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## Norwalk official denies 'slanderous' report

By **Christan Brown**  
Staff Writer

**NORWALK** – Norwalk Planning Commissioner Rosa Barragan is publicly refuting a news report that suggests police found drugs, guns, and money at her Norwalk residence following a raid there on Tuesday morning.

"I am very distraught over this slanderous article," said Barragan. "I have 36 years of experience serving others in this community and this [false article] could erase everything I've done."

Barragan is disputing the bulk of the reporting by Hews-Media Group, which described a raucous raid of both her residence and her mother's home where guns, drugs, and money were allegedly discovered inside and arrests were made, launching an investigation.

However, Barragan maintains that while police did search the homes looking for her brother, no illegal contraband was found, no arrests were made, and she is not under investigation.

"You can't control who your family is... They were searching for my little brother," said Barragan, who admitted he's had trouble with the law. "But they made it seem like I was a kingpin."

Captain Curtis Jensen of the Norwalk Sheriff's Station confirmed that authorities did serve search warrants to both Barragan and her mother on the 12100 block of 163rd Street Tuesday morning around 3 a.m., but he also denied any reports that Barragan herself was ever in question.

"None of the information in that article came from my office," Jensen said. "Ms. Barragan was never a suspect and she is not under any investigation."

Barragan serves as the McKinney-Vento Program Coordinator for the Norwalk-La Mirada Unified School District and is currently running for the Cerritos College Board of Trustees. In 2015, she was honored as Assembly District 57 Woman of the Year by state Assemblymember Ian Calderon.

"I'm part of the fabric of this community. Service has been my main field of work and it will continue to be my number one objective," Barragan said.

Downey Police Cpl. Ed Hano received a proclamation Wednesday for his heroism in saving the life of a 1-year-old child last year.

On Dec. 18, Hano was off-duty when he was notified by a family member that a person was in the street screaming for help. The person was holding a 1-year-old child who had fallen into a swimming pool without anyone's knowledge and was not breathing. Hano immediately began CPR and was able to get the child breathing with a weak pulse before paramedics arrived. The child was transported to a local hospital and has since made a full recovery.

This incident only came to light days later after a resident sent an email to the police department informing them of Hano's heroic efforts. Hano wanted no recognition for his actions, saying he only did what he was trained to do and he was glad to be in the right place, at the right time.

Hano is pictured with Andrea Avila, field representative for L.A. County Supervisor Don Knabe.



## Hurting in profits, historic McDonald's adding drive-thru lane

By **Alex Dominguez**  
Contributor

**DOWNEY** – The City of Downey Planning Commission unanimously approved the addition of a drive-thru to the city's classic McDonald's location on Wednesday.

The fast food restaurant, located at the corner of Florence Avenue and Lakewood Boulevard, was the third McDonald's location to be built by the now staple burger chain. The restaurant was built in 1953, and is currently the oldest operating McDonald's in the world.

The iconic arch and animated neon "Speedee" sign were added in 1959. To this day the location has retained its original architecture and retro style.

However, McDonald's claims that the often historically described location has struggled to make

a profit in modern times, largely in part to its lack of a drive-thru. According to the popular food chain, other local McDonald's locations conduct approximately 65% of their sales via drive-thru operations.

At Wednesday night's meeting, a representative of McDonald's indicated that the struggling restaurant was also competing with another McDonald's location not too terribly far away, located at the corner of Gallatin and Lakewood. That location underwent a major remodel and update last year, which included improvements to a once cluttered drive-thru lane that often times overran into the parking lot.

Normally, the planning commission does not take financial concerns when considering a land use entitlement. However, in the case of the iconic McDonald's, the continued presence and operation of the restaurant was deemed of vital interest to the community.

Public opinion had been mixed even before the commission's vote. Several community members responded to an article published by The Downey Patriot via social media, with many showing excitement for the upgrade and others fearing the loss of the location's historical value.

The oldest operating McDonald's was deemed eligible to be listed on the National and State Registers of Historical Places back in 1984, however has not been included in either as of late. Many within the city and local areas consider the building to be a historical landmark despite this fact.

According to the plans that were approved, the future drive-thru will not take away from the location's classic look and feel, and instead will be located in the ally directly behind the building. The plans also call for a modernization of the kitchen, allowing the restaurant to update their menu and offer products not

currently available.

Before officially casting their vote, commission members briefly discussed their feelings on the matter, and were all unanimous in the thought that the drive-thru was long overdue.

"I think a drive-thru is a fantastic idea at this site," said Vice-Chairman Jim Rodriguez. "It's going to enhance this site. It's going to bring better, additional business..."

"It's the old McDonald's. We all know it in Downey, and people outside of Downey know it," said Chairman Matias Flores. "...It's definitely something that I identify with Downey, and I'm glad we're doing something to keep it up..."

The commission's final vote was a unanimous 4-0 in favor. District 2 Commissioner Patrick Owens was not present.

## Science festival caps STEM Week in Downey

By **Alex Dominguez**  
Contributor

**DOWNEY** – The Columbia Memorial Space Center hosted its "City of Stem" Science Festival on Saturday to hundreds of Downey residents and children.

Saturday's event was the culmination of a week of activities that kicked off CMSC's month long City of Stem.

CMSC President and Executive Director Ben Dickow said that the space center wants to have a relationship with its audience.

"The best way to do that is to have face time with people," said Dickow. "We have basically a three tiered strategy for the whole center: events, programs, and the exhibits. Events are the things we've spent the most time on the first couple of

years now because we want to build that relationship; it gets us talking to people."

Saturday's festival brought together several entities, both profit and nonprofit, from the science and STEM fields. Attendees were treated to several hands on activities, robotics labs, and rocket launches.

According to Dickow, feedback on the center's community outreach and involvement has been "great," though he admitted some bias.

"I've been in this realm for a long time," said Dickow. "The reason I do it is because I get to have these great, positive interactions with people. It was really important to make sure that we kept that going. The feedback from the community, from the people who visit or the people who see us at Comic Con or whatever has been off the charts. We must be doing something right."

Mayor Alex Saab and Councilman Sean Ashton were in attendance at Saturday's festival. Mayor Saab described CMSC as "a gem in our community."

"It really is focused on children and motivating them to think big," said Saab. "It's so important that we have a vehicle where kids can explore, where they can learn, where they can ask questions, and have fun all at the same time. That's really the mission of the Columbia Memorial Space Center."

Saab also commented on his goal to make admission to CMSC free for all Downey students, which according to Saab will "more than likely" be on the agenda at the next council meeting, which is scheduled for next Tuesday, April 12.

"The reason I support that and why I introduced that is because I think this should be no different than

our parks," said Saab. "This should be a place where kids can go explore, kids can go to do homework, kids can come after school as a place where they can gather. The city [has] already spent \$10 million building this place, and we spend a lot of money throughout the year. There's really no reason why we should turn away a child because they don't have five dollars to come to the Columbia Center."

Dickow said he is "totally on board" with Saab's goal.

"We could change this place into a hangout place, right? You've got the Promenade here; you can go get a pizza, go get a drink or whatever, come on over and hang out after school and they can do it for free? Who else hangs out in a science museum? That'd be awesome. So I'm good with that."

## Rick Rodriguez announces candidacy for City Council

**DOWNEY** – Downey resident Rick Rodriguez has publicly announced his intention to run for a seat on the City Council this November.

Rodriguez is seeking to replace Roger Brossmer in District 3 (northwest Downey).



Brossmer, who is being termed out of office, has endorsed Rodriguez.

"I have complete confidence in his proven leadership ability," said Brossmer. "He will be a great representative for Downey and I am proud to endorse his candidacy."

Rodriguez, 55, is founder of RMI International, an international security firm that operates in 18 states and three countries. Rodriguez founded the company in 1996 after a lengthy career in private security.

The company is currently contracted to patrol Downtown Downey.

Rodriguez is a past president of the Downey Chamber of Commerce and current president of Gangs Out of Downey. His other volunteer work includes stints as chairman of Downey's Emergency Preparedness Committee, member of Downey Los Amigos Kiwanis, and member of Downey's Veterans Memorial Committee.

He is also a chaplain with the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department and founder of the Living Tree Foundation, which helps returning combat veterans and their families.

Rodriguez, the son of migrant farm workers from Texas, grew up in El Monte.

"I wasn't born in Downey but I got here as fast as I could," he laughed. "At the end of the day, I really love this city. I've lived here for more than 30 years. This is my home and I want to ensure we stay on the right track."

Where does he stand on the issues? For one, Rodriguez opposes the proposed sales tax increase that will appear on November's ballot.

"Raising the sales tax is the easy, quick fix," he said. "Like I always tell my employees, there are several ways to skin a cat. Show me a dead cat."

On whether he supported term limits, Rodriguez said it was "hard to say yes or no."

"People should always have opportunities," he said. "I can see the pros and cons. In Downey we're fortunate we've always had really good leaders."

Rodriguez supports Downey remaining an independent city with its own police and fire departments: "We have no gangs for a reason. We are safe for a reason. Contracting with L.A. County for public safety – I don't think that is something I

would ever consider."

Rodriguez said he would push for more transparency from elected officials ("I want to see our council members out in the community") and fiscal responsibility ("Our essential public services should not be compromised even during challenging economic times").

Rodriguez has been endorsed by nine Downey mayors, including current mayor Alex Saab. He is also backed by six Downey school board members.

Rodriguez and his wife, Lupe, have seven children and nine grandchildren. More information is available at RickRodriguezDowney.com.

### Weekend at a Glance

Friday 66° ☁

Saturday 64° ☁

Sunday 65° ☁

### THINGS TO DO



#### Street Faire

**Saturday - Brookshire Avenue, 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.**

Vendors, food booths, live music, motorcycle show, and more. Rain or shine.



#### 5K Fun Run

**Saturday - Angels Stadium, 8 a.m.**

A 5K or optional 1-mile fun run, with proceeds benefiting Angels Baseball Foundation. \$30-\$45



#### Renaissance Faire

**Saturday - Santa Fe Dam Recreation Area, 10 a.m.**

Live entertainment, food, living history exhibits, jousts, parades, battle pageant, and more. \$29 adults, \$15 kids (ages 4 and younger free)

### FROM OUR FACEBOOK

**Mayor proposes making Space Center free to Downey students**

**Jason Barquero:** They need to do a better job of promoting the museum. You can't see it from where it's located. With the promenade now, they should be promoting it there with a table or a booth.

**Richard Barraza:** Agree free for Downey students. There should be a perk for your own city.

**Alicia Edquist:** Love that idea! Should have been that way from the start but better late than never

**Stephanie Castaneda:** That would be great! Make it quick before I graduate this June hehe!

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### TWEETS OF THE WEEK

@OhSoHectik: Went to the gym out here in Downey and saw people legit wearing, "Straight Outta Compton" shirts. (Downey is next door to Compton.) lol

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**Business Spotlight:**

**Downey Integrative Wellness Center**

At Downey Integrative Wellness (Formerly Advanced Wellness) you will find that we are not your typical chiropractic clinic. What we do offer is effective, affordable, chiropractic care as well as many assistive therapies to get the patient the best result they can anticipate. What makes this clinic different is that the doctor and his staff realize that chiropractic care and the therapies we can offer cannot fix everything. Some things need to be referred to the appropriate specialist.

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Dr. Joel Bird DC graduated from Los Angeles College of Chiropractic in 1996, so he has 20 years of experience treating musculoskeletal injuries, workers compensation injuries, personal injuries such as those sustained in a car accident, headaches, carpal tunnel syndrome, shoulder disorders as well as many other conditions. Dr. Bird DC has been appointed by the State of California as a Qualified Medical Examiner, he has been approved as an Industrial Disability Examiner, he is certified in manipulation under anesthesia, has an advanced certificate in spinal trauma and he is a fellow of the Academy of

Forensic and Industrial Chiropractic Consultants.

In addition to chiropractic care Downey Integrative Wellness Center works with many different types of doctors and some of the other therapies we offer are as follows:

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**Science Based Nutrition** which we like to describe this as "nutrition based on science not hype." More and more people are becoming aware of the benefit of nutritional supplements, however we have learned as well that there are many inferior nutritional supplements that just don't do what they're supposed to do. The science based nutrition protocol allows for extensive blood work testing just like you get from your medical doctor, urinalysis and hair testing for heavy metal toxicity; however this testing is focusing on what nutritional supplements are lacking in the body and figuring out what other lifestyle factors may be causing a need for



supplementation. Therefore we focus on finding out what nutrition you need by science not guessing, and we can help you obtain good quality nutritional supplements that will work.

**Weight Loss:** our weight loss programs seem to be quite effective mainly because we want to teach you how to keep it off as opposed to just lose it. We have technology such as the Contour Light, Lipo Light which are ways of helping to break down fatty tissue and remove them from the system while monitoring the status of the patient. Weight loss needs to be done safely and effectively as too much weight loss to quickly can be adverse to your overall health. Don't pay Beverly Hills prices for the Lipo Light and Conour light, we have it in Downey at a fraction of the cost.

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Neurologic Relief Center Technique which seems to be quite effective for conditions such as headaches, migraine headaches and has been shown to be effective on fibromyalgia.

We also treat those have been hurt at work or have an injury from a motor vehicle accident. Not everybody who has an injury at work or car accident needs treatment, however with Dr. Bird DC's training as a qualified medical examiner and training and spinal trauma he can give you an educated opinion on what treatment if any is necessary.

We also take most PPO insurances, we have a contract with Kaiser if you have chiropractic coverage and the reality is most people do not need long plans of care; we have a very good success rate of getting patients better with even just a few treatments.

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Downey resident Art Montoya, a graduate student at UC Irvine, took the Downey Patriot on his school's international residential trip. Here he is pictured in front of St. Stephen's Basilica in Budapest, Hungary.

Art is a Warren High School alumnus and former intern for the Downey Patriot.

**SPORTS BRIEFS: Warren High athletes sign letters of intent**

By Mark Fetter Contributor

DOWNEY - Warren High School is pleased to announce the college signings of several student-athletes.

Bea football players Ron Flores and Ulises Cota signed their letters of intent to attend and play football at Mount Union University in Ohio and Tyrone Singleton signed his letter of intent to attend and play football at Western New Mexico University.

Coach Lara and his staff are extremely proud of these student-athletes' hard work, dedication and resulting accomplishments.

Lady Bear cross country runner, basketball and track and field athlete Janeane Hernandez signed her letter of intent to compete at Baker University in Kansas. Hernandez was a standout performer on all three teams she competed on at Warren High School. Hernandez is currently running the distance events on the Lady Bear track and field team.

Coach Waldron (cross country and track and field) and Coach Palmer (basketball) are extremely proud of her hard work, dedication and resulting accomplishment.

Warren standout striker Estela Sanchez of the Lady Bear soccer team previously signed her commitment letter to play at U.C. Santa Barbara. Sanchez will be a Lady Gaucho this fall.

Coach Dussan is extremely proud of Estela's hard work and dedication to earn this scholarship.

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The Warren High School boys' soccer team had two players selected to the All-C.I.F. Division 1 Team. Senior teammates Sergio Flores and Richard Garcia earned those honors.

Flores and Garcia were also selected to the Long Beach Press Telegram First Team Dream Team and senior Fabian Medina was selected to the Second Team Dream Team. Coach Pena and his staff are extremely proud of their hard work, dedication and resulting accomplishments.

The Warren High School girls' soccer team had four Lady Bear players selected to the All-C.I.F. Division 3 Team. Warren striker Estela Sanchez was selected to the First Team, Alessandra Ramirez was selected to the Second Team and Emily Flores and Jen Cortez were selected to the Third Team.

Sanchez was also selected to the Long Beach Press-Telegram Dream

Team First Team and Flores and Cortez were selected to the Second Team Dream Team. Coach Dussan and her staff are extremely proud of their hard work, dedication and resulting accomplishments. Downey Freshman Amaya Gonzalez was also selected to the Second Team Dream Team.

The Warren High School girls' water polo team had one player selected to the All-C.I.F. Division 4 Team. Senior Justine Castro received that honor and was selected to the First Team.

Castro was also selected to the Long Beach Press Telegram Dream Team First Team and senior Alexia Venegas was selected to the Second Team Dream Team. Coach Rosero is extremely proud of their hard work, dedication and resulting accomplishments.

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Downey High School senior basketball player C.J. Smith has been selected to the All-C.I.F. Division 1-AA Team for his recent performance in the C.I.F. Division 1-AA playoffs. Smith led the Vikings to a 20-10 overall record and the quarterfinal round of the playoffs.

Downey defeated Montclair at Montclair 73-39 in the first round,

defeated San Clemente at Downey 55-49 in the second round and were defeated by J.W. North in the quarter final round at Downey 51-36. Smith averaged 16.3 points per game (ppg), 8.1 rebounds per game (rpg) and 1.1 blocks per game (bpg) this season.

Coach Shelton and his staff are extremely proud of C.J.'s hard work, dedication and resulting accomplishment.

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Former Downey High School standout football player Jabari Ruffin is entering his fifth and final season at USC.

Ruffin is playing under first year head coach Clay Helton and in first year defensive coordinator Clancy Pendergast's 5-2 defense. This defense will showcase Ruffin's (6' 3, 245) athletic talents.

Thus far, Jabari has been playing in a back-up role at linebacker and was plagued by a serious injury two years ago. Ruffin has also been competing at a very deep linebacker position at U.S.C.

In Pendergast's 5-2 defense, Ruffin will now be lining up all over the field. Ruffin will be rushing off the edge on one play, lining up over a slot receiver

the next play and have a run-stopping gap assignment on the next play. Ruffin will be all over the field and have opportunities to make plays.

Ruffin is looking forward to playing football and in this defense this year. Jabari has performed well thus far in spring camp and has made several nice plays. Downey head coach Jack Williams, who has stayed in touch with Ruffin over the years, maintains that Jabari will also be graduating later this spring.

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The middle school sports schedule is completing its fourth rotation of baseball and softball. Five of six games have been played and there was a make-up game re-scheduled from March 7 to Wednesday. Through five games, three of four city championships have been determined.

In varsity baseball, Stauffer has clinched the city championship with a record of 5-0. Doty and Griffiths are currently tied at 2-3 and Sussman is 1-4.

In junior varsity baseball, Sussman has clinched the city championship with a record of 4-0-1. Griffiths is currently in second place with a record of 2-2-1, Stauffer is in third place with

a record of 1-2-2 and Doty is in fourth place with a record of 1-4.

In varsity softball, Griffiths has clinched the city championship with a record of 5-0. Doty is currently in second place with a record of 3-2, Stauffer is in third place with a record of 2-3 and Sussman is in fourth place with a record of 0-5.

In junior varsity softball, Griffiths is currently in first place at 5-0 but have not clinched the city championship outright. Doty is currently in second place with a record of 4-1, Stauffer is in third place with a record of 1-4 and Sussman is in fourth place with a record of 0-5. If Griffiths defeated Doty on Wednesday, the Lady Indians are city champions. If Doty defeated Griffiths, Doty and Griffiths are co-champions.

The fifth and final rotation of the middle school sports schedule is track and field. Each school will have six teams. These six teams will include two grade level teams (6, 7 and 8) of each gender. Dual meets will take place May 12, 19 and 26 at both Downey and Warren High Schools. The city championship track and field meet will be held Friday, June 3, at Downey High School.

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### Police collecting unwanted medicine

**DOWNEY** – The Downey Police Department will be accepting expired, unused or unwanted medication at a take-back event Saturday, April 30.

“This event offers community members an opportunity to rid their homes of potentially dangerous drugs and minimize the potential for misuse and abuse,” police officials said.

Residents can drop off their prescription medication from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the police department’s west parking lot.

All medication will be turned over to the Drug Enforcement Agency for proper disposal.

Needles, sharps and glass containers will not be accepted. Liquids must be in fully sealed, unopened plastic containers.

For questions or more information, contact Jennifer Burkhardt at (562) 904-2374 or [jpreda@downeyca.org](mailto:jpreda@downeyca.org).

### Weekly classes on mental illness

**DOWNEY** – Education courses on mental illness will be held in Downey over 12 weeks beginning April 13.

The classes are led by the National Alliance on Mental Illness of Whittier and are for family members of a person with mental illness.

Classes meet Wednesdays from 7-9:30 p.m. and continue until June 29. The course will cover symptoms of major mental illnesses; coping tips; information about recovery, relapse prevention; substance abuse and prevention; self care; suicide and prevention; advocacy; and more.

Each class is free. Class size is limited and appropriate applicants are accepted on a first-come, first-served basis.

Advance registration is required by calling Sandra at (562) 762-8562 or Karen at (323) 727-2785.

### Razorbacks sign-ups at Street Faire

**DOWNEY** – The Downey Razorbacks will be accepting registration for the 2016 season this Saturday at the Downey Street Fair.

The Razorbacks offer flag football, tackle football and cheerleading to boys and girls ages 5-14. All equipment is provide on loan to participants.

Registration includes trophy, picture package, yearbook and game socks. Payment plans are available and kids can also sell raffle tickets to offset registration. No child is turned away due to cost.

Practices start July 25 at Rio San Gabriel Park. For more information, go to [downeyrazorbacks.com](http://downeyrazorbacks.com) or call Louis Morales at (310) 350-0220.

### Drama students present ‘Speckled Birds’

**DOWNEY** – Warren High School’s last production of the year, “Speckled Birds” by Shirley Lauro, opens April 21 and runs through April 30.

Performances are Thursday through Saturday at 7:30 p.m.

“Speckled Bird” tells the story of Angie, a teenage girl who lives in a small, wealthy town although she is poor. Surrounded by luxurious homes, she lives in a dilapidated trailer with her loving but ailing grandmother.

Angie is threatened by her Aunt Clarice, who’s just announced that she is putting Grandma in a facility and moving Angie away to live with her and become her project.

During this time Angie meets Theo, whose only friends are a computer and his bird, Speckles. They form a unique bond, working to resolve family problems and taking actions to keep Angie at home with her grandmother.

Tickets are \$10 and can be purchased online at [emersontheatre.net](http://emersontheatre.net) or by calling (562) 869-7306, ext. 5618.

### Upcoming events at the library

**DOWNEY** – The Downey City Library is sponsoring a bus ride to the L.A. Times Festival of Books this Saturday, April 9.

The bus will depart from the library at 7:50 a.m. and will return at 5 p.m. Cost is \$5.

For more information, call Adult Services at (562) 904-7364.

•The library’s Adult Literacy Program is sponsoring “Learn How to Get Things Done” with educational therapist Marcie Habell. The program is this Monday, April 11, from 6-7:30 p.m.

Habell will talk about how to stop procrastinating and teach attendees organizational and executive function skills to get in the habit of getting things done. She also wants to help students stop feeling stressed about school work.

Sign up for the free program by calling the Adult Information Desk at (562) 904-7364 or email [literacy@downeyca.org](mailto:literacy@downeyca.org).

•The library is hosting Family Game Night on Thursday, April 14, at 6 p.m.

Games will be available for people of all ages. Participation is free.

•The library’s book club will discuss “Demolition Angel” by Robert Crais on Thursday, April 14, from 12-1 p.m.

The San Francisco Chronicle called this thriller a cross between “Silence of the Lambs” and “Speed.” Join the discussion or just listen along.

## In Memory of Charlene McCluskey

August 18, 1935 - March 31, 2016



Charlene McCluskey, Downey resident since 1962, passed away at home with family on 31st March at the age of 80.

Charlene was born on August 18, 1935 in Los Angeles to Jennie and Charles Haynes. She graduated from Van Nuys High School in 1953 and from University of Southern California with a Bachelor of Arts

in Education in 1959. Charlene was a dedicated elementary school teacher with Los Angeles Unified School District for 43 years. She taught at Park Avenue School in Cudahy for forty of those years.

During her retirement, Charlene was very involved in the community, volunteering many hours to the Downey Women’s Assistance League and Our Lady of Perpetual Help Women’s Guild. She served the latter organization as President from 2008 to 2010. Charlene was also an active member of Downey chapter of P.E.O. and enjoyed her monthly lunch meetings with Red Hats. Charlene sang with the Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church choir. Charlene was an accomplished pianist and loved dancing, opera and gardening.

Charlene is survived by her husband William H. McCluskey; her daughters’ Carrie and Diane Mayorga; son-in-law Paul Montesin; sister Jean Juell; brother-in-law Bruce Juell; stepchildren William N. and Michael McCluskey; step-daughter in law Iris McCluskey; step-grandchildren Ashley and Alicia McCluskey and Mia Montesin; nieces Jan, Melinda, Patti and Laura and nephew Christopher.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in Charlene McCluskey’s name to The ALS Association’s Community of Hope.

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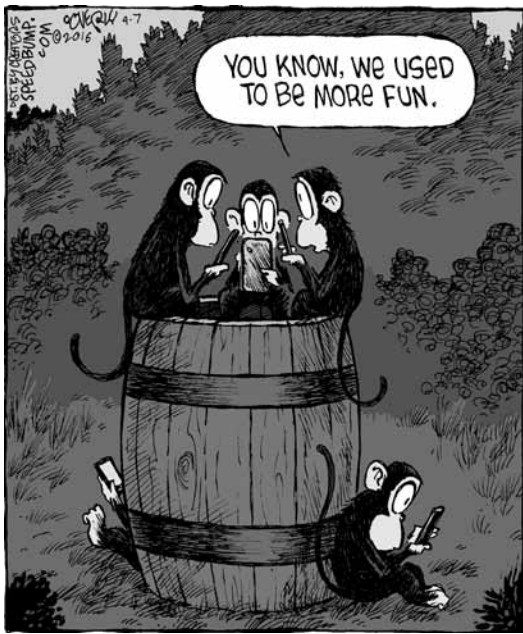
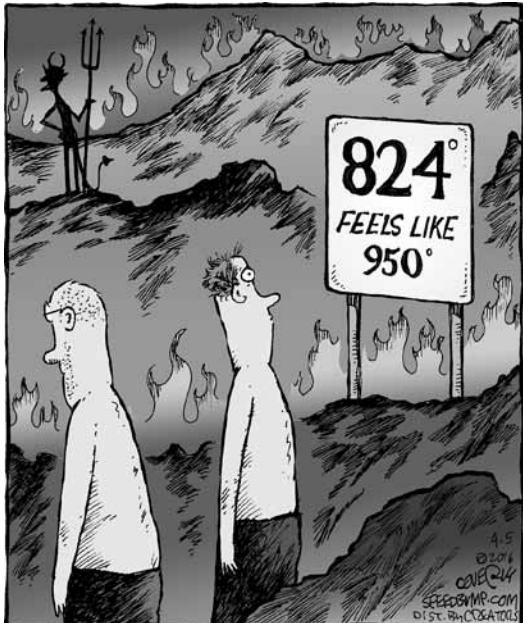




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# Downey Community Calendar

### EVENTS FOR APRIL

Saturday, April 9: Downey Street Faire, Brookshire Avenue, 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.

### CITY MEETINGS

- 1st & 3rd Wednesday, 6:30pm: Planning Commission, Council Chamber at City Hall.
- 1st Tue., 4:00pm.: Recreation and Community Services Commission, Council Chamber, City Hall.
- 1st Tue., 6:00pm: Emergency Preparedness Committee, at Fire Station No. 1, 12222 Paramount Blvd.
- 2nd & 4th Tue., 6:30pm: City Council, Council Chamber.
- 3rd Tue., 6:30pm: Library Advisory Board, at Downey City Library.
- 4th Mon., 5 pm: Green Task Force, at City Hall.

### Regularly Scheduled Meetings

#### MONDAYS

- 7 pm: Boy Scout Troop 2, at Downey United Methodist Church, call 869-6478.
- 2nd Mon., 11 am: American Legion Auxiliary #270, at United Methodist Church, call 304-3439
- 4th Mon., 7:30 pm: Downey Numismatists, at Downey Retirement Center, call 862-6666.

#### TUESDAYS

- 9:30 am: Downey Seniors Club, at Apollo Park, call Irene Vallini at 328-7039.
- 10 am: Downey Bocce Club, at 7850 Quill Drive, call John Fiorenza at 652-4399.
- 12 pm: Rotary Club, at Rio Hondo Events Center, call William Medina 413-3477.
- 6 pm: Toastmasters Club 587, at First Baptist Church, contact Salvador Cervantes: tmsalcpuede@gmail.com.
- 7 pm: Downey Knights of Columbus Bingo, at 11231 Rives Ave., call 923-1932.
- 7 pm: Healing Room and Prayer, at Desert Reign Church 11610 Lakewood Blvd, call 861-6011.
- 1st Tues., 7:30 am: Gangs Out of Downey, at City Hall training room.
- 2nd Tues., 3:30 pm: Keep Downey Beautiful, at City Hall, call 905-7103.
- 2nd and 4th Tues., 6 pm: Sertoma Club, at Cafe 'N Stuff, call 927-6438.
- 2nd Tues., 6 pm: Downey Fly Fishers, at Apollo Park, call 425-7936.
- 3rd Tues., 6:30 pm: Community Emergency Response Team meeting, Fire station 1, 12222 Paramount.
- 3rd Tues., 6 pm: American Legion #270, at Sizzler Restaurant, call 544-0372.
- Tues., Thurs. & Sat., 10 am: Downey Bocce Club, at 7850 Quill Drive, call John Fiorenza 652-4399

#### WEDNESDAYS

- 7 am: Kiwanis Club, at Rio Hondo Events Center, call Steve Roberson at 927-2626.
- 1 pm: Women's Bocce Club, at 7850 Quill Drive, call Marie Puch at 869-4366.
- 7 pm: Out Post 132 Royal Rangers, at Desert Reign Church, call 928-8000.
- 1st Wed., 11 am: Woman's Club of Downey, call Cheryl Olson 833-8954.
- 1st Wed., 11:30 am: Downey Coordinating Council, Community Center, call Cindy 803-4048.
- 1st Wed., 7:30 pm: Downey Stamp Club, at Maude Price School cafeteria, call 928-3028.
- 2nd Wed., 11:30 am: Christian Women's Club, at Los Amigos Country Club, call Helen 864-7319.
- 2nd Wed., 7:30 pm: Downey Model A Club, at Gallatin School Cafeteria, call 928-4132.
- 3rd Wed.: Downey Dog Obedience Club, at Apollo Park, call Gina 869-5213 or Valerie 420-2972.
- 3rd Wed., 10 am: Los Angeles County Quilters Guild, at Women's Club, call (310) 604-0725.
- 3rd Wed., 10 am: OLPH Women's Guild, at OLPH School Auditorium, contact Armida Lugo, (562) 715-6142.
- 3rd Wed., 6 pm: American Business Women's Association, Rio Hondo Country Club, call Barbara 863-2192.
- 4th Wed., 12:00 pm: Retired Federal Employees, at Barbara J Riley Center, call 943-5513.
- 4th Wed., 7:30 pm: US Coast Guard Aux. Flotilla 5-10, First Presbyterian Church, call Brian 419-5420.
- Wed.& Fri., 10:15 am: Senior Bingo, at Apollo Park, call 904-7223

#### THURSDAYS

- 7:30 am: Connections Networking, at Bob's Big Boy, for info., call Nick Smith, 861-5222.
- 7:30 am.: Soroptimist Int'l of Downey, for information, call Mia Vasquez, 806-3217.
- 9:30 am: Take off Pounds Sensibly, at Barabara Riley Senior Center, call (800) 932-8677.
- 12 pm: Kiwanis Club of Downey, at Rio Hondo Events Center, call Roy Jimenez 923-0971.
- 12 pm: Optimist Club of Downey, at Rio Hondo Events Center.
- 6:30 pm: Downey United Masonic Lodge # 220, 8244 3rd St., call 862-4176.
- 7 pm: Troop 351, Boy Scouts of America, at First Baptist Church, call 776-3388.
- 1st Thurs., 12:00 pm: Downey Christian & Professional Luncheon, Sizzler's Restaurant, call James 310-1335.
- 1st Thurs., 7:30 pm.: The Downey Amateur Radio Club, at First Baptist Church room 120.
- 2nd Thurs., 7:30 pm: Beaming Rebel Foxes Collectors Club, call Carl D. Jones at 923-2400.
- 2nd & 4th Thurs., 6 pm: Lions Club, at Coco's, call Lenora (310) 283-9825.
- 3rd Thurs., 4 pm: Public Works Committee, at City Hall Training Room.
- 3rd Thurs., 6 pm: Downey CIPAC, at Sizzler's Restaurant, call Rich Tuttle 413-6045.
- 4th Thurs., 10 am: Assistance League, at Casa De Parley Johnson, call 869-0232.
- 4th Thurs., 7:30 pm: Downey Historical Society programs, at Community Center, call 862-2777.

#### FRIDAYS

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

#### SATURDAYS

- 9 am: Farmers Market, Downey Avenue at 3rd Street, call 904-7246.
- 4th Sat., 12:00 pm: Downey Arts Coalition, email contact@downeyarts.org.

### On This Day...

- April 7, 1927:** The image and voice of Commerce Secretary Herbert Hoover were transmitted live from Washington to New York in the first successful long-distance demonstration of television.
- 1947:** Auto pioneer Henry Ford died at age 83.
- 1969:** The Supreme Court unanimously struck down laws prohibiting private possession of obscene material.
- BIRTHDAYS:** California Gov. Jerry Brown (78), actor Jackie Chan (62), football hall of famer Tony Dorsett (62), actor Russell Crowe (52) and baseball player Adrian Beltre (37).

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# Mayor's Corner: A busy Saturday in Downey



**DOWNEY – Hello Downey!**

The homeless situation continues to be a real and serious challenge not only in Downey, but in the greater Los Angeles County. Although additional resources are needed, money alone will not be the silver bullet solution.

Currently there are 44,000 homeless people in greater Los Angeles County alone. The City Council, Downey Police Department and city staff continually meet with officials from all levels of government, as well as local non-profit organizations, to address the situation not only in Downey, but in the region. Like many other issues, the homeless situation transcends city borders, therefore we need to address this not only from a local but a regional perspective.

Many have mental health issues and must be treated accordingly. Currently we have a mental health specialist that regularly rides along with our Downey police officers to provide outreach. Public safety is and will always continue to be our number one priority at City Hall.

If you haven't already, now is the time to sign up for the new Downey Alerts system. The alert system provides real time weather, traffic, emergency alerts, and more. Sign up through the City's website at [downeyca.org](http://downeyca.org). If you have a smartphone, I ask that you download the City of Downey App. With the app, you can submit service requests including graffiti, illegal dumping, street lights in need of service, potholes and more. This is a free and

easy opportunity for all of us to do our part.

April promises to be a very busy and productive month in Downey. This Saturday, April 9, there will be an array of events from community services to family fun events. At 8 am, patrons of the Downey Library will be riding a bus to attend the Los Angeles Times Festival of Books held at USC. At 9 am, we will be hosting a passport workshop, together with the U.S. Passport Agency, for residents to apply or renew their U.S. passport.

Also Saturday, the 23rd Annual Downey Chamber of Commerce Street Faire will occur on Brookshire Avenue from 11 am to 7 pm. This is the largest event in the City of Downey and promises to be bigger than ever. There will be live entertainment, kid's fun zone a motorcycle show, as well as the traditional wide variety of food and fun. Thank you to the Downey Chamber and all the volunteers who work so hard to make this happen.

And to top off the day, the Downey Symphony will conclude its 58th season with a concert at the Downey Civic Theatre at 8 pm called "A European Exhibition." This will be a special concert because famed Spanish composer Oscar Navarro's "Downey Overture" will be present as we designate his dedicated piece as Downey's official symphonic music. This is extra special given it is the year we celebrate our 60th Anniversary of the Incorporation of the City of Downey.

This promises to be a historic night. I look forward to seeing you at one or all of these events.

The entire Downey community is invited to the Mayor's State of the City address on Tuesday, April 26 at 11:30 am at the Rio Hondo Event Center. As Mayor, I will provide updates on upcoming projects and goals for the coming year and long-term strategies for 2016 and beyond.

The Downey Police and Fire Foundation will host its annual "Police Officer and Firefighter of the Year Awards Luncheon" on April 19 at the Rio Hondo Events Center at 11:30 am. I proudly serve on the board for the Foundation and can tell you this is a very worthy cause.

The City of Downey's first ever "Ride and Stride" event is scheduled for Sunday, May 1. "Ride and Stride" is similar to CicLAvia, which is an event that started in Bogota, Colombia 40 years ago to allow people to connect with each other in a way that isn't possible in a car. There will be over 5 miles of Downey streets closed to vehicular traffic, which will be transformed into safe open spaces for thousands of Downyites to ride their bike, walk, play, and spend quality family time alongside friends and neighbors.

Along the route, there will be numerous stops bustling with music, games, food vendors, and much more. From 10 am to 2 pm, come out and explore our City like you never have before!

All forms of non-motorized transit are welcome; this includes pedestrians, scooters, bicycles, wheelchairs, skateboards, wagons, strollers, rollerblades, and more. There will be an opening ceremony at the Discovery Sports Complex at 10 am along with Kid's Day festivities at the park.

On Saturday, May 7 at 10 am, I will be hosting a "Coffee with the Mayor" event. Join me at Tropicana Bakery for a cup of coffee and chance to discuss any ideas or concerns you have about your city. Your voice is important and I encourage you to attend.

Calling all Downey students! Have you ever wondered what you would do if you were Mayor for the City of Downey? I invite you to enter the "If I Were Mayor" contest and share your ideas on how to

make our City better. Promoting good local government is important and this contest gives our youth the opportunity to reflect on the important role of civic pride and participation. Winners will be recognized with an official city certificate and mentioned in the Downey Patriot.

For more information or details on how to enter, please visit the city website or contact (562) 904-7274 or send an email [citycouncil@downeyca.org](mailto:citycouncil@downeyca.org)

I also wanted to provide some updates on some street projects around town. Firestone Boulevard, from Paramount Boulevard to the west, is scheduled to be completed by the end this month. In addition to the paving of the streets, new medians with drought tolerant landscaping will be installed.

Firestone, from Lakewood Boulevard east to the city limit, is scheduled to be completed by June 2016. Streets have been paved, new bus shelters and streets lights have been installed, and the traffic signals have been modified for more efficiency.

Gardendale Street will see the addition of new bicycle lanes and the water lines are being replaced. Work is scheduled to be completed on Gardendale by the end of this month.

We know the construction may be inconvenient at times, however, improvements of our streets provides long-term upgrades to the roadways and the underlying infrastructure, addressing serious issues related to a street's condition and design. It has been many years since our major streets were upgraded but when completed, our City will shine.

I encourage you to email or call me with any suggestions or concerns you may have at [asaab@downeyca.org](mailto:asaab@downeyca.org) or at (562) 904-7274.

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## Bellflower schools expand Spanish-English immersion program

**DOWNEY –** Bellflower Unified School District's popular Spanish/English Dual-Language Immersion Program will add a third-grade class in 2016-17 as the initiative enters its fourth year.

The program, based at Bellflower Unified's Intensive Learning Center in Lakewood, has operated at capacity

since its launch with kindergarten students in 2013-14 – a trend that continued as it added first-grade and second-grade programs in subsequent years.

"Bellflower Unified is committed to providing our students with a host of avenues to success, including a growing language pathway that

includes our dual-language program and our expanding program in world languages," Superintendent Dr. Brian Jacobs said. "It's a testament to the quality of the program that, as we expand, we continue to fill each level to capacity."

Bellflower Unified's program is part of a broad effort to increase academic success, cultural understanding and preparation for a global economy.

"Language is not only an avenue for accelerating success in school, but also a gateway to understanding different cultures and communities," Jacobs said. "This program positions our students to compete effectively in a world where if you speak English/Spanish or Mandarin you are able to communicate with over 85 percent of the world's populations."

The dual-immersion program enrolls a mix of students – some are native English speakers, others are native Spanish speakers – so they support each other in mastering skills and concepts in both languages.

The District follows a model in which kindergarten and first-grade students are taught 90 percent of the time in Spanish, 10 percent in English. The ratio shifts to 80/20 in second

grade and 70/30 in third grade. It will eventually reach a 50/50 balance in fifth grade.

Research shows dual-immersion students not only learn the targeted language, but also gain significant understanding of cultures associated with the language, show overall cognitive advances and earn stronger grades in school.

Instruction aligns to the California Standards for language arts and math, with students using Spanish-language versions of the District's new online-based curriculum materials.

In 2016-17, the expansion will bring the program to three classes each in kindergarten through second grade and three classes in third grade.



Tickets are on sale for the second annual Downey Police & Fire Foundation awards luncheon, taking place April 19 at 11:30 a.m. at the Rio Hondo Event Center.



Capt. Frank Culhno is the fire department's selection for the Brian Wolf Memorial Firefighter of the Year award. Fallen officer Ricky Galvez will be posthumously honored as Police Officer of the Year.

For tickets or sponsorship info, call Yvonne Blumberg at (562) 904-2301. Deadline is April 12.

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Family and friends gathered on February 26, 2016 to mourn the passing of Charles Richard Hutchinson, longtime Downey resident and community supporter. Services were held at the United Methodist Church of Downey, followed by a reception at the historic Casa de Parley Johnson. (The following has excerpts from a 2012 article in the Downey Patriot.)

Chuck was born in Akron, Ohio, but grew up in South Gate where his dad, Earl, went to work for Firestone Tire & Rubber Co. As a schoolboy, he had vivid memories of the 1933 Long Beach earthquake, raised chickens in the back yard, visited Oregon annually with his family, earned his Eagle rank in Boy Scouting. Starting UCLA in autumn 1941, college plans were interrupted when Chuck enlisted in the Army Air Corps the following spring. He had great pride in his service during World War II, especially his time as a sergeant directing seven personnel at a weather station outside Nome, Alaska. After the war, Chuck resumed his studies at UCLA, married Evelyn Pratt from Fresno, and finished his BS in business administration in 1949. His first position was supervising an accounting team at a manufacturer in South Gate, having never taken an accounting class. In 1953 he joined Thomas & Moore CPAs, Los Angeles, and passed his CPA exams in 1957. In the early 60s Chuck decided to go into business for himself, setting up his accounting and tax business in Downey. Chuck's community/civic involvements were many: he was president of the Hospital Foundation of the Downey Community Hospital the year when the hospital negotiated the extension of its lease with the city to 99 years; he served on the city's Hospital Commission from the very start of its formation in the 1960s. He was active over the years in the Masonic Lodge, serving as master of Downey Lodge No. 220. He served as Scoutmaster for his sons' Boy Scout Troop, and proudly stated "We now have nine Eagle Scouts in our family". He was one of the oldest members of the Downey Rotary Club, past president 1974-75, and an avid supporter of the Rotary Foundation's mission of international understanding through cultural exchange and education. March 19 would have been Chuck's 92nd birthday.

Chuck is survived by his wife of 67 years, Evelyn (Lynne), children Charles Jr. (Rick) and wife Sharon of Clovis, Kenneth and wife Ann of Downey, Nancy Brubaker and husband David of Los Altos, Thomas and wife Michele of Downey, 6 grandsons, 5 granddaughters, one great-grandson, and sister Dorothy (Dolly) Hutchinson of Oregon. He is at rest in the Masonic Gardens area of Rose Hills, Whittier, California.

### In Memory of Dorothy Ann Laumann Van Bergen

October 10, 1924 - March 26, 2016



Dorothy Van Bergen, 91, died peacefully Saturday, March 26, 2016 with her family in Corvallis, OR. A loving wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother and dear friend to many. She was born October 10, 1924 in St. Bonifacius, MN. She moved to Southern California at age 23. She married Ralph Van Bergen, deceased in 2006, on June 25, 1947. They resided in Downey for over 63 years. She was a devout member of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church and active in the Ladies' Guild. In addition to being a full time homemaker she volunteered for the Ladies of Charity making sandwiches for the homeless. She loved to garden, was an enthusiastic Dodger fan, a skilled team bowler and avid reader. She leaves her 5 children, Mary Lou June, son-in-law Steven June, John Van Bergen, daughter-in-law Linda, Rosemary Pickard, son-in-law Larry Pickard, Ralph Van Bergen, Jr., daughter-in-law Patricia, Joan O'Connell, son-in-law Kevin O'Connell, 10 grandchildren, 7 great-grandchildren and many neices and nephews in Minnesota. A memorial Mass and service will be held at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church in Downey on Friday, May 6, at 10:30 a.m.

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# Tickets still available for symphony concert

**DOWNEY** – The Downey Symphony closes its 58th season Saturday at the Downey Theatre.

Composer Oscar Navarro is travelling from his home in Spain to Downey to hear the West Coast premiere of his new clarinet concerto played by the Orchestra and brilliant young virtuoso Kelli O'Connor. Sharon Lavery, Music Director, will interview Navarro at 7:15 pm before the concert.

Also on the program is his "Downey Overture," a work dedicated to the Orchestra and its Music Director Sharon Lavery and that has now been played across Europe and the United States.

Mayor Alex Saab will present a proclamation on behalf of the council and city declaring the "Downey Overture" as the official symphonic music of Downey.

The designation fits especially well with the city's celebration this year of the 60th anniversary of its incorporation.

Mussorgsky's familiar and powerful "Pictures at an Exhibition," with projections of the pictures that inspired him, will round out the program.

An exhibit of art will be available for viewing in the lobby. Doors open at 6:30 pm. Patrons can enjoy refreshments and view the art before the performance as well as at intermission.

A complimentary champagne reception for all patrons follows the

concert.

Seats are available on line at [downeysymphony.org](http://downeysymphony.org); the box office is open Friday from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. and at 6:30 pm on Saturday.

Because the Chamber of Commerce Street Fair is also April 9, Brookshire Avenue will be closed. Patrons should leave extra time to find parking.

Lots north of the theatre will be

accessible from Dolan Avenue and from Second and Third Streets. The parking lots at 11411 Brookshire Ave. (south of Firestone) and the First Baptist Church lot on 3rd Street (east of the US Bank building) will be reserved for Symphony patrons.

## Downey student earns scholarship

**DOWNEY** – Alyssa Rodriguez, of Downey, has been awarded an academic scholarship for the 2016-17 year at Mayville State University.

Alyssa will major in biology and play softball at Mayville State. She is the daughter of Oscar Rodriguez and Desiree Quintero.

The scholarship was based on academic performance and participation in extracurricular activities.

## POETRY MATTERS

Asia's Song  
from Prometheus Unbound

My soul is an enchanted boat,  
Which, like a sleeping swan, doth float  
Upon the silver waves of thy sweet singing;  
And thine doth like an angel sit  
Beside a helm conducting it,  
Whilst all the winds with melody are ringing.  
It seems to float ever, for ever,  
Upon that many-winding river,  
Between mountains, woods, abysses,  
A paradise of wildernesses!  
Till, like one in slumber bound,  
Borne to the ocean, I float down, around,  
Into a sea profound, of ever-spreading sound

--Percy Bysshe Shelley

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