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## Soroptimist honors inspiring Downey women

**DOWNEY** – Soroptimist International of Downey honored a half dozen women and young ladies Thursday morning during a breakfast ceremony at the Rio Hondo Event Center.

Rita Assoian, Georganne Bruce, Rita Rodarte-Myers and Mia Vasquez were honored as “Women of Distinction,” while teacher Carrie Redfox received Soroptimist’s Ruby Award and Mikayla Minnig the Violet Richardson Award.

Below are brief biographies on each of the award recipients:

**Carrie Redfox:** Carrie Redfox started her career with the Downey Unified School District as a substitute teacher and was an elementary school teacher at Williams Elementary for seven years. In the interim, she stayed home to raise her two boys (who are now 14 and 17 years old) and obtained her master’s degree in counseling. She has been a sixth grade counselor at Doty Middle School for the past 10 years.

Her husband, George, is also in education and teaches at Warren High School. They are both very involved with the Downey Rose Float Association, Downey Historical Society and Downey Conservancy. Carrie currently sits on the boards of the Exchange Club (a non-profit organization that supports the prevention of child abuse) and Gypsy Johnsons (an extension of the Downey Assistance League).

Carrie’s newest venture is to implement a “Drama Free Zone” on the Doty Middle School campus, where students can escape from negative talk and behavior. Staff will be available near the marked zones to offer support and words of encouragement.

**Rita Rodarte-Myers:** Rita Rodarte-Myers is one of the Financial Aid Directors at Downey Adult School Career and Education Center. Working with millions in federal funds for just little over a year now, Rita helps to make adult school education a reality for students. Spearheading program and policy changes to facilitate a more accessible and efficient financial aid program, the campus has seen a direct positive impact on enrollment and completion as a result of her involvement.

Working with diverse groups of students, Rita also provides outreach to DUSD high schools through community college orientations, application workshops, financial aid assistance, and personality-career assessment preparation. Her outreach continues at the adult and community level through Community Based English Tutoring (CBET), a program for elementary school parents that provides them with information on post-secondary options, financial aid, and empowerment that focuses on making college a DUSD family priority.

Prior to coming to DAS, Rita transformed Warren High School’s College & Career office into a student center filled with resources and limitless assistance, where students felt welcome to bring their questions and plan for their futures.

Volunteering for the city of Downey’s Relay for Life is a cause close to her heart, as she is a cancer survivor herself, and has lost her mother to cancer. After being a participant and team lead for a decade, she chaired last year’s Relay event, which raised over \$90,000 for the American Cancer Society and their Race for The Cure, making it the top 20th most successful Relay event in California. She is back this year with an important goal of raising over \$87,000 to reach the City of Downey’s 15th year total contribution to American Cancer Society of one million dollars. Selected to represent Assemblymember Cristina Garcia’s 58th District in Sacramento, Rita lobbied state legislatures on behalf of bills supported by the American Cancer Society. All endeavors Rita is involved with benefit greatly from her activism, dedication and empathy.

**Georganne Bruce:** On April 1, Georganne Bruce celebrated her 25th anniversary as executive director of Exchange Club Family Support Center, a child abuse prevention and parenting education agency. That same day also marks the agency’s 25th anniversary.

Georganne is proud of the services and level of impact the agency has made to many families in Downey and the surrounding communities. As a social worker, Georganne has been working in the field of child abuse prevention for almost 30 years. Additionally she has worked in the areas of emergency relief services and hospice counseling.

She is a graduate of Cal State Long Beach and was born, raised and still lives in Orange County. Georganne has been married to her husband, Jim, for over 28 years; they have a son serving in the United States Air Force and a daughter attending Northern Arizona University.

**Mia Vasquez:** Mia Vasquez was raised in Downey, attended Rio Hondo Elementary, Griffiths Middle School and is a graduate from Warren High School. Mia received her AA in Hospitality Management from Cypress Junior College while she was the event coordinator for eight years at Rio Hondo Country Club.

Mia then went on to be an executive secretary at Robinsons-May department store, and helped open the Irvine Spectrum location which is now a Macys. A year later, after two tragic family losses, it was time to come back to Downey and help manage the family business, Saywell Florist. Mia managed Saywell Florist for 14 years, until the retail store closed in 2014.

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From left: Mia Vasquez, Rita Assoian, Georganne Bruce, Carrie Redfox, Rita Rodarte-Myers, Mikayla Minnig and Giggy Saab. Photo by Eric Pierce

## U.S. Olympian Maggie Steffens to visit Downey YMCA



**DOWNEY** – U.S. Olympic water polo champion Maggie Steffens will visit the Downey Family YMCA this Friday, April 22, as an athlete ambassador for the United States Olympic Committee’s Team for Tomorrow program.

Beginning at 6 p.m., Steffens will speak about the importance of living an active and healthy lifestyle, and share her story of determination and commitment in returning to the podium at the Rio 2016 Olympic Games.

The talk is free and open to the

public.

Following her presentation, Steffens will join children ages 7-9 in the pool as part of the club’s WetBall program, the YMCA’s version of USA Water Polo’s youth learn-to-play program Splashball, which is designed to introduce the sport of water polo to children through water safety and swimming skills.

Steffens will also donate a sport package to the YMCA, including a variety of equipment, such as hula hoops, basketballs, jump ropes and cones.

“As my teammates and I continue to train for the Olympic Games this summer, giving back to the community remains a priority,” said Steffens, a 2012 Olympic gold medalist in women’s water polo. “I’m honored to have the opportunity to share my love of the game with the children in the Downey Family YMCA youth water polo program.”

The USOC launched Team for Tomorrow in 2008 in partnership with U.S. Olympians and Paralympians to provide a vehicle through which U.S. athletes can offer their assistance and support to those in need around the world, as well as a means to continue spreading the Olympic Values of excellence, friendship and respect.

Steffens and her fellow Team for Tomorrow athlete ambassadors are serving as captains of the program on behalf of the entire 2016 U.S. Olympic and Paralympic teams. As ambassadors, this select group of athletes act as advocates and champions of the effort, educating their U.S. teammates and spreading awareness about Team for Tomorrow’s causes for 2016.

## Mitchener, Soto and Chitwood named Teachers of the Year

Lisa Mitchener, Natalie Soto and Ryan Chitwood earn Teacher of the Year honors from Masonic Lodge.

**DOWNEY** – Downey educators Lisa Mitchener, Natalie Soto and Ryan Chitwood received “Teacher of the Year” honors at Tuesday’s school board meeting, courtesy of Downey United Masonic Lodge 220.

Since 1964 the Downey Masonic Lodge has presented its Teacher of the Year honor to an educator from each level in the Downey Unified School District.

Beginning at the elementary level, **Lisa Mitchener** a fourth-grade teacher, was selected for her “unwavering dedication and superior service” to the students at Gauldin Elementary School. She began her teaching career at Gauldin in 1994 and quickly took leadership roles, becoming a BTSA Support Provider, a GATE leader and a Carnival of Champions Coach.

Knowing the importance of technology in education, she took part in the 1999 Vons/Pavilion’s Teach the Teacher Collaborative in which she created an online computer project. This project was one of nine projects selected to be part of the Smithsonian’s permanent collection in its effort to track the

Information Age.

“Even 17 years ago she saw the importance of technology,” stated Gauldin principal Dolores Goble. “Lisa always embraces all of the new curriculum and technology with her usual finesse and gets to business. I feel extremely blessed to work side-by-side with her on a daily basis.”

**Natalie Soto**, a science teacher at Griffiths Middle School, was chosen as the second Masonic Teacher of the Year. Teaching eighth-grade Physical Science and sixth-grade Earth Science at Griffiths for the past six years, Soto provides her students with face-to-face interactions with professionals to enrich their learning through her participation in NASA’s Airborne Research Experience for Educators.

Her Master’s level work has aided in her comprehension of the Next Generation Science Standards, while strengthening her knowledge and understanding of scientific principles and student development.

“Mrs. Soto makes her love of teaching science evident as she connects with students and works hard to engage them in the subject,” said Dr. Rani Bertsch, Griffiths Middle School principal. “With the help of her leadership, our school has earned outstanding science scores.”

Soto has also been on the forefront of piloting Griffiths’ HERO program to acknowledge student effort and is on the Positive Behavior Interventions and Support Committee.

Selected from the high school level, math and physical education teacher **Ryan Chitwood** from Columbus High School, was the final Downey Unified teacher to be honored.

Chitwood graduated from Long Beach State University with a degree in Mathematics. He started his teaching career almost seven years ago at Columbus and makes a daily practice of motivating students.

Chitwood builds relationships with students who often have a challenge with school, and through these relationships, he makes it his mission to create lesson plans and materials that will aid in their success.

Columbus High’s principal, Anthony Zegarra, had nothing but admiration for Mr. Chitwood, saying “Ryan is a leader on campus and most of all a cheerleader for our students. He has the ability to motivate and work with every student and he gives them hope that they too can achieve anything.”

## Downey Patriot up for 5 awards in state journalism contest

**DOWNEY** – The Downey Patriot won five awards in a journalism contest sponsored by the California Newspaper Publishers Association.

Newspapers were notified last week that they qualified for awards, although final winners won’t be announced until an April 30 gala at the Westin St. Francis in San Francisco.

The Patriot won either third or fourth place in the “Special Section” category for its 2015 year-in-review magazine.

The annual magazine is published by the Patriot every December and recaps the entire year, along with original stories and photos.

In the “Best Front Page” category, the Patriot won third or fourth place for its Nov. 19, 2015 edition. The issue included extensive coverage of the death of Downey police officer Ricky Galvez, who was shot and killed in a botched robbery the previous night.

Photographer John Zander won third or fourth place for his photographs of Galvez’s funeral.

Staff writer Christian Brown won third or fourth place in “Coverage of Business News” for his stories detailing Taco Bell’s efforts to save its original restaurant location in Downey.

Contributing writer Alex Dominguez won first or second place

in the “Breaking News” category for his coverage of a Sept. 10 standoff at Chris & Pitts.

Dominguez embedded himself near a L.A. County Sheriff’s Department SWAT team and reported in real-time via Twitter as law enforcement stormed the restaurant and ended a hostage situation with no injuries to innocent victims.

Editor Eric Pierce won first or second place in the “Photo Story/Essay” category for his photos of a Veterans Day ceremony at Downey City Hall last year.

### Weekend at a Glance

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Saturday 76°

Sunday 76°

### THINGS TO DO



#### Bike Festival

**Saturday - Pico Rivera Student Services, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.**

Bicycle rides, vendors, community booths, bike repairs, health fair, and more. 9426 Marjorie St.



#### Community Empowerment

**Saturday - Woman’s Club of Downey, 10 a.m.**

Hear updates from Downey mayor Alex Saab, chat with Downey Police, and learn about your community.



#### Grunion Run

**Saturday - Cabrillo Marine Aquarium, 8 p.m.**

Watch the silvery fish swim to shore to spawn. Warm clothing and flashlights recommended. \$5 adults



#### Freestyle Festival

**All Weekend - Queen Mary**

Performances by Salt N Pepa, Stevie B., Slick Rick, Lisa Lisa, Biz Markie, and others. \$50



#### GGG

**Saturday - The Forum, 6 p.m.**

Middleweight champion Gennady Golovkin faces Dominic Wade. Tickets start at \$30

### TWEETS OF THE WEEK

@MissNicoley: Since when did #Cinemark turn into a discount house?! It’s gross in here.

@VinceV: any idea when the Five Guys is opening? Looks like it’s been ready for weeks.

Follow us!  
 @DowneyPatriot

### 'Impossible Science Lab' coming to Downey space center

**DOWNEY** – Columbia Memorial Space Center has excitedly announced that they will be hosting the Impossible Science Lab for a limited-time run.

The Impossible Science Lab will be a hands-on, interactive event focused on the exploration of the science behind the seemingly impossible. The event takes place from Saturday, April 23 and will run through Sunday May 1.

This is CMSC's first special, traveling exhibit that is open to the public in almost five years.

Impossible Science is hosted and designed by Jason Latimer, who some may recognize as one of the judges on the Syfy Channel's magic competition TV series "Wizard Wars." Along with being a scientist, whose research is based out of the Fleet Science Center in San Diego, Latimer is also a three-time World Champion of Magic, and winner of the BBC One's the Magicians.

Some of the exhibits attendees experience will include the science of mind control, exploring levitation, turning objects invisible, and walking on water.

"The goal of the Impossible Science Initiative is to promote education through curiosity," said Latimer in a press release sent to The Downey Patriot. "By exploring subjects that seem impossible but showing how they can be made possible through science, visitors will have a memorable, hands-on learning experience that will blow their minds!"

For more info, visit the CMSC website at columbiaspacescience.org, or call (562) 231-1200.

The Columbia Memorial Space Center is located at 12400 Columbia Way, tucked behind Downey's new Promenade.

-Alex Dominguez, contributor

### Downey to get Alfa Romeo dealership

**DOWNEY** – Alfa Romeo is coming to Downey.

The Italian car manufacturer will share space on Firestone Boulevard with Champion Dodge and Fiat, city officials announced. Signage should be up within the next few weeks, along with the first shipment of vehicles.

City officials credited Alfa Romeo's arrival to a 2010 sales tax deal in which the City Council agreed to contribute \$1 million to finance redevelopment of the car lot.

The city expects to be repaid \$2.75 million by the time the loan is fully repaid in 2020.

Alfa Romeo expects to sell 200 cars in its first year in Downey. Car sales could reach 900 annually by its third year in business, city officials predicted.

"We are very excited to have Alfa Romeo as part of the community," said Mayor Alex Saab.

### Comedy show raising money for cancer research

**DOWNEY** – The annual TJ's Dream Team Comedy Night fundraiser will be held May 15 at the World Famous Comedy Store in Los Angeles.

The show is in memory of TJ Peacock, a 2007 Warren High graduate who died after a 5-year battle with brain cancer.

All proceeds will be donated to brain cancer research.

Tickets are available at BrownPaperTickets.com (search TJ's Dream Team Comedy Night).

### Possibly naked man leads police on chase

**DOWNEY** – A man was arrested near the Rio Hondo River early Wednesday morning after leading police officers on a slow speed chase.

It's unclear what the man was wanted for, but residents living near Suva Street reported that the man was doing doughnuts and was possibly naked.

Police apprehended the man after he fled into the Rio Hondo River.



### CABA basketball league continues to grow

**DOWNEY** – A private basketball league in Downey, made up mostly of working men and fathers, will begin its third year next month.

CABA Basketball league was formed two years ago by four friends: Anthony Zamora, Alex Saab, David Gonzalez and Alex Duran. Initially an excuse for friends to meet for pickup basketball once a week at the Apollo Park gym, the league has grown significantly in size and structure since then.

CABA games are played once each week on Mondays or Thursdays, and most seasons last about three months, including playoffs.

An awards ceremony is held at the conclusion of the season, where players are recognized for outstanding performance in several categories. The championship team takes possession of the CABA Cup, which bears a striking resemblance to the NHL's Stanley Cup.

Many local businesses have employees in the league, including Bank Of The West, Skyline Security, Pacific Title, RG Tax Services, Downey Termite, Tropicana Bakery, and Chris's Best Burger.

"Some teams are made up of families, friends or men who work together at the same company or in the same industries," said David Gonzalez. "We attribute our organic growth and success to the emphasis on fellowship, camaraderie and good sportsmanship, as we never compromise these values."

By remaining a private league, CABA ensures that participants adhere to a strict code of conduct. Players must be at least 28 years old, with only one age exception per team. And there is a zero tolerance policy for verbal or physical misconduct.

The main goal of the league is to have fun, Gonzalez said.

"We will always strive to be good, reputable members in our community and would love to invite other local companies, groups, friends and professionals to check us out," Gonzalez said.

CABA's next season starts the first week of May. For information about participating, email CABAbasketball@gmail.com or look up CABA Basketball on Facebook.

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**CalMet Services, Inc., the City's waste hauler, will be providing Downey residents with free mulch on Saturday, April 23 from 9:00 a.m. to noon. Residents may receive up to 32 gallons of mulch, but must bring their own containers. The distribution will be a "drive-thru" only event and there will be no accommodations for walk-up visitors. The give-away will take place in the parking lot area at the Downey City Hall - West Parking 11111 Brookshire Avenue. Vehicles may only enter off of Civic Center Drive. The distribution of mulch will begin at 9:00 a.m. and will end when the supply of mulch is exhausted, or at 12 noon, whichever comes first.**

**For more information, call CalMet Services at 562-259-1239, extension 7.**

# SPORTS BRIEFS: Summer camps now forming

By Mark Fetter  
Contributor

**DOWNEY** - The Warren High School Lady Bear basketball program is gearing up for the summer by offering several skills camps to young student-athletes.

Team discounts, sibling discounts and multiple camp discounts will be offered. Head basketball coach Rachel Palmer can be contacted at [rpalmer@dusd.net](mailto:rpalmer@dusd.net) with further questions.

Freshman Bears Boot Camp is for all student-athletes wanting to be a part of the Warren basketball program. The cost is \$125 and student-athletes can register at the door. Session one will run from June 13-16, will have student-athletes aged 13-17 years old participating and will be held from 9:00 a.m.- 12:00 p.m. in the Warren Gym. Incoming freshmen are encouraged to attend this camp. This camp will feature challenges through competitive drills and games.

Another camp is the Bears for a Week Camp. The cost is \$100 per session and student-athletes can register at the door. Session one will run from June 13-16 from 4:00 p.m.- 6:30 p.m. and will feature student-athletes aged 8-17 years old participating. Session two will run from June 27-30 from 4:00 p.m.-6:30 p.m. and will also feature student-athletes aged 8-17 years old participating. This camp will feature basketball fundamentals in a fun, friendly, and encouraging environment.

The next camp is the Elite Position Camp. The cost is \$100 and student-athletes can register at the door. This session will be from June 20-23 and is also for student-

athletes aged 8-17 years old. Camp will be held from 4:00 p.m.-6:30 p.m. Athletes will work on point guard skills, perimeter and post play.

Another camp is the Bear Family Open Gym Camp. Registration is on Sunday June 19. Arrive early for the 4:30 p.m.-6:00 p.m. timeslot. The cost is \$5 per adult and hopes to bring families together in an active gym setting.

The last camp is the Moms-Dads and Cubs Camp. This camp is \$15 and can be registered for at the door. Camp will also be held on Sunday June 19 and is for kids aged 2-6. This camp is for boys and girls and is from 4:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m. Camp will focus on motor skills with different types of balls.

The Bears Summer Camps are under the direct supervision of the Warren High School coaching staff, alumni and other special guests. Coaches will include: Franny Vaalu, Danielle Rodriguez, Julie DeLeon, Tahja Mathews, Denise Gonzalez, Janeane Hernandez, Iwalani Rodrigues and Coach Z.

The Warren High School baseball team currently has an overall record of 10-9 and are 1-2 in S.G.V.L. play.

Warren was defeated by Paramount at Warren 16-4 on 4/12 and defeated Paramount at Paramount 7-6 last Friday. The Bears were defeated by Gahr at Gahr 10-0 on Tuesday and will host the Gladiators later today.

The Bears will host cross-town rival Downey next Tuesday and will travel to Dominguez on

5/3 and will host the Dons on 5/6. Warren will have a home and away series against non-league opponent Hemet on 4/30 and 5/7. The Bears will travel to Hemet on 4/30 and will host Hemet on 5/7.

Warren will close out their regular season when they host Lynwood on 5/10 and when they travel to Lynwood on 5/12. Coach Pearson, his staff and players and looking forward to finishing up league play on a strong note and qualifying for postseason play.

The Warren High School softball team currently has an overall record of 10-6 and are 3-1 in S.G.V.L. play. The Bears defeated Paramount at Warren 5-0 on 4/7, were defeated by Gahr at Gahr 3-2 in eight innings on 4/12, defeated cross-town rival Downey at Warren 11-0 on 4/14 and defeated Dominguez at Dominguez 30-0 on Tuesday.

Warren traveled to Lynwood yesterday (score unavailable at press time), will travel to Paramount next Tuesday and will host Gahr next Thursday in their much anticipated rematch.

The Bears will participate in the La Mirada Classic Tournament next weekend where they are scheduled to play Santa Fe on 4/30. After the La Mirada Tournament, Warren will travel to Downey on 5/3, will host Dominguez on 5/5, will travel to Mayfair in a non-league game on 5/9 and will travel to Lynwood on 5/10 in their regular season finale.

Coach Starksen, her staff and players are looking forward to a strong league finish and deep postseason run.

The Downey High School girls' lacrosse team currently has an overall record of 8-3 and are 3-0 in Ocean League play.

The Lady Vikings are currently in first place in the Ocean League standings. The Ocean League for girls' lacrosse consists of Beverly Hills, Culver City, Downey, Marlborough and Santa Monica.

Through Tuesday of this week, Culver City is currently in second place (1-9, 0-1), Beverly Hills is in third place (1-5, 0-1), Marlborough is in fourth place (0-1, 1-6) and Santa Monica is in fifth place.

Downey defeated Culver City at Downey 14-3 on 3/18, defeated Marlborough at Downey 24-2 on 3/23 and defeated Santa Monica at Santa Monica 15-1 on 4/8.

The Lady Vikings traveled to Culver City on Wednesday and traveled to Marlborough yesterday (scores unavailable at press time). Downey will conclude their regular season against Santa Monica at Downey next Wednesday.

Coach Mires, his staff and players are looking forward to finishing up their Ocean League schedule and beginning postseason play. The Lady Vikings finished last season with an overall record of 8-3-1 and were 4-0-1 in league play.



Warren High graduate Mark Montero placed Best in Show Aerospace Engineering at FIT (Florida Institute of Technology) Northrop Grumman Student Design Showcase in Melbourne, Fla.

He also placed second at the A.I.A.A. (American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics) Conference held in Huntsville, Ala. with his project DAWN (Diverse Air-bearing Weightless eNvironment).

Montero is a senior at FIT where he majors in Aerospace Engineering.

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# Shared Stories: Pictures of a Birthday Party

Photographs carefully saved by an aunt were a revelation to Maria Gutierrez. In one afternoon, the story in the pictures overcame Maria's feelings of abandonment, and reassured her that she was loved. Shared Stories is a weekly column featuring articles by participants in a writing class at the Norwalk Senior Center. Bonnie Mansel is the instructor for this free class offered through the Cerritos College Adult Education Program. Curated by Carol Kearns.

By Maria Helen Gutierrez

It was on a beautiful sunny day one April that my husband and I set aside time to visit my dad's only sister in Monterey Park.

After enjoying a light lunch, Aunt Alice invited us into her living room. Stacked in the center of a large, antique, brown coffee table were four family albums. Hoping to find pictures of my parents, siblings, and myself, I asked permission to look at them.

Halfway through the second album, which was four inches thick, I saw several pictures of myself, dressed up in pink and lavender, and standing on a table with a cake in front of me. I was surprised to know that Aunt Alice and Grandma Delfina had taken this picture of my first birthday party.

My aunt answered my questions about the pictures, and then I asked if I

could borrow them to make a set for myself.

That day, as I looked at the photo albums, God helped me realize how much I was loved by Mama and Grandma Delfina. Yes, I was not an ugly duckling that my father and the boys in junior high made me feel like.

These precious pictures and the discussion with Aunt Alice gave me the therapy that I needed in order to overcome the feelings of abandonment and abuse by my father and the mocking that I experienced in school and church.

These pictures strengthened my commitment to be a loyal, godly wife, daughter, and supportive sister toward my siblings; and I desire to uplift others.

The following is the story that I learned from Aunt Alice and the pictures of my first birthday party.

Early in the morning of February 25 my mother woke me with a loving greeting and kiss. "Elena, My Love, it is your first birthday." She bathed me and fed me homemade "Avena" oatmeal with cinnamon and bananas.

After breakfast, with me sitting on my pink "Little Lulu" designed high chair, Mama carefully removed my "rollers." The rollers were shredded strips of rags that were used to tie and set my hair in curls the night before.

Mama combed my long, brown, thick hair, styling it to resemble Shirley Temple curls. Two-inch wide pink and lavender ribbons were tied on both sides of my head in fluffy bows.

Mother and Grandma Delfina made me feel like a princess in a pink and lavender dress that Grandma had made on her Singer sewing machine. The night before my mother had added white beaded ruffles to the puffy sleeves and hemline of my dress.

An antique brown dining table was placed in front of Grandma's white, English colonial fireplace, which was freshly painted that week. There was a mirror above it, and the mantle was decorated with streamers and ribbons. The table was decorated with handmade crepe paper roses.

This was the stage where Mama carefully stood me. Grandma told me to smile as I posed for a picture of me blowing out the big pink candle in the center of the rose-decorated cake.

Calls for ice cream could be heard from my ten impatient cousins. Mama served me a big bowl of ice cream with a small piece of marble cake.

Grandma Delfina caught me with my mouth full of food as she clicked her Kodak camera. Thank God she took another picture of me, this time catching a good pose of me laughing and smiling while my cousins and I played games like Pin the Tail On the Donkey and tossing balls at Bozo's nose.

Gifts were piled on Grandma's antique coffee table which sat in front of the dining room window. I enjoyed opening the gifts, and Mama and Grandma saved the wrapping paper and colorful bows. My cousins went home with a smile and with cookies made by Mama and Grandma.

Mama used the paper as liners for bedroom vanity drawers. I used some of the bows to decorate my doll's hair, and Mama would put some bows in my hair.

Now, at age 60-plus, I cherish the memories of the fun-filled piñata parties that I enjoyed the following years with my four siblings: Carmela, the twins Genie and Junior, and Ramon.

Every child in the world should experience at least one special birthday party. Now antique tables and vintage homes will always remind me of Grandma's warm, loving and festive home where beautiful memories were made.

Thank you, Mama and Grandma, for blessing me with loving tokens.

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And Jehovah. And Alzheimer. And a diamond of extraordinary size on the hand of a starving child. The quiet mob in a vacant lot. My father asleep in a chair in a warm corridor. While his boat, the Unsinkable, sits at the bottom of the ocean. While his boat, the Unsinkable, waits marooned on the shore. While his his boat, the Unsinkable, sails on, and sails on.

--Laura Kasischke

In a prose poem, nothing happens. But the elements of poetry: sound, music, metaphor, rhythm, imagery, and particularly repetition, operate, and can reveal depths beyond narrative. In this poem the poet presents herself as angry, nostalgic, skeptical, pious, distraught, glad and helpless by turns. Kasischke's poetry is noted for its intelligent, honest portrayal of domestic and familial life. Poetry Matters is curated by Lorine Parks.

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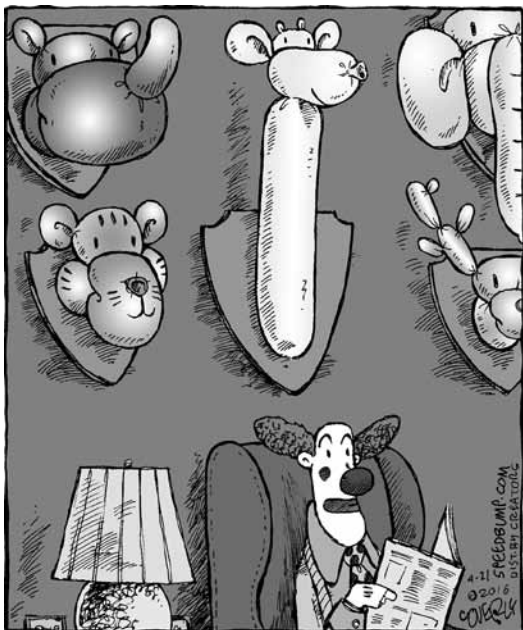
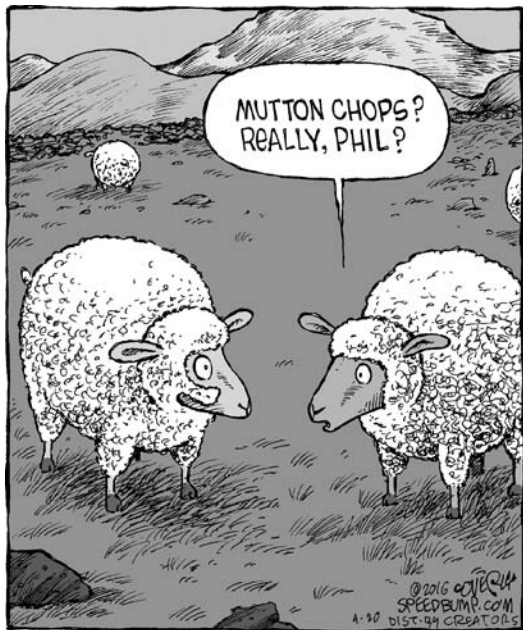
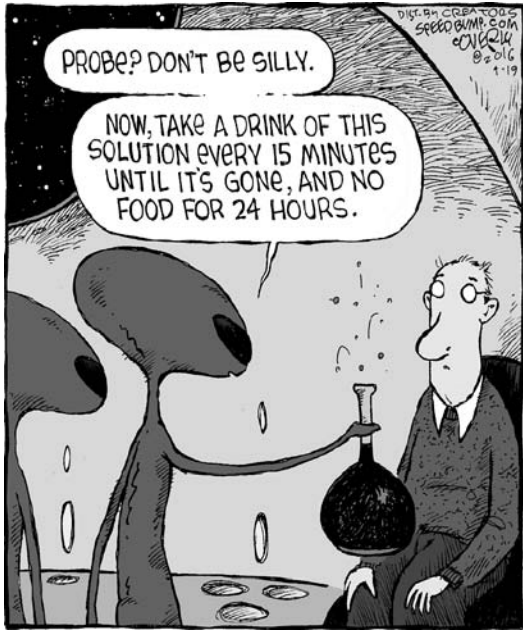
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## Downey Community Calendar

### EVENTS FOR APRIL

Friday, April 22: U.S. Olympian Maggie Steffens, Downey YMCA, 6 p.m.  
Saturday, April 23: Community updates, Woman's Club of Downey, 10 a.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 Barbara 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 21, 1836:** Texans led by Sam Houston defeated the Mexicans at San Jacinto, assuring Texas' independence.  
**1910:** Author Mark Twain died at age 74.  
**1980:** Rosie Ruiz, the first woman to cross the finish line at the Boston Marathon, was disqualified when officials discovered she had jumped into the race about a mile from the finish.  
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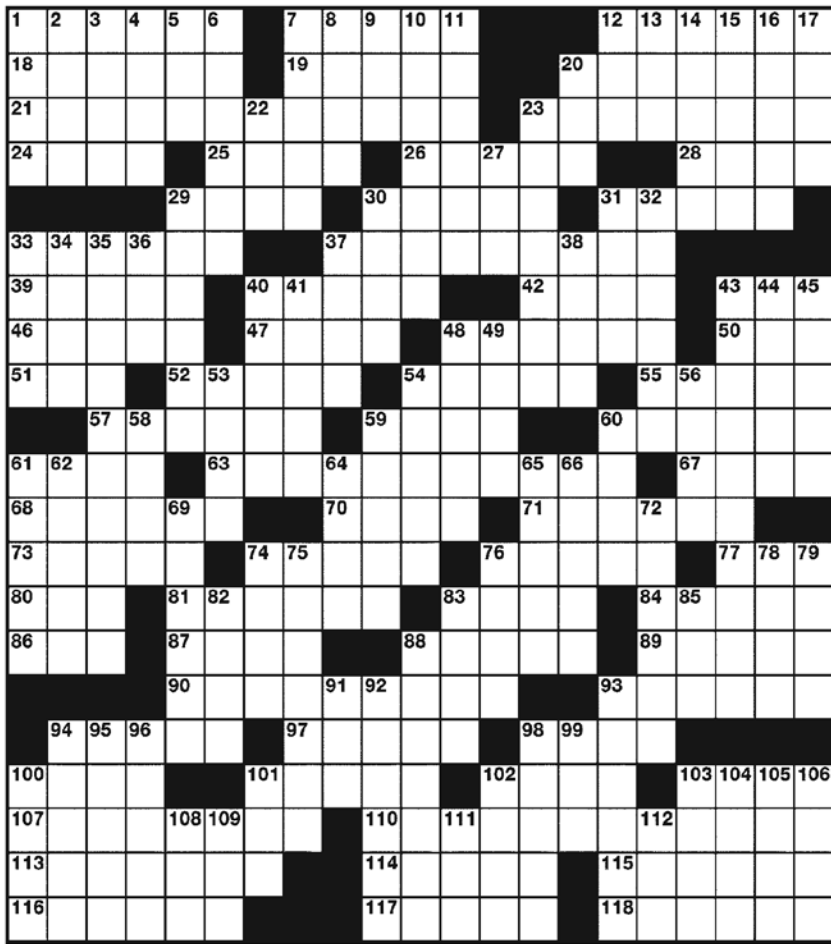
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by Fred Piscop

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# With help from non-profit, 20 disabled residents receive custom laptops

By Alex Dominguez  
Contributor

**DOWNEY** – The Southern California Resource Services for Independent Living (SCRS-IL) partnered with Neighbor's Empowering Youth (NEY) to give away 20 accessibility-friendly HP laptop computers to disabled individuals Wednesday evening in an effort to bridge the "digital divide" of accessible technology.

SCRS-IL has worked to empower over 50,000 persons with disabilities since 1979. The organization offers several resources, workshops and programs in an effort to help those who are disabled live a more independent life.

Wednesday's presentation was

the result of a new partnership between SCRS-IL and NEY. NEY is a nonprofit organization located in Altadena that provide services to underprivileged youth.

"What they do is they make technology accessible...we empower people with disabilities to live independent lives," said Mario Galdamez, Deputy Director of SCRS-IL. "So what we decided was to combine what we both do: they provide technology to empower, and we provide resources to empower. So what we did is actually created a grant to assist people with disabilities and provide them with accessible technology, and that's what these twenty laptops are here for today."

NEY Inc. Board Member Michael Lattimore described

NEY as "firestarters."

"We want to put technology in the hands of clients and different agencies, and then light the fire and see where they go with it," said Lattimore. "...it's a perfect synergy, perfect partnership. And it was kind of serendipity the way that, you know, we connected – our agencies came together. We're really grateful to be able to be a part of this equation."

Downey Mayor Alex Saab was on hand at Wednesday's presentation, and presented both SCRS-IL and NEY with certificates praising the work done by both organizations.

"I think that what is happening here is so important in our community," said Saab, addressing those in attendance.



"...you are all ambassadors of the cause, and I promise to you I too will be an ambassador; I'm going to continue to push."

SCRS-IL and NEY now hope to go beyond Wednesday's laptop presentation. According

to Galdamez, the organizations' plan is to now gain local community college support in an effort to help disabled individuals and underprivileged youth gain access into the college system, access any financial aid available, and still provide ongoing case

management and peer counseling until said individuals gain their degree.

For more information on SCRS-IL, please visit [scrs-ilc.org](http://scrs-ilc.org).

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Hospice volunteers serve patients and their families who are in the final stages of a terminal illness, such as cancer or heart failure. Our hospice patients are located in the surrounding areas of Baldwin Park, Downey, and Harbor City. Each trained volunteer has an opportunity to offer emotional support, run errands, make friendly visits, provide the caregiver breaks, or work on special project teams. The required training is provided by Kaiser Permanente and is planned for early Summer 2016. Hospice volunteer applicants must be at least 18 years old, able to commit 2-4 hours weekly, and have their own transportation. To begin the application process, call (562) 622-4300 for more information.

Volunteers are selected, placed, and trained based on their skills, abilities, and service orientation without regard for race, religion, national origin, color, ethnicity, gender, sexual preference, or medical condition. Kaiser Permanente Downey volunteers include men and women, and represent the culturally diverse community which forms our customer service area.

Many volunteers are Kaiser Permanente members, and all share a strong desire to help and a willingness to serve where they are most needed.

## Mayor, police to give community updates Saturday

**DOWNEY** – This Saturday, April 23, Downey's Community in Network is sponsoring a community event for our Downey residents, employees and business people.

Mayor Alex Saab, the Downey Police Department and representatives from Downey Neighborhood Watch, will be speaking at the Woman's Club of Downey, located at 9813 Paramount Blvd..



Alex Saab

The presentation will begin at 10 a.m. and the topics will include an update on Downey improvements and development, as well as tips on safety and awareness.

Admission to the event is free, everyone is welcome, and light refreshments will be served.

## Financial Partners sponsors 'Big Science Fest'

**DOWNEY** – Financial Partners Credit Union contributed \$5,000 to sponsor the Los Angeles area's largest science festival, "Big Science Fest," held April 2 at the Columbia Memorial Space Center (CMSC).

Normally, admission to the museum is \$5, but as part of Financial Partners' sponsorship, admission was free on April 2.

The Columbia Memorial Space Center is located on the grounds of the former North American Rockwell plant in Downey, the birthplace of many important advances in aerospace history, including the development of the Saturn V rocket, the Apollo space capsules, and the manufacturing of the Space Shuttle.

Financial Partners shares that heritage, as it was founded nearly 80 years ago to serve aerospace employees and a great many of its members worked on those historic programs at the Downey plant.

"We are proud to sponsor the Big Science Fest," said Nader Moghaddam, President/CEO of Financial Partners Credit Union. "This is a great way to pay respect to our rich history in Downey, while playing a small role in inspiring the young people to pursue careers in math, science, technology and engineering."

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## Downey athlete leads USA beach handball team to gold in Pan American championship

By Christian Brown  
Staff Writer

DOWNEY – The USA men's beach handball team is still celebrating this week after Downey High alumni Jacobo Garcia helped lead players to a surprise first place finish at the Pan American Championship games in Venezuela earlier this month.

"It was really cool – the whole experience," said Garcia, who scored winning goals in the playoffs, earning the USA team its first gold medal in the Pan American championship since 1988.

"I don't even remember how I did it – so many emotions were moving all at once."

Like many athletes in beach handball, Garcia didn't start off playing it, but rather started off in school and little leagues playing basketball, volleyball, and football.

"Handball is basically a combination of all those sports – it's similar to water polo also," said

Garcia, who plays a center back specialist, which is similar to a point guard in basketball.

Relatively new to the international stage, beach handball is the outdoor version of the Olympic sport of team handball that utilizes four attacking players and a goal keeper. The sport is played in two 10-minute halves with one point awarded for each half.

If a game ends in a tie, a shootout determines the winner.

While Garcia has become a standout at clinching shootout victories, he only recently joined the team's ranks last summer after spending several months on both the indoor and junior beach handball teams.

After spotting a handball game on a sports cable channel last January, Garcia, who turns 21 this month, researched the sport online

and found the Los Angeles-based teams.

"I wasn't aware of how big handball was – it's a pretty big thing," said Garcia, who was taken aback while competing in Sweden last year. "I had never seen a competition like that."

This summer, however, the USA beach handball team will see fierce competition as it gears up for the world championship games in Budapest, Hungary starting on July 10.

Garcia, who is a full-time student at Cerritos College, said the team practices primarily at Hermosa Beach and hosts fundraisers to purchase uniforms and equipment year round. Many of the team's expenses are also self-funded, which Garcia considers a sign of dedication to both the sport and his country.

"It's tough and can take a toll



sometimes, but we have a lot of work to do," he said. "We have a practice this weekend...we're adding two new players and preparing right now so we're up for the world championships and the challengers we're going to face."

## Women of Distinction

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Mia changed the business model to be a full service event planning company now called Miss Saywell Event Planning, as well as keeping her feet in the flower brokerage business.

Mia is a two-term president of Soroptimist International of Downey. She has also served as fundraising chairwoman and in her six years as chairwoman has helped raise over \$115,000 to give back to our community.

**Mikayla Minnig:** Mikayla is a senior at Downey High School, where she has been a 4-year cheerleader and board member of the Downey Parent Teacher Student Association.

She is owner of Mikayla's Royal Affair, where she works as a party planner and character entertainer. She also founded her own non-profit, Change for Arthritis, five years ago and has been an Arthritis Foundation ambassador for many years.

After being diagnosed with juvenile arthritis at the age of 3, Mikayla began to volunteer with the Arthritis Foundation along with her parents. Almost 14 years later she is still very involved in raising awareness about juvenile arthritis.

She has raised thousands of dollars for research and to help send kids with chronic and life-threatening illnesses to camp by holding yard sales and lemonade stands, and coordinating school-wide fundraisers at Trinity Christian School and Downey High. She also places change boxes throughout the community, collecting spare change that is used for juvenile arthritis research.

Mikayla also mentors newly diagnosed patients, speaks at schools and to service clubs, and testified in front of Congress on what it's like to live with a painful childhood disease that is expected to follow her into adulthood.

Mikayla will attend Long Beach State this fall.

**Rita Assoian:** As Rita Assoian drove home after closing the restaurant where she worked on the morning of Sept. 12, 2009, all she could think about was getting some sleep. It was well past midnight, and she was almost home, just a few minutes away from the comfort of her bed.

Everything was right with her life. She was a first-year college student and track star at Glendale Community College with an apparently limitless future. Then in an instant, everything changed.

A car speeding at more than 90 miles an hour plowed into her car, which then hit Rita and tossed her high into the air. She flew through the night like a rag doll. When she landed more than 15 feet away, her body was devastated. The accident left Rita with 14 separate broken bones, a lacerated lung and liver, internal bleeding, the threat of paralysis from the breaks in her neck and spine, and possible brain damage from bruising and blood on the brain.

As she lay lifeless, the odds that Rita could survive were not in her favor. Paramedics arrived at the accident scene within five minutes and immediately summoned a helicopter to airlift her to Los Angeles County USC Medical Center.

The accident left her in a coma for 22 days. Doctors can't say for sure what saved her, although they agree that she got the best possible medical care.

Rita rehabbed at Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center, and against all odds, returned to the world of competitive track and field with Glendale Community College. Today she is a full-time student at Concordia University and graduates May 7.

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**★ THE JUNGLE BOOK** (11:30, 1:00, 3:40, 6:20, 9:00; *Mon to Thu*: 1:00, 3:40, 6:20, 9:00)

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Classic band Earth, Wind and Fire will perform at the OC Fair on July 30, organizers announced. Also added to the summer concert lineup were Frankie Valli and the Four Seasons (July 27) and The Fab Four (Aug. 6). Tickets go on sale Saturday at 10 a.m.

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TENANTS Duly Appointed Trustee: The Wolf Firm, A Law Corporation Recorded 2/12/2008 as Instrument No. 20080252918 of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Los Angeles County, California, Street Address or other common designation of real property: 10051 MATTOCK AVE DOWNEY, CA 90240 A.P.N.: 6391-015-012 Date of Sale: 5/12/2016 at 9:00 AM Place of Sale: At the Vineyard Ballroom, Doubletree Hotel Los Angeles-Norwalk, 13111 Sycamore Drive, Norwalk, CA 90650 Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$509,634.71, estimated The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address or other common designation, if any, shown above. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale.  
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# Homeowners warned about misleading solicitations

New homeowners are being reminded to be wary of solicitations from private companies offering free government services for hefty fees.

Although copies of deeds and applications for property tax exemptions are offered at a minimal cost or free from government offices, new homeowners often receive

commercial solicitations to pay for those services. The official-looking mailings frequently include offers to help find property-related information for taxpayers for a fee.

"New property owners might assume that these letters come from a government agency and end up paying for a free service," said Assessor Jeffrey Prang. "This deceptive practice undermines

the services the County already provides for free. Even I have received those solicitations after recently moving into a new home."

Property assessment services and inquiries are available free of charge or for a minimal cost on the Office of the Assessor's website at [assessor.lacounty.gov](http://assessor.lacounty.gov). Also, the new "Assessor Portal" provides comprehensive property

information and 32 years of assessment history in a modern, intuitive, and searchable website. The Portal may be viewed here: <http://portal.assessor.lacounty.gov/>

"Our department is fully committed to keeping the public informed of this fraudulent activity," said Dean Logan, Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk. "We

have been working with the Department of Consumer and Business Affairs to ensure homeowners take advantage of all of the resources we offer. We encourage homeowners to contact us if they have any property related questions."

Copies of deeds, records, and other information, can be obtained from the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/

County Clerk at [www.lavote.net](http://www.lavote.net).

"Our department is committed to fighting homeowner fraud in Los Angeles County," said Brian J. Stiger, Director of the Department of Consumer and Business Affairs. "We encourage homeowners to contact our department at (800) 593-8222 any time they have any question about home-related documents or mail they receive."

Homeowners should report suspicious solicitations to the Department of Consumer and Business Affairs at <http://dcbalacounty.gov/>

# 5 ways to save on an overseas trip

By Nathaniel Sillin

My neighbors and I talked for weeks about their upcoming European vacation with their teenaged kids. We discussed every single place they planned to visit. But when I asked if they knew how much their European train and ground transportation, smartphone data plans and meals out were going to cost, they shrugged and said, "We're not worried. That's the cheapest part of the trip!"

They might have been right if they had planned ahead. Sometimes it's not the airfare and hotel bill that get you, it's the failure to monitor small expenses that can turn into big ones in a hurry. No matter where you go, there are hidden money pits. That's why smart money management before you travel is so important. Whether you meet or exceed your budget depends on how you plan and execute your spending.

Consider these five tips to help you conserve funds in all major areas of vacation spending:

1. **Start by sweating the small stuff.** Take some time to do a bit of research on basic expenses at the various locations where you're planning to go. Talking to friends can help and so can travel magazines and sites.

2. **Keep the costs of ground transportation in mind.** The convenience of cabs or rental cars will likely cost more and depending

where you go, some options might be safer than others so study options like reloadable city smart cards or continental rail passes. Paying individual ticket prices for short hops or long journeys can drain your budget. Also, consider traveling at off-peak times of the day to get cheaper rates on train travel.

3. **Know what it costs to use your electronics.** You've probably heard about people getting socked with huge cell phone bills. To avoid this, call your carrier before you leave to make sure your phone will work wherever you're going. If so, check if they offer an affordable international talk and data plan. If not, consider options like an international SIM card a small chip

card that fits inside your phone for specific use within that country or a prepaid phone. If you're downloading any apps to supply maps, translation or reading material on your phone or computer, do it while you are home to avoid chewing up international data at your destination. Also, be careful with Wi-Fi. Many recognizable global restaurants and fast-food chains offer the service for free, so check before you pay for it. Once you're home, be sure to cancel any international services you've ordered.

4. **Eat like the locals.** The Internet and the myriad travel sites it offers make it easy to find good places to eat at all price levels practically anywhere in the world. But eating food

can add up. Focus on the cheapest and safest ways the locals eat.

5. **Travel insurance can be smart money management.** Lost luggage, missed connections or a medical emergency won't just ruin your trip they can potentially wreck your finances. Check your personal home and health insurance to see what they might cover on a trip and back

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**Mistake #3:** Losing Your Ground in Negotiations. The complications and technicalities of a real estate transaction can confuse even a rocket scientist. The goal is to be in the driver's seat, and preparation is critical to preserving your interests.

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