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### JANUARY 20

**Keep Downey Beautiful clean-up**

**DATE:** Saturday, Jan. 20  
**TIME:** 9 am  
**LOCATION:** 12152 Woodruff Ave.

**Downey Symphony**

**DATE:** Saturday, Jan. 20  
**TIME:** 8 pm  
**LOCATION:** Downey Theatre

### JANUARY 27

**Astronaut Commemoration**

**DATE:** Saturday, Jan. 27  
**TIME:** 10 am to 5 pm  
**LOCATION:** Columbia Memorial Space Center

**Parks & Recreation job fair**

**DATE:** Saturday, Jan. 27  
**TIME:** 12-4:30 pm  
**LOCATION:** Barbara J. Riley Community Center

**Blood, Sweat & Tears ft. Bo Bice**

**DATE:** Saturday, Jan. 27  
**TIME:** 8 pm  
**LOCATION:** Downey Theatre

### JANUARY 28

**The Dance Co: Planet Dance**

**DATE:** Sunday, Jan. 28  
**TIME:** 2 pm  
**LOCATION:** Downey Theatre

### FEBRUARY 3

**John Tesh**

**DATE:** Saturday, Feb. 3  
**TIME:** 8 pm  
**LOCATION:** Downey Theatre

### FEBRUARY 24

**Healthy Downey 5K**

**DATE:** Saturday, Feb. 24  
**TIME:** 7:30 am  
**LOCATION:** Apollo Park

**Smart Gardening workshop**

**DATE:** Saturday, Feb. 24  
**TIME:** 9:30 am  
**LOCATION:** Wilderness Park

### MARCH 10

**Era of a King: Elvis Presley tribute show**

**DATE:** Saturday, March 10  
**TIME:** 7 pm  
**LOCATION:** Downey Theatre

### MARCH 17

**Arc Walk**

**DATE:** Saturday, March 17  
**TIME:** 7:30 am  
**LOCATION:** Stonewood Center

### MARCH 18

**Treasure Island**

**DATE:** Sunday, March 18  
**TIME:** 6 pm  
**LOCATION:** Downey Theatre

### MARCH 24

**Carnival of Champions**

**DATE:** Saturday, March 24  
**TIME:** 9 am  
**LOCATION:** Warren High

**Brunch with the Bunny**

**DATE:** Saturday, March 24  
**TIME:** 9:30 am  
**LOCATION:** Golden Park

### MARCH 30

**'Animaniacs live**

**DATE:** Friday, March 30  
**TIME:** 6 pm  
**LOCATION:** Downey Theatre

### APRIL 22

**Sara Evans in concert**

**DATE:** Sunday, April 22  
**TIME:** 8 pm  
**LOCATION:** Downey Theatre

## Downey composer to make world premiere of new music at Downey Theatre

**MUSIC:** Lars Clutterham will be joined onstage by renowned jazz percussionist Jan. 20.

**DOWNEY** – Downey resident and composer Lars Clutterham will make the world premiere of a new work, titled "New Horizons," at the Downey Symphony's Jan. 20 concert at the Downey Theatre.

The piece features band percussion instruments from around the world – "Around the World" is the concert's theme – and in particular from Latin America.

Brad Dutz, a renowned jazz percussionist who teaches at Cal State Long Beach, will improvise his part on these instruments as the orchestra's music expresses the energy and optimism of our new century.

Clutterham, 69, is known to concert-goers for his piece celebrating the 60th anniversary of Downey's incorporation, "Downey Celebration Suite," which received its world premiere from the orchestra in October 2016. This new premiere honors the longtime Downey resident and professional composer as the orchestra reflects and expresses the cultural diversity and heritage of Downey.

A commitment to new music and living composers has been a hallmark of music director Sharon Lavery's leadership of the orchestra.



Lars Clutterham, left, with Lorine Parks and Greg Welch at Tuesday's Rotary Club meeting, where Clutterham gave a preview of his Jan. 20 concert world premiere. Photo by Carol Kearns

The musical program also includes short pieces by Mozart and Debussy, as well as Mendelssohn's Italian Symphony No. 4. The symphony grew out of a two-year tour of Europe by the youthful Mendelssohn and captures the energetic dance rhythms and sprightly melodies of a country whose musical heritage pleases every hearer.

An exhibit of artwork by local artists with the theme "The Masters" will fill the lobby. Co-sponsored by the Downey Arts Coalition, the exhibit includes a live painting demonstration by one of the artists.

Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Lavery will interview Clutterham and discuss the evening's music at 7:15. The concert begins at 8.

"The Board of Directors and the Orchestra take special pleasure in welcoming our Downey family to our concerts," said Donald Marshall, president of the Downey Symphonic Society. "We want them to feel at home and have a truly enjoyable evening."

Tickets are \$30-\$35 depending on seating area and \$10 for students. Tickets can be purchased online at [downeysymphony.org](http://downeysymphony.org) or at the Downey Theatre box office.

## Vandals topple headstones at Downey Cemetery

**VANDALISM:** Nearly 30 headstones at Downey Cemetery are overturned in weekend vandalism.

**By Alex Dominguez**  
**Staff Writer**

**DOWNEY** – For the second time in less than four months, a mass number of headstones were knocked over at the historic Downey Cemetery.

The toppled headstones were discovered Saturday. According to District Coordinator Lorena Arellano, by her count approximately 28 monuments were vandalized.

Public Works staff were already on site on Monday morning to repair the damage but were hesitant to proceed with repairs due to slippery ground conditions caused by the weather.

With the possibility of rain, staff added that it is possible that nothing will be repaired for at least a week.

They also estimated that the repair job would cost at least \$2,500 factoring in man-power, equipment and materials.

Downey public works staff repair damaged headstones at Downey Cemetery on Monday.

Photo by Alex Dominguez



The county-owned cemetery suffered a similar occurrence back in September of last year, when around 25 headstones were knocked over.

Staff also said that individuals practicing ritualistic practices such as Santeria have been a common issue on the grounds.

Arellano said that Cemetery Board members are currently attempting to secure funds and are having discussions on installing gates, lighting, and potentially a better wall to help safeguard the cemetery.

County supervisor Janice Hahn said Wednesday she was in talks with the cemetery board to potentially help with a gate.

"The repeated toppling of these headstones not only cost the City of Downey thousands of taxpayer dollars to pay for repairs, it was disrespectful to the memories of the people buried in this historic cemetery," Hahn said.

"I know that a new gate and new lighting is expensive for a cemetery operating under a small budget so my office is in talks with the Cemetery Board to see how we can help. Stay tuned."

Downey firefighters responded to the Rio Hondo River at Florence Avenue after a vehicle became trapped in the fast-moving waters Monday.

Downey Engine 64 responded to the water rescue with assistance from a L.A. County Sheriff's Department helicopter.

There were no reports of injuries. It's unclear how the vehicle became submerged in the river.



## Downey restaurant grades

**Joseph's Bar & Grill**  
11032 Downey Ave.  
Date Inspected: 1/4/18  
Grade: **B**

**Tacos Baja**  
12623 Lakewood Blvd.  
Date Inspected: 1/2/18  
Grade: **B**

**Mi Cielo**  
11040 Downey Ave.  
Date Inspected: 1/4/18  
Grade: **A**

**Burger City Grill**  
8260 Firestone Blvd.  
Date Inspected: 1/4/18  
Grade: **A**

**Circle K**  
9809 Imperial Hwy.  
Date Inspected: 1/4/18  
Grade: **A**

**Casa Blanca Bar**  
8744 Imperial Hwy.  
Date Inspected: 1/4/18  
Grade: **A**

**The Hummus Factory**  
8266 Firestone Blvd.  
Date Inspected: 1/3/18  
Grade: **A**

**Fernando's**  
9484 Firestone Blvd.  
Date Inspected: 1/3/18  
Grade: **A**

**Waba Grill**  
8258 Firestone Blvd.  
Date Inspected: 1/3/18  
Grade: **A**

**Tacos Raul**  
8740 Firestone Blvd.  
Date Inspected: 1/3/18  
Grade: **A**

**Shuttle Inn**  
9067 Imperial Hwy.  
Date Inspected: 1/2/18  
Grade: **A**

**Veracruz**  
9085 Imperial Hwy.  
Date Inspected: 1/2/18  
Grade: **A**

**Time Out Burger**  
9841 Imperial Hwy.  
Date Inspected: 1/2/18  
Grade: **A**

**Taco Bell**  
11905 Paramount Blvd.  
Date Inspected: 12/28/17  
Grade: **A**

**Jack in the Box**  
9501 Imperial Hwy.  
Date Inspected: 12/28/17  
Grade: **A**

**Burger King**  
7957 Imperial Hwy.  
Date Inspected: 12/27/17  
Grade: **A**

**Mariscos Choix**  
8104 Firestone Blvd.  
Date Inspected: 12/27/17  
Grade: **A**

**El Rey Quick Stop**  
13000 Paramount Blvd.  
Date Inspected: 12/20/17  
Grade: **A**

**Pizza Man**  
8720 Imperial Hwy.  
Date Inspected: 12/20/17  
Grade: **A**

**Potato Corner**  
407 Stonewood St.  
Date Inspected: 12/15/17  
Grade: **A**

## Weekend at a Glance

Friday 73°

Saturday 81°

Sunday 79°

### THINGS TO DO



#### Monster Jam

**Saturday - Angels Stadium, 6:30 pm**  
Watch as monster trucks race through a custom designed track filled with obstacles.



#### Town Hall with Gavin Newsom

**Sunday - Plaza de la Raza, 1 pm**  
California's lieutenant governor (and gubernatorial candidate) speaks with residents.



#### R&B festival

**Saturday - Microsoft Theatre, 8 pm**  
Live performances by Boyz II Men, Jodeci, Jagged Edge, SWV and Soul for Real. \$67 and up



#### Peter Pan

**All Weekend - Huntington Beach Historic Theatre**  
Orange County Children's Theatre performs the Broadway musical "Peter Pan." \$15



#### Sean Waltman

**Saturday - The Wrestling Guy Store in Huntington Park, 12 pm**  
Meet the legendary WWE wrestler. Photos \$20 (bring your own camera)

### TWEETS OF THE WEEK

@DowneyPatriot: Amending Downey's zoning code to address lot splits and mansionization would cost \$85,000

@JaredHead: Considering the operating budget of Downey is \$169,000,000, I'm fairly okay with \$85,000 (0.05% of budget based on FY 17-18) being spent to preserve neighborhood character.

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# Warren, Downey begin basketball league schedules

**BASKETBALL:** Boys and girls basketball heats up with league competition starting this week.

By Mark Fetter  
Contributor

**DOWNEY** – The Warren High School girls' basketball team currently has an overall record of 9-7 and began S.G.V.L. play on Wednesday night when they hosted Lynwood at Warren (score unavailable at press time).

The Lady Bears competed in the Larry Doyle/Dan Wiley Basketball Tournament over the Christmas Break and finished with a record of 2-2.

Warren was defeated by Tustin, 57-43, in their first game on 12/26, defeated Yorba Linda, 59-39, in their second game on 12/27, defeated Valley Christian, 42-38, in their third game on 12/28 and was defeated by Cerritos, 52-37, in their fourth and final game on 12/29.

The Lady Bears defeated Orange Lutheran, 47-39, on 1/3 and defeated El Rancho at El Rancho, 51-50, in overtime on 1/5.

The Lady Bears will host Paramount later today, will travel to Gahr next Wednesday and will host cross-town rival Downey next Friday. Warren will travel to Dominguez on 1/24 to face the Lady Dons.

Lynwood and cross-town rival Downey will certainly be the teams

to beat in San Gabriel Valley League play based on last season and returning players this season.

Warren finished last season with an overall record of 15-13 and a S.G.V.L. record of 5-5. The Lady Bears were defeated by Carter at Carter 53-50 in the second round of the C.I.F. Division 2A playoffs.

**WARREN BOYS BASKETBALL:** The Warren High School boys' basketball team currently has an overall record of 9-6 and began S.G.V.L. play when they hosted Lynwood at Warren on Wednesday night (score unavailable at press time).

The Bears competed in the Rancho Mirage Holiday Classic Tournament over the Christmas Break and finished with a record of 2-2.

Warren was defeated by Viewpoint, 59-39, in their first game on 12/27, was defeated by Twentynine Palms, 55-53, in their second game on 12/28, defeated Salesian, 47-44, in overtime in their third game on 12/29 and defeated a "non-varsity opponent" 55-48 in their fourth and final game on 12/30.

Warren defeated the California Academy of Math and Science (CAMS) of Carson at Warren, 70-19, on 1/5 and will host Paramount later today. The Bears will travel to Gahr next Wednesday, will host cross-town rival Downey next Friday and will travel to Dominguez on 1/24.

Dominguez is considered the league favorite due to last season and their returning players this year. Downey, Gahr, Lynwood, Paramount and Warren will all be in the mix competing for postseason playoff spots as well.

The Bears finished last season with an overall record of 10-16 and a S.G.V.L. record of 3-7. Warren did not participate in postseason play.

**DOWNEY WRESTLING:** The Downey High School wrestling team competed in the Juan Enriquez Memorial Tournament at John Glenn High School on Jan. 5-6.

The Vikings placed 13th overall with a total of 92 points. Downey had four wrestlers place in the top eight of their respective weight classes and had several key wrestlers not compete in the tournament.

Ironwood Ridge was the tournament champion with 182.5 points, S.G.V.L. foe Paramount finished second with a total of 157.5 points, Millikan finished third with a total of 154.5 points, Universal City finished fourth with a total of 151 points and Mira Costa finished fifth with a total of 130 points to round out the top five finishers, respectively.

Downey's Matthew Morales (126) defeated Roger Coupal of Paramount 6-0 to finish third. Sergio Smith (145) defeated Greg Sevastion of Mira Costa by pin at the 3:41 mark in the second period to finish fifth. Alex Hernandez (152) was defeated by Osvaldo Pantaja of Ci by pin at the 4:20 mark in the third period and Elias Velasco (285) defeated Daniel Sierra of Royal 2-0 to finish fifth.

Coach Soto, his staff and wrestlers are all looking forward to the start of San Gabriel Valley League competition. The Vikings will once again be the team to beat with Paramount and cross-town rival Warren looking to knock off the defending league champions.

**DCC BOYS BASKETBALL:** The Downey Calvary Chapel (DCC) boys' basketball team currently has an overall record of 4-14 and an Academy League record of 1-3.

The Grizzlies competed in the Coast Classic Tournament over Christmas Break and finished with a record of 1-3.

DCC was defeated by Estancia 60-24 in their first game on 12/27, was defeated by Bolsa Grande 78-37 in their second game on 12/28, defeated Santa Ana Valley 52-38 in their third game on 12/29 and was defeated by Los Amigos 86-58 in their fourth and final game on 12/30.

In Academy League play, the Grizzlies were defeated by Crean Lutheran 102-47 and 92-30 in their rematch on 1/3, were defeated by St. Margaret's at St. Margaret's 66-38 on 1/5 and defeated Sage Hill at Sage Hill 66-65 on Monday. DCC will host Brethren Christian at DCC later today.

**DCC GIRLS BASKETBALL:** The DCC girls' basketball team currently has an overall record of 4-13 and are 0-3 in Academy League play. The Lady Grizzlies competed in the Santiago Tournament 12/19-22 and finished with a record of 0-4.

DCC was defeated by Cantwell-Sacred Heart 55-8 in their first game on 12/19, was defeated by Santa Fe 38-19 in their second game on 12/20, was defeated by Estancia 42-30 in their third game on 12/21 and was defeated by Santiago 45-28 in their fourth and final game on 12/22.

In Academy League play, the Lady Grizzlies were defeated by Crean Lutheran at Crean Lutheran 78-24 on 1/3, were defeated by St. Margaret's at St. Margaret's 55-27 on 1/5 and were defeated by Sage Hill at DCC 50-22 on Monday. DCC will host Brethren Christian at DCC later today.

**DCC WRESTLING:** The DCC wrestling team competed in the Juan Enriquez Memorial Wrestling Tournament January 5th and 6th at John Glenn High School. The Grizzlies finished in 26th place with 41 team points. Caleb Jones (145) finished in second place after being defeated by Braden Smelser of Valencia 11-1 in the championship final.

## Rose Float accepting 2019 float designs

**DOWNEY** – The Downey Rose Float Association is accepting concept designs for the 2019 Tournament of Roses Parade.

The Tournament of Roses has not released the theme for the 2019 parade but hinted it will celebrate music, the universal language.

Float concepts should be drawn in black and white on an 8.5 x 11 paper, and mailed to Downey Rose Float Association, P.O. Box 765, Downey, CA 90241, or submitted at the General Meeting on January 24 at 7 pm, at the Barbara J. Riley Center.

► Downey Rose Float Association will be holding an "undecorate" the float event on Saturday, Jan. 20, at the Downey Rose Float site from 1-4 pm.

The float site is located at 13030 Erickson Ave., on the south campus of Rancho Los Amigos. Contestants who want to compete in the Miss Downey Pageant will be able to pre-register that day.

For more information, call Jennifer at (562) 714-5658.

## Orientation for Miss Downey contestants

**DOWNEY** – Contestants interested in competing in the Miss Downey Pageant should attend an orientation Jan. 29 at 6:30 p.m. at Trinity Baptist Church.

Application forms are available on the Miss Downey Royalty Facebook page. Contestants who submit their applications on or before Jan. 29 will receive a \$5 voucher that can be used to purchase photo packages or pageant tickets.

For more information, call Jennifer at (562) 714-5658.

## Volunteers needed to count Downey's homeless

**DOWNEY** – Volunteers are needed for the 2018 Greater Los Angeles homeless count.

The count, which is conducted across Los Angeles County, takes place on the nights of Jan. 23-25.

"We could not cover such a wide area without the assistance of generous volunteers," said Jonathan Hans, who is overseeing volunteer recruitment for the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority. "Their involvement is critical to collecting an accurate and comprehensive set of data."

Last year's count had the assistance of nearly 8,000 volunteers, a record number. Hans said the goal is to exceed that figure this year.

To volunteer, register at theycountwillyou.org.

## Downey church hosting 9-week finance class

**DOWNEY** – Downey First Christian Church will host Financial Peace University, a 9-week video series by financial expert Dave Ramsey.

The course begins Jan. 14 and will run from 1-3 p.m. weekly. The first class is free.

To register or for more information, contact Pastor Mark Schoch at (562) 862-2438.

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Pre-Concert Talk – 7:15pm

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Impresario Overture – Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart  
Petite Suite – Claude Debussy  
New Horizons (World Premiere) – Lars Clutterham  
Symphony No. 4 (Italian) – Felix Mendelssohn



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## John Young, first astronaut to fly Columbia, dies at 87

**HOUSTON** – Legendary astronaut John Young, who walked on the moon and later commanded the first space shuttle flight, has died, NASA said Saturday. Young was 87.

The space agency said Young died Friday night at home in Houston following complications from pneumonia.

NASA called Young one of its pioneers – the only agency astronaut to go into space as part of the Gemini, Apollo and space shuttle programs, and the first to fly into space six times. He was the ninth man to walk on the moon.

"Astronaut John Young's storied career spanned three generations of spaceflight," NASA administrator Robert Lightfoot said in an emailed statement. "John was one of that group of early space pioneers whose bravery and commitment sparked our nation's first great achievements in space."

Young was the only spaceman to span NASA's Gemini, Apollo and shuttle programs, and became the first person to rocket away from Earth six times. Counting his takeoff from the moon in 1972 as commander of Apollo 16, his blastoff tally stood at seven, for decades a world record.

He flew twice during the two-man Gemini missions of the mid-1960s, twice to the moon during NASA's Apollo program, and twice more aboard the new space shuttle Columbia in the early 1980s.

His NASA career lasted 42 years, longer than any other astronaut's, and he was revered among his peers for his dogged dedication to keeping crews safe – and his outspokenness in challenging the space agency's status quo.

Chastened by the 1967 Apollo launch pad fire that killed three astronauts, Young spoke up after the 1986 shuttle Challenger launch accident. His hard scrutiny continued well past shuttle Columbia's disintegration during re-entry in 2003.

"Whenever and wherever I found a potential safety issue, I always did my utmost to make some noise about it, by memo or whatever means

## Robert Egan, longtime school psychologist, dies

**DOWNEY** – Robert Egan, PhD, died Monday, Jan. 8, at Kaiser hospital in Anaheim following a brief illness.

He leaves behind his wife of 65 years, Edna Frances Egan, his daughter, Janet, his sons, David and Patrick, daughter, Elizabeth, 6 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren.



Born and raised in Indiana, the son of William and Grace Egan, he moved to Downey in 1960.

At the age of 16, he enlisted in the Marines and served during World War II, and re-enlisted to serve in the Korean War. His bravery was honored with a commemorative statue in his home state of Indiana.

After serving in the Marines, Robert continued his education earning a B.A., M.A., and PhD in Psychology. He served as District Psychologist for the El Monte School District for over 40 years.

Funeral services were held at White's Funeral Home in Bellflower on Jan. 11. Graveside services are scheduled for Friday at Rose Hills.

might best bring attention to it," Young wrote in his 2012 memoir, "Forever Young."

He said he wrote a "mountain of memos" between the two shuttle accidents to "hit people over the head." Such practice bordered on heresy at NASA.

Apollo 11 astronaut Michael Collins, who orbited the moon in 1969 as Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin walked its surface, considered Young "the memo-writing champion of the astronaut office." Young kept working at Johnson Space Center in Houston "long after his compatriots had been put out to pasture or discovered other green fields," Collins wrote in the foreword of "Forever Young."

Indeed, Young remained an active astronaut into his early 70s, long after all his peers had left, and held on to his role as NASA's conscience until his retirement in 2004.

"You don't want to be politically correct," he said in a 2000 interview with The Associated Press. "You want to be right."

Young was in NASA's second astronaut class, chosen in 1962, along

with the likes of Neil Armstrong, Pete Conrad and James Lovell.

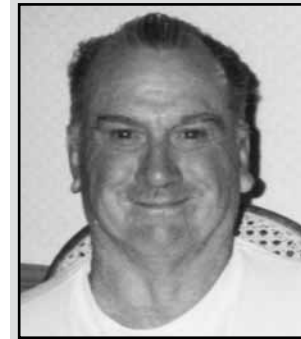
Young was the first of his group to fly in space: He and Mercury astronaut Gus Grissom made the first manned Gemini mission in 1965.

Young orbited the moon on Apollo 10 in May 1969 in preparation for the Apollo 11 moon landing that was to follow in a couple months. He commanded Apollo 16 three years later, the next-to-last manned lunar voyage, and walked on the moon.

He hung on for the space shuttle, commanding Columbia's successful maiden voyage in 1981 with co-pilot Robert Crippen by his side.

Young made his final trek into orbit aboard Columbia two years later, again as its skipper.

## In Memory of Lowell "Dude" Farris February 15, 1929 - December 24, 2017



Entered into this life February 15, 1929. Entered into eternity December 24, 2017

Lowell was born in Ft. Worth, Texas, the youngest of the children. Eventually the family moved to Emory, Texas. He enjoyed living in this rural farm area where he could ride his horse "Dan" to school.

He would later follow his brother "Jimmie" to California to go to work. He worked for Chrysler for over 30 years. After retirement he worked for the Downey Schools.

In 1955 Lowell and his wife Dolores moved to Downey where they lived and raised their family. Although "Dude" lived in the city, he still enjoyed the outdoors. He frequently would take his sons hunting, fishing, and camping.

Always with a smile, usually sharing a joke or funny story, our father was a good hard working, God fearing man who was well loved and will be missed.

He was married for over 65 years when his wife passed away earlier this year. They are survived by their three children Lola, Randy and Arl, and their spouses and children.

In lieu of flowers, please make a donation to Operation Smiles or Fred Jordan Mission.

## In Memory of Henry Lee

May 20, 1915 - January 2, 2018



Long time resident Henry Lee passed away Tuesday January 2, 2018 of natural causes at his home in Downey. He was 102 years old and lived in Downey for over 60 years.

After a tour in the Civil Conservation Corps, Henry left Mississippi in 1941 and came to California seeking a better life for his family. He worked in the Defense Industry during the 1940's and 1950's and in 1956 he founded his own company, Lee's Manufacturing Corporation. He designed and built motion machinery for electrostatic painting equipment used in the automotive and appliance manufacturing industry around the world. He was an innovative designer and held several patents on his work.

A Mason and lifetime member of the Elks, he was an avid bowler and golfer who when he retired in 1994 at the age of 79 became a familiar sight at the Rio Hondo Golf Club where he was a member for years. He is survived by his wife Joan, his son Jack and his loving grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held at Miller Mies Downey Mortuary 10229 Paramount Boulevard, Downey, CA 90241 on January 20th at 11am.

In lieu of flowers please consider a donation to CCC Legacy P.O. Box 341 Edinburg, VA 22824. Memo: Henry Lee Memorial

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## Paging Dr. Frischer...

By Dr. Alan Frischer

More than one in every 10 adults in the United States has diabetes. I repeat: more than one in every 10 adults has diabetes. That comes to 29 million Americans, including some eight million who may be undiagnosed and unaware.


It can be a devastating disease; monitoring, managing, and treating it is difficult, challenging, and costly. Thankfully, this is an exciting time with new advances in the field.

How does a healthy, diabetes-free body operate, and why is a properly functioning pancreas so important? Hormone levels (including insulin, glucagon, and others) rise and fall to keep our blood sugar (glucose) in a normal range. Normally, blood sugar levels rise after we eat. Cells in the pancreas then release insulin, enabling the body to absorb glucose from the blood and lowering blood sugar levels back to normal.

Then, when blood glucose levels are low, the hormone glucagon is released from the pancreas and signals the liver to release glucose back into the blood.

For those with type-2 diabetes, the body builds up resistance to insulin and increasingly greater amounts are necessary in order to bring down blood glucose levels. As the disease advances, the pancreas produces even less insulin.

With type-1 diabetes, the pancreas doesn't produce enough insulin, and needs additional insulin injections to bring down the blood sugar



levels. Type-2 diabetics often use non-insulin oral or injectable medications or, if that is not effective, insulin injections.

In 2016, the FDA approved the first artificial pancreas. This artificial pancreas is initially being used for Type 1 diabetics, with the more common Type 2 diabetics to follow. The device continuously monitors blood sugar levels and supplies insulin automatically when sugar levels get too high.

There is constant communication between the monitoring and the infusion devices. The goal is to reduce high blood glucose levels (hyperglycemia) and minimize the incidence of low blood glucose (hypoglycemia) with little or no input from the patient, and to allow a diabetic patient the opportunity to live a "normal" life!

Another recent potential advance in diabetes treatment is a digital contact lens. Patented in 2014 by Google, and in partnership with the pharmaceutical company Novartis, it measures blood glucose levels from tears. Microchip sensors are embedded between two layers of lens material, and a tiny hole allows tear fluid to seep into the sensor, which then measures blood sugar levels.

A thin wireless antenna transmits the data to a phone app. When blood glucose levels approach dangerous levels, the app notifies the user to act by consuming sugar, injecting insulin, or contacting a physician.

As with the artificial pancreas, it could eliminate the need to take blood samples (usually through a finger poke) several times a day, and could potentially greatly lower the cost of monitoring blood sugar levels.

We live in exciting times. Stay tuned for these and other advances in diabetes management.

**Dr. Alan Frischer is former chief of staff and former chief of medicine at Downey Regional Medical Center. Write to him in care of this newspaper at 8301 E. Florence Ave., Suite 100, Downey, CA 90240.**

# City Council taking closer look at Downey's zoning code

**DOWNEY** – The City Council directed staff members Tuesday to begin the process of a possible amendment to Downey's zoning code to address concerns with lot splits and mansionization.

Last Nov. 28, the council rejected a moratorium that would have halted controversial lot splitting. Then-mayor Fernando Vasquez, however, requested a report on the estimated cost and time needed to amend Downey's zoning code.

In a report to council members Tuesday, Aldo Schindler, Downey's director of community development, said amending the city code would take about a year and cost up to \$85,000.

In his report, Schindler stressed that amending the zoning code, and possibly the General Plan, "is a complex undertaking."

"The City will need to balance [property owners'] development rights with the desire to preserve the character of existing neighborhoods," Schindler said.

According to Schindler, the city needs to hire a professional planning firm "that has the experience and depth of staff to complete the analysis and prepare the necessary amendments in a timely manner."

The entire project will take between 9-12 months.

► Mayor Sean Ashton presented his inaugural Mayor's Downey DNA Award to Zoey Luna, a student at Warren High School who sued the Downey Unified School District after claiming she was discriminated against for being transgender.

Luna also was featured in an HBO documentary, "15: A Quinceañera Story."

In a scroll, Ashton said he was honoring Luna "in recognition of your courage and determination to live your true life. The mayor of the City of Downey proudly recognizes your commitment to raise public awareness."

The ceremony was attended by Luna's middle school vice principal and counselor.

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► Ashton presented his Mayor's Hero of the Meeting Award to U.S. Air Force veteran Roman Gonzalez.

Gonzalez, 28, joined the military after high school and served two deployments. Today he's involved with Courage Forward, a non-profit that provides support to returning U.S. troops.

► Council members agreed to waive admission fees to the Columbia Memorial Space Center on Jan. 27 as part of Southern California Museums Free Day.

► Council members authorized the city manager to execute a contract with L.A. County for a \$50,000 Measure H grant to create a homeless action plan.

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## Issues with Downey planning commissioner

Dear Editor:

I would like to congratulate Downey City Planning Commissioner Steven Dominguez for his spectacularly condescending and bias performance at the recent December and January planning commission meetings.

I'm willing to concede that many of the contended issues brought forth in planning commission meetings within the last few months are complicated—some with no clear-cut solutions. However, Commissioner Dominguez' questions to business owners offered no sympathy to those struggling to understand the city commission decisions.

Commissioner Dominguez solely utilizes his opportunity to bully and ask condescending questions at business owners standing tall before the commission, taking advantage of those who may not have had the same opportunities to complete his level of education. His tone has been absurdly confrontational, offensive, and wholly unbecoming of a public official.

From unrealistic hypothetical questions to blatant and deliberately slung accusations of intentionally putting the community in harm's way, honest people trying to earn a living who may not be as politically connected as those owners most recently paying liquor licensing fees to the city are forced to bear the burden of his egregious misuse of power. Most of all, the voices of Downey residents appear to significantly fall on his deaf ears.

I question the self-righteousness Dominguez brings to the commission. I question his desire to promote small businesses in the city. I question the ethics of appointed officials who enter the council chambers always having already made a decision prior to the actual hearing.

I believe that informed decision-making and free, fair, and frequent elections are the cornerstones of a proper liberal democracy. This misuse of power must be corrected before others pass themselves off as judge, jury, and executioner, without listening to the voting public. Accountability is required.

**Manuel J. Rodriguez**  
**Downey**

## Culture in the newspaper

Dear Editor:

The closing of one year and the opening of another stimulates much introspection and appreciation. It is natural to mark milestones with gratitude.

As a cultural enthusiast, I would like to acknowledge two people whose efforts make The Patriot a community treasure: Lorine Parks and Carol Kearns.

Both these women work countless hours every week to make this newspaper a relevant counterpoint to the barrage of media nonsense offered from other outlets. We should thank them regularly.

While poetry and personal writing may not seem like "news" or political discourse, it is exactly the work these women present each week in the newspaper that brings the big issues home to our own lives.

Thank you to Lorine Parks and Carol Kearns for their hard and true work, and The Patriot for offering them a venue to enrich us all.

**Roy Anthony Shabla**  
**Director of Collections, Downey Museum of Art**

## Roy Moore not a victim

Dear Editor:

In response to Thomas Smith's "Roy Moore was the victim of a smear campaign" (12/28/17):

Moore was not a victim, he's an alleged pedophile who preyed on young teenage girls and got away with it. It may have not been proven, but it's multiple women's claims against his own, including former employees at the local mall who remember Moore being banned for harassing teenage girls.

Mr. Smith mentioned Gloria Allred but failed to mention that Allred only added Moore's job title and the location where he signed her yearbook, the rest was signed by Moore. Was it wrong for Allred to lie about it? Yes, but she at least admitted guilt and corrected her original statement.

As for Moore being a Democrat at the time, so what? Politicians on both sides have been accused of sexual harassment, but there is a difference. Look at Al Franken and John Conyers, both Democrats who were accused of sexual misconduct and were pressured to resign from their own party members.

Now look at Donald Trump and Ray Moore, both Republicans who have been accused of sexual misconduct. Trump becomes POTUS and Moore continued on in the Senate race; neither of them resigned and continued to be supported by their party.

Martha Burk was right; Trump and Moore are both part of the Grand Old Pedophile Party. They maintained their support and continued on in politics. If Moore would have been a Democrat today, he would have lost support and been forced out of the race by the Democratic Party.

Funny how both parties deal with politicians accused of sexual misconduct: one party forces them out while the other support them.

**Guillermo Vazquez**  
**Downey**

## Time's up for 'temporary' alien protection

By Michelle Malkin

Seventeen years after granting "temporary protected status" to nearly 200,000 Salvadoran citizens who had fled earthquakes in 2001 or who were already here illegally and claimed they were unable to return to their homeland because of civil strife, America is setting a deadline:

Get right with the law or go home.

As if we haven't shown enough generosity to these provisional guests in our home, the Department of Homeland Security gave the Salvadorans until September 2019 to get their affairs in order. But the usual suspects in the permanent Gang of Amnesty — identity-politics Democrats, Big Business Republicans, anti-rule of law activists and sovereignty-sabotaging pundits — condemned the Trump administration's announcement this week with a heaping dose of hyperbole.

Maria Rodriguez, executive director of the Florida Immigrant Coalition, called the move a "racial cleansing."

Washington Post columnist Jennifer Rubin called the revocation "monstrous" and called on Democrats to hold government funding hostage until the nearly two-decade-old "temporary" protections were restored indefinitely.

NBC analyst Anand Giridharadas likened the decision to "the German occupation of, and use of forced labor from, Belgium in World War I; and the Armenian genocide."

That's insanity. Here's a proposal. How about I force my way into Mr. Giridharadas' residence uninvited and demand to stay for at least 17 years under the guise of seeking "temporary" shelter. Would he consider a rational and responsible decision to evict me and reclaim his home for himself and his family tantamount to a war crime?

Enforcing a limit on humanitarian gestures is the responsible thing for any self-sustaining nation to do. Previous Democrat and Republican presidents, however, have shirked their duty — opting instead to renew illegal alien protections ad nauseam. So beneficiaries of our supposedly time-limited generosity established families and footholds here. They gained permanent residency, work permits and other taxpayer-subsidized benefits, along with ever-expanding lobbying power as a political constituency.

## Oprah Winfrey's Golden Globes speech

By Oprah Winfrey

In 1964, I was a little girl sitting on the linoleum floor of my mother's house in Milwaukee watching Anne Bancroft present the Oscar for best actor at the 36th Academy Awards. She opened the envelope and said five words that literally made history: "The winner is Sidney Poitier." Up to the stage came the most elegant man I had ever seen.

I remember his tie was white, and of course his skin was black, and I had never seen a black man being celebrated like that. I tried many, many times to explain what a moment like that means to a little girl, a kid watching from the cheap seats as my mom came through the door bone tired from cleaning other people's houses. But all I can do is quote and say that the explanation in Sidney's performance in "Lilies of the Field":

"Amen, amen, amen, amen."

In 1982, Sidney received the Cecil B. DeMille award right here at the Golden Globes and it is not lost on me that at this moment, there are some little girls watching as I become the first black woman to be given this same award. It is an honor -- it is an honor and it is a privilege to share the evening with all of them and also with the incredible men and women who have inspired me, who challenged me, who sustained me and made my journey to this stage possible. Dennis Swanson who took a chance on me for "A.M. Chicago." Quincy Jones who saw me on that show and said to Steven Spielberg, "Yes, she is Sophia in 'The Color Purple.'" Gayle who has been the definition of what a friend is, and Stedman who has been my rock -- just a few to name.

I want to thank the Hollywood Foreign Press Association because we all know the press is under siege these days. We also know it's the insatiable dedication to uncovering the absolute truth that keeps us from turning a blind eye to corruption and to injustice. To -- to tyrants and victims, and secrets and lies. I want to say that I value the press more than ever before as we try to navigate these complicated times, which brings me to this: what I know for sure is that speaking your truth is the most powerful tool we all have. And I'm especially proud and inspired by all the women who have felt strong enough and empowered enough to speak up and share their personal stories. Each of us in this room are celebrated because of the stories that we tell, and this year we became the story.

But it's not just a story affecting the entertainment industry. It's one that transcends any culture, geography, race, religion, politics, or workplace. So I want tonight to express gratitude to all the women who have endured years of abuse and assault because they, like my mother, had children to feed and bills to pay and dreams to pursue. They're the

## Move along, Baby Boomers

By Josh Hoxie

Historians won't look fondly on 2017.

The news cycle was dominated by sexual assault, widespread anxiety, the unedited musings of a mentally unstable president, rising economic inequality, and an opioid epidemic. And in case you forgot, the planet is still on track to boil.

In short, things were bad.

This year, it's time to transition from despair to action.

We saw the beginnings of this transition as hundreds of political newcomers came out of the woodwork to run for state and local office last year. And thousands more started the process to run in 2018 and beyond.

Democracy isn't a spectator sport, and it's good to see a younger generation more politically engaged than their parents. Unfortunately, the younger folks will have many messes to clean up left by their elders.

Bruce Cannon Gibney goes so far as to depict Baby Boomers, those born between 1946 and 1964, as sociopaths in his book, A Generation of Sociopaths: How The Baby Boomers Betrayed America.

Not all of them, of course.

Gibney limits his analysis to mostly white, native born, powerful Baby Boomers — the ones in position to make decisions on behalf of everyone else. At each critical juncture, Gibney argues, these Boomers looked after themselves at the expense of everyone else.

Thanks. For. Nothing.

We saw this play out most recently in the tax cut package just passed by Congress. Regardless of the bluster coming from the White House, this bill was nothing more than a wealth grab by the already ultra-wealthy. Over 80 percent of the tax cuts go to the top 1 percent.

Poll after poll showed the majority of Americans understood this. Yet congressional Republicans chose to work on behalf of their donors instead of their constituents.

We see this playing out again as they threaten the Medicare and Social

The Temporary Protected Status program was supposed to provide short-term relief and shelter to people from foreign countries hit by natural disasters, environmental catastrophes, civil war, epidemic diseases or other "extraordinary and temporary conditions." But they were always expected to go back home when those conditions improved.

The federal statute that created TPS clearly mandates terminating the protections once the conditions that led to TPS designation no longer exist. The law "prohibits judicial review of any determination with respect to the designation, termination, or extension of TPS" and "prohibits the Senate from considering legislation that would adjust the status of TPS aliens to that of a lawful temporary or permanent resident" once the status is removed, according to former House Judiciary Committee immigration counsel Nolan Rappaport.

Back in 1999, however, the Federation for American Immigration Reform warned Congress:

"Each special program that provides short-term relief has been followed by persistent demands for similar treatment by other groups and nationalities, not necessarily made up of persons in the same circumstances. It has now been politicized beyond recognition, and certainly no longer deserves the support of the general public."

Indeed, TPS turned into TINO: Temporary in Name Only. Illegal aliens from Honduras and Nicaragua were added to the list, followed by citizens of Haiti, Nepal, Syria, Angola, Sudan, Yemen, Montserrat and more. To date, we've granted sacrosanct TPS status to more than 400,000 people from a total of 22 countries who have grown increasingly entitled to automatic renewal of their protections every 18 months over the past two decades.

There's no polite way to tell houseguests who've overstayed their welcome that it's time to go, but perpetual amnesty for illegal aliens — whether it's called TPS, DACA or DREAM — will only beget more illegal immigration.

Time's up.

**Michelle Malkin is host of "Michelle Malkin Investigates" on CRTV.com.**

women whose names we'll never know. They are domestic workers and farm workers. They are working in factories and they work in restaurants and they're in academia, engineering, medicine, and science. They're part of the world of tech and politics and business. They're our athletes in the Olympics and they're our soldiers in the military.

And there's someone else, Recy Taylor, a name I know and I think you should know, too. In 1944, Recy Taylor was a young wife and mother walking home from a church service she'd attended in Abbeville, Alabama, when she was abducted by six armed white men, raped, and left blindfolded by the side of the road coming home from church. They threatened to kill her if she ever told anyone, but her story was reported to the NAACP where a young worker by the name of Rosa Parks became the lead investigator on her case and together they sought justice.

But justice wasn't an option in the era of Jim Crow. The men who tried to destroy her were never persecuted. Recy Taylor died ten days ago, just shy of her 98th birthday. She lived as we all have lived, too many years in a culture broken by brutally powerful men. For too long, women have not been heard or believed if they dare speak the truth to the power of those men. But their time is up. Their time is up.

Their time is up. And I just hope -- I just hope that Recy Taylor died knowing that her truth, like the truth of so many other women who were tormented in those years, and even now tormented, goes marching on. It was somewhere in Rosa Parks' heart almost 11 years later, when she made the decision to stay seated on that bus in Montgomery, and it's here with every woman who chooses to say, "Me too." And every man -- every man who chooses to listen.

In my career, what I've always tried my best to do, whether on television or through film, is to say something about how men and women really behave. To say how we experience shame, how we love and how we rage, how we fail, how we retreat, persevere and how we overcome. I've interviewed and portrayed people who've withstood some of the ugliest things life can throw at you, but the one quality all of them seem to share is an ability to maintain hope for a brighter morning, even during our darkest nights. So I want all the girls watching here, now, to know that a new day is on the horizon! And when that new day finally dawns, it will be because of a lot of magnificent women, many of whom are right here in this room tonight, and some pretty phenomenal men, fighting hard to make sure that they become the leaders who take us to the time when nobody ever has to say "Me too" again.

Security of future beneficiaries. That's millennials they're targeting, not Baby Boomers. That's not a coincidence.

In case you couldn't tell by the abundance of wrinkles and white hair on C-Span, the people making the decisions in Washington are not young. The average age in the Senate is 61, eight years older than 1981. More than a quarter are over 70. The last four presidents have all been Baby Boomers. They oversaw the greatest expansion in economic inequality in modern history.

Young people are inheriting an economy in which it's all together common to start adulthood tens of thousands of dollars in debt, thanks to a higher education system rooted in exploitation. Meanwhile wages are generally stagnant, and the federal minimum wage falls below the cost of living of every major city in the country.

Young people are rightfully outraged at this inequality and are ready to take bold action to address it. Or, as legendary Republican pollster Frank Luntz put it, millennials are "terrifyingly liberal."

Naturally, age isn't everything. Paul Ryan, born after the Baby Boomers, wants to completely destroy the social safety net. Bernie Sanders, technically too old to be considered a Boomer, might be the biggest advocate for young people in Washington.

Bernie also has massive support among youths. More millennials cast a ballot for him in the 2016 presidential primary than both Clinton and Trump combined. Unfortunately, Sanders is the exception, not the rule, among his cohort in Washington.

Young people are ready, willing, and able to take a leadership role in healing our deeply broken society and environment. It's time for the "olds" in Washington — either of age or of ideology — to make way for the rising generation.

**Josh Hoxie directs the Project on Taxation and Opportunity at the Institute for Policy Studies.**

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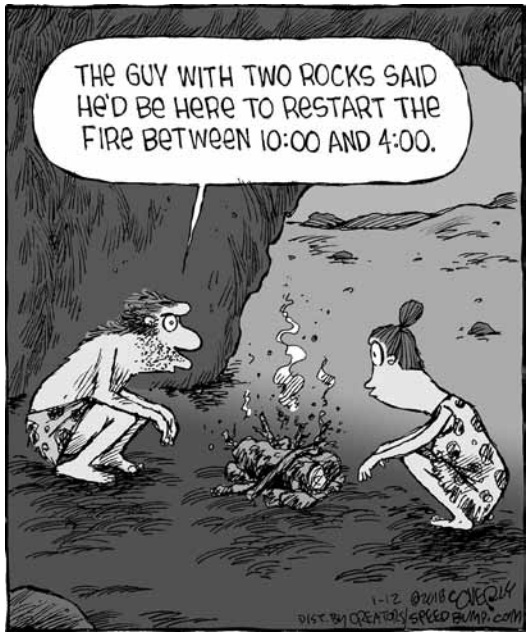
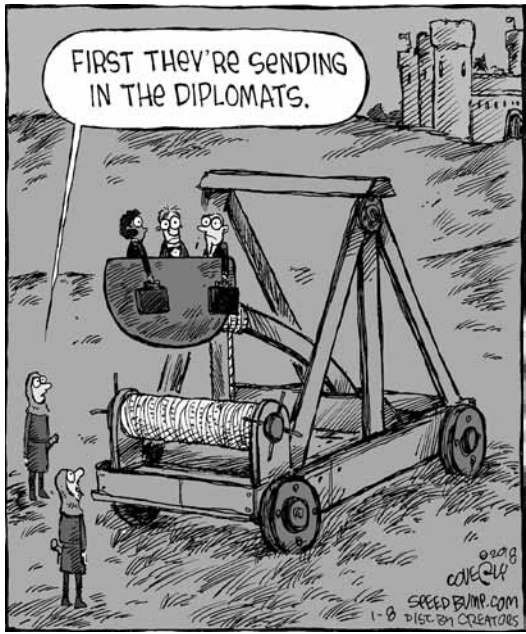
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 2nd & 4th Tue., 6:30pm: City Council, Council Chamber.  
 3rd Tue., 6:30pm: Library Advisory Board, at Downey City Library.  
 4th Mon., 5 pm: Green Task Force, at City Hall.

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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 Bobbi Bruce 440-5416.  
 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., 3:30 pm: Keep Downey Beautiful, at City Hall, call 904-7102.  
 2nd Wed., 7:30 pm: Downey Model A Club, at Gallatin School Cafeteria, call 928-4132.  
 3rd Wed., Downey Dog Obedience Club, for information please 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 Paula Mayfield, (562) 923-3518.  
 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 am: Crafters group, at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, call 803-4459.  
 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

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 4th Sat., 12:00 pm: Downey Arts Coalition, email contact@downeyarts.org.

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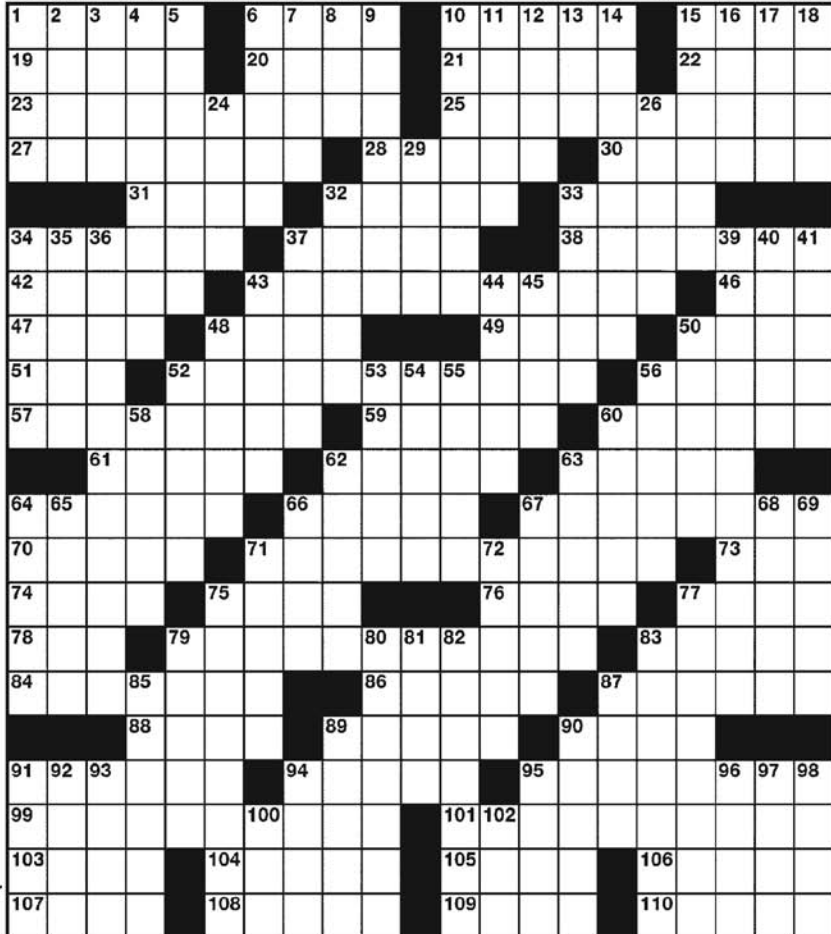
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**2010:** Mark McGwire admitted to The Associated Press that he'd used steroids and human growth hormone when he broke baseball's home run record in 1998.

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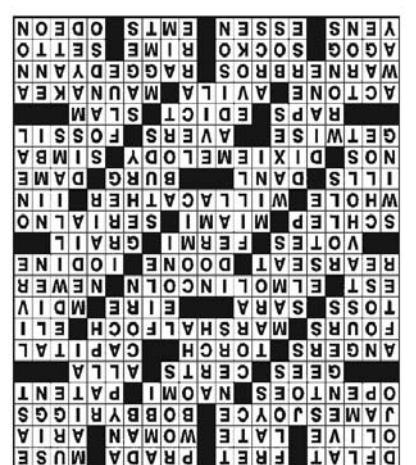
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## Pink singing national anthem at Super Bowl

The NFL announced Monday that Pink will perform the national anthem before kickoff on Feb. 4 in Minneapolis.

This will be the first Super Bowl appearance for the versatile star.

Pink follows in the footsteps of country star Luke Bryant, who sang the "Star Spangled Banner" at Super Bowl LI in Houston. Other recent performers include Lady Gaga, Idina Menzel, Kelly Clarkson and Alicia Keys.

Born Alecia Beth Moore on September 8, 1979, Pink released her first album, Can't Take Me Home, in 2000. The record was a surprise smash hit, going double-platinum and creating three Top 10 singles: "Most Girls", "You Make Me Sick", and "There You Go." It was a record that was bolstered by her tour schedule, which found her opening up for popular boy band 'N Sync.

She found mainstream fame in 2001 when she collaborated with Christina Aguilera, Mya, and Lil' Kim in a soulful remake of Patti LaBelle's "Lady Marmalade." That same year, Pink released a single from her second album, "Get the Party Started", a powerhouse hit that climbed into the Top 5.

It was the perfect launch for her sophomore record, M!ssundaztood, a rock-infused record that went on to sell more than 10 million copies worldwide.

In 2003, Pink rewarded her fans with her third album, Try This, an even more rock-centric record that netted the singer a hit single ("Trouble") and a Grammy for Best Female Rock Vocal Performance.

In 2006, Pink issued her fourth album, I'm Not Dead, a record that seemed to be Pink's most honest lineup of songs to date. The record included the No. 1 hit single "Stupid Girls", a pointed attack on the infatuation and celebrity surrounding people like Paris Hilton and Britney Spears.

## Shared Stories: Square dancing at the Seattle's World Fair

Belle Fluhart has a special memory from the 1962 Seattle World's Fair when her southern California square dance club traveled north and danced on an aircraft carrier. (A "squaw" dress, also known as a "fiesta" dress, originated in Tucson in the 1950s and was popular among square dancers.) Shared Stories is a weekly column featuring articles by participants in a writing class at the Norwalk Senior Center. Bonnie Mansell is the instructor for this free class offered through the Cerritos College Adult Education Program. Curated by Carol Kearns

By Belle Fluhart

My husband George and I were avid square dancers. We had danced with three other couples for years. The men all worked for U.S. Motors. We had joined a club for the first time, The Reel Heels.

When we learned that the World's Fair was to be in Seattle, George's home town, we began planning to go up for the fair. We planned to take George's mother.

Our square dance friends wanted to go with us. We all decided we would travel together with trailers. The fourth couple had three children. Ray asked if they could bring the children.

I said, "This is the opportunity of a lifetime. You wouldn't want to leave them home!" Another couple had two children also and were bringing them.

Ray had been looking for a trailer to rent that would sleep

the five of them, and found one. It was privately owned and the family would have the trailer, and the club cab truck to pull it with, ready to go when we were ready.

George and I owned a beautiful six-acre property in Alderwood Manor (about 16 miles north of Seattle). It had rolling hills, huge evergreen trees, and a salmon creek. We had always camped on our property each time we drove up.

I told the neighbors in Alderwood that we were coming up for the World's Fair. There would be four cars and trailers on our property. I asked them to check with the volunteer fire department to ask if we could have an open fire outside.

The answer came back saying that the volunteer fire department was so excited about our coming up that they were overseeing the creation of our wagon train camping area. And, so that the neighbors would not have a big water bill, they had filled a tank with water, with a hose and faucet, for us. They brought a trash can and had also built a fire circle of rocks, so all was ready for us.

On an earlier trip, I had seen a big sign on a billboard that said, "Come square dance with us at the Old Red Barn."

I wrote saying that we were four couples who were coming up for the World's Fair, and would be camping out on our property on Poplar Way. We would like to visit them and square dance at the Old Red Barn.

The answer came by return mail. They were excited that we were coming and asked the dates that we would be there. Our trip was for two weeks and I said we'd be there the last weekend. This would be after we had done the planned activities at the fair. They replied that the square dance would be Saturday night, and sent a map showing how to get to the Old Red Barn from Poplar Way.

I had done all of the planning for the trip and told our girls that "We don't want to out-dress these ladies and suggest that we each take a squaw dress. Don't forget your petticoats and dancing slippers!" The men everywhere dress about the same - western pants, boots, and western shirts and ties.

We arrived Saturday evening at the Red Barn and our four couples danced the first dance. Then the caller said, "Now let's break up this California square. Let's get acquainted with these folks."

A man came all the way across the room and grabbed my hand. After that first dance, he just kept hold of my hand.

After the next dance, he said, "Are you coming tomorrow?"

I said, "What's tomorrow?"

He said, "There's a flat top (aircraft carrier) anchored in the bay and there will be square dancing on deck from 9:00 am all day and into the night, a long as there are square dancers."

I said, "I'll go ask the rest of my group."

Sunday morning at 9:00 am the eight of us walked aboard the flat top and were greeted by the Red Barn dancers. The man I had danced with the night before came over and asked if we knew a certain, very complicated, very beautiful square dance. I answered, "Yes."

As part of this dance, each of the men grabs onto the next man's wrist on each side, and the girls hold onto the next girl's wrist on each side. At the call, the four men stretch their arms out as far as possible, dance around in a circle with the girls on their arms. They swing the girls until the girls' bodies are flying out with their feet way off the floor and their skirts flying out in the air.

This man said, "I'm a guest caller. Each caller is allowed to call one dance. But I asked if I could call one dance for the Red Barn group and one for the Southern California group. And, I have permission to do so."

He made the announcement and said that he was calling this dance for the Southern California square, "but anyone who knows this dance, feel free to join in."

Two other squares joined us, but the first time we girls took to the air, the other two squares backed out. Everyone applauded.

Someone asked if it would be the same if we were not with our partners. I told the men across from each other to trade

places so that all four couples would be different. Then we did the dance again to a thunderous applause.

As soon as we were finished, the caller said, "You Red Barn dancers get over there. Don't let our guests get away."

A wall of people came toward us and we square danced all day and afternoon until it was time to go back to camp and have dinner with our families.

We had a wonderful time, we had square danced to our heart's content, and now we were going home.

## JAN. 11 BIRTHDAYS



**Mary J. Blige**, the Grammy Award-winning R&B singer, turns 47



**Cody Simpson** pop singer 21

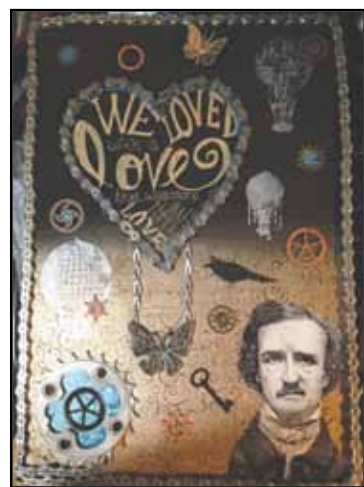


**Naomi Judd** country singer 72



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## Local artists to feature artwork at Downey Symphony concert



Wendy Hernandez created this art piece, inspired by Edgar Allen Poe.

The theme of the Downey Symphony's Jan. 20 concert is inspired by the masters of art, music, science and the written word.

Many of these masters have inspired our culture and ourselves in many difference ways throughout our lives, so we give them tribute.

These art shows with the concerts have been bringing the art community together in celebration. And our community

has inspired Red Gayita, an artist from Westwood, who has worked in Downey for the past two years.

Red has been a project manager on several construction projects in Downey, and works for one of the leading builders, Swinerton. Red is very excited to be part of the show, and says that "Downey has the best of both worlds; it has everything L.A. has to offer, with a small-town feel, and the people are really nice."

Not to mention, he is making it his personal mission to try all our wonderful restaurants for lunch.

Red has been painting for 20 years, and after having worked in Downey for a couple, is now ready to come join our local art community, and is welcomed with open arms.

In conjunction with the Downey Arts Coalition, we have some other exciting new artists in this exhibit, starting with Wendy Hernandez, with an original art piece that is inspired by the famous writer Edgar Allen Poe. The piece itself is an original work made using the artist assemblage art style of found objects such as bike chains, gears and other metal objects then covered with a resin to finish the piece.

The piece includes a photograph

of the writer himself and a quote from him as well inside of a heart.

With the materials used in its creation the art work is given a steampunk appearance which adds uniqueness to the composition while also making it appear to be something from one of Poe's writings.

Other new artists include Haisi Xu, Lori Pond, Katie McGuire, and Mercedes Vasquez.

We are honored to have back, Aia White Podue with acrylic on wood canvas painting called "Urban Color Blocks." An original art piece inspired by modernist artist Gerogia O'Keeffe's New York City Skyscraper series from 1925-1929. It is an original city of the artist's own design that uses a variety of colors and sharp differences in light between the buildings and sky.

Lindsay Yost with ceramic mosaic art piece called "Death Brings Life". It is an art piece that is inspired by Pablo Picasso's "La Vie". The mosaic mainly focuses on the one female figure in the foreground of the original with the ceramics adding an elegant beauty that the original doesn't.

Other wonderful returning artists include Jorge Del Toro, Carolina Estrada- Del Toro, Amelie

Simmons, Kristan Haitz, Lisa Maffia-Reynoso, Irina Karkov, Stephanie Snee, Preston Craig, T. An Lee, Isabel Acosta, and Esmeralda Villalobos.

We wish we can go into detail about every one of these talented artists, but it's always better to see it yourself, and experience an amazing Symphony concert as well.

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# Dodgers release start times for 2018 season

**DODGERS:** Los Angeles will host several games on holidays, including July 4.

**LOS ANGELES** – Major League Baseball announced the game times for its master 2018 regular season schedule, beginning Thursday, March 29, when all 30 teams are scheduled to play.

It's the first time since 1968 that every team across MLB will open on the same date. The 2018 season will mark the 12th season in history (first since 2011) to open on a Thursday.



**Dodgers manager Dave Roberts**

The Dodgers will be part of ESPN's Opening Day quadruple-header coverage, hosting the Giants at 4:08 p.m. PT.

Check [dodgers.com/schedule](http://dodgers.com/schedule) to see the full Dodgers schedule with game times.

MLB Network will have extensive coverage of Opening Day, featuring 17 hours of live coverage beginning 6 a.m. PT on Thursday, March 29th, followed on Friday, March 30th by the return of its regular season programming lineup.

FOX will begin its 2018 national coverage on Saturday, March 31st when the Rangers host the Astros at Globe Life Park in Arlington at 4:07 p.m. ET/3:07 p.m. CT on FS1. MLB on TBS live game coverage will return Sunday, July 8th, and continue each Sunday through the end of the regular season.

Among the highlights of the 2018 regular season:

The Dodgers host the Diamondbacks at Dodger Stadium at 1:10 p.m. PT on Sunday, April

15, which is Jackie Robinson Day throughout Major League Baseball.

The Dodgers are playing at home on a plethora of holidays, including:

Mother's Day—Dodgers host Reds at 1:10 p.m. PT on Sunday, May 13

Memorial Day—Dodgers host Phillies at 5:10 p.m. PT on Monday, May 28

Father's Day—Dodgers host Giants at 1:10 p.m. PT on Sunday, June 17

Independence Day—Dodgers host Pirates at 5:10 p.m. PT on Wednesday, July 4

Labor Day—Dodgers host Mets at 5:10 p.m. PT on Monday, Sept. 3

In a rematch of the last two National League Championship Series, the Cubs will host the Dodgers at Wrigley Field for a three-game series beginning Monday, June 18, at 5:05 p.m. PT. The clubs will square off again a week later for a four-game set at Dodger Stadium beginning Monday, June 25, at 7:10 p.m. PT.

Interleague play throughout the season will feature the AL East vs. NL East, AL Central vs. NL Central and AL West vs. NL West. The Dodgers' rematch with Houston is at home Aug. 3-5.

In the 30th anniversary season of the 1988 World Series, the Dodgers and Athletics will play a two-game series at Dodger Stadium on April 10-11, as well as a two-game series at Oakland Coliseum on August 7-8.

The 2018 All-Star Game, to be hosted by the Washington Nationals, is scheduled for Tuesday, July 17, at Nationals Park.

# John McCarthy signs deal with Bellator MMA

**BELLATOR:** The legendary UFC referee will join Bellator's broadcast booth starting Jan. 20.

**LOS ANGELES** – Former UFC referee John McCarthy has signed with Bellator MMA to serve as color commentator during broadcasts on the soon-to-launch Paramount Network, which kicks off with Bellator 192 on Saturday, January 20.

"With the addition of 'Big' John to our broadcast team, we have put together the premier group of MMA commentators ahead of our Jan. 20 debut on the Paramount Network," Bellator President Scott Coker said. "With John and Chael providing analysis, you're getting two people who have spent more time in the cage than they have spent with a headset on, and that will translate to a positive viewing experience for Bellator fans."

Over the past 20 years, "Big" John McCarthy has set the bar when

it comes to officiating in MMA, a sport where he has overseen countless fights promoted by Bellator and other promotions all over the world, serving as the referee for some of the biggest bouts in the history of the sport.

A former Los Angeles police officer, and a self-defense instructor at the Los Angeles Police Academy, McCarthy is also the founder of "C.O.M.M.A.N.D.," a program that trains and certifies hopeful MMA referees and judges.

McCarthy's regulatory work is equally as impressive, as he was a key figure in the writing of the sport's Unified Rules, which are recognized by the ABC and athletic commissions all across North America.

Along with his broadcasting duties, the man behind the catchphrase "Let's get it on!" will also provide a unique level of first-hand insight to the plethora of original content produced by Bellator's digital team.

"I first want to say how grateful I am for the opportunity I have been given to work with the incredible team Bellator has assembled," McCarthy said. "It is always so hard to leave something you love, but I have always wanted to step away based on my terms rather than someone else's."

"My goals are to work as hard as I can to meet the expectations everyone will have for me and to hopefully someday exceed them."

In addition, Chael Sonnen has signed an extension to remain a part of select Bellator broadcasts, breaking down all the action alongside Bellator announcers Mike Goldberg and Mauro Ranallo.

Sonnen spent a majority of his 44-fight career with the UFC and WEC, a run that saw him defeat former middleweight champion Michael Bisping, and compete against the likes of Jon Jones, Anderson Silva (twice), Rashad Evans, "Shogun" Rua, Demian Maia and Brian Stann.

In addition to his in-ring action, the West Linn, Ore. native has mastered the art of being in front of the camera, having done broadcast work for both ESPN and Fox Sports.

Following a three-year hiatus from active MMA competition, Sonnen returned to the cage against Tito Ortiz at Bellator 170 in January and then went on to defeat Wanderlei Silva during the main event of Bellator: NYC.

Bellator and the soon-to-launch Paramount Network open 2018 with a bang when Bellator 192: Lima vs. MacDonald emanates from The Forum in Inglewood on Jan. 20.

Anchored by a welterweight world title fight featuring Douglas Lima defending his championship against Rory MacDonald, the blockbuster event also will see the aforementioned Chael Sonnen compete against "Rampage" Jackson in the opening contest of 2018's Bellator Heavyweight World Grand Prix.

# Downey Library's January auction items

**DOWNEY** – The Friends of the Downey City Library holds monthly silent-bid auctions to raise money for library programs. The book auction items this month include:

**"Of Earth and Sky – Spiritual Lessons from Nature"** (an elegant collection of meditations on how prudence, fortitude, temperance, justice, faith, hope and charity are modeled in nature);

**"The Spectacle of Flight – Aviation and the Western Imagination, 1920-1950"** (hundreds of pictures and stories that take us back to the time after WWI when flight was perceived as a spectacle to delight the eyes and stimulate the imagination);

**"The Hummingbird Book" and "Hummingbirds – Their Life and Behavior"** (how to attract, identify, feed and enjoy these amazing birds);

**"The Apprentice – The Complete First Season"** (meet the candidates and the creator, see the successes and failures, and gain new insight into one of America's favorite shows);

**"The Greenwood Encyclopedia of American Poets and Poetry"** (said to be the most comprehensive reference ever assembled – a five volume set);

**"The Invention of Nature"** (Alexander von Humboldt – 1769 to 1859 – was an intrepid explorer and the most famous scientist of his age. Far ahead of his times as an environmentalist, many of his ideas and thoughts are still with us more than 100 years after his death);

**"The Life and Cuisine of Elvis Presley"** and **"Elvis – A Life in Pictures"** (Follow "The King" as he acts and eats his way through a most exciting career and life);

**"Pioneer Women – The Lives of Women on the Frontier"** and **"Children of the West – Family Life on the Frontier"** (two books give you a new view of the Old West through the eyes of the women and their families...hundreds of pictures and stories);

**"Classic North American Steam"** (the era of "Steam" came to an end in 1960 but you can still see these great old historical engines in museums, and, to a limited extent, in action hauling their loads... hundreds of pictures and plenty of railroad history);

**"The Comics – The Complete Collection"** (the comics reproduced in this book reflect the evolution of the art form during the first half of the twentieth century);

**"The Pioneer Woman Cooks – Food from My Frontier"** (a collection of simple, but scrumptious recipes in this versatile and detailed cookbook);

**"Country – Heart & Soul"** (features 25 years of the best photographs, features and stories from Country Magazine).

Items have opening bids from \$5-\$10 and are on display in the library lobby. Bids can be made through noon, Saturday, January 27th, on cards in the Friend's Bookstore located in the young adult section of the library.

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**Calendar**

- MAY 29**  
Memorial Day ceremony  
DATE: Monday, May 29  
TIME: 11 am  
LOCATION: Downey Cemetery
- MAY 29**  
BQ and live music  
DATE: Monday, May 29  
TIME: 1 pm  
LOCATION: Bastards
- MAY 29**  
BQ and live DJ  
DATE: Monday, May 29  
TIME: 2 pm  
LOCATION: Hi Cielo
- MAY 31**  
Columbus High graduation  
DATE: Monday, May 31  
TIME: 6:30 pm  
LOCATION: Downey Theatre
- JUNE 1**  
Alli grand opening  
DATE: Thursday, June 1  
TIME: 12:30 am  
LOCATION: 11213 Lakewood Blvd.
- Warren High graduation**  
DATE: Thursday, June 1  
TIME: 7 pm  
LOCATION: Veterans Memorial Stadium at LACC
- JUNE 2**  
Downey High graduation  
DATE: Friday, June 2  
TIME: 7 pm  
LOCATION: Veterans Memorial Stadium at LACC
- JUNE 2-4**  
Downey Greek Festival  
DATE: June 2-4  
TIME: 12 am  
LOCATION: St. George Greek Orthodox Church
- JUNE 3**  
Mayor's Prayer Breakfast  
DATE: Saturday, June 3  
TIME: 1:30 am  
LOCATION: Rio Hondo Event Center
- JUNE 8**  
Book Club meeting  
DATE: Thursday, June 8  
TIME: 12 pm  
LOCATION: Downey City Library
- JUNE 10**  
Relay for Life  
DATE: Saturday, June 10  
TIME: 9 am  
LOCATION: Downey Adult School
- JUNE 21**  
...graduation  
AWARDS: Downey Patriot picks up...

**City Council agrees to continue Stay Gallery financial support**

**Weekend at a Glance**

- Friday: 70°
- Saturday: 71°
- Sunday: 76°

**THINGS TO DO**

**Memorial Day Ceremony**

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**Downey Patriot wins 5 journalism awards**







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### PERSONALS

As of December 31, 2017, Dr. Vijay Kamdar, M.D., has retired from his medical practice at **11411 Brookshire Avenue #501, Downey, California 90241**. For continuity of care or referral to a lung specialist, patients are requested to contact their primary care physician (PCP). Dr. Kamdar wants to thank his patients and the community for more than 30 years of mutual trust, care, and respect. Empezando el 31 de Diciembre del 2017, Dr. Vijay Kamdar, M.D., se ha retirado de su práctica médica en **11411 Brookshire Avenue #501, Downey, California 90241**. Para continuación de cuidado o referencia a otro especialista, pacientes pueden contactar su médico de atención primaria. Dr. Kamdar quiere agradecerles a sus pacientes y la comunidad por más de 30 años de confianza, cuidado y respeto.

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### NOTICES

**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME**  
CASE NUMBER: VS030734  
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner Tommie Hines Washington Spearman filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:  
Present name (1) Tommie Hines Washington Spearman to Proposed name (1) Tommie Hines Washington  
THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.  
**NOTICE OF HEARING**  
Date: February 7, 2018, Time: 1:30 pm, Department: C, Room: 312  
The address of the court is **Norwalk Superior Court Clerks Office 12720 Norwalk Blvd., Rm. 101, Norwalk, California 90650**  
A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in the county, **The Downey Patriot** December 04, 2017  
Judge Margaret M. Bernal  
Judge Of The Superior Court  
Petitioner or Attorney, In Pro Per  
**Tommie Hines Washington Spearman 10907 Little Lake Road Downey CA 90241 (310) 722-2311**

**The Downey Patriot 12/21/17, 12/28/17, 1/4/18, 1/11/18**  
**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME**  
CASE NUMBER: VS030750  
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner Shiro Gikonyo filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:  
Present name (1) Shiro Gikonyo to Proposed name (1) Shiro Chihiro  
THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.  
**NOTICE OF HEARING**  
Date: February 21, 2018, Time: 1:30, Department: C, Room: 312  
The address of the court is **12720 Norwalk Blvd, Norwalk CA 90650**  
A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in the county, **The Downey Patriot** December 18, 2017  
Judge Margaret M. Bernal  
Judge Of The Superior Court  
Petitioner or Attorney, In Pro Per  
**Shiro Gikonyo 12927 Foxley Dr. Whittier CA 90602 (951) 530-6388 shirogikonyo@gmail.com**

**The Downey Patriot 12/21/17, 12/28/17, 1/4/18, 1/11/18**  
**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME**  
CASE NUMBER: VS030681  
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner Domingo Ruiz Rodriguez filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:  
Present name (1) Domingo Ruiz Rodriguez to Proposed name (1) Manuel Domingo Rodriguez  
THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.  
**NOTICE OF HEARING**  
Date: February 7, 2018, Time: 1:30 pm, Department: C, Room: 312  
The address of the court is **Norwalk Superior Court Clerks Office 12720 Norwalk Blvd., Rm. 101, Norwalk California 90650**

A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in the county, **The Downey Patriot 8301 E Florence Ave Suite 100 Downey CA 90240** December 15, 2017  
Judge Margaret M. Bernal  
Judge Of The Superior Court  
Petitioner or Attorney, In Pro Per  
**Domingo Ruiz Rodriguez 562-926-4148 11964 160th St. Norwalk Ca**

**The Downey Patriot 12/21/17, 12/28/17, 1/4/18, 1/11/18**  
**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME**  
CASE NUMBER: VS030716  
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner David Arturo Correal filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:  
Present name (1) David Arturo Correal to Proposed name (1) David Arturo Paez  
THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.  
**NOTICE OF HEARING**  
Date: January 17, 2017, Time: 1:30, Department: C, Room: 312  
The address of the court is **12720 Norwalk Blvd, Norwalk, CA 90650**  
A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in the county, **Downey Patriot** November 15, 2017  
Judge Margaret M. Bernal  
Judge Of The Superior Court  
Petitioner or Attorney, In Pro Per  
**David Arturo Correal 7728 Bairnsdale St Downey CA 90240**

**The Downey Patriot 12/21/17, 12/28/17, 1/4/18, 1/11/18**  
**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME**  
CASE NUMBER: VS030696  
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner Raul Negrete Cabrales filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:  
Present name (1) Raul Negrete Cabrales to Proposed name (1) Raul Ortiz  
THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.  
**NOTICE OF HEARING**  
Date: January 31, 2018, Time: 1:30, Department: C, Room: 312  
The address of the court is **12720 Norwalk Blvd., Rm. 101, Norwalk California 90650**  
A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in the county, **Downey Patriot** November 03, 2017  
Judge Margaret M. Bernal  
Judge Of The Superior Court  
Petitioner or Attorney, In Pro Per  
**Raul Negrete Cabrales 6529 Rivergrove Dr. Downey CA 90240 (213) 663-8300**

**The Downey Patriot 1/4/18, 1/11/18, 1/18/18, 1/25/18**  
**TRUSTEE SALES**  
NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE Trustee Sale No. : 00000007036403 Title Order No. : 730-1708080-70 FHA/VA/PM No. : ATTENTION RECORDER: THE FOLLOWING REFERENCE TO AN ATTACHED SUMMARY APPLIES ONLY TO COPIES PROVIDED TO THE TRUSTOR, NOT TO THIS RECORDED ORIGINAL NOTICE. NOTE: THERE IS A SUMMARY OF THE INFORMATION IN THIS DOCUMENT ATTACHED. YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 05/21/2010, UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER, BARRETT DAFFIN FRAPPIER TREDER and WEISS, LLP, as duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust Recorded on 06/01/2010 as Instrument No. 20100739715 of official records in the office of the County Recorder of LOS ANGELES County, State of CALIFORNIA, EXECUTED BY: ALLEN B. HONEYBUN

Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust Recorded on 03/28/2007 as Instrument No. 20070719993 of official records in the office of the County Recorder of LOS ANGELES County, State of CALIFORNIA, EXECUTED BY: GERARDO ELEAZAR AGUIERO AND PATRICIA ANN AGUIERO, HUSBAND AND WIFE AS JOINT TENANTS, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH, CASHIER'S CHECK/CASH EQUIVALENT or other form of payment authorized by California Civil Code 2924h(b), (payable at time of sale in lawful money of the United States). DATE OF SALE: 02/05/2018. TIME OF SALE: 11:00 AM. PLACE OF SALE: By the fountain located at 400 Civic Center Plaza, Pomona, CA 91766. STREET ADDRESS and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 7933 QUILL DR, DOWNEY, CALIFORNIA 90242. APN#: 6245-005-038. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said note(s), advances, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is \$691,239.63. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written Declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located. NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call 800-758-8052 for information regarding the trustee's sale or visit this Internet Web site www.homesearch.com for information regarding the sale of this property, using the file number assigned to this case 0000007036403. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. FOR TRUSTEE SALE INFORMATION PLEASE CALL: XOME 800-758-8052 www.homesearch.com BARRETT DAFFIN FRAPPIER TREDER and WEISS, LLP as Trustee 20955 Pathfinder Road, Suite 300 Diamond Bar, CA 91765 (866) 795-1852 Dated: 12/22/2017 BARRETT DAFFIN FRAPPIER TREDER and WEISS, LLP IS ACTING AS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. A-4641888 01/04/2018, 01/11/2018, 01/18/2018

AND AUDREY L. HONEYBUN, TRUSTEES OF THE HONEYBUN FAMILY LIVING TRUST DATED 6/27/00, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH, CASHIER'S CHECK/CASH EQUIVALENT or other form of payment authorized by California Civil Code 2924h(b), (payable at time of sale in lawful money of the United States). DATE OF SALE: 02/14/2018. TIME OF SALE: 11:00 AM. PLACE OF SALE: BY THE FOUNTAIN LOCATED AT 400 CIVIC CENTER PLAZA, POMONA, CA 91766. STREET ADDRESS and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 9527 SAMOLINE AVE, DOWNEY, CALIFORNIA 90240. APN#: 6360-006-005. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said note(s), advances, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is \$402,035.48. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written Declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located. NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call 800-758-8052 for information regarding the trustee's sale or visit this Internet Web site www.homesearch.com for information regarding the sale of this property, using the file number assigned to this case 0000006723399. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. FOR TRUSTEE SALE INFORMATION PLEASE CALL: XOME 800-758-8052 www.homesearch.com BARRETT DAFFIN FRAPPIER TREDER and WEISS, LLP as Trustee 20955 Pathfinder Road, Suite 300 Diamond Bar, CA 91765 (866) 795-1852 Dated: 12/15/2017 BARRETT DAFFIN FRAPPIER TREDER and WEISS, LLP IS ACTING AS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. A-4641194 12/28/2017, 01/04/2018, 01/11/2018

EQUIVALENT or other form of payment authorized by California Civil Code 2924h(b), (payable at time of sale in lawful money of the United States). DATE OF SALE: 01/29/2018. TIME OF SALE: 11:00 AM. PLACE OF SALE: By the fountain located at 400 Civic Center Plaza, Pomona, CA 91766. STREET ADDRESS and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 9820 BROOKSHIRE AVE, DOWNEY, CALIFORNIA 90240. APN#: 6363-006-020. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said note(s), advances, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is \$1,005,901.10. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written Declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located and more than three months have elapsed since such recordation. DATE: 12/21/2017 FOR TRUSTEE SALE INFORMATION LOG ON TO: www.stoxposting.com CALL: 844-477-7869 PATRICIO S. INCE, VICE PRESIDENT CALIFORNIA TD SPECIALISTS IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call 844-477-7869, or visit this internet Web site www.stoxposting.com, using the file number assigned to this case T.S.#82426. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. FOR TRUSTEE SALE INFORMATION PLEASE CALL: XOME 800-758-8052 www.homesearch.com BARRETT DAFFIN FRAPPIER TREDER and WEISS, LLP as Trustee 20955 Pathfinder Road, Suite 300 Diamond Bar, CA 91765 (866) 795-1852 Dated: 12/15/2017 BARRETT DAFFIN FRAPPIER TREDER and WEISS, LLP IS ACTING AS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. A-4641342 01/11/2018, 01/18/2018, 01/25/2018

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# CERRITOS NEWS: Sheraton Hotel to undergo renovations

**CERRITOS:** Sheraton Cerritos Hotel will receive a new lobby, meeting rooms, and swimming pool.

**CERRITOS** – The City Council recently approved Phase I upgrade plans for the Sheraton Cerritos Hotel located at 12725 Center Court Drive.

Under Phase I, the hotel owner, Crown Jewel of Pacifica, seeks to improve the hotel's lobby, registration area, food and beverage spaces, pre-function areas, ballrooms, meeting rooms, pool and terrace areas and exterior patio spaces.

The project includes new flooring, decorative lighting, artwork, furniture, carpeting, accents and wall finishes. The lobby's elevators will be resurfaced and the existing fountains will be removed to improve accessibility and flow. The current registration counter will be removed and new reception host stands will be erected.

The bar and restaurant will feature a new bar configuration that extends to the exterior patio, which will house two new steel shade structures, upgraded landscape and hardscape improvements.

Phase I work is expected to begin in January and will be completed by August 2018.

The Cerritos City Council recently approved a proposal by Penske Jaguar Land Rover for a remodel of its existing dealership located at 10861 183rd Street in Cerritos.

The plan calls for a minor addition and a remodel to the interior and exterior of the existing Jaguar and Land Rover offices and service canopy. The showroom will be expanded by about 173 square feet.

The redesign will adopt a contemporary feel, featuring gray paint and glass and metal panels in gray and champagne colors. Hardscape in the parking area will

also be refurbished.

Scheduled to begin in May 2018, the work is expected to be completed by early 2019.

► The Cerritos City Council has approved projects to improve a property located on Bloomfield Avenue, just south of the Heritage Park Community Center building, as well as the Cerritos Sports Complex. A \$950,000 grant from the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors will be applied toward the projects.

The City bought the Bloomfield property with the goal of expanding and improving Heritage Park. Under plans to renovate the area, the existing building and block wall bordering it will be demolished. Landscape will be cleared as well as the driveway and cement areas, including the foundation. A new irrigation system and an 8-foot block wall will be installed. The project cost is estimated to be \$267,000.

The remaining grant amount will be used in the renovation of athletic fields at the Cerritos Sports Complex. The upgrades include soil amendment to level the field, modifying the existing irrigation and installing a fertigation injection system to control the pH levels in the soil and maximize turf growth.

► A street lighting demonstration is currently available at the Cerritos Sports Complex through Monday, January 15. The display is located in the area southeast of the Cerritos Sports Complex building. Signs are posted to indicate the display area and to identify different lighting options. The community is invited to view the display and vote on a preferred lighting option to replace current residential streetlights throughout the City.

The City is exploring replacing High Pressure Sodium Vapor (HPSV) streetlights that currently exist in all residential tracts and

arterial streets with newer Light Emitting Diode (LED) technology. The options available vary in color temperature and light levels. Conversion to the new LED technology will result in a savings to the City due to reduced energy usage. The majority of the costs to convert the streetlights will be covered by Southern California Edison through an incentive program offered by the California Public Utilities Commission.

The public can submit votes at City Hall by completing a form and placing it in a suggestion box. Voting can also be completed through an online survey that can be accessed on the City's website at [cerritos.us](http://cerritos.us).

The community may have an additional opportunity to view the demonstration and vote in early spring, when a similar display may be set up in a residential area yet to be determined. Upon conclusion of the public input period, the findings will be presented to the City Council for further direction.

► The Cerritos City Council has approved the use of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds to improve accessibility at Reservoir Hill Park and Gridley Park East.

Approximately \$148,203 will be allocated toward removing physical barriers at the properties to make them more compliant with the Americans With Disabilities Act. About 9,539 square feet of new rubberized material is expected to be installed at the playground areas of both parks, making them more accessible for people with disabilities.

Funds are expected to be disbursed to the City in July 2018 and construction is anticipated to be completed by June 2019.

► The Cerritos City Council recently awarded painting and plumbing maintenance contracts to local companies.

The painting contracts were awarded to Tony Painting Inc. of Garden Grove, K2 Painting of Fullerton and Rivera Painting Plus of Whittier. The contracts are for a period of one year with the option of extending them for up to four separate one-year terms. By retaining three painting contractors, the City has the flexibility to assign work to any of the companies based on cost, availability and resources.

The plumbing contracts were awarded to Norwalk-La Mirada Plumbing & Heating Co., Inc. of Norwalk, which has been providing the majority of the City's plumbing services for five years, and All American Mechanical Contractors, Inc. of Brea.

By retaining two plumbing companies, the City will be able to respond more quickly to issues as

they arise. The contracts are for a period of one year with the option for five one-year extensions.

► The Cerritos City Council has approved a proposal to upgrade the playground equipment at Loma Park. The City will use a grant from the CPRS State-wide Healthy Play Initiative, which promotes a healthy, active lifestyle for kids, to pay for the improvements.

Loma Park is scheduled to get new climbers, slides and swings designed for kids ages 5 to 12. The grant stipulates that six key elements of play must be incorporated into the play equipment design: balancing, spinning, brachiating (arm-swinging), sliding, climbing and swinging.

## Library bookstore selling encyclopedia sets

**DOWNEY** – The Friends of the Downey City Library has 2015 and 2016 editions of the World Book Encyclopedia on sale now for \$40 and \$45, respectively.

The sets are on display in their bookstore, located in the young adult section of the Downey Library. Proceeds support our city library.

## Historical society meets Jan. 25

**DOWNEY** – "Ronald Reagan's Kitchen Cabinet" is the title of the Downey Historical Society's next meeting Thursday, Jan. 25, starting at 7:30 p.m. in the John Downey Room at the Barbara J. Riley Community and Senior Center.

Historian and biographer Nicholas Curry will present the program.

The meeting is free and open to the public.

## Downey native makes Provost's List

**DOWNEY** – Cheyenne Guynn of Downey has been named to the Provost's List at Troy University for the fall semester of the 2017-18 academic year.

The Provost's List honors full-time undergraduate students who are registered for at least 12 semester hours and who have a grade point average of at least 3.65.

**POETRY MATTERS**

**Winter Trees**

All the complicated details of the attiring and the disattiring are completed! A liquid moon moves gently among the long branches. Thus having prepared their buds against a sure winter the wise trees stand sleeping in the cold.

-William Carlos Williams

Though we rarely get snow, Southern California has its own winter effect. Every garden has its season of hibernation. Williams's poem uses ordinary language about ordinary things to deal with the profound connections and experience we humans share with all living things. Poetry Matters is curated by Lorine Parks

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The agents and staff at Century 21 My Real Estate donated \$25,100 to Easter Seals Southern California in 2017.

"All of our agents are very committed to giving back to the community and helping make a difference," said Steve Roberson, broker and owner of Century 21 My Real Estate. "We shall continue to support Easter Seals Southern California and other local charities in the years ahead."

Since 1994, Century 21 My Real Estate has donated \$442,843 to Easter Seals, an organization that provides services and advocacy to people with disabilities, including veterans.



Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center hosted a holiday family adoption party late last month.

The party was sponsored by Bank of America, which adopted 38 families this past holiday season for a night of food, gift-giving and laughs at Rancho.

This is the 23rd year in a row that Bank of America has fulfilled the wishes of Rancho families. Bank of America volunteers have worked with Rancho Los Amigos for nearly 45 years.



On Jan. 4, Soroptimist International of Downey made a donation to become a diamond sponsor of the 2018 TLC Walk being held Saturday, Feb. 24, at Apollo Park.

Soroptimist raised the funds last year thanks to a variety of fundraisers including a paint night dedicated to TLC. Their next paint night to benefit other community projects is scheduled for Thursday, Feb. 1. Soroptimist also will host an 80's themed casino night Friday, June 1.

For more details, follow Downey Soroptimist on Facebook or go to soroptimistdowney.org. The organization recently installed Linda Haines as its new president.

Emily Blanco (age 9), Joshua Blanco (age 12) and Jamie Adrian (age 9) took the Downey Patriot with them as they braved the recent snowstorm in New York. Here they are pictured at Central Park.

All three are Downey residents and attend OLPH School.



On Nov. 19, the Assistance League of Downey held a successful fundraiser at its historical home, Casa De Parley Johnston.

Over \$18,000 will be used to support their various philanthropic programs.

Assistance League is now asking the community to donate gently used clothing and furniture to its Assistance League Second Tyme Around Shop on Downey Avenue.

Call (562) 869-0232 for more information.



The CABA winter basketball season starts Jan. 22 but there is still time to sign up.

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