton was administered the oath of office Tuesday, assuming the District 2 seat vacated by Mario Guerra, who was termed out after eight years.

"As I'm standing up here I'm reminded of the first three words of the constitution of this country and the constitution of California: 'We the People,'" Ashton said in his opening remarks. "That's something I will carry with me, that I am here for the people."



Photo by John Zander

An open letter to Mario Guerra: Downey still needs you

By Eric Pierce
 Editor

Dear Mario:
 I'm hoping you read this letter. I know you're a faithful reader of the Patriot, but just to be sure I've got your attention, I'm putting your picture right here:



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 Now I know you're reading this. See, that's what I like about you. As much as you have accomplished professionally and politically – two-time mayor of Downey, president of Independent Cities Association, an emerging voice in state politics – you never lost your sense of humor. You've always been able to laugh at yourself, and understand that the most important things in life happen outside the doldrums of conference rooms and city council meetings.

But to be sure, conference rooms and city council meetings are where you excelled. Where others tip-toed around the politics

of small government bureaucracy, encumbered by political correctness and afraid to ruffle feathers, you learned to steamroll right through the roadblocks.

At times you came across as abrasive and overbearing (mostly because you *were* abrasive and overbearing), but it was a tactic that proved necessary and successful. Stuff got done – to the betterment of the city.

After eight years as a city council member, going back to regular civilian life cannot be easy, especially when your level of enthusiasm for the job never waned. In fact, while other politicians often waste no time losing sight of their responsibilities shortly after taking office, your commitment to public service actually increased over the last eight years.

You never took for granted the immense trust placed in you by voters, evidenced by your perfect attendance record at council meetings.

As a voter, that's all you can really ask for, that your government representative make honest, unbiased, uninfluenced, independent decisions that are in the city's best interest. I believe you did that, even if we didn't always agree.

As you couldn't resist mentioning at your final meeting Tuesday, I thought it was silly for the city to send delegations to Denver and Kansas City to compete for an All America City award – so we could join distinguished ranks of cities like Compton, Paramount and South Gate – as was sending a delegation to Ireland for Sister City ceremonies. But where I saw unnecessary pomp and circumstance, you saw an opportunity to sell Downey on a national and global level, and I respect that.

So now here's the thing: in case you thought otherwise, the city of Downey needs you now more than ever. And when I say "city of Downey," I don't mean City Hall, but us regular folks.

Why are street repairs on Lakewood and Firestone two months behind schedule, costing restaurants and businesses thousands of dollars in lost revenue? We're supposed to be a business-friendly city.

What is the hold-up with the Promenade shopping center? The groundbreaking occurred more than a year ago.

Why are public documents so difficult to access on the city's website? It flies in the face of

government transparency. These are just some of the questions that need answering, and as a council member, Mario, you *asked* those questions. For the sake of Downey, we need you to continue.

Downey is a big city with small-town tendencies, and I'm afraid that sometimes we lose focus of the issues and people that truly matter. We forget that Downey's true public servants aren't found at City Hall, but in classrooms, where teachers tutor kids long after school lets out; on baseball fields, where coaches preach ethics and good sportsmanship to kids; in churches, where volunteers work late into the night to ensure needy families have access to food and clothing the following morning; and in countless other places.

A lot of work remains to be done in Downey, and the fact that you're no longer burdened with the constant demands and restraints of a council member is a blessing for this city. It allows you to do so much more.

Mario, I would say Downey will miss you, but I hope you don't give us that opportunity.

With sincerity,
 Eric

High school open house

DOWNEY – St. Pius X – St. Matthias Academy will host a community open house Saturday, Dec. 13, starting at 10:30 a.m.

There will be campus tours; meet-and-greets with faculty, coaches and staff; information on clubs and activities; and details on scholarships and financial aid.

For questions, call the school at (562) 861-2271.





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Ernie Brace, Vietnam POW, dies

DOWNEY - Ernest Brace, a civilian who was captured during the Vietnam War while flying supplies for the CIA and who later tapped code through a wall to fellow prisoner John McCain, has died. He was 83.



Brace died of a pulmonary embolism on Friday in Klamath Falls, Oregon, where he retired in 1989, his family said.

Brace was born on Aug. 15, 1931, in Detroit. He enlisted in the U.S. Marine Corps in April 1947, at age 15, and was trained as an Aviation Radar and Radio Technician.

Brace entered the Naval Aviation Cadet Program in March 1950 and was commissioned a 2nd Lt in the Marines and awarded his pilot wings on August 16, 1951. Lt Brace flew F4U-4 Corsairs and AD-2 Skyraiders with VMA-121 during the Korean War, flying 100 combat missions between April 1952 and March 1953.

During Korea, he was shot down near Wonsong on November 7, 1952, and was rescued by the USS Kidd off the North Korean coast. After Korea, Brace flew night-fighters and then helicopters before leaving the service in November 1961.

He next served as a test pilot with North American Aviation and then

flew helicopters around Los Angeles before becoming a USAID/CIA Contract pilot in Southeast Asia as an Advisor to the Thai Border Patrol Police in 1964.

Ernie was captured by the North Vietnamese while flying supplies to an advanced base in Northern Laos on May 21, 1965, and was taken as a prisoner of war, despite being a civilian. After spending 2,868 days in captivity, including nearly five years in solitary confinement, he was released with the other Laotian captured POWs held in Hanoi on March 28, 1973.

He spent the next year in Balboa U.S. Naval Hospital in San Diego, recovering from his injuries as a POW.

After hospitalization, Ernie joined Evergreen International as an Operations Manager, returning to Vietnam in August 1974 to arrange transfer of Air America aircraft and

pilots to United Nations missions in Africa. From 1976 to 1978, Ernie directed a helicopter operation under the U.S. State Department in Mexico to control narcotics. He joined Sikorsky Aircraft in 1978 as an international Marketing Manager, and was assigned to Singapore from 1982 to 1984.

Ernie was assigned as Program Director to the Peoples Republic of China in 1984, and lived in Beijing with his wife until June 1989, when they returned to the U.S. He worked with the U.S. Military in Kuwait in March 1991, just after the cease fire ending the Persian Gulf War. He later retired to Oregon.

In 1978, Brace was awarded the Department of Defense Medal for Distinguished Public Service for his actions as a POW in Vietnam.

He published a book titled "A Code to Keep" in 1988 which details his experience as a POW.

Linda Gatlin passes away

DOWNEY - Linda Susan Gatlin (Walker Leonard-Strain), of Downey, passed away from a heart attack early in the morning of Dec. 5 at the age of 60.

She was born at the old Downey Hospital on 2nd Street on July 1, 1954 to parents Juanita Mae Walker and John Willard Walker. She had an older brother John Terry (deceased), younger sister Virginia, and younger brother Thomas.

The family moved to Norwalk in 1959. In 1968, Linda's mother packed up the station wagon and moved the kids to her hometown of Bowling Green, Kentucky. In Kentucky, Linda would meet and marry Garth Leonard, whose family moved her to Port Huron, Mich. in 1969.

In 1972, she divorced and moved back to Downey. She then partnered and had a child with Scott Fisher.

She left Scott and married James Strain, giving birth to another girl.

She worked at Kmart and Handleman Corporation, and her last position was as a part-time teacher's assistant at Downey Adult School in 2001.

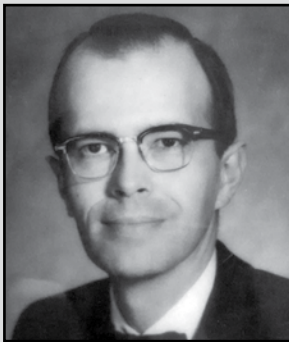
Linda is survived by her children, Angeliq Marie Fisher-Dickens of Nashville, and Catherine Beth Bryson (Strain) of Madison, Tenn.; two grandsons and one granddaughter; one nephew, Ian W. Walker of Greeley, Colo.; mother, Juanita M. Walker; sister, Virginia L. Walker; and brother, Thomas E. Walker.

She was predeceased by her father, John W. Walker, and older brother, John Terry Walker.

A memorial service is scheduled for Dec. 20 at Rainbow Chapel at Rose Hills Memorial Park.

In Memory of Hugh Thomas Hoskins

March 29, 1936 to December 4, 2014



Hugh Thomas Hoskins, 78, a longtime resident of Downey, California passed away on Thursday December 4, 2014. Hugh was born in Cincinnati, Ohio on March 29, 1936 to parents Hugh Adam Hoskins and Lucille Anita Thomas.

Hugh is survived by his loving wife of 47 years, Arliss of Downey, his daughter Lianne Hoskins (Mark) Yarvis of Portland, Oregon, his son Doug (Bridgett) Hoskins of Downey and his grandchildren, Emily and Zachary Yarvis of Portland, Oregon. Hugh was devoted to his family and friends and valued his various roles as a Husband, Dad, and Grandpa.

A Funeral Service will be held on Thursday, December 11, 2014 at 11:00 AM at the Bellflower Masonic Lodge, 9813 Beach St., Bellflower, CA. Interment will be private at Rose Hills Memorial Park.

In lieu of flowers the family suggests donations be made to the City of Hope, www.cityofhope.org.

For more obituary information and to send condolences to the family, please go to our web site, www.rishermortuary.com. Risher Mortuary & Cremation Service are Funeral Directors, 562-861-3888.

In Memory of Louis Lemus Castillo

July 6, 1938 to November 24, 2014



A fifty year resident of Downey, Louis Lemus Castillo, 76, entered into eternal life on Nov. 24, 2014, at his home surrounded by family. Born on July 6, 1938, in Santa Rita, New Mexico, he spent his childhood in Bayard, New Mexico, with his parents and 4 younger siblings. At age 17 (1955), he enlisted in the U.S. Navy and served

on the USS Passumpsic. Before being honorably discharged (1961), he earned a Good Conduct Medal. Shortly thereafter he joined Ironworkers Local 433 and began his apprenticeship. He was employed with Riverton Steel Construction and worked up the ranks to field superintendent. During his 39 year career, he supervised several prominent projects and managed upward of 90 crewmembers throughout the region. Valuing a strong work ethic, he continued to work after his retirement on residential remodeling projects. An avid fisherman, he was happiest outdoors. Louis took his children, grandchildren and friends on many fishing and camping trips, where he showed them how to make cowboy coffee. His favorite fishing spot was Convict Lake in the Sierra Nevadas. He took great pride in caring for his home, whether it was remodeling, maintenance, or gardening in his yard. He believed laughter was the best medicine and was never short of jokes or teasing to lighten the mood or celebrate the moment. Louis' priority in life was his family, whom he cared for and loved deeply. He will be remembered for his meticulous workmanship, ability to lead, willingness to help others, love for his family, and his wicked sense of humor. Louis is preceded in death by his father, Louis Torrez Castillo, and survived by his mother, Rosa Macenez of Bayard, his wife of 48 years, Louise Castillo; his children, Daniel Amado and his wife, Hillary, of Huntington Beach, Richard Castillo and his wife, Michelle, of Montebello, Tony Castillo and his wife, Carol, of Whittier, Janet Castillo and her husband, Lorenzo Almanza, of Pico Rivera, Patricia Gutierrez and her husband, Rudy, of Pico Rivera, Michael Castillo and his wife, Beth, of Venice, Tom Castillo of Silver City, New Mexico and Ronald Castillo and his wife, Angela, of Downey; his siblings, Margaret Moyer of Mira Loma, Alfred Castillo and his wife, Rosalie, of Albuquerque, New Mexico, Josie Mackessy of Los Lunas, New Mexico, Robert Castillo and his wife, Diane, of Collierville, Tennessee; 22 grandchildren, and nine great-grandchildren. Viewing and rosary were held on Dec. 9th at Funeraria del Angel - Morrow's in Pico Rivera and a Funeral Mass was held at St. Mariana de Paredes Catholic Church on Dec. 10. He was laid to rest at the Riverside National Cemetery.

Colleen Lumley mourned

DOWNEY - Downey resident Colleen Roberta Lumley, born Sept. 22, 1935, passed away Dec. 5. She was 78.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Leona and Harold.



She is survived by her brothers, Lonnie and Frankie; her four children, Nancy, Toni, John and David; 10

grandchildren, Sean, Misty, Tracee, Brandon, Mikey, Antoinette, David Jr., Nikki, R.J. and Tabitha; and seven great-grandchildren, Christopher, Andrea, Ella, Caitlyn, Bella, Amy and Evan.

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St. John Bosco championship run falls one game short

Centennial outlasts Braves, 48-41, to win Pac-5 title at Angel Stadium.

By Michael Smith
Contributor

ANAHEIM – St John Bosco's run for back to back Pac-5 Championship titles came up one win short, after the Centennial Huskies (Corona) defeated Bosco, 48-41, at Angel Stadium last Saturday night.

Centennial couldn't have scripted their first time making a run at the Pac-5 Title any better after moving playoff divisions this season.

The Huskies arguably had one of the most daunting brackets to survive just to face Bosco in the championship game. Defeating such powerhouse programs as Serra, Mater Dei and Bishop Amat certainly had Centennial battle tested for Bosco and it showed as the title game unfolded.

After both Centennial and Bosco's offenses turned the ball over on downs to start the game, one might think this could turn into a defensive struggle. Nothing could have been further from reality.

Bosco's Sean McGrew and Centennial's Sammonte Bonner exchanged touchdown runs for their respective teams and had the score locked at 14-14 in the second quarter when Bosco blinked first.

With the score tied at 14-14, Bonner burst through the line of scrimmage virtually untouched and out ran the Bosco defense for the go-ahead 63-yard TD and put the Huskies up 21-14.

The Huskies would go onto score 20-unanswered points helped by two Bosco turnovers in the second quarter and a costly holding penalty that negated a Bosco touchdown by Joey Chenoweth on a kickoff return.

In all Centennial scored 27 second quarter points and took a 34-14 lead into halftime.

Bosco's offense took advantage of having the first possession of the third quarter and immediately cut into the Centennial lead.

McGrew scored his third touchdown of the night on a 44-yard scamper into the endzone to pull the Braves within 34-20, after the missed PAT.

Centennial was able to counter that touchdown with a scoring drive of their own and push their lead to 41-20.

After a Clifford Simms 1-yard TD run on 4th and goal, Bosco's defense finally forced Centennial to have to punt their ensuing possession and the Bosco offense went right to work.

Bosco quarterback Josh Rosen hooked up with Jared Harrell on a 60-yard goalpost-route and the touchdown pass made it a one possession game, 41-34, heading into the 4th quarter.

The Bosco faithful in attendance were hopeful the tide was turning and had even more faith when a field goal attempt by Centennial missed wide right giving the ball back to the Braves and only needing a touchdown to tie the game.

However, the momentum shift was short-lived as Centennial's Seleti Fevaleaki came up with the defensive play of the game for the Huskies.

Bosco had the right play called to start their drive, a screen play to McGrew who had blockers and plenty of open space in front of him.

However, Rosen's pass was snatched out of the air by Fevaleaki who returned it a few yards to the Bosco seven yard line.

From their Centennial punched it in for the touchdown and extended their lead to 48-34 with just over eight minutes left in the game.

After the ensuing kickoff,



St. John Bosco players at a CIF championship luncheon.

Bosco's Rosen took it upon himself to keep his team's dream alive in this championship game.

Facing a 4th and-7 Rosen took the shot-gun snap and seeing no receiver open he sprinted 52 yards up the Huskie sideline avoiding tacklers until finally being brought down at the Centennial 13-yard line.

On the next play Rosen quickly hit Kaylin Franklin for the 13-yard score and breathe life back into the Braves who only trailed 48-41 with plenty of time on the clock, 6:15 to play.

Like Centennial did all game long they were unfazed by the Bosco rally and had an answer, and that answer was a three-headed monster in the form of Sammonte Bonner, Javon McKinley and Nate Ketteringham.

All night long these players kept the pressure on the young Bosco defense and all three played a role in Centennial's game-clinching-drive.

With 6:15 left to play Bosco's offense hoped for a defensive stand and at least one more shot to try

and catch the Huskies.

However, Bonner continued to look fresh on this final drive as he kept running hard in the middle of the Bosco defense to eat up the clock in route to his 227-yard on 43-carry performance.

When the Braves were able to slow down Bonner and force Ketteringham to throw the ball he found his favorite target wideout Javon McKinley.

McKinley made a key third-down catch to keep the drive alive and added to his impressive playoff resume this year as he finished his night hauling in 13 catches for 151 yards and one touchdown.

Ketteringham may have been a little overshadowed for most of the game by Bonner and McKinley, but on this championship drive he shined the brightest of the trio.

After a holding penalty made it first-and-20 and looking like Bosco's defense may have gotten the break they needed to try and stop this Huskie drive, Ketteringham responded.

The senior quarterback found the wide-open receiver in a blown coverage by Bosco's defense for a long pass and moved the chains for the first down.

Bosco's defense was able to rebound from this play and had one last chance to try and force Centennial into a fourth-down decision.

Once again Ketteringham never allowed his team into that situation and took matters into his own hands, literally.

With just under two minutes left in the game and Bosco out of timeouts, Centennial faced a third down and seven yards for the first.

Ketteringham executed the lead option-play to perfection and kept the ball himself and ran the ball for the first down and all that was left was to celebrate the Huskies' first ever CIF Pac-5 Championship.

Centennial will now take on Northern Section Champion De LaSalle (Concord, Calif.) for the state championship on Saturday, Dec. 20.

Poetry chapbook to be released Dec. 18

DOWNEY – Local poetry group Poetry Matters will debut a new chapbook, "But Who's Counting," at its next regularly scheduled meeting, Dec. 18, at Stay Gallery.

Editor Lorine Parks has collected a poem from each of the 18 featured poets who have come to read in Downey over the last 18 months.

The Downey Arts Coalition is sponsoring the publication.

"But Who's Counting" is filled with some of the best in contemporary Southern California poetry. The poets themselves have been invited to read their poems in this gala launch.

Poetry Matters fans heard these poems at the Rives Mansion, Epic Lounge and Stay Gallery, where the book launch will be held. Doors open at 7:30 p.m.

The Dec. 18 event also celebrates the three-year anniversary of the Poetry Matters monthly series, which encourages the development of local poets. Bea and Jim Romano will be playing hammered dulcimer music and guitar.

Six of the 18 poets in the book live in Downey.

Two arrested for copper theft

CERRITOS – Two Cypress residents were arrested for alleged grand theft and possession of burglary tools after sheriff's deputies responded to a call at a Cerritos office complex on Nov. 25.

An employee at the Artesia Boulevard property reported hearing footsteps on the roof. When deputies responded at 12:31 a.m., a search uncovered an industrial air-conditioning unit had been dismantled and the copper wiring and radiator had been removed.

The suspects, ages 43 and 36, admitted to disassembling the air-conditioning unit and taking the contents, authorities said.

Cerritos Station detectives are handling the follow-up investigation.



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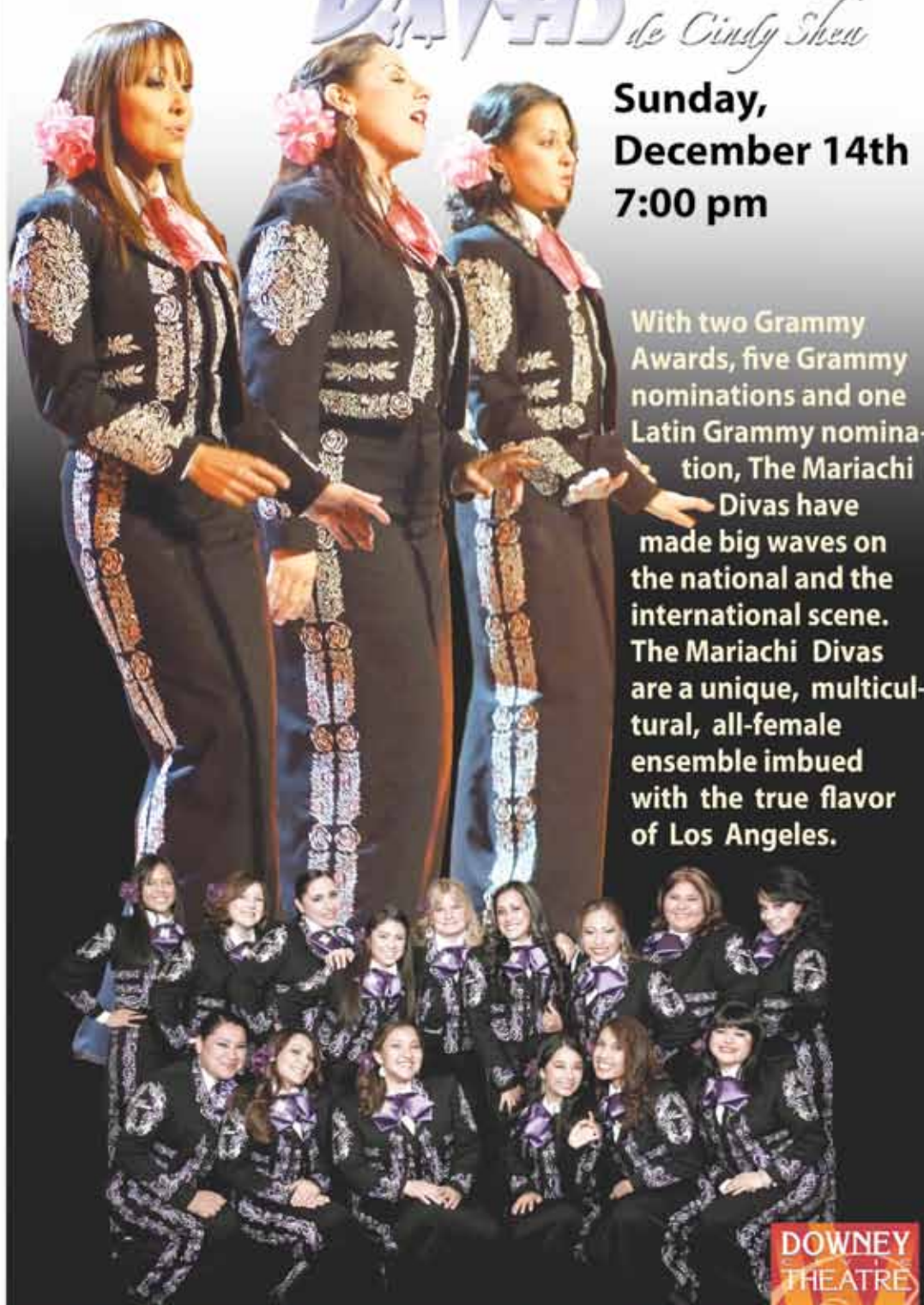

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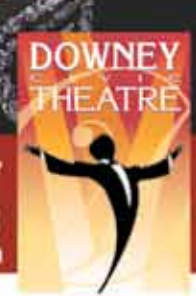
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR:

Dr. Stauffer

Dear Editor:

I was honored to be the honorary Grand Marshal at the Downey Christmas Parade on December 7. I enjoyed seeing so many friends waving along the parade route and then watching all the beautiful floats and the performers at the end of the parade. It was very impressive and matched the Rose Parade in many respects.

I was overwhelmed by the honor the Downey City Council conferred on me December 9 when retiring mayor Mario Guerra presented me a beautiful framed certificate of appreciation for my continued service to the youth of Downey and the renaming of West as Mary R Stauffer Middle School. I want to thank the City Council. I am so very proud of this honor.

I want to thank all those who did so much to utilize the resources provided. I want to thank Linda Kennedy who is the CFO of the Mary R Stauffer Foundation. She makes it effective. I want to thank the DUSD administrators, principals, teachers, students and parents who utilized the resources.

I plan to continue to work with all for a great tomorrow.

Mary R. Stauffer
Downey

Dear Editor:

Your reporting on Dr. Mary Stauffer's philanthropic activities (The Downey Patriot, 12/4/14) is very commendable and makes me question if we, the citizens of Downey, have thought of the right accolades to present to her.

While we all acknowledge Dr. Stauffer's concern for educating the young, we should also thank her for educating their parents about how to save for college.

The Stauffer Scholar Award funds a 529 Educational account where parents can save money for their child's college education, which will grow tax free as long as the funds are used to pay for college expenses. Many of us were not aware of the benefits of a 529 account and that knowledge is a powerful incentive to save for a college education.

I am grateful that I learned about the 529 plan when my children were elected Stauffer Scholars. Those accounts have helped pay for their college expenses at Florida Institute of Technology and St. John's University where they now study.

I propose to all Stauffer Scholars winners and their parents to make a special effort, during this holiday season, to contact Dr. Stauffer and thank her for her generosity.

Jorge Montero
Downey

Downey Police gives back

Dear Editor:

The staff of the Exchange Club Family Support Center of Downey would like to give a major shout-out of thanks to the Downey Chief of Police, Carl Charles, and the Downey Police Officers' Association for providing complete Thanksgiving meals to our Downey families who otherwise would not have been able to afford such a generous meal for the holiday.

A special thank you to Cpl. Mike Pope, president of the Downey Police Officers' Association, for coordinating the event and the delivery of each of the meals to the homes of grateful parents and children on Nov. 26.

The Downey Police Department truly supports Downey residents and we salute them.

Christina Ambrosino
Downey

Theater management

Dear Editor:

This week, newly-elected Councilman Sean Ashton takes office. Mr. Fernando Vasquez has been mayor for a year now.

My sincerest wish is that these gentlemen, along with other city leaders, would:

a.) replace VenueTech theater management company with new competent managers. (Frankly, the local high school drama department would have done a more efficient job running the place.)

b.) restore Downey Civic Light Opera to its rightful home in the civic theater. This is the proverbial Christmas present that we are all hoping to receive.

Let's have some good news for a change in 2015.

Mike Sanburn
Bellflower

Kaiser hospital

Dear Editor:

Last Monday, I was once again transported to the emergency room at Kaiser Permanente Hospital in Downey, where I spent that day in the emergency room and that night and the following day in a lovely room on the sixth floor.

If the Auto Club were to rate/rank hospitals as they do hotels and restaurants, Kaiser Permanente would definitely receive their top 5 Diamond rating. If anyone was to rate the staff at any or all Kaiser Permanente facilities, they would surely be rated at the highest possible rating.

These are truly a remarkable group of people. I have been affiliated with Kaiser Permanente since 1979, and I have yet to encounter even one disagreeable employee at any Kaiser facility.

Therefore, on Thanksgiving Day we offered a special prayer of thanks for all those wonderful people.

Jim Lucas
Downey

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Ron Paul Revolution: GOP's last best hope

By Sen. Rand Paul

Some argue that Ron Paul was never relevant, that he was simply a gadfly who never accomplished anything legislatively. Others, myself included, argue that maybe, just maybe, the Ron Paul Revolution is the last best hope for saving the GOP from oblivion.

As I walk through airports, ride in taxis and meet people in large cities - people of color, working-class people, people with tattoos, people in overalls, people with piercings and even, at times, people in suits - I

Football game refereeing

Dear Editor:

Just wanted the paper to know the catch by Stacy Chuckwumezie that was ruled not a catch was not the only blunder the referees made during the night.

In the second quarter when Crescenta Valley was making a march to their second touchdown, an obvious call was missed. Crescenta was facing a third down play after it was given a delay of game penalty. They subsequently called a time out to set up an illegal play which the line judge missed.

If you watched Fox Sports West's Prep Zone coverage, you'll notice a tackle, No. 72, catch a screen pass in the left flat near the sideline, rumbling for a key first down. The problem was that he was an ineligible receiver on the play. The video clearly showed the tight end, No. 1, was to his immediate left on the line of scrimmage, making No. 72 ineligible. Even with the line judge next to the eligible player, he missed the call.

The CIF professes to principles, code of ethics, and constitution bylaws and rulings. Stressing values derived from playing games fairly was oblivious to the Crescenta's coaching staff.

CIF also stresses to coaches and players to maintain self control and demonstrate respect for game and its rules. Crescenta had to revert to an illegal play to accomplish their goal of winning a championship.

How sad is that when its the coaches' duty to promote physical, mental, social, and emotional wellbeing for the future careers of its student-athletes.

Pierre Gutierrez
Downey

Police shootings

Dear Editor:

The time has come to rewrite the law, regarding the way law enforcement interacts with our pets and unarmed human beings.

Just because someone has a badge and they are allowed to carry a weapon in this country, it doesn't mean that they can act reckless and start shooting pets and unarmed human beings and not be held accountable. I don't like what I see happening in America.

The road is being paved to a police dictatorship. This is not Nazi Germany or Mexico, this is the United States of America.

I think we should start acting like a civilized society.

Patty Jackson
Downey

Salty stocking stuffers

Dear Editor:

The season of giving is upon us and no two gifts could be more thoughtless than lottery scratchers and a star in the star registry.

By giving lottery scratchers to someone you care about, you'll have essentially given them incredible odds of losing and the disappointment that comes with losing. Think about it. The chances are slim to none that your \$5 or even \$20 lottery scratcher will yield anything more than scratcher flakes all over the place and probably in the most annoying place, under his or her nails. So before you decide to light money on fire by stuffing a stocking with lottery scratchers, just drop the cash or a tangible and valuable gift card to a yummy place to eat in that red sock instead.

Maybe you've already heard the radio spot for the ridiculous opportunity to buy a star named after your loved one and published in a copyrighted "star registry". As the rush-hour of gift buying approaches, you might feel creative enough to also light money on fire by buying this real estate gem for someone who will likely consider you a foe once you give him or her a certificate that declares them the sole proprietor of a distant star. Think about the conundrum of trying to keep squatters off your star for the rest of your life.

It's not worth it, so don't do it. Like I've said, just drop the equivalent amount of cash or a tangible and valuable gift card to a yummy place to eat in that red sock instead.

This is the season of giving gifts not making rifts, so take my advice to heart, be smart, step away from the lotto machine and leave the stars to Hollywood. Happy Holidays!

Dan Chantre
Downey

Immigration discussion

Dear Editor:

I am constantly surprised at the level of hatred some residents express over certain topics.

Not all the candidates I voted for were elected, but I can live with that. I can only hope those elected will do their best, and if they don't, don't re-elect them.

I'm not happy that Prop O passed. In the late 90's a similar proposition passed statewide. Now that I'm retired, at least I don't have to listen to all the people I worked with complain about their rents being raised!

As for politicians in general, I think there are four traits that all politicians possess:

- 1.) A genuine concern for the best future of our country
- 2.) Doing what's best for all the people in our country
- 3.) Ego
- 4.) Crazy as a loon to want the job in the first place.

Hopefully we elect those that are more 1 and 2, and not so much 3 and 4! Like politics, immigration is one of those issues with a lot of questions and very few answers. What President Obama is doing about immigration is similar, if not exactly, what President George H.W. Bush did in the 80's.

So that does bring up the actions of past presidents. Where would we be if President George Washington had said, "Enough, close all borders and ports"? Or Lincoln? Maybe one of those Roosevelts?

I don't think you flee your home country because you feel safe and secure where you are. The unknown is a better choice for some. I am fully aware that letting in the good can result in bad coming through as well. It's happened in the past and I seriously doubt that it will stop in the future.

There have been many questions asked by some authors of past letters and equally as many criticisms. If there were solid answers for these questions, there would be solutions by now. They are not new questions. Every voter asks them very loudly or quietly depending on which party they are siding with.

I was always told as a kid to never discuss politics or religion. Why? Because no one will ever agree with your views.

I think now we can add immigration to that mix.

L.A. Linke
Downey

am amazed at the diversity of folks who come up and say how much they admire Ron Paul.

At rallies around the country, from the liberal bastion of Berkeley, Calif., where 8,000 students came to an event, to Jerry Falwell's Liberty University, kids from all over the political spectrum came to listen to Ron Paul.

The naysayers will point out: "He didn't even win a primary." This is true, but when polled directly against President Obama, Ron Paul ran neck-and-neck with an interesting demographic. In the heat of the campaign, a Feb. 28 Rasmussen poll showed him leading Mr. Obama, winning the independent vote, taking a significant part of the Democratic vote and losing a significant part of the Republican vote. He truly attracted voters across the political divide from both parties and from independents.

His colleagues in Congress would ask with envy, "How do you raise so much money from the youth? From the Internet?" The truth was much more revealing. College students, welders, carpenters, maids, blacks, whites and Hispanics latched onto Ron Paul's unique message of fiscal conservatism, personal privacy and liberty and a less bellicose foreign policy, one of taking care of things at home before sending our soldiers and our money abroad. It is and was the message that attracted the youth, the message that combined the fiscal conservatism and limited constitutional government of Republicans and a more restrained foreign policy sometimes exhibited by Democrats.

When the GOP examines itself to try to regain its mojo, I hope Republicans will look at the message of Ron Paul, because as it stands now, the GOP is a dinosaur that can't compete on the West Coast, in New England or in the Great Lakes region. Before the powers that be call for abandoning our limited-government principles, maybe we should look at how Ron Paul adhered more consistently to the first principles of our founders and, in the process, found a unique and diverse coalition that actually could have competed in a world not controlled by a two-party system.

In 1984, my father wrote a farewell address when he left Congress for the first time. He went back to delivering babies for 12 years. He didn't think he would ever return to government. At that time, he wrote:

"Thousands of men and women have come and gone here in our country's history, and except for the few, most go unnoticed and remain nameless in the pages of history, as I am sure I will be. The few who are remembered are those who were able to grab the reins of power and, for the most part, use that power to the detriment of the nation. We must remember that achieving power is never the goal sought by a truly free society. Dissipation of power is the objective of those who love liberty."

While his conclusion is still true - dissipation of power is and should be the objective of those who love liberty - the idea that my father will remain nameless in the pages of history is far from accurate. You may not see highways or schools named after Ron Paul. Pundits may not refer to the Ron Paul bill (that is, unless by some miracle Sen. Harry Reid lets us vote to audit the Fed). My father's imprint will not be in Washington but in the minds of the millions of today's youth who found the message of liberty through a certain congressman from Texas.

For inspiring a new generation to love the ideas of liberty, we all owe a debt of gratitude to my father, the champion of liberty, Ron Paul.

Rand Paul is a Republican senator from Kentucky.

Bad science, worse policy

By Robert L. Bradley Jr.

Fossil-fuel emissions of carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gases, will result in "severe, pervasive and irreversible impacts for people, species and 27 ecosystems," warns a new report from the UN-sponsored Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change. World leaders, therefore, must take immediate action to decarbonize the economy, even at significant cost.

But a growing body of evidence suggests that the human influence is far more benign, and the climate much less fragile, than climate campaigners and taxpayer-dependent scientists contend.

This matters because false science translates into bad policy, which takes a tangible toll on an already struggling American economy.

The UN has specifically concluded that "dangerous human interference" would occur if the global temperature rose 3.6 degrees above pre-industrial (and Little Ice Age) levels, which could happen by 2040.

But leading climate scientist Judith Curry, pointing to "more than a dozen other observation-based studies," in addition to her own research, disagrees. The climate is much less sensitive to carbon dioxide emissions than once assumed, she recently wrote in the Wall Street Journal.

Tweaking the sensitivity assumption, UN-defined "dangerous" climate change would be a century away, she found. Or later.

Bad climate science spills over to economic models that calculate a "social cost of carbon" to justify pernicious regulation. Exaggerated cost, coupled with a failure to assign benefits to the human influence on climate, inflates the energy mission of the Obama bureaucracies, beginning with the Environmental Protection Agency and continuing with the Department of Energy and the Department of Interior.

In particular, the Obama administration has proposed regulations to reduce power plant emissions by 30 percent by 2030 from their 2005 levels, which many states are now fighting.

"As currently drafted," stated the Virginia State Corporation Commission, "the carbon emission rates that EPA proposes for Virginia are arbitrary, capricious, and unlawful." The nine-state Southwest Power Pool warned EPA about "voltage collapse and blackout conditions" from premature capacity retirements.

A study by the National Economic Research Associates concluded that the private sector could see annual compliance costs around \$73 billion, while utility bills in all but 7 states would rise by double-digits.

Such sweeping regulation would also deter investment in energy exploration and production, hindering the industry at exactly the time it shows the most potential. With falling prices for oil and gas, new, unfounded burdens are particularly inopportune.

Energy is one of the top three sectors in the entire country, and the potential for growth is even greater, as long as overregulation doesn't hold back progress. The current energy boom is expected to last at least a generation, and oil and gas could pay more than \$125 billion in taxes by 2020. Meanwhile, unconventional oil and gas production alone could easily support an additional million jobs in the next five years.

Parenthetically, American companies have been the world leader in reducing CO2 emissions and methane releases into the atmosphere. Such emissions have fallen to their lowest level since 1994. Even the Energy Information Administration has noted that this development is directly related to the way in which natural gas is crowding out dirtier alternatives.

It's sweet, clean science that's making these gains possible -- and it's that same sweet, clean science that should be informing our environmental policy. Groundless alarmism from faulty assumptions poses a demonstrable risk to our economic climate. And the climate risks of carbon grow more questionable by the day.

Robert L. Bradley Jr. is CEO and founder of the Institute for Energy Research and the author of seven books on energy history and public policy.

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Downey Community Calendar

Events For December

Fri., Dec. 12: **Acoustic Christmas toy drive**, Stay Gallery, 7 p.m.
 Sat., Dec. 13: **St. Pius X**, St. Matthias Academy open house, 10:30 a.m.
 Wed., Dec. 17: **"Let's Do Lunch" networking**, Frantone's Pizza, 11:30 a.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 Karika Austin 260-3856.
 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**, for information email contact@downeyarts.org.

On This Day...

Dec. 11, 1941: Germany and Italy declared war on the United States, which responded in kind.
1972: Man landed on the moon for the last time during the Apollo 17 mission.
2008: Bernard Madoff was arrested, accused of running a multibillion-dollar Ponzi scheme. (He later pleaded guilty and is serving 150 years in prison.)
2009: Tiger Woods announced he was taking an indefinite leave from golf to try to save his marriage.
Birthdays: Actress Rita Moreno (83), Secretary of State John Kerry (71), bassist Nikki Sixx (56), rapper and actor Mos Def (41), and wrestler Rey Mysterio (40).

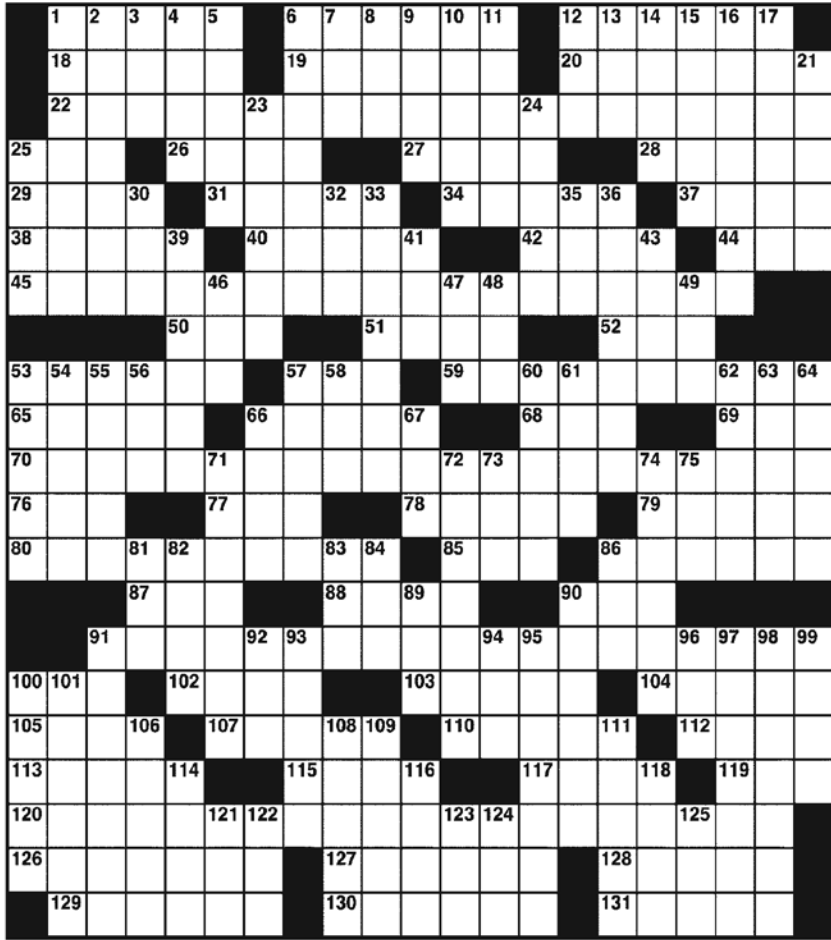
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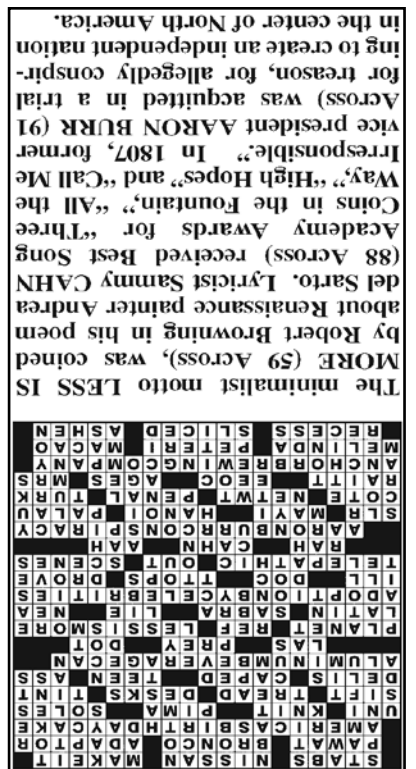
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Paging Dr. Frischer...

By Dr. Alan Frischer

The most lethal toxin known to humans is botulinum. If injected into muscles or veins, or inhaled, it can be deadly. Do you find it surprising that a large and expanding industry has grown around injecting it into people's faces? Of course, most of us would recognize the cosmetic and medical uses of botulinum toxin by its product name: BOTOX.



Food-borne botulism is a disease caused by bacterial spores. Contamination can occur if food hasn't been heated properly prior to being canned, or if food was improperly cooked after the can was opened. Its enemies are proper refrigeration, high amounts of salt, high oxygen, and low pH levels, and the heat of cooking can destroy it.

The botulinum toxin is also found in soil and dust. Most infant botulism cases are caused by bacteria found inside the home on floors, carpet, and countertops - even after cleaning. Honey can contain the bacteria as well, and consequently babies should not have honey until they are at least one year old.

Despite these dangers, scientists have found many uses for the botulinum toxin. It prevents the release of a neurotransmitter (acetylcholine), and as a result, nerve impulses are inhibited and muscles are paralyzed. In the 1950s, researchers discovered that injecting overactive muscles with tiny quantities resulted in decreased muscle activity. In 1989 Botox was approved by the FDA for the treatment of crossed eyes (strabismus), uncontrollable blinking (blepharospasm), and facial spasm.

BOTOX got major attention in 1989, when a plastic surgeon published a study on wrinkles in a prominent medical journal. In 2002, the FDA approved its use to temporarily

improve the appearance of frown lines between the eyebrows, and as time has passed, more and more uses for Botox have been developed:

- An injection of a very small dose can erase wrinkles by paralyzing the facial muscles. Last year, there were 6.4 million procedures in the United States alone, making it the most common cosmetic operation. Qualifications needed to provide this service vary by county and state. Practitioners include dermatologists, plastic surgeons, aesthetic spa physicians, dentists, nurse practitioners, nurses and physician assistants. The injection needs to be repeated every three to six months.

- Botox has FDA approval for treatment of excessive sweating (hyperhidrosis). This was the first example of a nonmuscular use for Botox.

- Botox is commonly used for severe spasms of the muscles of the neck (cervical dystonia).

- Botox has been approved for injections into the head and neck to treat chronic migraine headaches.

- The FDA has approved the use of Botox for the clenching of the jaw muscles (bruxism). This condition can lead to tooth and jaw damage, TMJ syndrome, and headaches.

- Another FDA approved use is for a condition that prevents the lower esophageal sphincter from relaxing (achalasia).

- Botox is used for many conditions that don't yet have FDA approval. They include bladder overactivity; pediatric incontinence; anal fissures; spasms of the vaginal muscles (vaginismus); movement disorders related to trauma, stroke, multiple sclerosis, Parkinson's disease and cerebral palsy; TMJ syndrome; diabetic neuropathy; excessive salivation; vocal cord dysfunction; and painful bladder syndrome.

Serious side effects from Botox are rare. There have been deaths, although

none from cosmetic procedures. Botox has been linked to conditions such as botulism-like symptoms, muscle weakness, swallowing difficulties, pneumonia, speech disorders and breathing problems.

However, most side effects are relatively minor and temporary. In cosmetic use, unintended muscle paralysis can result in drooping eyelid, double vision, uneven smile, or loss of the ability to close the eyes. These types of side effects wear off within about six weeks. There can be bruising from the needle at the injection site. Other minor side effects can include headaches, flu-like syndromes, blurred vision, dry mouth, fatigue, allergic reactions, and swelling or redness at the injection site. It is not recommended for those who are pregnant, have egg allergies, or suffer from neuromuscular disease.

Psychologists have found one more interesting potential side effect of using Botox for cosmetic treatment. Studies of facial feedback suggest that preventing frowning leads to greater happiness! Those receiving botulinum toxin treatment for frown lines were significantly happier than those who had received other kinds of cosmetic treatment. It's also been shown that treating crow's feet (laughter lines), making it difficult to express a true smile, may have the opposite effect.

Note that Botox is costly, and the effect is temporary. The average cost for a Botox cosmetic treatment is over \$300. Cosmetic procedures are not covered by insurance (although therapeutic treatments may be). If you are considering Botox, ask questions, weigh the pros and cons, and proceed with care.

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Number of adult smokers reaches all-time low

The cigarette smoking rate among adults in the U.S. dropped from 20.9 percent in 2005 to 17.8 percent in 2013, according to new data published by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in a recent Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report (MMWR).

That is the lowest prevalence of adult smoking since the CDC's National Health Interview Survey (NHIS) began keeping such records in 1965. The report also shows the number of cigarette smokers dropped from 45.1 million in 2005 to 42.1 million in 2013, despite the increasing population in the U.S.

"There is encouraging news in this study, but we still have much more work to do to help people quit," said Tim McAfee, M.D., M.P.H., director of the CDC's Office on Smoking and Health. "We can bring down cigarette smoking rates much further, much faster, if strategies proven to work are put in place like funding tobacco control programs at the CDC-recommended levels, increasing prices of tobacco products, implementing and enforcing comprehensive smoke-free laws, and sustaining hard-hitting media campaigns."

While smoking rates have dropped, there is a significant need to help those who continue to smoke. Cigarette smoking remains especially high among certain groups, most notably those below the poverty level, those who have less education, Americans of multiple race, American Indians/Alaska Natives, males, those who live in the South or Midwest, those who have a disability or limitation, and those who are lesbian/gay/bisexual. Data specific to sexual orientation were

collected for the first time by the NHIS in 2013.

Among current cigarette smokers, the proportion of those who smoke every day decreased from 80.8 percent in 2005 to 76.9 percent in 2013. The proportion of cigarette smokers who smoke only on some days increased from 19.2 percent in 2005 to 23.1 percent in 2013. Among daily smokers, the average number of cigarettes smoked per day declined from 16.7 in 2005 to 14.2 in 2013. The proportion of daily smokers who smoked 20 to 29 cigarettes per day dropped from 34.9 percent in 2005 to 29.3 percent in 2013, while the proportion who smoked fewer than 10 cigarettes per day rose from 16.4 percent in 2005 to 23.3 percent in 2013.


"Though smokers are smoking fewer cigarettes, cutting back by a few cigarettes a day rather than quitting completely does not produce significant health benefits," said Brian King Ph.D., a senior scientific advisor with CDC's Office on Smoking and Health. "Smokers who quit before they're 40 years old can get back almost all of the 10 years of life expectancy smoking takes away."

Cigarette smoking is the leading

preventable cause of disease and death in the United States, killing more than 480,000 Americans each year. For every person who dies this year, there are over 30 Americans who continue to live with a smoking-related disease. Smoking also takes a devastating toll on our nation's economy, costing more than \$289 billion a year (including at least \$133 billion in direct medical care for adults and more than \$156 billion in lost productivity). In addition, use of other forms of smoking tobacco which are also very dangerous, such as cigars and hookahs, are not declining. In some populations, especially among young adults and adolescents, use of these products may even be increasing.

Surveys show that about 70 percent of all cigarette smokers want to quit, and research shows quitting completely at any age has health benefits. Smokers can get free help quitting by calling 1-800-QUIT-NOW. There they can get free counseling and information about the seven smoking cessation medications approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.

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For Meg Zeleny, music is what defines her

• Music director of Downey Master Chorale, finds motivation and inspiration in music.

By Pat Aspiras
Contributor

DOWNEY – Her singular focus is to use all the skills garnered over the years to make the best use of the voices for their ultimate in performance.

Founder and musical director of the Downey Master Chorale, Margaret “Meg” Zeleny knows surely where she’s coming from. After more than 50 years as a professional singer and choral conductor, she considers herself still “a work in progress,” very much like her year-old “baby,” the Downey Master Chorale.

“I did not have a life of privilege,” Meg confided. “But within a struggling family was the inherent sense of direction that music gives to those who persevere and treasure its rewards.”

She may be a study in contrasts, her bar consistently high. Her

approach is unbending. She pleads, cajoles, chides, confronts, inspires. And how! Her rehearsals are engaging, efficient and enjoyable. She leaves no one indifferent.

Meg has been a conductor/mover/shaker, ever since age 12. While in junior high she organized some 30 of her peers to sing at their parish services. Her initiative so moved the pastor that the latter hired a director to channel properly such energies.

The succeeding years carried her much further; she became conductor of her high school chorus, often conducting them in public appearances. While finishing a degree in Education and English, she taught in the Twin Cities’ parochial schools, forming choirs wherever she could.

“Music energizes me,” she intimated. “It defines me. It is an ever-expanding tapestry depicting my life.” What keeps her going has always been a love for the art, a passion for sharing the wealth and “paying it forward.”

A native of Minnesota, Ms. Zeleny has been a professional

singer and conductor for over five decades. Her conducting posts have been varied. She has taught voice and choral at the University of Redlands, Whittier College, Long Beach City College, Pasadena Conservatory of Music, Interlochen Music Academy (MI), and the R. D. Colburn School of Performing Arts, where she chaired the Choral & Vocal Department for 10 years. She holds Bachelor of Arts in English, Education and Music; MFA in Music: Vocal Performance and Pedagogy. As a doctoral candidate, she specialized in Orchestral & Choral Conducting.

Meg was attracted to the unique sound of the Roger Wagner Chorale and, in 1969, managed to secure a position on Wagner’s national tour out of Los Angeles. This led to her establishing residence in the Southland, giving her the chance to learn as much as possible from the Maestro.

In 1981, she was given an Artist-in-Residence grant from the California Arts Council. This allowed her to form her own professional ensemble: the Pasadena Repertory Singers. She single-handedly carried

them through the 1986 season with a gala celebration of the Centennial of the City of Pasadena.

She has studied under some of the world’s best: Robert Shaw, Roger Wagner, Zubin Mehta, Helmut Rilling, James Dixon, and Paul Salamunovich, to name a few.

Meg does not rest on her laurels. After over 50 successful years, she still sees that light begging to be followed. She believes “interpretation and fidelity to the composer’s/arranger’s intent” are paramount.

“It’s never too late to start; never too much to ask,” she interjected. “The great fortune of finding a good teacher with a belly full of fire is something to hold on to. The more you give to study and practice of the art, the more you receive, and when a group is studying and practicing, there obtains a special camaraderie that is self-motivating.”

According to Meg, a good director knows mentally, musically, emotionally, dramatically and artistically the “language” of the music and its universal appeal. “Then with patience, clarity, humor and multi-faceted insight brings the



choir to its highest possible level of achievement.”

In the words of a reviewer, “Margaret is a true choral specialist. Her instincts, reflexes and perceptions emanate from the prime human instrument, which she understands and can coach in all styles and ranges with solid technique. Every gesture, comment or textual interpretation is permeated by the musical idea.”

Preparations have been in high gear for the Downey Master Chorale concert on Sunday, Dec. 21. Time: 2:30 p.m. Place: Downey Adventist Church. For tickets or further information, call (310) 941-3042, call Downey Adventist Church at

(562) 869-6013 or e-mail info@downeymasterchorale.org.

Auditions for new members with choral experience are on-going.

For the chorale’s Christmas Concert 2014, she has chosen master works and traditional favorites all designed to capture the true rationale of the season. For instance, among others, the concert will feature “Christmas Cantata” by Daniel Pinkham, “Ave Verum” by W. A. Mozart, the ever-popular “Deck the Halls,” “God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen,” and “O Little Town of Bethlehem.”

Pat Aspiras is a member of the Downey Master Chorale.

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Norwalk-La Mirada school district holds wellness fair for its workers

NORWALK – Approximately 800 employees converged at the Norwalk-La Mirada School District's Professional Development Center for an annual event aimed at providing employees with resources and inspiration for healthy lifestyles.

The 19th annual Employee Wellness Faire on Nov. 19 featured more than 40 vendors providing services such as non-invasive medical tests, health insurance enrollment information, massages and other health-related resources and giveaways.

Students also got involved, with Norwalk High's culinary program students serving smoothies and healthy snacks.

"For nearly two decades, Norwalk-La Mirada Unified's dynamic Wellness Faire has served to provide our employees with important resources to make healthier lifestyle choices," said Superintendent Ginger Shattuck.

"When our employees are healthy and happy, they are better prepared to help us in our ultimate mission to provide the best possible education for the children of our communities."

Health providers offered employees diet and nutrition resources, blood pressure, cholesterol and diabetes testing and information about managing their health.

"We are really proud of what this event has grown into after all these years," said Board of Education President Margarita Rios. "It really is part of a larger Norwalk-La Mirada Unified effort to promote wellness among our employees, students and broader community."

One employee from each school site and District department serves on a Wellness Committee that makes recommendations to promote health Districtwide. Committee members helped to put on the Wellness Faire, in addition to employee wellness initiatives that take place throughout

the year. Those programs include raffle prizes for completing health-related activities such as yearly physical and dental exams, joining a sports league and getting a flu shot.

"It's our goal to encourage our employees to take control of their health and change their lifestyle behaviors in fun and engaging ways," said Tony Nahale, Director of Risk Management who coordinated the Wellness Faire. "If we better manage diseases and make healthy choices, it also helps control rising health care costs, while also leading to savings in health insurance premiums and less absenteeism among staff."

All services at the Wellness Faire were provided free of cost to employees. More than 200 attendees received a free flu shot. District partner Gallagher Benefit Services coordinates the event every year.

Downey man's tax office named Rookie of the Year

NORWALK – 2014 has been a year of milestones for Downey resident John Alexander Alba and his staff at Alba Rapid Tax/H&R Block in Norwalk.

Their family practice celebrated 50 years in business at the Norwalk Arts and Sports Complex in May. That event was attended by more than 350 guests, Norwalk Mayor Marcel Rodarte, state Senator Tony Mendoza, Norwalk/La Mirada school board President Jesse Urquidi, and the western regional director of H&R Block.



Alba received the inaugural Impact Award from the Norwalk Chamber of Commerce and the Keystone Award from the Norwalk Community Coordinating Council for his volunteerism and support for the community. He was a Conductor Sponsor for the City of Downey Summer Concert Series and Gold Leaf Sponsor of the Norwalk Arts & Sports Complex.

Alba decided it was time to grow his practice dramatically and provide opportunities to his loyal staff of almost 20 employees. He joined H&R Block as an independent franchisee. His experience over more than 30 years and his "can-do" attitude impressed H&R Block, and he was one of only 43 offices (there are more than 10,000 offices) in the country that H&R Block entrusted with using their new software called Blockworks.

Alba and his team were instrumental in providing insight as to how to improve the software. Producing a detailed recommendation report and offering his office as a laboratory H&R Block has been able to produce "an incredible" software platform.

Last month, Alba was invited

to attend the 2014 H&R Block National Franchisee convention in Dallas as a top 10 nominee for Rookie Franchisee of the Year for the nation. Alba appeared before 2,500 of his fellow franchisees and was recognized as the winner of the 2014 Rookie Franchisee of the Year.

He received a crystal trophy and a \$5,000 Emerald debit card from the president and vice-president of franchise operations. Alba thanked his clients, staff and family for their instrumental part in this national recognition.

Alba was also invited to lead a break-out session before hundreds of his fellow new franchisees to provide his insight for a successful transition to H&R Block.

The cherry on top of this celebratory year was the invitation to have a private luncheon with Henry Bloch, founder of H&R Block, and his son, Tom Bloch. Alba shared that honor with his son, Taylor, who is the third generation member of the Alba Rapid Tax/H&R Block team. Alba sat

directly to the right of Henry Bloch during lunch and had "a wonderful hour of conversation."

Alba represented Norwalk by wearing his honorary citizen pin as well as his Keystone Award pin at both the convention award ceremony and his lunch, and in pictures with the founder of H&R Block.

2015 looks to be another exciting year for the Alba family. Alba will be doubling his office capacity and completely remodeling his office in Norwalk.

On Jan. 8, his office will be hosting a free open-house regarding the Affordable Care Act. Alba and his staff will be available to explain the tax implications of the ACA.

Call their office at 562-868-3518 to make an appointment or online at hrblock.com.

Video and photos from the awards ceremony are posted on the Alba Rapid Tax/H&R Block Facebook page.

Santa Claus visiting Downey library

DOWNEY – Santa Claus will be at the Downey City Library this coming Tuesday and Wednesday for preschool and bilingual story time from 10:30-11:15 a.m.

"We will read about Santa and his

reindeer, sing 'Santa Claus is Comin' to Town,' enjoy Santa's favorite snack, and make a fun craft to add to your holiday decorating," the library said.

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WILDLIFE Q&A

Is it legal to eat roadkill?

Q: A friend recently hit a deer, causing about \$1,200 damage to the vehicle. He picked up the deer and put it in his truck to take home for food. He was stopped by a sheriff's deputy who told him to take the deer out of his vehicle or he would be cited. I heard that it is legal to pick up "roadkill." Can you please clarify this?

A: The officer was correct. It is illegal to pick up roadkill wildlife in California.

No one may possess wildlife in any form unless the animal was legally taken by a licensed hunter during the hunting season for that species and while using approved harvest methods.

Given this, even if the first criteria were true (your friend was a licensed hunter), motor vehicles are not a legal method of take. The next time your friend sees an animal killed on the roadway, he should not attempt to retrieve it for any purpose.

Q: Are you allowed to lure lobsters out of a hole with a piece of sardine in your hand?

A: Sure, you can give it a try, but I don't know how successful you'll be.

The law says that skin and scuba divers may take crustaceans by the use of the hands only and may not possess any hooked device while diving or attempting to dive for them (CCR Title 14, section 29.80).

There is no prohibition against waving snacks in front of them.

Q: I happen to live on the beach and enjoy late evening beach walks but rarely do so due to the 10 p.m. beach curfew closing. I've heard that despite any beach curfews, you can be on the beach fishing at any hour as long as you have a fishing license and are legally fishing. If this is true I could just bring a surf rod with me at night to walk and have some fun bouncing a lure in the surf. Does that sound reasonable?

A: Local beach curfews are often imposed for public safety and they take precedence over state ocean fishing open hours.

While there are no time limitations when fishing for finfish, you must abide by the beach curfew. Sorry!

Q: I will soon be taking off to the mountains to do some mountain quail and tree squirrel hunting. In past years, after arriving at hunting camp, most of my hunting was done on foot and so I couldn't cover much ground in a day. Last year I took my grandson with me to start teaching him a little about gun safety, hunting and camping in the wild. After walking for a while he got tired and wanted to rest. We were walking along a logging road and he told me he wished he had his bicycle with him. This got me to thinking that with a bike I could cover a lot more area, be basically silent, use no fossil fuel and get some much needed exercise to boot. So, for my hunting trip this year I purchased a mountain bicycle and got it geared up with saddle bags and a handle bar gun rack for my shotgun.

Now I'm all ready to go but can't find any hunting laws, rules or regulations concerning guns and bicycles on logging roads. Here are my questions: Can I legally shoot from my bicycle while stopped with my feet on the ground or do I have to completely dismount the bicycle to shoot?

Can I have a shotgun shell in the chamber while on my bicycle (like

while walking) or must I have the chamber empty and action open like when in a motor vehicle? Can I carry a holstered six shot, black powder pistol with five rounds capped on my bicycle or do all the nipples have to be uncapped as in a motor vehicle? I don't want to do anything illegal or get into any trouble, so I would appreciate any help with these questions.

A: Shooting or taking game from a bicycle, whether on it or straddling it, is not specifically prohibited in California Fish and Game laws. However, section 374c of the Penal Code prohibits shooting a firearm from or upon a public road. A logging road is not a highway but it may be a public road depending on multiple factors, including who owns and/or maintains the road. But, in any case it is advisable to always be off any road before shooting even if it is not expressly prohibited by law.

Loaded rifles or shotguns are prohibited in any vehicle or conveyance "while standing on ... any way open to the public" (Fish and Game Code, section 2006). In your case the bicycle is a conveyance and the logging road is a way open to the public — assuming it is open to travel by everyone and not just to those having specific permission from the owner. Bicycles may NOT be used in designated Wilderness Areas.

California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) law does not prohibit carrying a holstered six shot, even in a motor vehicle. The loaded-gun law applies only to rifles and shotguns (Fish and Game Code, section 2006). There are other law enforcement agencies that do have strict laws against carrying loaded guns in vehicles though.

Q: I understand that you can't have multiple limits in your freezer (unless those limits are gifted to a corresponding number of family members living in the same house). My question is when exactly does your catch become just food? If I cook and smoke a duck and then break it down into parts and vacuum seal it into individual meals, or if I smoke some salmon and vacuum seal or can it, does it then stop being game and become food? If not, how and why does this differ from taking advantage of a grocery store sale and buying a couple cases of salmon? Surely there could be more than a limit of salmon in a case. Please be specific about when and why food stops being game.

A: Regardless of whether they are fresh, frozen, or otherwise preserved, if you have the edible portions of any sport-taken fish or game, they still count toward your possession limit until they are consumed (Fish and Game Code, section 2001 and California Code of Regulations Title 14, section 1.17.)

Grocery stores can only sell commercially processed and packaged meats. Possession refers only to sport-taken fish or game species. For any fish or other meat purchased commercially, just keep them in their commercial packaging to easily differentiate them from any sport-caught fish or game you may have in your possession.

Refs, Crescenta Valley beat Downey, 21-14

• Potential game-tying touchdown is overturned by referees, costing Downey chance at CIF title.

By Mark Fetter Contributor

DOWNEY – The Downey High School football team saw their season come to an end in the C.I.F. Southeast Division final at Glendale High School last Friday night. Crescenta Valley completed their perfect 14-0 season with a controversial 21-14 win against the Vikings.

Downey finished their season at 10-4 and had won eight straight games heading into the title game.

For those who were not at the game or did not see the game, the game ended in a shroud of controversy. Downey and Crescenta Valley were tied at 14 heading into the fourth quarter. Crescenta Valley went ahead 21-14 on a 22-yard touchdown pass on the first play of the fourth quarter.

As the clock was running down in the fourth quarter, Downey drove the ball down the field attempting to tie the game. On a fourth-and-seven play from the Falcon 21-yard line, with about 2:30 left on the clock, Viking quarterback Trevor Hill scrambled to his right and threw an apparent touchdown pass to wide receiver Stacy Chukwumezie.

Chukwumezie caught the ball moving from right to left in front of a Falcon defender in the end zone. Chukwumezie then fell to the ground with the ball clearly secured.

The side judge, who was closer to the play, signaled touchdown. However, the back judge signaled incomplete pass as he pointed to the ground. The referees then huddled and the back judge's decision stood.

If you have not seen the video of this play yet, please view Downey vs. Crescenta Valley on youtube.com. In all my years around sports and coaching, I have seen plenty of bad calls, no calls, etc. This call was absolutely horrible, in a title game nonetheless.

Congratulations to Downey on their effort and season. Hold your heads high, boys. The game should have been decided in overtime.

••• The Warren High School boys' soccer team lost to University, 1-0, last Thursday and fell to Bellflower, 2-1, on Monday. The Bears are 0-2 on the young season.

The Bears played Cabrillo at Harbor College Wednesday (score unavailable at press time) and will host Norwalk later today. The Bears are coming off a co-S.G.V.L. championship with Paramount last season. Coach Pena, his staff, and players are looking forward to the start of their season. Warren won a C.I.F. title two season ago.

••• The Warren High School girls' soccer team currently has a 3-0 record. The Lady Bears defeated Bellflower 11-0 on Dec. 2, defeated University at home 2-1 last Thursday and defeated Notre Dame Academy 1-0 on Tuesday.

The Bears are being led by first year head coach Lilianna Dussan. Junior striker Estella Sanchez returns for the Lady Bears with more experience and skill under her belt. Warren will play again on Saturday in tournament play before they host Artesia next Monday.

The Lady Bears are excited for the start of their season and are

looking forward to making a run at cross-town rival Downey and the S.G.V.L. title.

••• The Warren High School girls' basketball team is currently 1-1. The Lady Bears lost to Orange Lutheran last Friday night in their season opener and defeated Long Beach Wilson 75-47 Tuesday night in the Ocean View Tournament. In the Long Beach Wilson game, Denise Gonzalez scored 34 points while Vivian Hernandez added 17. Warren played again Wednesday night against Ocean View at Ocean View (score unavailable at press time).

••• In other Warren basketball news, alumni Danielle Rodriguez has been nominated for the 2015 Allstate WBCA Goodworks Team. Danielle is one of just three PAC-12 women's basketball student-athletes recognized.

Please go to www.utahutes.com/sports for more information. Congratulations, D-Rod.

••• The Downey High School boys' soccer team claimed the Aliso Cup championship Monday evening with a 2-0 result over Aliso Niguel.

With the win, Downey is now 4-0-1 on the young season.

Viking striker Bryan Majano scored both of Downey's goals in the winning effort. Mojano scored during the 25th minute of the first half and added his second goal during the 70th minute of the second half to secure the win.

Downey tied Century 1-1, defeated El Dorado, defeated University 2-1 and defeated Santiago 3-0 en route to defeating Aliso Niguel in the final. The Vikings played Lakewood at home on Wednesday (score unavailable at press time). Coach Mires, his staff and players are excited that their season has finally started.

••• The Downey High School girls' soccer team fell to Lakewood on Tuesday 1-0.

Downey JV head coach Carlos Lara has taken over the program after longtime assistant and recently hired head coach Brandon Hitchcock was arrested for having an inappropriate relationship with a student. Downey has owned the San Gabriel Valley League the last several years and has claimed multiple C.I.F. titles as well.

Senior goalkeeper Idalis Gonzalez, Zaira Hernandez, Nicole Flores, Emilie Botello and Charlotte Chavarria all return with more experience and skill under their belts. League MVP Lucy Martinez was lost to graduation from a year ago.

Despite the recent distractions around the program, Coach Lara, his staff and players are looking forward to winning another S.G.V.L. title and making a deep run in the C.I.F. playoffs.

••• Middle school sports wrapped up their boys' volleyball and girls' soccer seasons yesterday (final scores and standings not available at press time).

Action from Tuesday included competitive games where Sussman traveled to Stauffer and Doty traveled

to Griffiths. Several city titles were still up for grabs as the last scheduled games were completed.

At Stauffer, the Sussman 8th grade boys' volleyball team defeated the Spartans 21-9 and 21-13. The Sussman 7th grade boys' team defeated the Spartans 21-19 and 21-18 while the Stauffer 6th grade boys defeated the Pioneers in three sets 9-21, 21-5 and 15-10. The Sussman 8th grade girl soccer team defeated Stauffer 1-0 and the Sussman J.V. girls also defeated the Spartans by the same 1-0 score.

At Griffiths, the Doty 8th grade boys' volleyball team defeated the Indians 21-2 and 21-8. The Doty 7th grade boys' team defeated the Indians 21-16 and 21-17 while the Griffiths 6th grade boys defeated the Knights 21-10 and 21-15. The Griffiths 8th grade girl soccer team

defeated Doty 2-1 and the J.V. teams played to a 1-1 tie. The tie was not settled by penalty kicks.

Penalty kicks attempted to determine a J.V. winner but each team missed a penalty kick. Griffiths went first and converted. Doty also converted their first kick. It was 1-1 after the first round of penalty kicks.

The Griffiths player hit the cross bar on the second attempt and the Doty kicker converted. It was 2-1 Doty after the second round of penalty kicks. The Griffiths player converted the Indian third attempt and the Doty kicker was stopped by the Griffith goalkeeper to preserve the tie, 2-2.

The fans in attendance were excited to see a game determined by penalty kicks. It was a competitive game which saw the best players from each school try their best.

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Credit union awards \$9K in school grants

DOWNEY – Downey Federal Credit Union (DFCU) awarded \$9,000 in grants to 16 Downey educators last week as a part of its 2014 Student Enrichment Grant Program.

DFCU has provided over \$90,000 in grants to teachers over the past 12 years. The awarded grants cover the cost of programs, supplies, and training to improve the classroom experience for students.

This year's winning submissions included a dramatic play area for pre-school students, a social skills program for students with special needs, a girls' empowerment club, leadership training for the Small Change Club at Warren High School, college readiness materials, and art supplies for elementary school students.

"We continue to be impressed with the creative and innovative grant submissions we receive each year," said Ray Mesler, DFCU CEO. "It's exciting to provide grants that will enhance the learning experience of Downey students. We know that it is the dedication and drive of these teachers that make the Downey Unified School District one of the best in the state."

"Our partnership with Downey Unified School District has been a long-term relationship," added Sheila Tetango, director of marketing and communications for the credit union. "DFCU supports, and will continue to support, Downey educators. Our Student Enrichment Grants are just another way DFCU gives back to the community we serve."

Grants were awarded in amounts ranging from \$250 to \$1,000 to:

- Brooks Sharp - Downey High School
- Jocelyn Reppert - Gallatin Elementary School
- Susan Fuqua - Alameda Elementary School
- Kat Clark - Stauffer Middle School
- Jim Mogan - Stauffer Middle School
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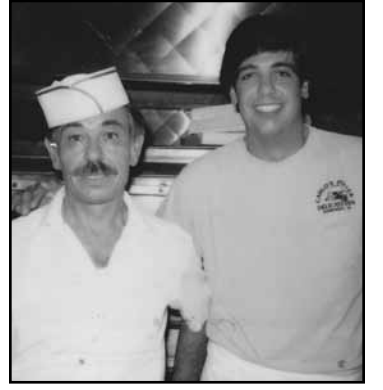
Carlo's Pizza marks 50 years

DOWNEY – The Downey Conservancy congratulates Carlo's Pizza House on the occasion of its 50th anniversary in business. A celebration marking the event will be held this Sunday, Dec. 14, from 12-4 p.m. at the restaurant located at 13230 Woodruff Ave.

In January 1955, Carmine and Gentilina Paolucci left Lanciano, Italy with their first-born child, Teresa, and crossed the Atlantic Ocean to the United States. Leaving a nation devastated by World War II, the family settled in Cleveland, Ohio near Gentilina's brother, Luigi. It was there they first became friends with Giovanni and Pina Persico, who lived with their young family in the flat below. In 1963, five years after opening "Anna's Pizzeria" with his brother-in-law, Luigi, Carmine received a telephone call from the Persicos, who had since settled in Downey, California. The message was to come to California, where the weather was beautiful and the pizza

business abundant. Thus, in 1964, Carmine made the trip to Downey, and within a week, bought a home and found a location for the soon-to-be "Carlo's Pizza," named after his young son. He, his wife and their three children quickly packed up their belongings and drove across the country to Southern California.

From the time his restaurant opened, until he passed away in 2009, Carmine was a constant in the restaurant, his home away from home. A true "mom and pop shop", the entire family worked there at one time or another, with his son Carlo carrying on the tradition with the family's tried-and-true recipes. The shop initially opened as "take-out only" with a storefront near the southern edge of the city. As a result of their great success, the family soon thereafter expanded their business by adding a dining room. Carmine became very active in the Downey community, sponsoring and feeding many local sports teams, churches



and school groups.

The Downey Conservancy invites the community to join it this Sunday as it celebrates the golden anniversary of this great business. The organization will be making a special presentation at 1 p.m., as it wishes another 50 years of unbridled success to some of Southern California's pizza pioneers!
 –Contributed by the Downey Conservancy

Single mom gets keys to donated home

COMPTON – Trenisha Dorsey never thought that she would ever be a homeowner but on November 20, that changed as Habitat for Humanity of Greater Los Angeles and Bank of America presented her the keys to her new home in Compton.

Trenisha is a single mother of three children and they all currently live with family in a cramped apartment in an area threatened by nearby gang activity. Trenisha works for Los Angeles County's Department of Public Social Services and is also working toward her associate's degree at Southwest Community College.

Trenisha has partnered with Habitat LA so that her family can feel safe in their home as well as in their outdoor space.

"Being a homeowner is very important because it gives you a sense of foundation. Me and my family can now start our legacy here and build a solid family. We are very grateful to Bank of America for donating this home to Habitat LA," said Trenisha. "As a child, I wasn't raised in a home. We moved around a lot. I now feel a

sense of stability for my children. We can now get the dog that Alaunn has been wanting."

The home was donated by Bank of America to support the affiliate's efforts to build affordable housing in partnership with hardworking, low-income families in greater Los Angeles. Home donations are part of a national partnership with Habitat for Humanity International through which Bank of America will donate up to 2,000 vacant properties for renovation or reconstruction over the next three years.

Bank of America volunteers helped build alongside Trenisha, as she invested 200 hours of sweat equity toward the purchase of her home.

"What we're doing today demonstrates our commitment to Habitat and our local communities to help create affordable housing for families," said John Manganiello, market executive of Bank of America and board member of Habitat LA. "Trenisha has worked incredibly hard to become a homeowner, dedicating 200 hundred hours of sweat equity



and participating in additional hours of education to get to this point of her journey. In many ways, her journey is just getting started."

Los Angeles County is still one of the least affordable places to live, and more than half of its residents live below the poverty level. Since 1990, Habitat LA has built and renovated more than 1,000 homes locally and internationally.

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Downey cheerleaders are fundraising in hopes they can attend a national cheerleading competition in Dallas next month.

The cost would be approximately \$15,000 to send all 26 varsity cheerleaders to the competition.

The girls are recycling bottles and cans, selling donuts, and hosting yard sales.

The community can also help by making a donation online at gofundme.com/DowneyCheer



Man gets 12 years for stabbing

DOWNEY - A 38-year-old Downey man that fatally stabbed another man earlier this year was sentenced Monday to 12 years in prison.

Deputy District Attorney Don Syn said William Johnson pleaded no contest to one felony count of voluntary manslaughter on Nov. 19.

Los Angeles County Superior Court Judge Peter Espinoza of the Norwalk Branch also ordered Johnson to pay more than \$2,000 in restitution to the Victim Compensation Board.

On March 4, Johnson and the victim, Darin Sivley, 53, were at an acquaintance's home. During the visit, the victim got into an argument with the homeowner, who then asked Sivley to leave, the prosecutor said.

Johnson became involved in the argument, pulled out a knife and stabbed Sivley in the upper arm. The puncture severed a major artery and the victim began to bleed profusely, the prosecutor added.

Johnson placed a tourniquet on Sivley's arm and the victim then left on his bicycle to go to the hospital. Sivley ultimately collapsed on the street and died.

Parks master plan meeting

DOWNEY - The city of Downey is hosting a community workshop this Saturday, Dec. 13, to gather input from residents on Downey parks, recreation programs, and facilities.

The meeting will be held inside the gymnasium activity room at Apollo Park from 9:30 a.m. to noon.

"Your input in the needs of Downey's parks, programs and open space is an important step in the process of developing a master plan to outline the future of your recreation programs and parks," city officials said.

LEGAL NOTICES

BULK SALES

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

Escrow No. 14-28647-JL NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a bulk sale of assets and a transfer of alcoholic beverage license is about to be made.

The name(s) and business address of the Seller(s)/licensee(s) are: ASKAR BROTHERS INC, 12615 PIONEER BLVD, NORWALK, CA 90650

The assets being sold are generally described as: ALL STOCK IN TRADE, FIXTURES, EQUIPMENT, GOODWILL, TRADENAME, LEASE, LEASEHOLD IMPROVEMENTS, AND COVENANT NOT TO COMPETE, AND ABC LICENSE and is/are located at: 12615 PIONEER BLVD, NORWALK, CA 90650

The type of license to be transferred is/are: Type: OFF-SALE GENERAL License No. 21-487906 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: TEAM ESCROW, 6025 BEACH BLVD, BUENA PARK, CA 90621 and the anticipated sale date is JANUARY 9, 2015

The purchase price of consideration in connection with the sale of the business and transfer of the license, is the sum of \$480,000.00, including inventory estimated at \$80,000.00, which consists of the following: DESCRIPTION, AMOUNT: CASH \$480,000.00; ALLOCATION TOTAL \$480,000.00

ASKAR BROTHERS INC, Seller(s)/ Licensee(s) HAKIMEH BROTHERS, INC, Buyer(s)/ Applicant(s) LA1483982 DOWNEY PATRIOT 12/11/14

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) MULTI HEALTH CARE (2) MULTI HEALTH CARE MEDICAL CENTER, 3175 FIRESTONE BLVD, LOS ANGELES CA 90280, COUNTY OF LA

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: C1347604 REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) MULTI HEALTH CARE NURSING CLINIC INC, 3175 FIRESTONE BLVD, LOS ANGELES CA 90280

State of Incorporation: CA This business is conducted by a Corporation

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 02/28/1986 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.)

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THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) DACAE, 9324 HORLEY AVE., DOWNEY CA 90240, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) IVO RUBIO, 9324 HORLEY 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.)

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Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) THAO SICHANAO ELIZARRARAS, JR

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) COMPANIA DE CAFE, 4705 FIRESTONE BLVD, SOUTH GATE CA 90280, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, 110 NORTH MACLAY, SAN FERNANDO CA 91340

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) LATINO BRANDS LLC, 201 SOUTH FIGUEROA STREET SUITE 300, LOS ANGELES CA 90012

State of Incorporation: DE This business is conducted by a Limited Liability Company

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 08/02/2012 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.)

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Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) IGNACIO ELIZARRARAS, JR., 11212 FLALLON AVE, NORWALK CA 90650

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) M NAILS SPA, 1200 E CARSON 500, LONG BEACH CA 90807, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) KEYA CHEN, 12443 HERITAGE SPRINGS DR, SANTA FE SPRINGS CA 90670

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DUSD test scores climbing

DOWNEY - Scores on the California Standards Test (CST) in the Downey Unified School District continued to increase, even while scores for the state slipped down slightly for the first time in years, state data shows.

The 13 school year, released Aug. 8, also show that Downey Unified composite scores increased in all four subject areas - English language arts, history, mathematics and science - compared to 2013-12.

Test scores show what percentage of students tested are either proficient or advanced in the subject areas.

The state report also shows that scores in Downey exceed the scores in the rest of Los Angeles County in all areas and exceed the statewide averages in English language arts and science.

Downey Unified scores in math trailed the statewide average by 610th of a percent.

In English language arts, the Downey district averaged 81.1 percent of the students tested in grades 2-11 were proficient or advanced, compared to the L.A. County average of 84.1 percent and state average of 86.4 percent.

While the state average went down 8/10th of a percent, Downey's average increased by 4/10th of a percent.

In mathematics, 50.6 percent of Downey students scored proficient or advanced, exceeding the county average of 49.6 percent but trailing the state average of 51.2 percent.

However, Downey's district average showed improvement, up 1.5 percent from the 2011-12 school year.

Mathematics tests are given in grades 2-7 and at the end of the course in higher grades.

Scores in both history and science in Downey Unified dramatically exceeded both the state and county-wide averages and the state growth rate from year to year.

Downey Unified students scored an 89.3 percent proficient or advanced while the state average was 49.4 percent and the county average was 46 percent.

Downey increased its percentage of proficient and advanced students by 1.4 percent, while state scores only went up .6 percent.

PIH Health buying land FROM DOWNEY

PIH Health is buying a 115,000-sq-ft parcel in Downey from the city of Downey. The parcel is located on the site of the former Kaiser Permanente Downey Medical Center.

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School board race gets crowded

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2014316714

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) BRIGHT STAR REAL ESTATE, 11001 8050 DORENE AV. STE. 110, DOWNEY CA 90241, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, 7250 LUXOR ST, DOWNEY CA 90241
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) ALMA O GALINDO, 7250 LUXOR ST, DOWNEY CA 90241
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/ALMA O GALINDO, OWNER
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on NOVEMBER 5, 2014

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2014317353

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) 5015 CLINTON APARTMENTS, 5015 CLINTON STREET, LOS ANGELES CA 90004, LA COUNTY, 23622 CALABASAS ROAD SUITE 337, CALABASAS CA 91302
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) RAIN TREE CLINTON LLC, 28202 CABOT ROAD SUITE 300, LAGUNA NIGUEL CA 92677
State of Incorporation: DE
This business is conducted by a Limited Liability Company
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 04/29/2014
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/RAIN TREE CLINTON LLC, MANAGING MEMBER, JEFFREY B. ALLEN
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on NOVEMBER 06, 2014

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2014334394

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) YANLAS TRADING PORT, 4969 MONTAIR AVE, LAKEWOOD CA 90712, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) DIANA SANCHEZ, 4969 MONTAIR AVE, LAKEWOOD CA 90712
State of Incorporation: N/A
This business is conducted by an Individual
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 12/4/2014
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/DIANA SANCHEZ, OWNER
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on NOVEMBER 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. 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 2014340683

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) GRASONS CO. ESTATE SALES, 556 S. FAIR OAKS AVE. STE. 101#538, PASADENA CA 91105, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, 12509 ALDER CA 90696
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) RICHARD GARCIA, 12509 ALDER DR, WHITTIER CA 90606
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 12/02/2014
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/RICHARD GARCIA, OWNER
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on DECEMBER 2, 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).

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2014318668

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) DUNKIN DONUTS, 14215 WHITTIER BLVD., WHITTIER CA 90605, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, 3720 S. SUSAN ST. STE. 120, SANTA ANA CA 92704
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) PRELL RESTAURANT GROUP, LLC, 3720 S. SUSAN ST. STE. 120, SANTA ANA CA 92704
State of Incorporation: CA
This business is conducted by a Limited Liability Company
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) S/PRELL RESTAURANT GROUP, LLC, PRESIDENT, JACOB SOMENSHINE
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on NOVEMBER 07, 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).

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2014338597

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) DOUBLE TWO COMPANY, 13337 E. SOUTH STREET SUITE 578, CERRITOS CA 90703, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) JASON CHEN, 13337 E. SOUTH STREET SUITE 578, CERRITOS CA 90703 (2) KIRA ABEON, 13337 E. SOUTH STREET SUITE 578, CERRITOS CA 90703
State of Incorporation: N/A
This business is conducted by Copartners
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/JASON CHEN, PARTNER
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on DECEMBER 1, 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
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GOVERNMENT

NOTICE OF BID

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Education for the DOWNEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT, Downey, CA (Los Angeles County), will receive Request for Proposal (RFP) Number 2014/2015-01 for the procurement of the following:

- Television Broadcast Studio for Downey High School

Sealed requests for proposal (RFP's) must be delivered to the Downey Unified School District, Purchasing Department, 11627 Brookshire Avenue, Room 169, Downey, CA 90241 no later than 4:00 PM on December 30, 2014.

Companies interested in bidding should request appropriate bid documents from the Purchasing Department, (562) 469-3531.

A Bidders Conference for the purpose of acquainting prospective bidders with the unique requirements of the District will be held on December 19, 2014 at 2:00 PM commencing in Room 108 at the District office address noted above. **Attendance is required.**

The Board of Education reserves the right to reject any and all bids. No bidder may withdraw their bid for a period of ninety (90) days after the date set for the opening of bids. Refer to the formal bid documents and specifications for additional information, terms, and conditions.

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

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NOTICE OF BID

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Education for the DOWNEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT, Downey, CA (Los Angeles County), will receive Request for Proposal (RFP) Number 2014/2015-02 for the procurement of the following:

- Purchase and Installation of a District-Wide Wireless Network (E-Rate)

Sealed requests for proposal (RFP's) must be delivered to the Downey Unified School District, Purchasing Department, 11627 Brookshire Avenue, Room 169, Downey, CA 90241 no later than 11:00 AM on January 16, 2015.

Companies interested in bidding should request appropriate bid documents from the Purchasing Department, (562) 469-3531.

A Bidders Conference for the purpose of acquainting prospective bidders with the unique requirements of the District will be held on December 22, 2014 at 8:00 AM commencing in the Board Room at the District office address noted above. **Attendance is required.**

The Board of Education reserves the right to reject any and all bids. No bidder may withdraw their bid for a period of ninety (90) days after the date set for the opening of bids. Refer to the formal bid documents and specifications for additional information, terms, and conditions.

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

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NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY / NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION for the Downey Groundwater Well Nos. 27 and 28 Project

This serves as the City of Downey's Notice of Intent to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Downey Groundwater Well Nos. 27 and 28 Project, prepared in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), CEQA Guidelines, and local implementation procedures.

Name of Project:
Downey Groundwater Well Nos. 27 and 28 Project

Project Location:
The proposed project consists of two well improvement sites (herein referred to as the Well No. 27 site and Well No. 28 site) in different locations of the City of Downey. The project sites are located within the southwestern and southeastern portion of the City of Downey, within the County of Los Angeles. Proposed Well No. 27 is to be located at 7926 Springer Street and proposed Well No. 28 is to be located at 9252 Stewart and Gray Road.

Lead Agency:
City of Downey, 11111 Brookshire Avenue, Downey, California, 90241

Project Description:
The City of Downey proposes to implement two new water wells to improve water supply reliability within its service area. The two wells (Well Nos. 27 and 28) would include the following primary components: a well drilled to approximately 1,500 feet below ground surface; a 660 square-foot building consisting of a well room, chemical area, and electrical room; a 400-horsepower electric pump; emergency generator backup equipment; flow meters, and pipelines. Both wells would have aquifer storage and recovery (ASR) capabilities, which would provide the ability to supplement water supply by treatment and injection of recycled water and/or injection and storage of imported Metropolitan Water District of Southern California (MWD) water when available in the local aquifers. Additionally, the Well No. 28 site would include an approximately 330 square-foot addition to an existing administrative office building that would house Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) equipment to control/monitor the groundwater well system within the City of Downey. The proposed improvement at the project sites would occur in two primary phases: demolition and drilling followed by equipping. Construction is anticipated to begin in spring 2015 and would last approximately 17 to 20 months. Neither of the sites are designated a hazardous waste property as enumerated under Section 65962.5 of the California Government Code.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City proposes to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the above-cited project. Such Mitigated Negative Declaration is based on the finding that, by implementing the identified mitigation measures, the project's potential significant adverse impacts will be reduced to a less than significant level. The reasons to support such a finding are documented by an Initial Study prepared by the City. Copies of the Initial Study, the proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration and supporting materials are available for review on the City of Downey website at <http://www.downeyca.org/>, at the City of Downey Public Works Department and City Clerk's office located at 11111 Brookshire Avenue, and at the City of Downey Library Reference Section located at 11121 Brookshire Avenue, Downey, California 90241.

For questions regarding the Mitigated Negative Declaration contact:

NAME: Mr. Dan Mueller, P.E.

PHONE: 562-622-3578

TITLE: Principal Engineer/Utilities Manager

EMAIL: dmuller@downeyca.org

ADDRESS: City of Downey Public Works Department
11111 Brookshire Avenue
Downey, CA 90241

Public Review Period: Begins: December 15, 2014 Ends: January 9, 2015

Public Hearing:
Consideration of adoption of the Mitigated Negative Declaration via public hearing by the City of Downey City Council is tentatively scheduled to take place on **January 27, 2015**, at 6:30 p.m. at the City of Downey Council Chambers located at 11111 Brookshire Avenue, Downey, California 90241.

In accordance with the CEQA Guidelines, any comments concerning the findings of the proposed Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration must be submitted in writing and **received by the City no later than 5:00 p.m. on January 9, 2015**, in order to be considered prior to the City's final determination on the project. Should you decide to challenge this project, you may be limited to the issues raised during this public review period. Please submit your written comments to Mr. Dan Mueller, City of Downey Public Works Department, 11111 Brookshire Avenue, Downey, California 90241.

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LIEN SALES

NOTICE OF SALE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned intends to sell the personal property described below to enforce a lien imposed on said property pursuant to sections 21700 – 21716 of the CA Business and Professions Code, CA Commercial Code Section 2328, Section 1812.600 – 1812.609 and Section 1988 of CA Civil Code, 353 of the Penal Code.

The undersigned will sell at public sale by competitive bidding on Wednesday 17th day of December, 2014 at 1:30 P.M., on the premises where said property including household goods, tools, electronics, and personal effects, have been stored and which are located at Paramount Self Storage, 8160 E. Rosecrans Ave, Paramount, County of Los Angeles, State of California, the following:

Customer Name	Unit #
Jasmine Irby	1302
Ernesto Gonzalez	1305
Andre Lowden	1505
Delrita Jasper	1503
Marco Castillo	1571
Violet V. Geeter	2041
Romana Romero	2187
Jacquelyn A Lowden	2363
Ana M Avelares	2452
Karl D. Souers	2540

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

Dated this 4th of December 2014 and 11th day of December 2014.

Self Storage Management Co. Bond #: WL11254152
562.630.7270

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NOTICES

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES NORWALK SUPERIOR COURT ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE NUMBER: VS026564

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner JESSSENIA MORENO, JOSE LUIS ESPINOSA filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present name (1) LUNA AMAYAH MORENO to proposed name (1) LUNA AMAYAH ESPINOSA
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: JANUARY 14, 2015, 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.
November 17, 2014
Margaret Miller Bernal
Judge Of The Superior Court
Petitioner or Attorney, In Pro Per
Jessenia Moreno, In Pro Per
7716 Brunach St.
Downey, CA 90242
Jorge Lopez and Gwendolyn Carrillo
1563 West 100 North
West Point, UT 84015
(562) 416-3001
Jessenia.moreno3@gmail.com

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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES NORWALK SUPERIOR COURT ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE NUMBER: VS026494

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner JORGE LOPEZ AND GWENDOLYN CARRILLO filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present name (1) MADALYN LOPEZ GARCIA to Proposed name (1) MADALYN LOPEZ CARRILLO
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: DECEMBER 31, 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.
October 29, 2014
Margaret Miller Bernal
Judge Of The Superior Court
Petitioner or Attorney, In Pro Per
Jorge Lopez and Gwendolyn Carrillo
1563 West 100 North
Cudahy, CA 90201
(323) 365-9514

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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES NORWALK SUPERIOR COURT ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE NUMBER: VS026575

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner LORENA DIAZ & JOSE MANUEL DIAZ MORENO filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present name (1) SEBASTIAN DIAZ-GARCIA to Proposed name (1) SEBASTIAN DIAZ
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: JANUARY 28, 2015, 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.
November 19, 2014
Margaret Miller Bernal
Judge Of The Superior Court
Petitioner or Attorney, In Pro Per
Lorena Diaz & Jose Manuel Diaz Moreno
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Downey, CA 90240
(562) 688-4525
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PROBATE

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF FRANK WALTER LOPEZ
Case No. BP157823
TO all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of FRANK WALTER LOPEZ
A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Christopher Kilpatrick in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.
THE PETITION FOR PROBATE re-requests that Christopher Kilpatrick 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 Dec. 30, 2014 at 8:30 AM in Dept. No. 5 located at 1111 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 Re-quest 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.

Attorney for petitioner:
JAMES R MELLOR JR ESQ SBN 102804
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TRUSTEE SALES

TSG No.: 3539780 TS No.: 20079134009281 FHA/VA/PMI No.: APN: 6259-012-008
Property Address: 12115 DOWNEY AVENUE DOWNEY, CA 90240 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 04/13/2005, UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On 12/31/2014 at 10:00 A.M., First American Trustee Servicing Solutions, LLC, as duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust recorded 04/22/2005, as Instrument No. 05 0940869, in book , page , of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of LOS ANGELES County, State of California. Executed by: VENANCIO B. RODRIGUEZ, WILL BE PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE ABOVE MENTIONED DEED OF TRUST APN# 6259-012-008 The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 12115 DOWNEY AVENUE, DOWNEY, CA 90240 he undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said note(s), advances, under the terms of said Deed of Trust, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is \$750,774.78. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust has deposited all documents evidencing the obligations secured by the Deed of Trust and has declared all sums secured thereby immediately due and payable, and has caused a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be executed. The undersigned caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the County where the real property is located. NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company



Fire destroys north Downey home

DOWNEY – A fire caused major damage to a single-family home in north Downey on Wednesday afternoon. No one inside the home was injured, but one civilian suffered minor smoke inhalation and was transported to a local hospital, officials said. The two-alarm fire at 8528 Tweedy Lane was reported at 1:26 p.m., said Fire Chief Mark Gillaspie. Firefighters responded within five minutes and discovered heavy smoke and flames from the rear of the home. "Crews quickly confirmed all occupants were out of the home and performed an aggressive offensive interior fire attack, protecting the unburned portion of the house," Gillaspie said. Firefighters from Santa Fe Springs and L.A. County also responded to the fire, protecting neighboring homes. No cause was immediately given for the fire. The home sustained "major" fire damage and is uninhabitable.



Photo courtesy Downey Police Department

Communications supervisor Heidi Calhoun, third from left, and other police dispatchers. Calhoun retired recently after 31 years with the department.

Longtime dispatcher retires

DOWNEY – Communications supervisor Heidi Calhoun has retired after 31 years with the Downey Police Department. "She has been an outstanding employee throughout her career and has served as a role model for other employees," the department said in a statement. "Her calming voice and steady demeanor no matter the situation have been a true asset to the citizens of Downey and all employees of the department. Dispatchers are rarely recognized for their hard work and performance under pressure, but they should never be overlooked for the key role they play in any police department providing top-notch law enforcement services to the community. "Heidi will be truly missed and we wish her well as she begins to enjoy her much deserved retirement."

Garcia elected women's caucus vice chair

DOWNEY – Assemblymember Cristina Garcia (D-Bell Gardens) has been elected by her peers to serve as vice-chair to the California Legislative Women's Caucus. The Legislative Women's Caucus advocates on behalf of the diverse interests of women, children and families throughout California. It also seeks to increase participation and representation of women in state government. "My top priorities are to see more women represented in positions of leadership and to maximize opportunities for all women," Garcia said.



Boxing calendar to debut in Downey

DOWNEY – Professional boxer Alfonso Gomez will debut a 2015 calendar, featuring several professional boxers, at a launch event next Thursday, Dec. 18, at The Palms restaurant in Downey. The free event begins at 7 p.m. and is open to the public. The calendar features portraits of current and former professional boxers, including Mia St. John, Jesus Soto Karass, Yeyo Thompson, Gera Washington, Eddie De La Huerta and Edgar Nava. Several of the fighters are expected to be in attendance and available for free pictures and autographs. Gomez launched his first boxing calendar in 2014. This year's calendar "brings together boxers from all walks of life to illustrate their talent and teamwork in a captured moment." The Palms is at 8060 E. Florence Ave.

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Remodeled Downey Home
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5 BD, 4 BA, 4,333 sq ft home w/ master suite, attached recreation room currently used as a 1 BD, 1 BA guest house, detached guest house, & large pool on this 11,869 sq ft lot. Built/remodeled in 1993, backyard has covered patio, large pool & grass area at the rear.
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