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THE TIES THAT BIND

A Blessing in Disguise

Dulce Ruelos was a wife and mother with four children when martial law was declared in the Philippines. Fearing layoffs and the loss of her job, Dulce left her family for one year in a heroic effort to earn a degree in another country. 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 Dulce Ruelos

In 1972, martial law was declared in the Philippines. This caught many by surprise, including myself.

At that time my husband Vicman, a lawyer, and myself both worked as government employees. He was with the Legal Department of the Bureau of Customs, and I worked as a medical nutritionist in the Health Department. We were blessed with four young children – ages one, five, three, and seven. We were fortunate to have domestic helpers who took care of the children and did the housework.

Initially, martial law was deemed to be a solution to the surge of increasing violence from rebel groups and activists who posed a threat to the national security. Martial law suspended all civic rights, and military authority took absolute control over the media and government offices. The people hoped that martial law would bring about reforms to transform the country into a more stable new society.

Massive governmental reorganization was instituted. Government offices were to be streamlined, resulting in a reduction of personnel.

At the Division of Nutrition, our main function was to identify problems and institute policies to improve the nutritional status of the most vulnerable age groups, such as infants and children, and pregnant and nursing mothers. Policies were carried out by rural health clinics in towns throughout the country.

The most common malnutrition problems came to the attention of Mrs. Imelda Marcos, the First Lady at that time. She decided to create the National Nutrition Program and additional professionals were hired to work within the rural health clinics.

My group in the Health Department was absorbed by this national program, resulting in a duplication of function. This caused me a lot of anxiety and uncertainty. I no longer felt I had job security at a time when unemployment or early retirement was not yet an option. I felt I could be replaced or laid off at any time.

Although I worked full time, I did not cease to be engaged in my role as wife and mother. I discussed my situation and my concern with my husband. He was fully supportive and assured me of his help with whatever plans or decisions I would have to make. His parents and his sisters would help him with the children.

I thought long and hard about my next move. I thought of applying for a postgraduate study grant, a scholarship, fellowship, or whatever was available, anywhere. I would be advancing myself professionally. In exchange, for every year of scholarship, I would have to serve the government for two years. This would assure me of at least two years on my job.

I went to the office in the Dept. of Health that handled scholarships. I told the officer in charge that I was applying for a post-graduate scholarship anywhere that one was available. He looked at his records and told me the only one available was at the Hebrew University in Jerusalem, Israel. I told him I wanted to apply. It was for one year and would lead to a degree in Public Health.

He discouraged me, saying that the situation in the Middle East was unstable and that war was going on in that region. I told him that if there was war, the Philippine Embassy in Tel Aviv would evacuate us.

Again he said, "Why don't you wait for an available study grant in the US or somewhere else?" I said that I couldn't wait and that if one was offered in the US, I might not be picked. I pleaded with him to please endorse my application.

Anyway, we were not sure I would be able to comply with all of the requirements and pass all of the interviews. My persistence paid off and he grudgingly endorsed my application. I passed the interviews with another government office and a professor at the Hadassah Medical School of the Hebrew University.

I was accepted for the one year scholarship from November 1973 to November 1974. This was an international class with students from Thailand, Vietnam, Sweden, and the United States as well as the Philippines. My roommate for the year was a girl from New York. The Israeli government provided a roundtrip plane ticket from Manila to Tel Aviv, a book and clothing allowance, and rent for my stay at the student hostel.

Leaving my four children with my husband and family members was very hard. My children were now two, four, six, and eight years old. My only contact with them for the year was by letter because phone calls were too expensive.

I felt so homesick that I almost thought of giving up, but I didn't want to be a quitter. I wrote to my husband every two weeks and included letters for each of my children. Every time I got a letter in return, I would cry before even opening it. My eight-year-old would write to me as well.

I was so happy to go home when it was over, but it hurt when my two-year-old, who was now three, didn't want to sleep with me at first. He didn't remember me so well and wanted to sleep with the nanny. Things improved after a while.

Being away from my family for a year was terribly difficult, but looking back, I consider the martial law regime a blessing in disguise for me. My children were well cared for while I was gone, and I got a one-year, post-graduate scholarship with a Masters of Public Health degree.

Upon completion, I went back to my old job at the Department of Health where I worked for two years.

Walk for Life this Saturday

DOWNEY – The fifth annual Walk for Life benefiting the Sean Vernon Feliciano Amazing Day Foundation will be held this Saturday, March 7, at Shoreline Park in Long Beach.

Registration begins at 7 a.m. and the walk starts at 8.

This year, the Laker Girls will be in attendance to lead walkers in a warmup.

More details, including parking suggestions, are posted on the Amazing Day Foundation's Facebook page.

Townhouse development names streets after fallen Marine

• Gated community dedicates Joshua Way, Whittle Court and Sunshine Place.

By Christian Brown
Staff Writer

DOWNEY – A new townhouse development near Lakewood Boulevard and Gallatin Road honored the late Lance Cpl. Joshua Whittle last Saturday by naming its three private streets after the fallen Downey Marine.

Whittle served just three weeks in Afghanistan before he was killed in June 2009 after stepping on a landmine. He was 20 years old.

Nearly 600 people attended his funeral service at Downey First Baptist Church following a city-wide procession that traveled through various city streets.

Now bright-blue signs labeled Joshua Way, Whittle Court, and Sunshine Place – Sunshine was Whittle's nickname – line the once vacant roads inside City Ventures' Downey Collection, a community of three-story, solar-powered townhomes.

City Ventures sales manager Sam Choram said the company agreed to dedicate the streets to Whittle three years ago after Councilmen Roger Brossmer and Mario Guerra requested it.

"It was just the right thing to do," Choram said. "Everyone here knows, so every time they write their address down they think about the fallen Marine. It's very meaningful, he is a hero."

At a poolside ceremony inside the gated community, Mayor Pro Tem Alex Saab and representatives from property owner City Ventures



PHOTO BY CHRISTIAN BROWN

Crystal Vincent and her son, Ryan Whittle, hold a picture of Joshua.

presented Whittle's family with a resolution commemorating his sacrifice to the city and his country.

"It's just a small token, but as a city we could never do enough to honor him," said Saab. "We're a big city, but at the end of the day, we're one big family and his name really does come up often."

Whittle's mother, Crystal Vincent, accepted the resolution on behalf of her family, thankful that her son will be remembered.

"He'll definitely live on forever, he'll never be forgotten now," Vincent said. "They honored him well, which he deserved. He was a great kid."

Nearly six years after his death, Vincent said the loss is still very tangible, but acknowledgements like this help her cope.

"If I had my way, the whole world would know about my son," she said. "And slowly, but surely it's happening. I just wish I could live on his street."

Andrew Stevens tasked with keeping Downey prepared for disaster

• New emergency services manager may indicate new city approach to preparedness.

By Christian Brown
Staff Writer

DOWNEY – Andrew Stevens is no stranger to a crisis, but as Downey's newest emergency services manager, the 35-year-old hopes the city will never have to see one.

After three years of vacancy, filling the position with Stevens, a former U.S. Marine and disaster response manager, may indicate a new level of commitment from city officials to think outside the box on matters of emergency preparedness.

"The city manager [Gilbert Livas] reinforced how important this was," said Stevens, whose last predecessor was an alumni of the Downey Fire Department. "They didn't just look at me because I'm an outsider, but they wanted to make sure they had the right person for the job."

Appointed to his position last December, Stevens said he's ready to tackle Downey's most urgent preparedness need: collaboration.

"Downey has groups working on emergency preparedness, but separate of themselves," Stevens said. "It's now about getting all those people in the same room, creating a plan so we can test it and retest it. It's not about putting [the plan] on a shelf where it will collect dust."

Stevens, who lives in Torrance, previously directed field operations and volunteer training for the rapid response organization Team Rubicon, which aided victims of



Photo by Christian Brown

Superstorm Sandy and the disastrous tornados in Moore, Oklahoma. He praised Downey for its already passionate volunteers, but promised to bring focus to the department so results are multiplied.

"I'm in a win-win. You already have buy in and Downey is lucky enough to have built resources," he said. "Coming from outside the traditional realm, I know how to communicate with non-profits, faith-based organizations, and businesses."

The job comes naturally for Stevens who spent two years working for the state of Alaska Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management as a state planner of critical infrastructure protection.

"I worked with subsistent communities that were at constant risk of flooding or catastrophic storms," said Stevens, who was born in Seattle, but raised in Alaska. "We'd change the disaster into

an event by strengthening those communities through key ties with the private sector, energy and telecommunications."

Stevens said he will seek the same partnerships here to bolster Downey's preparedness in case of any major disaster.

"Response is a short window, but recovery is where you make or break," he said. "It takes commitment at the individual level, but I will give every tool in my tool box and I will offer everything in my power."

The father of two boys, Stevens encouraged residents to participate in the Community Emergency Response Team (C.E.R.T.) and promised new targeted outreach mechanisms to build awareness of potential emergencies.

"This job doesn't go away," said Stevens. "If you think you wrote a plan and you're good, you're wrong. We don't know what we don't know."

Weekend at a Glance

Friday 82°



Saturday 83°



Sunday 78°



Don't forget: Daylight Savings Time starts at 2 a.m. Sunday.

Things To Do



Fitness Dedication - Outdoor fitness equipment donated by Downey Los Amigos Kiwanis will officially open to the public. Information booths, giveaways, and more.

Saturday, Furman Park, 10 a.m.



Satisfaction Unlimited - Live concert featuring old school, funk, Latin, rock, and soul.

Saturday, IV Lounge inside Guesthouse Hotel in Norwalk, 9 p.m.



Spook Show - The third annual Spook Show features vendors, artists, musicians, and Halloween enthusiasts.

Saturday, Halloween Club in La Mirada, 12-7 p.m.

Facebook Conversation

Police target unsafe drivers, pedestrians, bicyclists

Letty Quintero: Schools should be patrolled during drop off and pick up times. It frustrates me so much that people continue to park not only on the clearly painted red curbs but even along the clearly painted crosswalk.

Laura L. Phillips: Hopefully speeding in school zones will be addressed! Pulling up on kids while they are crossing in the crosswalk trying to hurry them...

Hilda Thidza Contreras: Good news! I'm especially tired of these cyclists who come out of nowhere to cross the street in front of a car already turning.

Katherine Bode: Hope this also goes for the people who take their good old time meandering through the crosswalks even when the lights turn red.

Tracey Martinez: Glad to hear, when I walk my kids to school in the morning we almost get hit all the time because stupid people don't pay attention.

Mark Matarese: Ticket the parents at the schools who block traffic, park illegally, stop in the center of the road, park over the cross walk and block the buses just so little Johnny doesn't have to walk 50 yards.

Tweet of the Week

@Captain_Sawyer: I'm saying Downey as a whole is crowded and continues to get more crowded. Small trips take 15 mins now

After deputy-involved shooting, family pleads for answers

By Alex Dominguez Contributor

PARAMOUNT - It was just four months ago that 62-year-old Oscar Ramirez Sr. had police knock on his door. Officials had been there asking about one of his sons, 28-year-old Oscar Ramirez Jr., just the night before.

"The guy told me, 'You know I gotta tell you, I have bad news for you,'" said Ramirez. "Your son got into a confrontation with the police. He's dead."

The incident took place on Oct. 27 of last year, and Ramirez's family is still struggling to put pieces of information together while remembering their son and brother.

Ramirez was living with his father in South Gate at the time of his death.

"This was his general vicinity," said Ramirez's brother Kristian, 32, of Buena Park. "Downey, Paramount, and Bellflower. This is all he knew."

Ramirez's family describes him as an extremely family-oriented individual, who was very caring and protective of those he cared about. Lighthearted and a bit of a prankster, he was not one to be overly serious, family members said.

"When there was seriousness in

the room, he would defer away from it by making you laugh and smile. He did not like that whole seriousness of everyone," said Kristian.

Ramirez's family also noted his persevering attitude, never wanting to be average or subpar. Before his passing, Ramirez was pursuing a career in heavy machine operation. He struggled in his last year, unable to afford completing his schooling and shifting from various warehouse jobs.

Ramirez was also friendly with many younger individuals, especially students from Paramount High School. Like he did with his family, Ramirez watched over his young friends.

His family claims that Ramirez was attempting to stop a fight between one of his young acquaintances and an older man on the day he was fatally shot. According to media reports, all three individuals fled the scene when police arrived.

According to a document sent to the family's lawyer by the L.A. County Sheriff's Department, a Lakewood Sheriff's deputy assigned to Paramount High received information about the pending fight at Paramount Park. Shortly after, a witness called the Lakewood Sheriff's Station with a description of the involved individuals, stating that one was armed with a knife

and the other with a handgun.

The document also claims that Ramirez was found hiding in bushes and was not compliant before making a sudden movement that concealed his right side, causing the deputy to fire.

Many of the details surrounding Ramirez's death, including an autopsy report, have remained mysterious to his family, making it difficult for them to find the closure that they desire.

Kristian described it as being "hearsay," saying that the story has seemed to continue changing without finding a concrete form.

"We have nothing to go off of," said Kristian. The family says they have only recently begun to get bits and pieces of information concerning the incident.

The Ramirez family has protested outside the Paramount Sheriff's Station, filed a claim against L.A. County, and held a press conference, however, they say that they hold no political agenda. They insist that their only desire is to get the answers that will help put their loved one to rest.

"We're still pushing to this day to get more answers," said Kristian. "Until they make it concrete, then we can say 'he died in this manner.'"



PHOTO BY JOHN ZANDER

Mayor Luis Marquez used his State of the City address Wednesday to publicly identify several more restaurants confirmed for the Promenade at Downey development, including Mod Pizza, Lazy Dog Cafe, Jersey Mikes, Rock And Brews, and Gaucho Grill. Cinemark Theatres, 24 Hour Fitness and Walmart also are expected to open at the complex.

The mayor's other big announcement was that the city has secured funding to finish street repairs on Lakewood Boulevard between Gallatin and Telegraph roads. No construction dates were mentioned.

Herbert 'Tud' Goepel mourned

SANTA FE SPRINGS - Herbert Charles Goepel, also known among his family as "Tud", passed away peacefully on Feb. 13 at age 99.

He was born on Aug. 8, 1915, in Crystal Lake, Iowa, and was the ninth of 10 children born to local farm owners Charles and Ethel Mills Goepel.



Like many youth in those days, Herb grew up on the family farm, learning to handle the heavy work and long hours needed to raise crops and livestock.

He lost an eye at the age of 17 while working on a car, yet he never used that as an excuse. He worked for his brother-in-law and started to learn the carpentry trade.

Herb met his wife, Florence, in Garner, Iowa, in 1940. They spent their courting days dancing at The Surf Ballroom in Clear Lake, Iowa, and attending movies. They married in 1943 in Wichita, Kansas, where Florence worked for Beech Aircraft as a riveter on various military aircraft during World War II. He and Florence then moved to Miami Beach, Florida, where he was

stationed while serving in the Army Air Corps for the duration of the war.

After the war, they lived in various cities but eventually ended up in Southern California with Florence's best friend from Iowa, Mae Studer.

After the war, Florence and Tud, together with Mae, resided in Cleveland before finally settling in the Los Angeles area in 1946. They initially stayed with Florence's brother and sister-in-law, John and Ruth Burke, in Maywood. During this time, Florence worked at Sears Department Store in Los Angeles, and Tud started a long career as a union carpenter.

Shortly afterward they purchased a home in Maywood where their first son, Tom, was born in 1952. They then moved to Santa Fe Springs, which became their home for more than 60 years. Their second son, Jim, was born in 1957.

From the late 1940s until his retirement, Tud worked on numerous construction projects across the Los Angeles area, mostly for M.J. Brock and Sons. He helped frame the large built-in clock at the Glendale Galleria when it was originally constructed. Tud received a gold Rolex watch upon his retirement after 35 years with Brock.

He volunteered his handyman skills for the priests at the rectory of their parish church St. Pius X. After retirement, Herb and Florence traveled extensively, including annual summer driving trips to visit family in Iowa, and a trip to the Tipperary area of Ireland, where Florence's family originated.

Herb was preceded in death by his parents as well as his sisters Gladys, Gretta, Hazel, Edna, and Jean, and brothers, Willard, Anton, and Mick. He lost his wife, Florence, nearly three years ago to the day.

He is survived by his son, Tom, and wife Anne; and son, Jim, and wife Gilien; granddaughter, Elayna; step-grandson, Jonathan Hrabko, Mae Studer Haiden's two daughters, Tud's god-daughters Ann Haiden, Mary Skill and husband Cameron; and god-granddaughters Michelle and Elizabeth Skill.

He is also survived by numerous nieces and nephews, including Diane Trewin from the Bay Area, as well as grand-nieces and grand-nephews and other relatives across the United States. He was especially close to his niece Ramona and nephew Cal who live in Arizona.

REAL ESTATE UPDATE

Rumors that Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac could one day be a thing of the past have people wondering about the future of the 30-year fixed-rate mortgage. But let's not sound the alarm just yet. A drastic change to lending's gold standard is certainly not on the immediate horizon. Meanwhile, Federal Reserve Chair Janet Yellen seems to have no immediate interest in raising interest rates for the first time since 2006. The economy remains stable for the time being, which should keep housing rolling through the short-named months.

- New Listings decreased 6.7% to 363
- Pending Sales increased 44.0% to 373
- Inventory decreased 19.8% to 3,188

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Police cracking down on traffic violators

• Police targeting drivers, bicyclists and pedestrians who disregard traffic laws.

DOWNEY – The Downey Police Department is deploying extra officers this month targeting drivers that do not yield to pedestrians in crosswalks, and bicycle riders and pedestrians who cross streets illegally or fail to yield to drivers who have the right of way.

The stepped-up patrol is part of a traffic enforcement operations plan intended to reduce collisions involving pedestrians and bicyclists.

“The department has mapped out locations over the past three years where pedestrian and bike collisions have occurred along with the violations that led to those crashes,” the police department said in a news release. “Extra officers will be on duty patrolling areas where bike and pedestrian traffic and crashes occur in an effort to lower deaths and injuries.”

Officers will be looking for violations made by drivers, bike riders and pedestrians that can lead to collisions.

Special attention will be directed toward drivers speeding, making

illegal turns, failing to stop for signs and signals, failing to yield to pedestrians in crosswalks, and other dangerous violations, police said.

Bicyclists will be issued citations when they fail to follow the same traffic laws that apply to drivers, officials said. Pedestrians should cross the street only in marked crosswalks or at corners.

Since 2012, the Downey Police Department has investigated 276 fatal and injury collisions involving pedestrians and bicyclists.

A state grant is funding this enforcement operation.

Arts coalition hosting open house

• Downey Arts Coalition will have open house Tuesday night at Epic Lounge.

DOWNEY – The Downey Arts Coalition will host an open house on Tuesday, March 10, at 7 p.m. at the Epic Lounge, 8239 2nd Street.

The event is free to the public and offers an opportunity to connect with others who have an interest in supporting and participating in local art events. Refreshments will be served, along with a showing of a short film, “The Whexican,” by actor/director Forrest Hartl. The film is about a young man’s visit with his Mexican grandfather.

Attendees will also have a chance to meet award-winning Downey sculptor Jorge del Toro and view some of his artwork.

Del Toro’s piece, “Deforestation,” won first place in its category at the recent 55th annual Hillcrest Festival of Fine Arts. Two of his other ceramic pieces were awarded Honorable Mention.

The Downey Arts Coalition is also celebrating its fourth anniversary this month. Since its founding in 2011, the group has sponsored art exhibits, monthly poetry readings, and produced two Broadway plays and two free music festivals.

Art shows for the Dia de los Muertos celebrations, the city of Downey rooftop events, and the Downey symphony concerts are curated by members of DAC.

The non-profit organization has also hosted movie screenings by local filmmakers, and recently assisted with publicity for the Glenfest Movie

Festival that was free to the public at the Downey Krikorian Theater. DAC will be helping with the movie festival once again, later this year.

Art curator Pat Gil explains, “Whatever someone’s passion is – music, film, theatre, dance, poetry – we can work together to help you express it in our local community.”

Gil describes DAC as an umbrella organization that provides “a place for local artists, arts organization, and community leaders to share and collaborate.” The DAC website offers a calendar promoting city concerts, art shows, and music events.

Everyone, no matter what their interest, is invited to come for an evening of networking and stimulating conversation.

For further information go to: downeyarts.org.

Simplicity Bank is acquired

• Downey branch will become HomeStreet Bank after its acquisition.

DOWNEY – Seattle-based HomeStreet Bank announced Monday that it has acquired Simplicity Bank, a seven-branch community bank located in Southern California, including a branch at Stonewood Center.

The combined company will operate as HomeStreet Bank, which now has a network of 99 deposit branches and lending centers in the western United States and Hawaii.

“We are looking forward to servicing Simplicity customers, including current and former employees of Kaiser Permanente, with a substantially expanded menu of products and services,” said HomeStreet CEO Mark K.

Mason. “We will work diligently to ensure a smooth transition and uninterrupted, high quality service to customers, and to extend our strong corporate citizenship program to the communities served by our new branches.

“Community partnership has been a top priority for us since our founding,” added Mason. “Our approach is to develop meaningful and multifaceted partnerships that may include employee volunteer service, leadership through board and committee membership, teaching financial literacy and first-time homebuyer classes, holding food and supply drives, sharing financial resources in the form of charitable contributions and sponsorships, and tailoring banking and lending products and services to serve a broad spectrum

of community members. I am very proud that in 2014, our employees donated more than 16,000 hours of service to organizations in our communities.”

Tango Evolution at Downey Theatre

DOWNEY – “Tango Evolution,” a live show featuring dance and music from Argentina, comes to the Downey Theatre on March 14.

The show features live performances by Buenos Aires-based Los Ocampo; Argentinean dancer and director Zita Gonzalez; singer Esther Segovia; and more.

Tickets start at \$25 and can be purchased at the theater box office, online at downeytheatre.com, or by calling (562) 861-8211.

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No suspects found after reported home invasion

DOWNEY - Downey Police are investigating a reported home invasion robbery that allegedly occurred near Brunache Street and Rives Avenue last Friday afternoon.

A male homeowner told police he saw two men and a woman walk to the front door of his home on Brunache Street. The two men allegedly were carrying handguns.

The homeowner told police the three suspects entered the house and demanded money, but he managed to escape and call 911.

Police said they arrived at the home within two minutes of the 911 call and set up a containment around the house. Sheriff's SWAT members eventually entered the home but found it empty.

Police said it's unknown if any property was taken from the home, and no vehicles were seen arriving or leaving the property. The homeowner suffered no injuries.

The homeowner described the suspects as two Hispanic men in their mid-20s wearing dark hoodies, and a white or Hispanic woman in her mid-20s wearing a black and white hoodie.

Anyone with information is asked to call Det. Mike Galindo at (562) 904-2330. Tips can be left anonymously by calling (800) 222-TIPS.

Bellflower schools spend millions to upgrade technology

BELLFLOWER - Bellflower Unified has spent \$3 million this school year to create a system of tablets, laptops, document cameras and projectors that allows teachers to seamlessly integrate the latest technology into classroom lessons emphasizing critical thinking, hands-on learning and student collaboration.

The effort combines hardware and software purchases, installation and professional development, as well as improvements in internet access, system upkeep and maintenance.

The system will be completed by April 1, a testament to District planning that identified specific needs and system options as early as 2013, new funding provided through the Local Control Funding Formula and priorities set in the District's first Local Control and Accountability Plan.

"It's all about how to integrate the technology into a teacher's lesson," said Bellflower Superintendent Dr. Brian Jacobs. "The tools help meet the emphasis on technological know-how that is both a part of our California Common Core Standards and a requirement for succeeding on the state's new computer-based standardized tests this spring."

For example, teachers can use document cameras to capture images of living plants to project onto whiteboards, where students can work together to label parts

and functions. Or teachers can alternatively project work from up to nine student collaboration groups onto the board so students can review and compare their work.

By number alone, the system ensures a 5-1 ratio of students to computing tools, with a 1-1 ratios when laptop or tablet carts are brought in for specific exercises. But Bellflower's goal wasn't solely based on achieving a specific ratio - it was focused on providing the right combination of tools and training to ensure classrooms become interactive tech havens.

Part of the key to that success is ongoing professional development, including time for teachers to share their successful efforts with peers during regular grade-level planning conversations, said Lisa Azevedo, Assistant Superintendent of Academic Accountability & Curriculum Improvement.

"It's not just about what teachers have available," Azevedo said. "It's what they do with it."

Teachers, meanwhile, are responding in droves. A recent training session offered in using Google classrooms was so overbooked, at least three new training sessions will need to be offered to accommodate the numbers.

Ruth Lopez, teacher at Washington Elementary for nearly 20 years, said she's not as adept with new technology as some of her peers. A sixth-grade math teacher, she started using the document camera to bring individual items to the screen at the front of the room, but quickly realized the system had much more potential.

With the help of two technically proficient fellow teachers, she

devised some techniques that are helping her to connect more directly with all of her sixth-grade math students. Now, she loads lessons into her projector, using the screen in front of the room for class-wide elements, such as questions and guides. Her students use learn pads that are easy for students to master.

"I love how I can fade in or block information they don't immediately need, so they keep a tight focus on the lesson," said Lopez. "And I love the teach pad - it allows me to teach from anywhere in the room. That mobility really helps me to see if students are on task and engaged."

Daniel Fong, a tech-savvy teacher who has taught social science at Mayfair High School for eight years, said the higher level of student engagement and elimination of the need to constantly check progress student by student means class times can focus on student-driven discussions.

For example, when students analyze the Preamble to the U.S. Constitution in groups, Fong can showcase the work of each team simultaneously. He can also see instantly who needs additional help and who might be taking a novel approach. And he can shift the class focus from one group to the other with the click of a button. Fong's students are equipped with sophisticated teach pads that allow them to stretch their computer skills.

"This creates much more of a free-flowing conversation," Fong said. "It means as a teacher I have to be ready for all sorts of situations. The energy is terrific and the students are engaged at levels never before possible."



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A contingent of female DUSD students traveled to Cal Poly Pomona last week to participate in the Women in Engineering Program, which seeks to increase the number of women in the engineering industry.

Downey girls introduced to engineering careers

DOWNEY - Eighty female students from the Downey Unified School District recently participated in Cal Poly Pomona's Women in Engineering Program, which helps young women explore careers in engineering.

Only 11.7 percent of all engineering jobs are occupied by women, according to a news release.

This year's program was held Feb. 23 and had participation from 100 female middle school students. Of those, 80 were from Downey.

The event featured hands-on activities exposing each student to the different areas in engineering including, Electrical Engineering, Civil Engineering and Chemical Engineering, to name a few.

"We are invested in these students' futures," stated Associate Dean of the College of Engineering, Dr. Cordelia Ontiveros. "Engineers make a difference in the world and it

directly improves people lives. These young people are our hope for the future."

For the second consecutive year, DUSD sent 20 young women from Doty, Griffiths, Sussman and Stauffer middle schools to participate in the program.

Through Project Lead The Way (PLTW), these sixth through eighth-grade students experienced firsthand what a career in engineering would encompass by experimenting with positive and negative charges and wiring "blinky bugs" until each student made their eyes illuminate; constructing roller coasters out of material and determining the height and velocity of the coaster with the goal to make a metal pin-ball travel completely though it.

"We are very proud that the Downey Unified School District is one of the top PLTW school districts in the country," stated Downey Unified School District's director of CTE and STEM, Phil Davis. "We are also proud of the interest and excitement that is currently being cultivated in our female students for those engineering pathways."

"This Cal Poly Pomona Women in Engineering partnership is invaluable towards that end."

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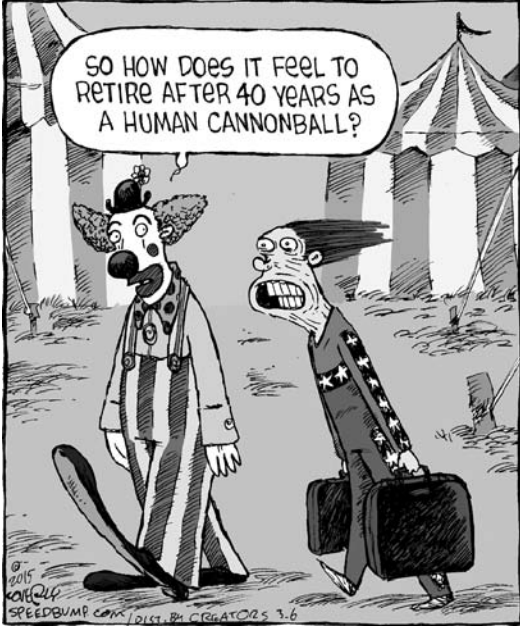
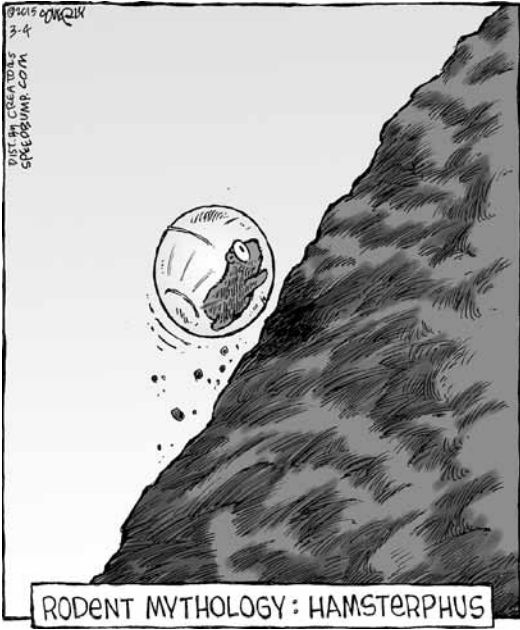
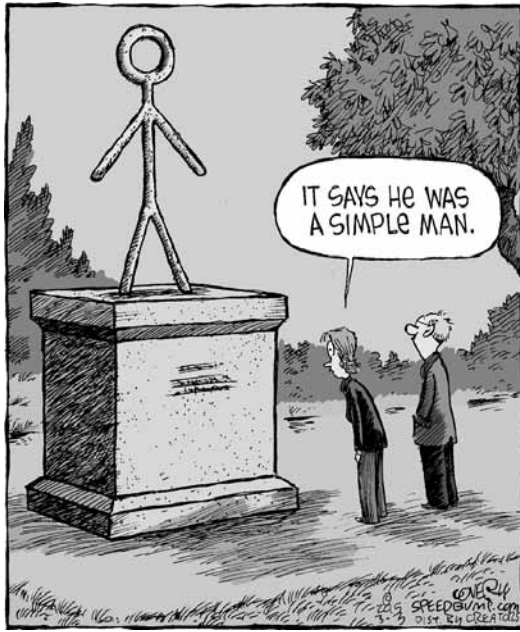
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Downey Community Calendar

Events For March

- Sat., March 7: **Walk and talk with Assemblywoman Cristina Garcia**, Golden Park, 9 a.m.
- Sat., March 7: **Fitness equipment dedication**, Furman Park, 10 a.m.
- Sat., March 7: **West Downey Little League opening ceremonies**, Stauffer Middle School, 10 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.
- 7 p.m.: **Downey Knights of Columbus Bingo**, at 11231 Rives Ave., 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) 604-0725.
- 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...

March 5, 1963: Country music singer Patsy Cline died in a plane crash near Camden, Tenn., at age 30.
1982: Comedian John Belushi was found dead of a drug overdose at age 33.
2004: Martha Stewart was convicted of obstructing justice and lying to the government about why she'd unloaded her Imclone Systems Inc. stock just before the price plummeted.
Birthdays: Boxing trainer Freddie Roach (55), preacher Joel Osteen (52), football hall of famer Michael Irvin (49), actress Eva Mendes (41) and actor Kevin Connelly (41).

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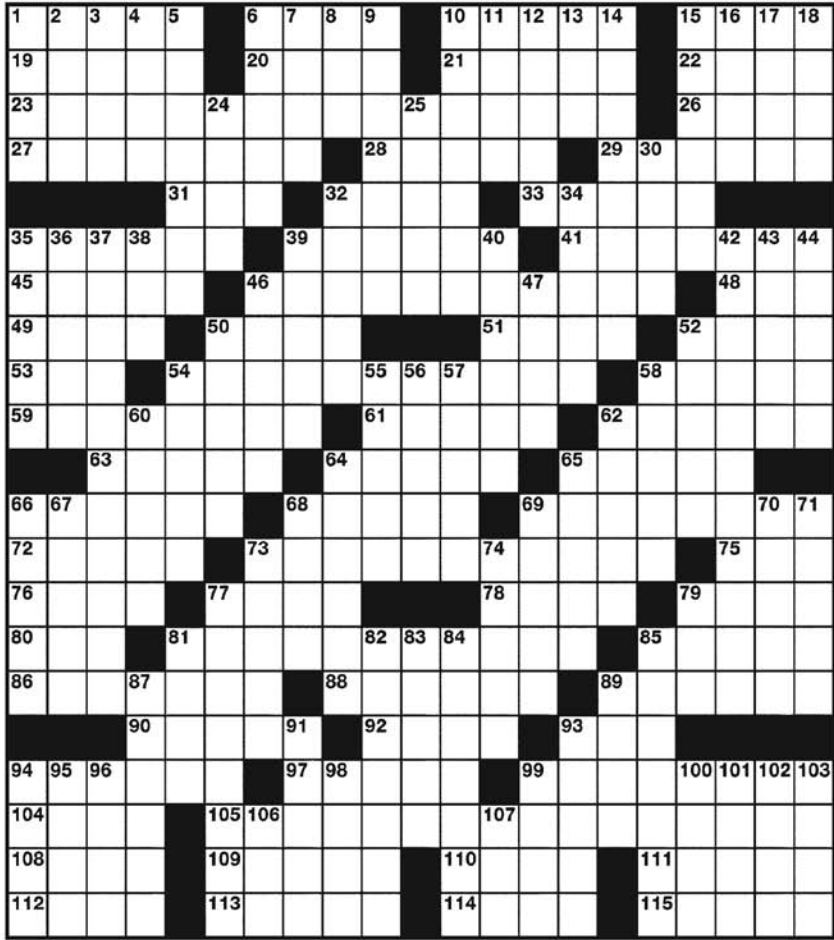
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- ACROSS**
- 1 Sounded like a sheep
 - 6 Start to unravel
 - 10 Manhattan Project result
 - 15 Short distance
 - 19 Piano practice piece
 - 20 Luke Skywalker's sister
 - 21 TV talk host O'Donnell
 - 22 Spicy cuisine
 - 23 Danish-born philosopher
 - 26 Kid around
 - 27 Picasso, by birth
 - 28 Stall in a mall
 - 29 Pushes aside
 - 31 Space-bar neighbor
 - 32 Part of some hammers
 - 33 Sounded content
 - 35 Horse's headgear
 - 39 Nautical
 - 41 Calls on
 - 45 Positive responses
 - 46 Danish-born physicist/chemist
 - 48 Triumphant sound
 - 49 Novelist Hunter
 - 50 Highway
 - 51 Barrel of laughs
 - 52 Big name in western fiction
 - 53 Arctic seabird
 - 54 Danish-born golf pro
 - 58 Ointments
 - 59 World's tallest trees
 - 61 Places to dock
 - 62 Asia's largest island
 - 63 Smooths, as shirts
 - 64 The smallest in liters
 - 65 Hispaniola part
 - 66 Fang, for example
 - 68 Wool fabric
 - 69 Legendary wailers
 - 72 Waiting for Lefty playwright
 - 73 Danish-born comic pianist
 - 75 Rival of Tulane
 - 76 Fail to attend
 - 77 Shower affection (on) sister
 - 78 Disposes (of)
 - 79 WWII ally
 - 80 Nectar detector
 - 81 Danish-born explorer
 - 85 Pay homage, perhaps
 - 86 First light
 - 88 Polynesian apparel
 - 89 Wee
 - 90 Winemaker Carlo
 - 92 Poke fun at
 - 93 Piece of luggage
 - 94 Sigh, for instance
 - 97 Clear of frost
 - 99 World's sparsest-populated country
 - 104 "Doggone it!"
 - 105 Danish-born father/son physicists
 - 108 Steady look
 - 109 Mannerism
 - 110 Kiddie litter
 - 111 Unpaid factory worker
 - 112 Examined
 - 113 Spicy dip
 - 114 Chance to win
 - 115 Escapes slowly
- DOWN**
- 1 "I Loves You Porgy" singer
 - 2 Surmounting
 - 3 Mystical glow
 - 4 Paradise lost
 - 5 Disavows
 - 6 Trifle (with)
 - 7 100 Down accessory
 - 8 Make known
 - 9 Chatterboxes
 - 10 Battleground of 1918
 - 11 Python cousins
 - 12 City near Kyoto
 - 13 Peace, to Putin
 - 14 Ersatz toga
 - 15 Patron of lost causes
 - 16 "It follows that..."
 - 17 86 Across direction
 - 18 Plum centers
 - 24 Kind of cabbage
 - 25 Kids' song refrain
 - 30 Grasped
 - 32 WWF symbol
 - 34 ___ Martin (British auto)
 - 35 Without reading music
 - 36 Cabaret show
 - 37 Danish-born author
 - 38 Hideaway
 - 39 47 Down's counterparts
 - 40 Missteps
 - 42 Danish-born composer
 - 43 Signature melody
 - 44 Final word
 - 46 Gangster-film characters
 - 47 Gentlemen
 - 50 River through Geneva
 - 52 Country singer Brooks
 - 54 Animated characters
 - 55 Sudden burst
 - 56 "Now you've got it!"
 - 57 2014 Yankee retiree
 - 58 Western capital
 - 60 Judicial orders
 - 62 Fringe on some foreheads
 - 64 Nook
 - 65 Either end of "groundhog"
 - 66 Searches thoroughly
 - 67 French farewell
 - 68 In ___ (undisturbed)
 - 69 Spring sound
 - 70 Wavy lines
 - 71 In a foul mood
 - 73 Yeas and nays
 - 74 Salty solution
 - 77 Doesn't go along
 - 79 One, in Verdun
 - 81 Bass ___ (cello ancestor)
 - 82 Organic coffee maker?
 - 83 Novelist Jong
 - 84 Squirrels and gerbils
 - 85 Frat parties
 - 87 For mature audiences
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Daniel James Paul Sr., a Navy veteran who served in World War II, has long dreamed of riding onboard a fire engine. Last Saturday, the Downey Fire Department made that dream come true.

Paul, who turned 95 Thursday, visited Fire Station No. 1 on Saturday, where he received a private tour of the station, got to try on real fire apparatus, and then went on a ridealong with Downey firefighters.

Accompanied by about a dozen family members, he also was presented a fire department badge and pin, along with a certificate from Mayor Pro Tem Alex Saab, thanking him for his service to the nation and to Downey.

A Downey resident since 1977, Paul is a Past Master of the Downey Masonic Lodge, and still volunteers at CareMore's hospice facility.

"People sometimes ask my secret for living to 95. I guess it's not so much what I did but what I didn't do. I never smoked and I don't drink much," said Paul, who played tennis until he was 91 and recently started bowling. "The rest of it is a matter of luck?"

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Students musicians perform at Band Spectacular

DOWNEY - Warren High School held its fourth annual Downey Unified School District Band Spectacular last Saturday, drawing an overflow crowd to the gymnasium to hear nearly half a dozen school bands.

The event invited instrumental ensembles from across the district to perform in front of parents, community members and fellow band members. Bands from Warren High, and Doty, Griffiths, Sussman and Stauffer middle schools participated.

Also integrated into the DUSD Band Spectacular, were opportunities for the students involved to experience constructive feedback and hands-on instruction from local college teachers and professional musicians.

Each instrumental ensemble was allotted two 30-minute time slots to perform, followed by one-on-one time with notable music instructors and an active artist. These clinicians, or professionals, included associate professor of music at Cal State Fullerton, Dr. Mitchell Fennell, from Long Beach City College, Brian Hamilton, associate professor and director of bands and music, and Patrick Sheng, instructor of performing arts. Rounding out the list was Fabio Spinella, a professional trumpet player who has toured both the US and UK, performing alongside recognized jazz legends, gospel singers and pop artists.

"In the end, the clinicians had a great time working with our super

talented DUSD band students," said WHS band director David Niemeier.

The Band Spectacular, originally started in 1993 by music teacher Guy Holliday, has developed from solely involving the WHS band to now becoming a district-wide event that involves multiple high school and middle school level bands.

Involved in this year's Band Spectacular were Doty and Griffiths middle school's advanced bands,

Sussman Middle School's advanced band and jazz ensembles, Stauffer Middle School's beginning band, concert band, advanced band and two jazz ensembles, Downey High

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Restaurant Spotlight:



LOCK & KEY SOCIAL DRINKERY

The revitalization of Downtown Downey has seen the addition of many new restaurants, but Downey native Marc Shelton's Lock & Key Social Drinkery has set a whole new tone, redefining the concept of a neighborhood bar and grill. Rich wood tones, a 35ft. bar, over 150 different whiskeys, 12 rotating craft beer taps and close to 100 different bottled beers, give the residents of Downey who crave a unique beer or hand crafted cocktail a place to go without the travel.

LKSD is quickly becoming a favorite with the lunch and happy hour crowd by offering unique and flavor packed items such as the Hot Cheeto Pie, Chicken and Waffle Sliders, Duck Confit wraps, and the popular LKSD burger. Using locally sourced ingredients, the LKSD burger with its 2 house prime patties, secret sauce, butter lettuce, onion and tomato, on a croppped brioche bun pairs perfectly with a crisp pilsner or a Show Me Your Flowers, a signature LKSD cocktail made with hibiscus infused Applejack brandy, fresh squeezed lime juice, house made simple syrup, Angostura bitters, and topped with cane sugar Sprite.

With its "secret" dinner menu announced weekly on their social media accounts ([instagram.com/LKSDDowney](https://www.instagram.com/LKSDDowney)), the dinner crowd is kept on their toes with meals like seared ahi tuna with compressed pears, strawberries, and Mediterranean vinaigrette a top a bed of arugula and spinach. Or the USDA Prime bone in ribeye served with seasonal roasted vegetables, smashed heirloom fingerling potatoes and a white wine chocolate gastrique. Add an Old Fashion or a draft beer selection from one of the local craft breweries and you have a meal fit for a royal reception.

After indulging in all the gastronomy delights, make sure to save room for the decadent desserts LKSD has to offer. The white chocolate and Fernet Branca menta crème brûlée with caramel shard or The Ricky Bobby, a gigantic rustic loaf, egg washed and then pan seared, topped with frozen vanilla bean cream, roasted raisin bran, applewood smoked bacon and maple syrup. Add a Downey Made cocktail made with Cointreau Noir, fresh squeezed lime juice, fresh squeezed orange juice, Angostura bitters, and LKSD Cinnamon Tincture to satisfy your sweet tooth.

- Written by Nick De Leon

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Healthy Downey 5K now taking sign-ups

DOWNEY – Pre-registration is now being taken for the third annual Healthy Downey 5K Run/Walk, taking place April 18 at Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center.

Last day to pre-register is April 5. The cost is \$20 for kids ages 5-18 and \$30 for adults ages 19 and older. Registration includes a commemorative T-shirt.

Same-day registration is \$30 for kids and \$40 for adults, and does not include a T-shirt.

Check-in begins at 6:15 a.m., and opening ceremonies and warm-up start at 7:30. The run/walk begins at 8 a.m.

Proceeds from the event will benefit the TLC Family Resource Center, which provides resources to students and families of the Downey Unified School District.

Water stations will be located throughout the course. There will also be food, an information health booth fair, and more.

Strollers are welcome, but pets are not allowed (except for service animals). The event will go on rain or shine.

For more information, or to pre-register, call (562) 904-3577 or go to dusd.net/tlc.

Orlando Duarte finishes basic training

DOWNEY – U.S. Air National Guard Airman 1st Class Orlando Duarte graduated from basic military training at Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland in San Antonio.

He is the son of Dora and Jose Duarte, of San Antonio. He graduated from Warren High School in 2010 and earned an associate degree in 2013 from St. Philip's College.

Church seeks business clothing

DOWNEY – First Presbyterian Church of Downey is hosting a clothing drive March 1-15, with donations going to Clothes The Deal non-profit organization.

The church is specifically requesting business attire and accessories, including suits, belts, briefcases, jewelry, pantyhose, ties, and hangers.

Donations can be dropped off weekdays between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., and Sundays at 11:30 a.m.

Church marks St. Joseph's Table

DOWNEY – St. Raymond's Catholic Church will celebrate St. Joseph's Table March 21-22.

The schedule includes a liturgy at 5 p.m. on March 21, following by a blessing and dinner from 6-8 p.m.

On March 22, there will be a viewing from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., with sandwiches and pastries served from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

St. Joseph's Table is a tradition started centuries ago by Italian Catholics to publicly celebrate Saint Joseph, the husband of the Virgin Mary.

The church is collecting donations of specialty foods, bread, assorted baked goods and money to make the celebration a success. To donate, or for more information, call Perry Shurko at (562) 804-0230 or Charlene Drobeck at (562) 928-1937.

Downey students sweep SkillsUSA competition

DOWNEY – More than 500 Downey Unified School District (DUSD) high school students traveled to Los Angeles recently to contend against high schools from Santa Barbara, Ventura, Los Angeles and Orange Counties at the SkillsUSA Regional Competition.

Preparing students for their prospective careers or to continue their education, this two day competition was held Jan. 24 and Jan. 31, with the first day challenging students on topics that center around "skills" while the second day focused on the "leadership" portion of SkillsUSA.

SkillsUSA is a partnership of students, teachers and industry working together to ensure America has a skilled workforce. Launched in 1967, this National Championship

has grown from 54 competitors in three contests to more than 6,000 competitors in 99 hands-on occupational and leadership skill areas.

Adding contests to the championships to meet the demands of new and expanding occupations, their affiliated instructional programs represent 130 different occupational areas.

Currently with over 15,000 school chapters, DUSD is the largest chapter involved in SkillsUSA, with one or more students qualifying for Nationals every year since 2009. Last year resulted in 350 students competing in the Regional Championships, 145 qualifying for the State Championships and seven making it to Nationals.

Now having 500 compete at

the Regional level, with a total of 225 high school students qualifying for the State Championship, it is DUSD's goal to have one or more students attend the international WorldSkills Competition.

Taking home a combined total of 41 gold medals, 30 silver medals and 36 bronze medals between both Downey and Warren high schools, DUSD took this year's SkillsUSA Regional Competition by storm.

Students competed in a variety of "skills" based contests that comprised of Principles of Engineering/Technology, Mobile Robotics Technology, Automotive Service Technology, Broadcast News Production, Digital Cinema Production, Crime Scene Investigation and Broadcast News Production.

"Leadership" contests such as Health Knowledge Bowl, Quiz Bowl, Prepared Speech and Extemporaneous Speaking, that's focused on soft skills students need when continuing onto their prospective careers or progressing their education.

Beginning the SkillsUSA journey in 2009 with a team of four Warren High School (WHS) construction students, DUSD has grown exponentially within SkillsUSA and is dedicated to do whatever it takes to provide hand-on job related experience to students preparing them to be both globally competitive, and college and career ready, officials said.

FAFSA primer: How to navigate through the college aid maze

By Jason Alderman

If you're worried about paying for your child's college education, keep this statistic in mind: during the 2011-12 school year, the U.S. Department of Education reported that 85 percent of all full-time, four-year college students were receiving some form of financial aid.

Consider planning way ahead of time to develop a college savings strategy that fits with your finances. If you need more resources to cover additional costs, get to know the Free Application for Federal Student Aid, better known as FAFSA (<https://fafsa.ed.gov>).

FAFSA is the universal application for current and prospective U.S. college students to receive college financial aid. It

is the gateway to grants, student loans and work-study programs on the federal and state level.

If you have a kid headed for college, it's a good idea to learn about the FAFSA as early as possible. The universal form is the first step for any current or prospective student who needs help paying for higher education. For the 2014-15 academic year, the College Board reported that annual tuition, room and board (<http://trends.collegeboard.org>) averaged \$18,943 at in-state public universities, \$32,762 for out-of-state students and \$42,419 at private, nonprofit schools.

Students fill out the FAFSA, but if your child is a dependent student, you should gather the information together. Dependent students are generally under 24, unmarried and not working full-time, and they will need your financial data to complete the filing. Students with special family circumstances (including absent parents) may still qualify for federal and state aid under certain conditions, but should check directly with financial aid representatives at target schools for specific options.

The process starts with the student choosing a personal

information number (PIN) that gives them multi-year access to the financial aid system. They will follow up with their own Social Security, contact and address information. Parents will submit their most recent federal income tax data and other proof of income; Alien Registration Numbers are required from parents who are not U.S. citizens. More detail is available on the FAFSA site.

FAFSA filing opens after January 1 every year with June 30 as the final deadline. Keep in mind, though, that a student's current or target school financial aid deadlines (<https://fafsa.ed.gov/deadlines.htm>) can be significantly earlier based on the state in which they plan to attend college.

Before this process begins, however, tax and financial advisors should be consulted to discuss the full range of savings and investing options that can minimize the need for student borrowing. For assistance in completing the FAFSA form, parents and prospective students should consider contacting financial aid administrators at prospective schools or where the student has been accepted for admission. Some schools offer workshops in filling out the form and organizations

like College Goal Sunday (<http://www.collegegoalsundayusa.org/>) offer that assistance in 39 states.

Parents and students should also check their own networks for help. Employers, professional organizations (related to the student's field of study), fraternal societies and private foundations are great potential resources for no-strings scholarships and grant money. If a dependent child works a summer job at a major company (fast food, retail and beyond) he or she can check if the employer offers scholarships or education benefits to part-time workers. It is also important to keep an eye on the news for the latest changes to federal and state financial aid and student loan rules.

Bottom line: Knowing as much as possible about college financial aid now can help parents and students make the best plans for covering those expenses. Whether college is months or years away, it's never too early to start planning and saving.

Jason Alderman directs Visa's financial education programs. To Follow Jason Alderman on Twitter: www.twitter.com/PracticalMoney.

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Trustee Sale No.: 00000004587887 Title Order No.: 140159976 FHA/VA/PMI YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 03/19/2007. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. BARRETT DAFFIN FRAPPIER TREDER & WEISS, LLP, as duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust Recorded on 03/27/2007 as Instrument No. 20070704321 of official records in the office of the County Recorder of LOS ANGELES County, State of CALIFORNIA. EXECUTED BY: EDWARD SANDOVAL, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH, CASHIER'S CHECK/CASH EQUIVALENT or other form of payment authorized by California Civil Code 2924(b), (payable at time of sale in lawful money of the United States). DATE OF SALE: 03/11/2015 TIME OF SALE: 10:00 AM PLACE OF SALE: BEHIND THE FOUNTAIN LOCATED IN CIVIC CENTER PLAZA, 400 CIVIC CENTER PLAZA, POMONA CA. STREET ADDRESS and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 9708 HALEDON AVENUE, DOWNEY, CALIFORNIA 90240 APN#: 6390-024-006 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said note(s), advances, under the terms of said Deed of Trust, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is \$1,016,722.20. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written Declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located. NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are

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Razorbacks start registration next week

DOWNEY - The Downey Razorbacks will hold registration for the 2015 season at its annual "Back to Football Night" this Wednesday, March 11, at 7 p.m. at the Rio Hondo Event Center.

Now in its 55th year, the Razorbacks offer flag football, tackle football and cheerleading to boys and girls ages 5-14.

All equipment is provided on loan to participants. Payment plans are available, and raffle tickets can be sold to offset the cost of registration. No kids will be turned away due to cost.

Practices start July 27 at Rio San Gabriel Park under real sports lights. The season opens Sept. 12 and all home games are played at Downey and Warren high schools.

The Razorbacks are part of the Pacific Coast Conference, which is a member of American Youth Football, the largest youth football organization in America with teams in all 50 states and 13 countries.

For more information, or if you are interested in coaching, call president Louis Morales at (310) 350-0220 or go to downeyrazorbacks.com.

College taking applications for bridge program

NORWALK - Cerritos College's Summer Bridge Program, which helps incoming students make a smooth transition from high school to college, is now accepting applications for the summer 2015 session that begins July 6.

The program provides students with free textbooks, a part-time job, a field trip to a university and museum, counseling, and priority enrollment for the fall semester.

Students must meet income eligibility requirements as determined by their 2015-16 FAFSA. In addition, students must complete assessment tests and score into the appropriate English course.

Students are encouraged to apply early by calling (562) 860-2451, ext. 2398, or online at cerritos.edu/eops.

Legislation addresses social media content after death

NORWALK - Assemblymember Ian Calderon introduced AB 691 last week, legislation that would provide a process for people to choose whether they want the digital assets stored on their online accounts to remain private after they die.

AB 691 would safeguard personal information after a person's death and allow access "to only those people we want to share our digital property with," Calderon said.

The measure authorizes disclosure through a written declaration, such as a will, or through a setting within their online account.

Currently, families have limited options when trying to access a deceased family member's social media account due to online privacy settings.

This causes unnecessary financial and emotional burden on families, said Calderon, adding that online companies "should not bear the responsibility of deciding what to do with a deceased individual's digital assets."

"Today, a significant portion of the information about our lives is kept online on our personal accounts," said Calderon. "The digital assets we 'own' on social media sites or in our emails are private information, and individuals should have the right to choose whether they remain private after their (death)."

A recent Zogby poll indicated that 70% of Americans say their online communications and photos should remain private after they die, unless they gave prior consent for others to have access.

In the same study, only 15% say that estate attorneys should control their private communications and photos, even if they gave no prior consent for sharing.

POETRY MATTERS

TREE

It is foolish to let a young redwood grow next to a house.

Even in this one lifetime, you will have to choose.

That great calm being, this clatter of soup pots and books --

Already the first branch-tips brush at the window. Softly, calmly, immensity taps at your life.

By Jane Hirshfield

Unique and remarkable, Hirshfield's poems present a surprising and magnified existence. Like the finger of fate in Beethoven's Fifth Symphony, life's central splendor comes knocking in this drama of a house and its neighboring redwood tree. Poetry Matters is curated by Lorine Parks.

Spaghetti dinner fundraiser

DOWNEY - The Downey Lions Club is hosting a spaghetti fundraiser dinner at So Cal Pizza in Norwalk on Tuesday, March 24.

The dinner is from 6-8 p.m. and proceeds will go towards the service club's community projects.

Tickets are \$6 and one drink purchase is required. So Cal Pizza is donating the food.

There will also be bingo, 50/50 drawings, a chance board, and more.

For tickets or more information, contact any Lion member or call Lenora at (310) 283-9825.

So Cal Pizza is located at 12253 Imperial Hwy., just east of Norwalk Boulevard.

Gospel singer is guest speaker

DOWNEY - Gospel singer Lillie Knauls will speak at the Downey Christian Woman's Club on Wednesday, March 11, at Los Amigos Country Club.

Her topic is "Dealing with the Mess of Stress."

The lunch meeting begins at 11:30 a.m. and is also open to men.

Admission is \$15 and reservations are requested by calling Anita at (562) 861-3414.

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Esthela Elias recently joined the team at Century 21 My Real Estate Company. Esthela has a background in Real Estate and loans. She is motivated and ready to put her skills to good use. She is committed to bringing a high level of quality service to her clients. To reach Esthela, contact (562) 927-2626.

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