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TIME: 7:30 am
LOCATION: Apollo Park
- Smart Gardening workshop**
DATE: Saturday, Feb. 24
TIME: 9:30 am
LOCATION: Wilderness Park

FEBRUARY 28

- Downey Chamber anniversary luncheon**
DATE: Wednesday, Feb. 28
TIME: 12 pm
LOCATION: Embassy Suites

MARCH 3

- Movie Night at the Columbia Memorial Space Center**
DATE: Saturday, March 3
TIME: 6:30 pm
LOCATION: Columbia Memorial Space Center

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 26

- State of the City address**
DATE: Monday, March 26
TIME: 12 pm
LOCATION: Rio Hondo Event Center

MARCH 30

- 'Animaniacs live**
DATE: Friday, March 30
TIME: 6 pm
LOCATION: Downey Theatre

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- Sara Evans in concert**
DATE: Sunday, April 22
TIME: 8 pm
LOCATION: Downey Theatre

APRIL 28

- Miss Downey Pageant**
DATE: Saturday, April 28
TIME: 7 pm
LOCATION: Downey Theatre

MAY 5

- Downey Street Faire**
DATE: Saturday, May 5
TIME: 10 am to 3 pm
LOCATION: Brookshire Avenue (between Firestone & 5th St.)

JUNE 1

- Soroptimist casino night fundraiser**
DATE: Friday, June 1
TIME: 6 pm
LOCATION: Rio Hondo Event Center



A definitive diagnosis

Vickie Williams struggled with a serious speech impediment for over 40 years before retiring as a pharmacist. She often faced ridicule, impatience, and anger from others. Vickie credits another member of her writing class, Ginger Lane, with pointing her in the direction of a more definitive diagnosis.

After consulting with an ENT specialist, Vickie realized that the onset of her disability in 1975 coincided with the civil rights protests in Louisiana against the incarceration of 16-year-old student, Gary Tyler, who was charged with murder based on questionable physical evidence. In the South, physical resistance to school integration had continued – even after the Supreme Court ruled school segregation unconstitutional 20 years earlier. The experience left Vickie traumatized.

By Vickie Williams

In 2015, I was fortunate to have met Ginger Lane in my Norwalk Seniors Memoirs Class. She approached me after I read a story and asked, "Do you have dysphonia, muscles spasms, when you speak?"

"Yes," I responded, "sometimes." I have suffered from a speech impediment for over 40 years. Having to read my stories out loud in class is very stressful, and my disfluency becomes more apparent. Answering the phone, having to say my name, and introductions to strangers are often my biggest challenges.

My voice can sound breathy, broken, and scattered. Words with the consonants S, P, V and H can be particularly troublesome.

My conversation with Ginger was revelatory. She also had a speech disorder, called adductor spasmodic dysphonia, where the vocal folds slam together, tighten, and stiffen. The spasms make it difficult for the vocal cords to vibrate and produce sounds. The speech sounds choppy, strained, and strangled.

Ginger understood not only the mechanics, but also my emotional and mental struggles to speak, especially before an audience. My shoulders relaxed and my mind was at ease when I spoke to her.

She recommended that I consult an ear, nose, and throat specialist, which I had never done before. Ginger's suggestion made a difference, and I was sorry I never got an opportunity to thank her for it.

I had graduated from college and was working as a pharmacist when I sought medical help for my difficulties. In the early eighties, my general practitioner diagnosed me as having a stutterer's behavior. My world turned upside down. My self-esteem plummeted.

The genesis of my condition was a mystery. At that time, my doctor recommended speech therapy and I followed through, never questioning if his assessment was correct. I spent \$5,000 out of my pocket for one year because I did not have a stroke, Parkinson's or brain trauma, the criteria necessary for insurance coverage.

Finding Ways to Cope

Progress was slow. I did see improvement, but not to my satisfaction. My fluency was up and down like a roller coaster. My mind was inundated with fear, dread, and terror when my speech went awry. I hyperventilated and my heart pounded fiercely when answering the phone or speaking in public places, on and off my job.

My speech raised eyebrows. It drew a plethora of reactions. I have been subjected to questions like, "Are you drunk or on drugs?" "Are you having a seizure?" "Why are you laughing," or "what's so funny?" One person mimicked me and told me I was sexy over the microphone on my job.

My intelligence was questioned and I received hostile looks. Impatience and intolerance by others

showed up when my words were slow coming out of my mouth.

One doctor hung up on me, then called me back and asked if I had a speech impediment. When I told him yes, he apologized.

It was a dizzying journey. I felt like a dog unsuccessfully chasing its tail. The more I tried to control my speech the more I lost control of it. At times, I thought I was losing my mind.

Somehow I managed, never missing a day at work. I made no excuses and kept pushing through my emotions and spasms. I felt embarrassed and lamented my faltering speech. I lost my spunk and spontaneity.

One time another pharmacist, whom I called for a copy of a prescription, asked me, "Are you high or drunk?"

My words sputtered before I got a head of steam to respond. "I have a speech impediment. I am a stutterer."

"Give me your phone number and let me call you back!" he demanded.

I struggled giving the number. My vocals did not cooperate. When he called back, my technician, who had returned from break, answered the phone and reiterated that I was the pharmacist and a stutterer.

His pharmacy was down the street from where I worked. I decided I wanted to let him see my eyes and realize I was not under the influence. It was a Saturday evening. I knew that his pharmacy closed at 6 p.m., an hour later than mine.

At 5 p.m., after closing the pharmacy, I paid him a visit. I waited until he finished with his customers then approached the counter gingerly. No one was present but him and me.

"May I speak with you for a moment," I said. "I am the pharmacist you spoke with earlier and you thought I was under the influence. Look me in my eyes. I want you to see I am not high. I have a speech impediment. I don't do drugs and I am not drunk."

I looked deep into his eyes and I did not flinch or stutter. "I don't need any trouble or you reporting false information to the state board," I told him. I pinched myself and asked him to pinch me. He looked stung and refrained.

"The reason I want you to pinch me is because I am as human as you are." His eyes widened. "It is a known fact one of the most difficult tasks for a stutterer is to speak on the telephone. When I make good eye contact, I am more fluent."

He stood at attention and listened, looking mystified and in disbelief.

"I am so sorry. I misunderstood," he apologized.

"Thank you for your time," I replied and I walked away like a proud peacock. I celebrated singing with the radio blasting, as I drove home. It was a victory to me. I felt empowered.

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Downey restaurant grades

Carl's Jr
9110 Imperial Hwy.
Date Inspected: 2/16/18
Grade: **A**

Mrs Field's Cookies
321 Stonewood St.
Date Inspected: 2/16/18
Grade: **A**

Tutti Frutti
251 Stonewood St.
Date Inspected: 2/16/18
Grade: **A**

BJ's Restaurant
121 Stonewood St.
Date Inspected: 2/16/18
Grade: **A**

Buffalo Wild Wings
193 Stonewood St.
Date Inspected: 2/16/18
Grade: **A**

The Boys Burgers
9090 E Imperial Hwy.
Date Inspected: 2/16/18
Grade: **A**

Myra's Salvadorean Cuisine
7324 Florence Ave.
Date Inspected: 2/15/18
Grade: **A**

Wendy's Restaurant
14305 Lakewood Blvd.
Date Inspected: 2/15/18
Grade: **A**

Gloria's Cocina Mexicana
7401 E Florence Ave.
Date Inspected: 2/15/18
Grade: **A**

Rio Hondo Event Center
10627 Old River School Rd.
Date Inspected: 2/15/18
Grade: **A**

Jack in the Box
8140 Telegraph Rd.
Date Inspected: 2/13/18
Grade: **A**

Stox Restaurant
9518 E Imperial Hwy.
Date Inspected: 2/13/18
Grade: **A**

Pleasure Liquor
8422 Telegraph Rd.
Date Inspected: 2/13/18
Grade: **A**

Mr. Pete's Burgers
12050 Woodruff Ave.
Date Inspected: 2/13/18
Grade: **A**

Guacamaya Oasis
8826 Imperial Hwy.
Date Inspected: 2/13/18
Grade: **A**

McDonalds
12256 Paramount Blvd.
Date Inspected: 2/13/18
Grade: **A**

The Marketplace Grill and Cafe
7877 Florence Ave.
Date Inspected: 2/9/18
Grade: **A**

ASL Liquor and Market
8500 Paramount Blvd.
Date Inspected: 2/9/18
Grade: **A**

Downey Elks
11233 Woodruff Ave.
Date Inspected: 2/9/18
Grade: **A**

Pop's Cafe
7840 Florence Ave.
Date Inspected: 2/8/18
Grade: **A**

Weekend at a Glance

Friday 62°

Saturday 64°

Sunday 71°

THINGS TO DO



Healthy Downey 5K

Saturday - Apollo Park, 8 am
A 5K run/walk to benefit the TLC Family Resource Center. Sign up online at dusd.net/tlc



Classic Car Show

Saturday - Whittier Area Community Church, 9 am to 3 pm
Hundreds of classic cars, live music, vendors, food trucks, raffles, kids activities, and more.



Riverside Dickens Festival

All Weekend - Downtown Riverside, 9 am to 5 pm
Celebrate the life of Charles Dickens through recitations, music and food.



Battleship Iowa 75th birthday celebration

Saturday - Battleship Iowa in San Pedro, 11 am
Bell dedication, live jazz, dancing, cake, food and exhibits. Free admission, discounted ship tours.



Rams Bowling Classic

Saturday - Del Rio Lanes, 2 pm
Join former members of the L.A. Rams for friendly games of bowling. \$20. Prizes for worst adult bowler.

TWEETS OF THE WEEK

@warren_soccer: Our CIF run ended tonight. Thank you to everyone who supported us this season.

@WarrenBears: Great job ladies! We are proud of your effort!

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Lifetime of music leads to Fabian Chavez's first single

► The talented saxophonist from Downey released his first single, "Tranemaya," available on Apple Music and other platforms.

His music career started as a seventh grader at Griffiths Middle School.

By Alex Dominguez
Staff Writer

DOWNEY – It seems as though 24-year-old Fabian Chavez has had some kind of instrument in his hand for practically his entire life.

"I started playing drums when I was 2, I remember," said Chavez. "I picked up Latin Percussion – congas, like that – at 8 or 9 or 10 or something like that."

Chavez's family has an established history in music.

"Growing up there was always a drum set and piano, guitars and basses always set up, because they'd rehearse at our house and stuff," said Chavez.

While surrounded by music, Chavez admits he doesn't recall making a conscious decision to play the drums.

"It just kind of was what it was," said Chavez.

At the age of 12 and upon entering Griffiths Middle School, Chavez joined the band under the tutelage of Laura Taylor.

However, Taylor only allows for a certain number of percussionists per band, and unfortunately for Chavez he was not going to be in that number.

While playing with the Indians, Chavez would have to – momentarily – leave the drums behind.

"When he came in here to band, in beginning band he wanted to play percussion," said Taylor. "I said 'no, I already have my percussion players' because I usually only have five per class. 'No, pick another instrument.' That's when he chose the alto sax and that started him off on the alto sax and stuff."

Chavez says he mainly chose the saxophone because of famous

saxophonist Kenny G.

"I think it's a bad reason," laughed Chavez.

Being forced to adapt to a new instrument didn't seem to slow him down much though, however, Taylor believes Chavez is destined for great things.

"Fabian was probably your once-in-a-lifetime student," said Taylor. "Fabian is probably the one that will make it big one day."

Taylor also says that Chavez blossomed once he moved on to Warren.

During his time as a Bear, Chavez played in several ensembles including marching band, concert, and jazz, utilizing his talents both with his saxophone and behind his drum set.

Warren Band Director David Niemeyer described Fabian as "super talented and incredibly humble."

"He was a joy to have in the Warren band program and it is amazing to see him out making a living in the music business," said Niemeyer. "He will for sure be another jewel of Downey. I have no doubt he will grow to be a big part of the music industry."

After graduating in 2011, Chavez went on to California State University Northridge, where he got his degree in Music Performance with an emphasis in Jazz.

He graduated in 2015.

Fabian holds an impressive roster of instruments that he can play, including all saxophones, percussion, guitar, bass, piano, flute and clarinet.

Those abilities have led Chavez to opportunities to record and perform with several notable acts in various venues, including a recent stint touring with indie pop band Saint Motel as a substitute saxophonist.

Chavez has also recently released his first ever single, called Tranemaya.

"It's like a super straight-ahead Jazz tune, kind of a little tribute to John Coltrane," said Chavez. "The single is the first take we did; we just went for it. It was like 'damn, that was pretty cool.'

I had it kept away for a long time, and I was very self-conscious about it...half the battle, I think, of being an artist is being so critical on yourself... you're put into a vulnerable position where you put everything into that and it has the potential of people not liking it or being like, 'that's whack' or whatever."

Chavez now aims for 2018 to be a productive year alongside his

production team, called Darknote Collective.

"2017 we hustled; we were constantly in the studio doing stuff and writing for people," said Chavez. "Me and my buddy called it 'the year of preparation,' 2018 is the 'year of manifestation.' So, we're trying man."

"Tranemaya" can be found on digital platforms such as Apple Music, Tidal, Google and Spotify.



"Tranemaya," Fabian Chavez's first single, is available for download online.

Photos courtesy Fabian Chavez



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Tony Mendoza resigns from State Senate

► The state senator announced his resignation Thursday after investigators determined he likely made unwanted sexual advances to several women, including office interns.

By Eric Pierce
Editor

DOWNEY – California State Sen. Tony Mendoza, accused of sexual misconduct by several women and facing expulsion from the Senate, resigned from the legislature Thursday.

His resignation comes just days after a Senate investigation found that Mendoza “more likely than not” engaged in unwanted flirtatious or sexually suggestive behavior with female staffers and interns.

Late Wednesday, Senate President Pro Tem Kevin De Leon (D-Los Angeles) introduced legislation to expel Mendoza from the senate. No member of the California Legislature has been expelled since 1905.

Before the legislature could vote on the resolution, Mendoza resigned.

“I shall resign my position as Senator with immediate effect as it is clear that Senate President Pro Tem Kevin De Leon will not rest until he has my head on a platter to convince the #MeToo movement of his ‘sincerity’ in supporting the #MeToo cause,” Mendoza wrote in a letter.

Although he resigned, Mendoza said he may still run to reclaim the seat later this year.

“I intend to canvas my district to determine my candidacy for the Senate this year,” Mendoza said.

The two-month investigation into Mendoza’s behavior was conducted by the law firm of Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher LLP at the request of the Rules Committee of the California State Senate in response to sexual misconduct allegations against Mendoza, who has denied the charges.

In a report revealing its findings, the law firm said it conducted 51 interviews with 47 witnesses. The report is labeled confidential but a copy

was received by the Patriot.

“In the course of the investigation, witnesses we interviewed described multiple instances in which Mendoza engaged in a pattern of unwelcome flirtation and sexually suggestive behavior towards several female staff members and other women he interacted with at the Capitol,” the report states. “These incidents ranged from the 2007-2008 legislative session when Mendoza was in the Assembly, to the 2017-2018 session when he was in the Senate.

“Many current and former staff members, particularly those in his District office, said they had neither witnessed nor heard of any inappropriate behavior by Senator Mendoza. It appears based on these interviews that he behaved appropriately and professionally towards female staff while he was in his District. However, we received reports of Mendoza engaging in inappropriate behavior while in Sacramento or on overnight trips.

“Over the course of the investigation, six women stated they personally experienced unwanted flirtatious or sexually suggestive behavior by Mendoza. Four of these women were working for Mendoza as staff members, interns, or fellows at the time of his conduct. None of these women alleged that they had a sexual relationship with Mendoza or that he had been physically aggressive or sexually crude towards them. However, the recipients of this unwelcome behavior understood that Mendoza was suggesting sexual contact.

“Although none of the women reported that Mendoza explicitly threatened them or offered career benefits in exchange for sexual favors, the subordinate employees believed that complaining about his conduct could put their careers at risk.”

Investigators found it “more likely than not” that in 2007, Mendoza was sexually suggestive with a female staff member, including asking her to share a room with him at an event in Hawaii. The staff member directly asked Mendoza to stop suggesting a sexual relationship and he “subsequently conformed his behavior.”

The investigation found that in 2008, Mendoza “more likely than not”

was inappropriate with a 19-year-old intern who was staying in an adjoining room at the Democratic California Convention. Mendoza offered and drank alcoholic drinks with the woman in his hotel suite and asked her questions about her dating life, the report says.

In 2010, Mendoza invited a female staff member to dinner or drinks and kissed her on the cheek after driving her home. The incident prompted an Assembly Human Resources representative to counsel Mendoza on his behavior.

Investigators also discovered other incidents of sexually suggestive behavior:

In 2014, Mendoza “more likely than not” was flirtatious with a Senate Fellow in his office, who was in her early twenties. Mendoza suggested she could rent a spare room in his house; suggested they could reserve just one room for an overnight event; invited her to come to his house at night under the guise of reviewing her resume despite having little intention of hiring her; and suggested they could go out to dinner or a movie.

In 2015, Mendoza likely invited a different Fellow working in another legislator’s office to visit him at his home. In another incident that same year, Mendoza allegedly suggested to a lobbyist that they go out to dinner and asked what type of men she liked.

Mendoza has consistently denied acting inappropriately. In a statement Tuesday, he criticized the Senate Rules Committee for shutting him out of the investigation process.

“This inability to view and understand the accusations in a timely fashion rubs across the grain of fairness, impartiality and ultimately justice,” he said.

“This government body must rise above and not be swayed by the court of public opinion, but rather, influenced to arrive at a conclusion based on facts and one of the basic tenants of our society, a due process that allows for a complete and thorough investigation procedure that then allows the accused to view and respond to the accusations in a timely manner,” Mendoza added. “Unless we adhere to the pillar of fairness that serves as a key anchor of our American system of justice, we are condemned to

Assemblymember denies charges she pressured employees to play spin the bottle

DOWNEY – Assemblymember Cristina Garcia is denying new allegations that she presided over a “toxic” office in Sacramento, drinking alcohol during work hours and pressuring staff members to play spin the bottle.

David John Kernick, who worked for Garcia for five months in 2014, made the allegations last week in a formal complaint to the California Department of Fair Employment and Housing.

Kernick claims he was fired after objecting to playing spin the bottle after a political fundraiser.

In his complaint, Kernick says Garcia and about six other people were sitting on the floor inside a hotel room after a night of heavy drinking. That’s when Garcia pushed for a game of spin the bottle, in which participants spin a bottle on the floor and kiss whoever the bottle points to.

“It was definitely uncomfortable,” Kernick told Politco. “But I realized it’s

different for a man than for a woman...You know it’s inappropriate, but at the same time you may wonder, ‘How many women do you work for that act like that?’ You think, ‘Maybe she’s just really cool.’”

Kernick said the staff members in attendance ignored Garcia’s prompts and the game never materialized.

Kernick and three other anonymous staff members went to Assembly Speaker Anthony Rendon last week, asserting that Garcia’s office was a “toxic” environment with heavy drinking and sexually charged meetings.

Garcia openly spoke of her sex life, they alleged. The four staffers described being pressured to drink at late-night events and “team-building” events where mimosas were served.

In a statement, Garcia denied the latest charges, calling them “a concerted effort to discredit my person and record as a legislator.”

“Over the last weeks there have been several claims accusing me of inappropriate conduct in my role as a California State legislator,” Garcia said. “In each case, these accusations are simply not true and are inconsistent with my personal value system and how I seek to conduct myself as an elected official.

“I look forward to a timely conclusion of the Rules Committee investigation, and I look forward to returning to the legislature to continue my advocacy for the people of my district, for immigrants, and women.

“I ask my supporters to not be deterred, and know that our fight for human dignity and justice will continue.”

Garcia went on unpaid leave earlier this month after initial allegations that she groped a male staffer and bragged about having sex in her office with other legislators.

For small businesses struggling with social media, help may have arrived

► The DowneyMade Social Media Marketing program is a 10-week course aimed to educate local professionals on social media marketing.

By Eric Pierce
Editor

DOWNEY – A new social media marketing class is preparing to launch this spring, where participants will learn marketing fundamentals and the tactical skills needed to execute effective social media marketing campaigns.

The 10-week DowneyMade Social Media Marketing program will be led by the Crawford Group, a local design and marketing agency, in partnership with Downey Unified School District.

Students will be introduced to possible career pathways in digital marketing and also to concepts that will enable them become 21st century workforce ready.

“How our program works is that we work with employers to identify someone within their staff looking to obtain further technical training in social media marketing,” said Program Director Valentin Flores. “Our 10-week program is to give local small businesses the foundation they need to become more effective digital marketers.”

Specific items participants will learn include:

- Digital marketing strategy and digital marketing channels
- Analytics, data and reporting
- Content strategy and content development
- Paid social and lead generation

“The main reason that attracted me to get involved in DowneyMade’s Social Media Marketing program was the empowerment – being able to share what I’ve learned over the years and pass that knowledge down to local small business owners who normally wouldn’t have budgets to learn,” said Lala Castro, the program’s instructor.



Team members from the DowneyMade Social Media program working on curriculum development. Student interviews will be conducted March 20-23 and March 27-30.

For more information, visit downeymade.org/socialmediaprogram.

Students may also benefit from the course by potentially discovering a new career, Castro added.

“Careers in anything digital or technology is growing quickly and there aren’t enough programs currently in our community that are preparing them for the new ways to conduct business,” she said. “This program constitutes nothing less than a new model for vocational education.”

Castro works as a digital marketing consultant with past clients including Knott’s Berry Farm, Northgate Markets, Toshiba USA/Latin America.

According to Curriculum Director Barney Santos, small- and medium-sized businesses in particular need to adapt “to this new, fast changing, digital marketplace.”

“Their need for a highly-trained workforce with the most up-to-date digital skills has increased significantly, Santos said. “This course was designed intentionally to bridge this gap and help employers connect with the employees they need to stay in business.”

The 10-week class runs April 4 through June 13 and will meet Wednesdays from 6-8:45 p.m. at Downey High School. Scholarships will offset all program fees for the first 25 students accepted into the program.

Student interviews will take place March 20-23 and March 27-30. To apply, fill out an interest form online at downeymade.org/socialmediaprogram.

For additional questions, email hello@downeymade.org.

Eugenia Gil, past president of Downey Association of Realtors, passes away

DOWNEY – Eugenia Gil was born in Aguacate, Cuba on Nov. 15, 1944.

She dedicated countless hours volunteering for Alpha 66, a Cuban organization, as well as for PTA and all DUSD schools her children attended.

She was a past president of the Downey Association of Realtors and past president of the Woman’s Council of Realtors. She also held various leadership positions for organizations such as the California Association of Realtors.



Eugenia spent her last 17 years as a Disneyland cast member, where she enjoyed meeting people from around the world.

She died Feb. 4 surrounded by loved ones.

She is survived by her children Mary Gil-Fernandez, Michelle Gil and Nelson Gil, son in law Manuel Fernandez, ten grandchildren: Juliet, Jennifer, Manuel Jr, Jessica, Gabrielle, Justin, Lauren, Nelson III, Jordan and Bella, six great grandchildren: Kristin, Dylan, Joshua, Manuel III, Sebastian and Penelope. She is also survived by her brother Carlos Rodriguez and her boyfriend of 13 years, Stan Rymysza.

She was preceded in death by her parents Ceferino and Angela Rodriguez, godparents Ildefonso and Faustina Sosa, brother Pedro Rodriguez and son in law David Amatista.

Services will be held Feb. 23 at 9 a.m. at Rose Hills Memorial Chapel in Whittier, followed by a Celebration of Life reception from 1-6:30 p.m. at St. Raymond’s Catholic Church in Downey.

James Finley was prisoner of war

DOWNEY – James Clayton Finley, the youngest of five brothers, was born in La Mont, MO.

Moving to California in 1936, and Downey in 1954, he worked at Downey Taxi from 1939-43 and Lockheed from 1940-43 when he served in the Army Air Corps.



As a gunner in B-24s, his plane was shot down on his 21st mission, spending 60 days as a POW in Neurenburg/Mooseburg camp.

Back in the states, he worked 37 years at the Pattern Supply Co. in Huntington Park. In 1946, he met and married his wife of almost 60 years.

He is survived by two sons, Steven and James, two grandkids, and four great-grandkids.

Bill Bruner dies at age 79

DOWNEY – William “Bill” D Bruner, 79, died Feb. 16 peacefully at his home in Anaheim, surrounded by family.

Bill was born Nov. 6, 1938 in Huntington Park where he lived through his high school years, graduating from Huntington Park High School.



Bill then called Downey his home for the majority of his life where he would raise his three children and met his wife of 34 years, Glenda.

He is survived by his son Clark; two daughters, Jill and Julie; and stepchildren Scott, Terri and Tracy, along with 16 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

A Celebration of Life ceremony will be held at Downey Memorial Christian Church on March 10 at 2 p.m.

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Forcing union membership is modern-day tyranny

By John Stossel

If your workplace is a union shop, are you forced to pay union dues? Next week, the Supreme Court will hear arguments about that.

When I worked at CBS and ABC, I was ordered to join the American Federation of Radio and TV Artists. That union had won a vote that gave them the right to speak for all reporters. I said, "I'm no 'artist.' I'm a reporter! I won't join!" But my bosses said they couldn't pay me unless I did.

In right-to-work states, unions can't force people to join. But only 28 states are right to work. Aging socialist bureaucracies like New York state are not among them.

But now the Supreme Court may say that no government worker, in any state, can be forced to pay a union.

"If we lose this case, the entire public sector will be right to work," warns Lee Saunders, president of AFSCME, the big government employees union.

That outcome would thrill Rebecca Friedrichs. She's the teacher who filed the right-to-work lawsuit that went to the Supreme Court two years ago.

Friedrichs got mad at the California Teachers Association during the last recession. Good teachers at her school were about to be laid off. She'd tried to protect them by getting all teachers to agree to a slight pay cut.

"All America was taking a pay cut then," she told me. "Why should we

be any different?"

But her union wouldn't even allow her to survey other teachers. "They told me, Rebecca, don't worry about those teachers who were about to lose jobs. ... We're going to give them a seminar on how to get unemployment benefits."

That was one thing that made Friedrichs angry enough to sue the Teachers Association. Three years later, the Supreme Court agreed to hear her case.

Supreme Court watchers predicted that she would win. Union cheerleaders were pessimistic. Chris Hayes of MSNBC said that Friedrichs' case might "decimate the way that public sector unions function."

But shortly before the justices voted, Antonin Scalia died.

"That was the most devastating day," says Friedrichs. Without Scalia's vote, the Court deadlocked 4 to 4.

Now a new suit has been filed by government worker Mark Janus. With Neil Gorsuch now the ninth justice, unions are worried.

In fact, they are so worried that AFSCME representative Steven Kreisberg agreed to do one of my YouTube interviews.

"Our members ... want their union to have power," he said. "It's (Janus') right to dissent and not be a member of our union. He only has to pay the fees that are used to represent him."

But what's the point of dissenting from the union if you still have to pay? Janus doesn't want to be forced to pay for something he doesn't

agree with.

Kreisberg replied, "I'm not sure if he doesn't agree with it, or just simply doesn't want to pay because he'd like to get those services for free."

That's an argument a free-market advocate can understand: It's not fair if people freeload off others' work — getting benefits others fund. But who judges what is a "benefit"?

"If I saw their representation as a benefit, I could agree with that, but I don't," Friedrichs said. "The benefits aren't worth the moral costs."

Kreisberg responded, "That sounds like the words of a right-wing activist, not the words of a teacher."

Janus's lawsuit points out that Thomas Jefferson wrote, "To compel a man to furnish contributions of money for the propagation of opinions which he disbelieves and abhors is sinful and tyrannical."

Kreisberg had a quick answer to that: "Thomas Jefferson had no sense of 21st-century labor relations."

That's probably true. But some principles are eternal, like deciding what to do with your own money and not being forced to fund speech with which you disagree.

The justices will announce their ruling sometime this summer. I hope that they'll side with Jefferson. Forcing people to pay for what we don't want is tyranny.

John Stossel is author of "No They Can't! Why Government Fails — But Individuals Succeed."

In praise of pedophiles

By Marc Munroe Dion

In the first place, anti-pedophile laws don't work.

Pedophiles want to have sexual contact with children, and no law makes them stop. Arrest them, jail them, makes no difference. They get out of jail eventually and, when they do, they usually go looking for a kid.

We make them register, but registering pedophiles doesn't work. They molest children anyway. We make them stay away from schools, but they molest children anyway.

Should we make more laws against pedophilia?

Why? The laws we have now don't work. Laws are useless. Criminals don't obey the law. That's what makes them criminals.

We've gone so far as to go into people's homes and seize their child pornography.

Come on, that's Communist dictatorship stuff, right there.

I mean, the guy who has child pornography may not have even taken the pictures himself. Anyway, what if it's not pictures; what if the guy just has drawings of grown men having sex with kids? They're not even real pictures.

The guy who has drawings of adults having sex with kids isn't doing

anything. And even if he does have real pictures, how old are the kids in the pictures now? Hell, they're probably 18, because pictures like that usually float around for years.

The people in the pictures may not even live near you. They may not even live in America. Does the government think you're going to find out where those kids live in Thailand, and then you're going to fly there and molest those kids?

What if you have child pornography in your house and never, ever, ever touch a real child? Doesn't that make you a law-abiding pedophile? You're not a danger to anyone. You're a hobbyist. You're a collector.

You get caught with those kind of pictures, they put you in jail, sometimes for quite a while, but black people who game the welfare system don't go to jail. They get probation because black people get all the breaks. Let's talk about that instead.

I read a newspaper story the other day about a guy who kidnapped a six year-old girl, duct-taped her hands and feet together, duct-taped her mouth shut, then put her in the trunk of his car, drove her to a secluded place and raped her repeatedly.

So, why don't we just make duct tape illegal? Or cars? Maybe we should make a law saying you can't drive to a secluded place.

What about the Founding Fathers? Back when they were fighting to

make America free, it was normal for 50-year-old guys to marry 14-year-old girls. And if you had sex with a 10-year-old slave girl, nobody said anything. That was America when our forefathers made us free.

It's a slippery slope. First, the government tells you that it's wrong to have sex with children. Then, they tell you it's wrong to look at pictures of people you don't know having sex with children you don't know who are probably over 18 by the time you see the picture. Before you know it, you'll sit your adorable granddaughter on your knee and federal agents will break down your door and take you off to prison, destroying your family.

And that, my friends, is the argument against gun control.

Marc Munroe Dion's latest book, "The Land of Trumpin," is a collection of his Pulitzer Prize-nominated columns from before, during and after the most recent presidential election. It is available in paperback from Amazon.com, and for Nook, Kindle, iBooks and GooglePlay.

In defense of evangelicals who support Trump

By Dennis Prager

It is usually easier for an outsider to defend a person or a group that is attacked than for the person or group.

In that vein, this Jew would like to defend evangelicals and other Christians who support President Donald Trump. They are regularly attacked as religious hypocrites who give Christianity in general, and evangelical Christianity in particular, a bad name.

The people writing such things are often Christians, including evangelicals.

Ross Douthat, New York Times columnist, wrote: "Whether the subject is the debauched pagan in the White House, the mall-haunted candidacy of Roy Moore or the larger question of how to engage with secular culture, there is talk of an intergenerational crisis within evangelical churches, a widening disillusionment with a Trump-endorsing old guard, a feeling that a crackup must loom ahead."

Jared Wilson wrote on The Gospel Coalition website: "From the same believers who raised us to believe that standing for the truth was more important than anything, that being persecuted for your integrity was better than compromise, that morality was not relative, that ethics are not situational. And now these same teachers are wanting us to believe that a little "R" by a man's name covers a multitude of sins."

Robert P. Jones wrote in USA Today: "White evangelicals . . . are, in many ways, a community grieving its losses. ... Thinking about the white evangelical/Trump alliance as an end-of-life bargain is illuminating. It helps explain, for example, how white evangelical leaders could ignore so many problematic aspects of Trump's character."

Shortly before the election, Marvin Olasky and the editors wrote in World magazine: "Glorifying God by honoring His standards is worth more than political gain."

Jay Caruso, a Dallas Morning News editorial board member, wrote a column titled "Evangelical Leaders Expose Their Hypocrisy By Playing Palace Guard to Trump."

In The Arizona Republic, Jon Gabriel, an evangelical, wrote a column titled "Evangelicals Are Hypocrites to Support Donald Trump." In it he wrote, "As an evangelical myself, one of the strangest developments of the Trump era has been the abandonment of moral character as a political essential."

I could give dozens more examples of attacks on evangelical Christians who support President Trump.

I believe these attacks are not biblical, moral or wise. Religious Christians and Jews who support Trump understand that the character of a public leader is quite often less important than his policies. This is so obvious that only the naive think otherwise. Character is no predictor of political leadership on behalf of moral causes. I wish it were. Then, in any political contest, we would simply have to determine who the better person is and vote accordingly.

Therefore, I would like to pose some questions to critics of evangelicals who support Trump:

1. Former President Jimmy Carter has been married once (virtually all critics of Trump note that he is thrice married, as if that were ipso facto a character defect), and to the best of anyone's knowledge, he has been faithful to his wife all those years. If you are conservative, religious or secular, would you vote for Jimmy Carter over Donald Trump?
2. Do you believe that Hillary Clinton has a finer character than Donald Trump? For the record, I believe his character is superior to hers. And the choice in the 2016 was between Trump and Clinton. A Republican who voted for anyone else or didn't vote voted for Clinton.
3. Who should pro-choice voters support: a pro-life activist of fine character or a pro-choice activist of dubious character?
4. Who should pro-Israel voters support: an anti-Israel activist of fine character or a pro-Israel activist of dubious character?
5. If they were to have cancer, would any of the evangelicals' critics choose an oncologist based on character? If not, why not?

One of the few moral heroes of the Holocaust was the German industrialist and member of the Nazi Party Oskar Schindler. He personally saved more than a thousand Jews' lives. He was also a serial philanderer. I suspect many leading Nazis never cheated on their wives. Character is a complex issue.

I have spent my life making the case for good character: that God wants us to be good more than anything else; that our children's character



is way more important than their grades; and that the most important question a society can ask is how to make good people (since we are not born good).

Evangelicals realize that the moral good of defeating the left is of surpassing importance. It can feel good to oppose the president, but religious supporters of the president are more interested in doing good than feeling good. On issue after issue — religious liberty, the unborn, Israel, the American flag and free speech, to cite just a few — the president and religious Americans have made common cause.

Like evangelicals, I look to the Bible for moral instruction. I also look for wisdom. And in that book, God chooses, of all people, a prostitute (Rahab) to enable the Israelites to enter the Promised Land.

There's a lesson there.

Dennis Prager's latest book, "The Ten Commandments: Still the Best Moral Code," was published by Regnery. He is a nationally syndicated radio show host and creator of PragerUniversity.com.

California politics

Dear Editor:

My goodness! We now learn Downey has no senator nor assemblymember representing us in the California legislature. Funny, but I don't feel any different than I did before.

I never thought either of them represented me anyway, but I'll bet a lot of illegals and liberals are sorry to see them go. I wonder what the students they taught in school are thinking.

When I wanted immigration laws enforced, they didn't. When I didn't want SB54, they and the Democrats in Sacramento voted it in. When I thought U.S. laws ought to be obeyed, they and the Democratic legislators didn't. They wanted a sanctuary state to protect criminals.

Now we have new legislation that will make many offenses lowered to a misdemeanor and many who are in jail because of a misdemeanor will be let out of jail so they can be on welfare and continue to steal and rob homes.

Has anyone noticed that though there is a lot of crime and cars stolen, we don't see it in the Downey Patriot? Wonder why?

But California voters will still vote for Democrats and our laws will be meaningless. Seems like we have a great bunch of politicians in Sacramento.

Elsa Van Leuven Downey

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Fire Pico Rivera teacher

Dear Editor:

As a 91-year-old World War II veteran, 12-year council member and two-time mayor serving America and Bellflower, I am writing you about my thoughts on the denigrating, disgusting, low-down teachings in the Pico Rivera high school by Gregory Saldico, who is also a councilman.

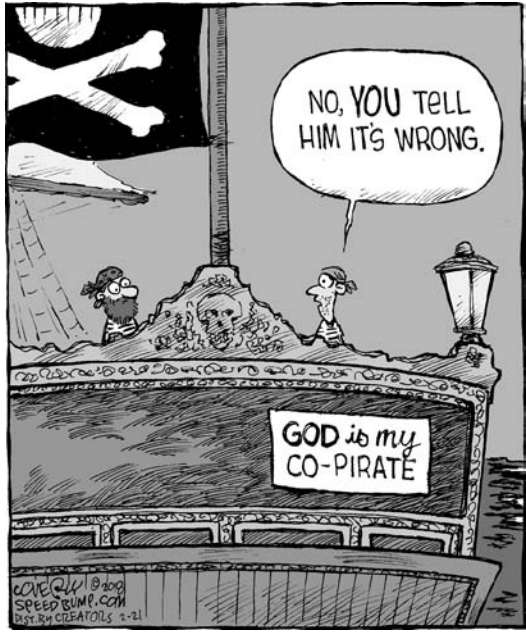
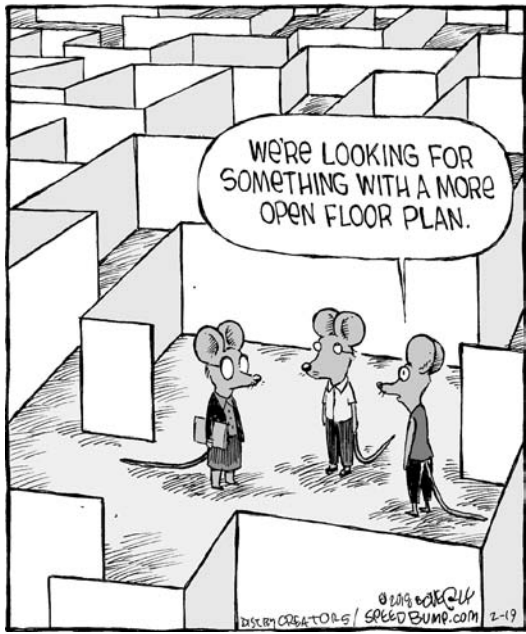
Maligning our greatest military protectors of all our freedoms and lives by one who is supposed to be a professional teacher is disgusting, depraved, dishonorable and doggone rotten.

Yes, he has his First Amendment right to free speech but not that way in an American school, teaching students' growing minds. He is the dumbest professional of our times and is lower than whale dung.

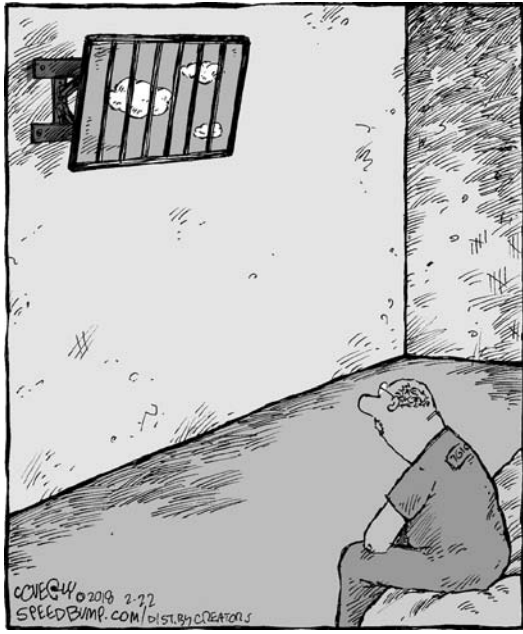
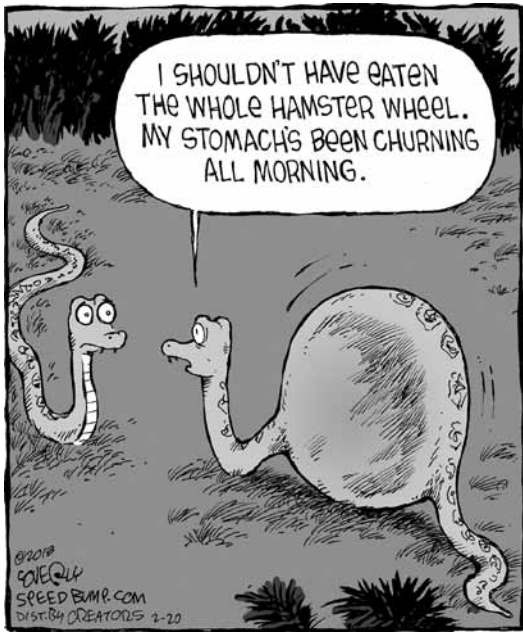
He should be fired immediately, if not sooner, from both positions. He isn't fit to serve anywhere but as a professional bad example.

Joe Cvetko Bellflower

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

Regularly Scheduled Meetings

MONDAYS

7 pm: Boy Scout Troop 2, at Downey United Methodist Church, call 869-6478.
 2nd Mon., 11 am: American Legion Auxiliary #270, at United Methodist Church, call 304-3439.
 3rd Mon., 11:30 am: Downey Newcomers Club, call Barbara 869-1044.
 4th Mon., 7:30 pm: Downey Numismatists, at Downey Retirement Center, call 862-6666.

TUESDAYS

9 am: Quilters group, at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, call 803-4459.
 9:30 am: Downey Seniors Club, at Apollo Park, call Irene Vallini at 328-7039.
 10 am: Downey Bocce Club, at 7850 Quill Drive, call John Fiorenza at 652-4399.
 12 pm: Rotary Club, at Rio Hondo Events Center, call Alex Lopez 441-7947.
 6 pm: Toastmasters Club 587, at First Baptist Church, contact Salvador Cervantes: tmsalcpuede@gmail.com.
 7 pm: Downey Knights of Columbus Bingo, at 11231 Rives Ave., call 923-1932.
 7 pm: Healing Room and Prayer, at Desert Reign Church 11610 Lakewood Blvd, call 861-6011.
 7:30 pm: Downey Master Chorale, at Cornerstone Church, contact info@downeymasterchorale.org.
 1st Tues., 7:30 am: Gangs Out of Downey, at City Hall training room.
 2nd and 4th Tues., 6 pm: Sertoma Club, at Rio Hondo Event Center, call 927-6438.
 2nd Tues., 6 pm: Downey Fly Fishers, at Apollo Park, call 425-7936.
 3rd Tues., 6:30 pm: Community Emergency Response Team meeting, Fire station 1, 12222 Paramount.
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 1st Wed., 11:30 am: Downey Coordinating Council, Community Center, call Bobbi Bruce 440-5416.
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 2nd Wed., 7:30 pm: Downey Model A Club, at Gallatin School Cafeteria, call 928-4132.
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 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.
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 4th Thurs., 7:30 pm: Downey Historical Society programs, at Community Center, call 862-2777.

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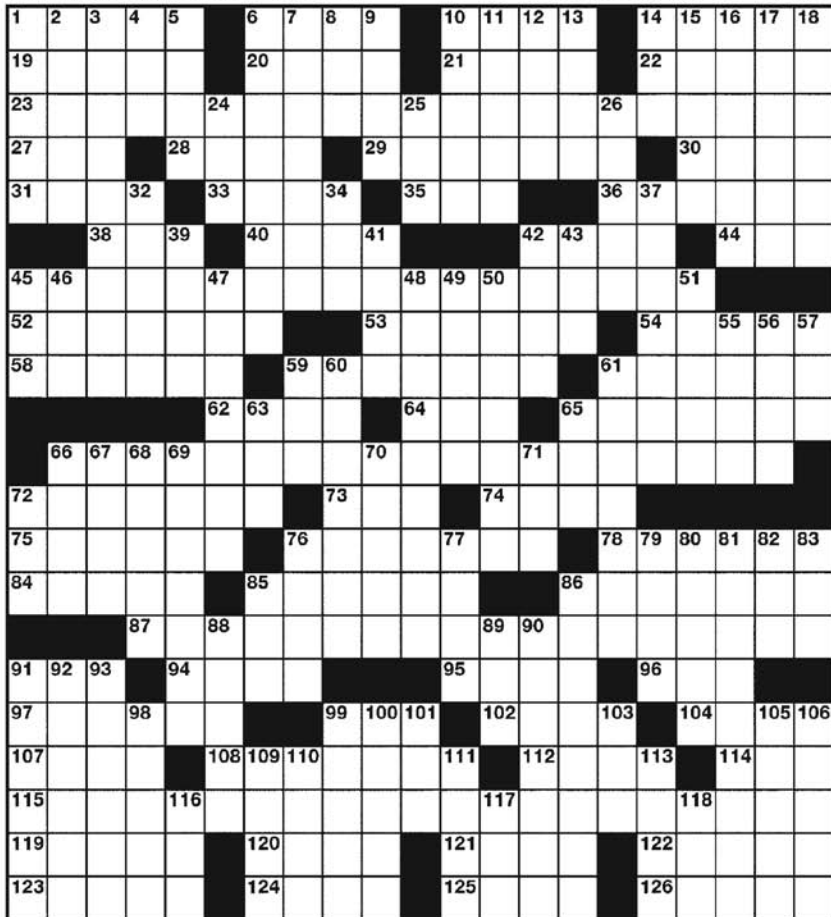
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The Elks, or BPOE (21 Across) club for minstrel show performers. James Garfield (45 Across) was said to have demonstrated his ambidexterity as a writer in questions posed to him by writing in Greek and in Latin, simultaneously. PRI (59 Down), or Public Radio International, is a content creator and distributor for public radio stations, including its competitor NPR.



Gary Tyler: Civil rights protests triggered trauma

While my challenges were many, I did not struggle alone. I must give a shout out to my co-workers in Downey. They were patient, protective, and professional. They came to my rescue answering the phone, sometimes explaining my speech. They showed me empathy. I withstood frowns, doubters, questions, and haters.

I had been struggling with this disability for almost 40 years when I first met Ginger and acted on her suggestion that I consult with an ENT specialist. I struck gold with this doctor. He listened, observed, and answered my questions. He validated my feedback and discussion of my experiences. His willingness to articulate each step of the evaluation process was reassuring.

A flexible fiberoptic scope placed through my nose and down the back of my throat allowed the doctor to view my voice box while I was speaking. The spasms appeared on a monitor.

The doctor confirmed that I suffered from a condition known as abductor spasmodic dysphonia. I was relieved to know it was not psychogenic, but a neurological disorder affecting the voice muscles in the larynx causing the widening of the vocal cords and preventing them from vibrating properly to produce sound, as air escapes from the lungs during speech. Stress, he said, may exacerbate the spasms.

The Trial

The specialist questioned if I had a trauma or remembered a triggering event. My mind flashed back to Destrehan, Louisiana in 1975 when I was attending Xavier University in New Orleans.

Five buses of students, including me, rode to the courthouse where Gary Tyler, a 16-year-old high school junior, was on trial for murdering Timothy Weber, a 13-year-old white boy, during an intense protest in 1974 by whites opposed to school integration.

Destrehan was known to be KKK territory, and Gary and his fellow black students were taunted with racial slurs, epithets, and hostility. On the day Timothy Weber was shot, Gary was on the bus, leaving school, when a shot rang out in the white crowd. Timothy Weber died.

The physical evidence against Gary was very questionable – the bus driver said he thought the shot came from outside, the police searched the bus for over an hour before saying they found a gun, and later it was determined that the gun had been stolen from the police evidence room. Gary was sentenced to death by an all-white jury.

As a student at Xavier University, I had joined the Free Gary Tyler Committee. As our buses slowly rolled into Destrehan to support Gary during his trial, hard hat construction workers were lying on top of buildings with loaded guns pointed at our buses.

The scene was daunting. I was scared out of my wits. Assigned to go into the courtroom to take notes and report to the overflow of students waiting outside, fear paralyzed me. I could not get a whisper out.

From the day of the trial, my speech was broken. It got progressively worse, before getting better. Stress was a factor.

My family was baffled and so was I. It was a sensitive issue. Mother looked bewildered when I spoke. I know her heart was bleeding for me.

She was very patient, never critical.

My sister Jo encouraged me to slow down when I spoke. "It's okay, Baby Girl, you can do it." Other family members reacted differently.

Despite all of this, I finished school, passed my state boards, and became licensed in two states. I pounded the pavement for a job and embarked on a career as a medical professional.

Perseverance

My speech difficulties humbled me. I discovered my resolve. I walked through trials and tribulations, somehow forged ahead. I stumbled and found a way to get back up. It opened my heart to others with differences and disabilities.

It taught me broken crayons still color. I faced the bitter and the sweet, and the bitter grew my gratitude for the sweet things in my life.

The intolerance others mirrored was a valuable lesson. Not knowing the back-story of what others are going through leaves lots of room for misperception. I can't fault others for misunderstanding.

I saw improvements when I looked people in their eyes. I learned to be present, to be a better listener. I confronted my fears and trusted God. Speaking my truth and being honest made me feel good about myself.

Journaling became a dear friend. I poured out my emotions on paper. Learning self-acceptance was a struggle. I prayed and had no choice but to be patient with others and myself.

I became mindful of how important generosity, graciousness, and gratitude are. The three G's have transformative power. Many were kind and patient with me stumbling.

Ginger was a blessing, a gift, an earth angel. Fate destined us to meet. She was the catalyst to me getting a definitive diagnosis over 40 years later. Three doctors and a language speech pathologist evaluated and diagnosed my condition in 2016. How sweet it is to know!

What a weight lifted off my shoulders. I am not crazy after all. I owe Ginger a debt of gratitude. Wherever you are, Ginger, I thank you.

Final Note: Gary Tyler was sent to the Louisiana State Penitentiary in Angola, known as the worst and bloodiest prison in the country. His case was appealed by many supporters, and in April 2016 he was finally released after 41 years in prison. He now lives in California and is a graphic artist. I always believed in his innocence. "Free at last. Thank God Almighty, free at last!"

POETRY MATTERS

Runagate Runagate

Harriet Tubman,

woman of earth, whipscarred,
a summoning, a shining

Mean to be free

And this was the way of it, brethren brethren,
way we journeyed from Can't to Can.
Moon so bright and no place to hide,
the cry up and the patterollers riding,
hound dogs belling in bladed air.
And fear starts a-murbling, Never make it,
we'll never make it. Hush that now,
and she's turned upon us, levelled pistol
glinting in the moonlight:
Dead folks can't jaybird-talk, she says;
you keep on going now or die, she says.

Wanted Harriet Tubman alias The General
alias Moses Stealer of Slaves

In league with Garrison Alcott Emerson
Garrett Douglas Thoreau John Brown

Armed and known to be Dangerous

Wanted Reward Dead or Alive

-Robert Hayden, Collected Poems (Liveright, 1985)

People's Republic may be the New China, but the old ways are still celebrated. Traditionally during the Spring Festival, which starts February 16, children would be given red envelopes stuffed with 'lucky money' and positive wishes on New Year's Day. Some teens now have red envelope apps, so their relatives can transfer cash digitally. Poetry Matters is curated by Lorine Parks.

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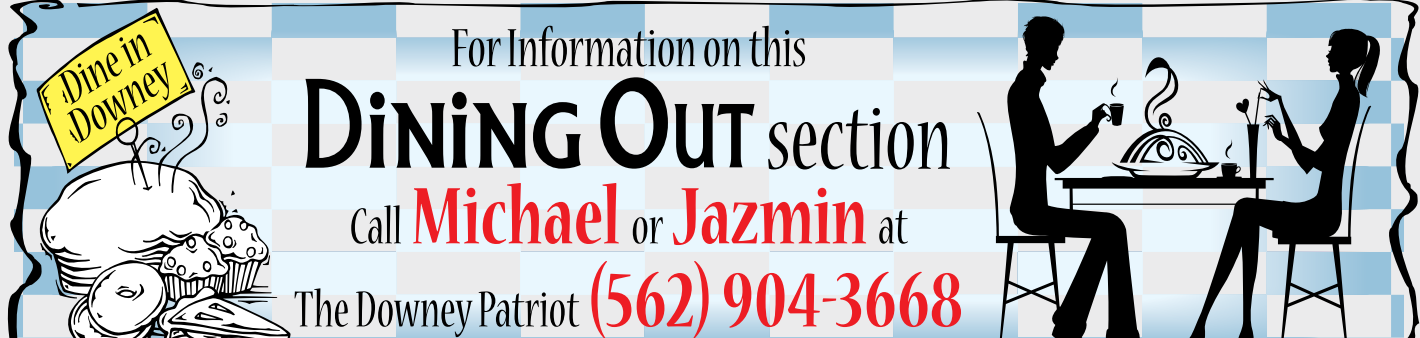
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File Number 2018030952 THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) RELIABLE SMOG CHECK, 8100 ATLANTIC AVE, CUDAHY CA 90201...

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File Number 2018035901 THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) TORICREATEZ, 7625 ROSECRANS AVE. SUITE 37, PARAMOUNT CA 90723...

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File Number 201802746 THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) JR-JR CONSTRUCTION, 12052 ROSEHEDGE, WHITTIER CA 90606...

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File Number 2018026058 THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) BILLINGUAL CPR, 90706, BELLFLOWER CA 90706...

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File Number 2018025109 THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) JB AUTO REPAIR INC, 22011 NORWALK BLVD, HAWAIIAN GARDENS CA 90716...

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File Number 2018025548 THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) GTS SALES, 12237 CHAVERS AVENUE, DOWNEY CA 90244...

LOS ANGELES CA 90014
State of Incorporation: CA
THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: a Limited Liability Company.
The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 02/2018
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S/ POPELUNT, LLC, PRESIDENT, DAVID TANG
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on FEBRUARY 16, 2018
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2018032918

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) LIVE HAPI DOCTIONS, 8252 QUOIT STREET, DOWNEY CA 90242, LA COUNTY LOS ANGELES
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #0N: N/A
REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) CONNEWATT UONG, 8252 QUOIT STREET, DOWNEY CA 90242
State of Incorporation: N/A
THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: an Individual
The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: N/A
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S/ CONNEWATT UONG, OWNER
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NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2018009253

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Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #0N: 4093885
REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) TTH NETWORKS CORPORATION, 3680 WILSHIRE BLVD STE#P04, LOS ANGELES CA 90010
State of Incorporation: CA
THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: a Corporation
The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: N/A
I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).)
S/ TTH NETWORKS CORPORATION, CEO, WIL ROBINSON
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on JANUARY 11, 2018
Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.
The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State or Common Law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).

The Downey Patriot
2/15/18, 2/8/18, 2/15/18, 2/22/18

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2018038399

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) TAXES SERVICES, 1413 PARAMOUNT BLVD SUITE C, DOWNEY CA 90241, LA COUNTY
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #0N: N/A
REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) TERESA GARCIA, 11113 PARAMOUNT BLVD SUITE C, DOWNEY CA 90241
State of Incorporation: N/A
THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: an Individual
The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 02/2018
I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).)
S/ TERESA GARCIA, OWNER
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on FEBRUARY 14, 2018
Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.
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The Downey Patriot
2/22/18, 3/1/18, 3/8/18, 3/15/18

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2018027464

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) COLLABORATIVE COFFEE BAR, 4826 PARAMOUNT BLVD, LAKEWOOD CA 90712, LA COUNTY
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #0N: N/A
REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) COLLABORATIVE COFFEE, LLC, 4826 PARAMOUNT BLVD, LAKEWOOD CA 90712
State of Incorporation: CA
THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: a Limited Liability Company
The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: N/A
I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).)
S/ COLLABORATIVE COFFEE, LLC, PRESIDENT, LUIS ZAVALA
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on FEBRUARY 1, 2018
Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.
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The Downey Patriot
2/15/18, 2/22/18, 3/1/18, 3/8/18

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2018033174

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) COSTA SUR CONSTRUCTION, 8812 BIRCHLEAF AVE, DOWNEY CA 90240, LA COUNTY
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #0N: N/A
REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) LUIS ENRIQUE LOPEZ, 8812 BIRCHLEAF AVE, DOWNEY CA 90240
State of Incorporation: N/A
THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: an Individual
The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 08/2011
I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).)
S/ LUIS ENRIQUE LOPEZ, OWNER
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on FEBRUARY 7, 2018
Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.
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The Downey Patriot
2/22/18, 3/1/18, 3/8/18, 3/15/18

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2018029289

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) KAMURA OFFICE, 6118 FLORENCE AVE SUITE C, BELL GARDENS CA 90201, LA COUNTY, PO BOX 5045, DOWNEY CA 90241
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #0N: N/A
REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) JAMES F KAMURA, 8600 CONTRERAS ST, PARAMOUNT CA 90723
State of Incorporation: N/A
THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: an Individual
The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 01/2018
I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).)
S/ JAMES F KAMURA, OWNER
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on FEBRUARY 2, 2018
Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.
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The Downey Patriot
2/8/18, 2/15/18, 2/22/18, 3/1/18

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2018042705

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) 1ST-HOME INSPECTIONS (2) AL REAL ESTATE INSPECTION, 9604 TELEGRAPH RD, DOWNEY CA 90240, LA COUNTY
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #0N: N/A
REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) DENNIS MICHAEL HANNON, 9604 TELEGRAPH RD, DOWNEY CA 90240
State of Incorporation: N/A
THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: an Individual
The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 02/2018
I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).)
S/ DENNIS MICHAEL HANNON, OWNER
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on FEBRUARY 21, 2018
Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.
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The Downey Patriot
2/22/18, 3/1/18, 3/8/18, 3/15/18

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2018023578

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) J.J.N CONSULTING, 11537 CULLMAN AVE, WHITTIER CA 90604, LA COUNTY
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #0N: N/A
REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) JASON JOHN NADIN, 11537 CULLMAN AVE, WHITTIER CA 90604
State of Incorporation: N/A
THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: an Individual
The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: N/A
I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).)
S/ JASON JOHN NADIN, OWNER
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on JANUARY 29, 2018
Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.
The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State or Common Law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).

The Downey Patriot
2/1/18, 2/8/18, 2/15/18, 2/22/18

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2018015924

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) LOPEZ PLUMBING, 1690 E 109 ST, LOS ANGELES CA 90059, LA COUNTY
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #0N: N/A
REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) EDUVIGES M LOPEZ OROZCO, 1690 E 109 ST, LOS ANGELES CA 90059
State of Incorporation: (1) N/A (2) CA
THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: a Married Couple
The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 01/2000
I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).)
S/ EDUVIGES M LOPEZ OROZCO, OWNER
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on JANUARY 19, 2018
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The Downey Patriot
2/1/18, 2/8/18, 2/15/18, 2/22/18

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2018009650

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) TERMINATORS WRESTLING CLUB, 10418 GRIDLEY RD, SANTA FE SPRINGS CA 90670, LA COUNTY
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #0N: N/A
REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) SONIA ANGELA CHAVEZ, 10418 GRIDLEY ROAD, SANTA FE SPRINGS CA 90670 (2) ANGEL MOLINA III, 10418 GRIDLEY ROAD, SANTA FE SPRINGS CA 90670
State of Incorporation: N/A
THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: a Married Couple
The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 12/2017
I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).)
S/ SONIA ANGELA CHAVEZ, WIFE
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on JANUARY 11, 2018
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The Downey Patriot
2/15/18, 2/22/18

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS CALLING FOR BIDS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Downey Unified School District ("District") of Los Angeles County, California, acting by and through its Governing Board ("Board"), will receive up to, but not later than, 1:30 p.m. on March 13, 2018, sealed bids for the award of a contract for:

the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.
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The Downey Patriot
2/15/18, 2/22/18, 3/1/18, 3/8/18

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2018020566

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) STAGE G PRODUCTIONS, 5215 PENDELTON AVENUE D-10, SOUTH GATE CA 90280, LA COUNTY
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #0N: N/A
REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) SARAH JANE SALGADO GANDIA, 5215 PENDELTON AVENUE D-10, SOUTH GATE CA 90280 (2) MARY JEMILYNN AGUIRRE GANDIA, 5215 PENDELTON AVENUE D-10, SOUTH GATE CA 90280
State of Incorporation: N/A
THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: a General Partnership
The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 01/2018
I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).)
S/ SARAH JANE SALGADO GANDIA, GENERAL PARTNER
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on JANUARY 24, 2018
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The Downey Patriot
2/22/18, 3/1/18, 3/8/18, 3/15/18

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2018037274

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) LISSY'S FAMILY DAYCARE, 7722 YANKEY ST., DOWNEY CA 90242, LA COUNTY
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #0N: 201734710094
REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) VIRGEN FAMILY CHILD CARE, LLC, 7722 YANKEY ST., DOWNEY CA 90242
State of Incorporation: CA
THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: a Limited Liability Company
The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 02/2018
I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).)
S/ VIRGEN FAMILY CHILD CARE, LLC, MANAGING MEMBER, LISSETTE J. VIRGEN
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on FEBRUARY 13, 2018
Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.
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The Downey Patriot
2/15/18, 2/22/18, 3/1/18, 3/8/18

GOVERNMENT

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
DOWNEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
11627 Brookshire Avenue Downey, CA 90241

REVELOPMENT FEE ADJUSTMENT
Board of Education meeting March 6, 2018, 5:00 pm at the above address FOR THE BOARD OF EDUCATION John A. Garcia, Jr., Ph.D., Superintendent

The Downey Patriot
2/15/18, 2/22/18

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS CALLING FOR BIDS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Downey Unified School District ("District") of Los Angeles County, California, acting by and through its Governing Board ("Board"), will receive up to, but not later than, 1:30 p.m. on March 13, 2018, sealed bids for

the award of a contract for:

Bid #17/18-11

ROOF REPLACEMENT ON BUILDING 'K' AT THE DOWNEY ADULT SCHOOL

All bids shall be made and presented on a form furnished by the District. Bids shall be received in the office of the Director, Purchasing and Warehouse and shall be opened and publicly read aloud at the above stated time and place.

Each bid must conform with and be responsive to the contract documents, copies of which are on file and may be obtained electronically on or after February 15, 2018 - Contact Andrew Ulmen at aulmen@rachlinpartners.com

A mandatory bidder's conference and job-walk will be held on February 27th at 9:00 a.m. This bidders conference will take place at the Downey Adult School 512340 Woodruff Ave, Downey, CA 90241. No bid shall be accepted from any bidder failing to comply with attending the mandatory bidder's conference.

The District has obtained from the Department of Industrial Relations the general prevailing rate of per diem wages and the general prevailing rate for holiday and overtime work for the Los Angeles County area for each trade, craft, classification, or type of work needed to execute the contract. Holiday rates shall be paid as specified in the collective bargaining agreement applicable to each particular trade, craft, classification, or type of work employed on the project.

Copies of schedules of rates so determined are available on the Internet at (http://www.dir.ca.gov/DIR/S&R/statistics_research.html) and are on file and available at the District Office address noted above. In accordance with Section 1773.2 of the California Labor Code, the Contractor shall post a copy of the determination of prevailing rate of wages at each jobsite. The schedule of per diem wages is based upon a working day of eight (8) hours. The rate for holiday and overtime work shall be at time plus one-half. The Contractor and any subcontractor(s) shall pay not less than the specified prevailing rates of wages to all workers employed by them in the execution of the contract. In accordance with provisions of the Public Contract Code Section 22300, substitution of eligible and equivalent securities for any monies withheld to ensure performance under this contract will be permitted at the request and expense of the Contractor.

No bidder may withdraw their bid for a period of ninety (90) days after the date for the opening of bids.

All bidders and their subcontractors MUST be registered with the Department of Industrial Relations (DIR) and possess a current and valid DIR registration number at the time of bid submission.

The District reserves the right to reject any and all bids or to waive irregularities in any bid.

The Downey Unified School District is an "Equal Opportunity" employer. Qualified Disabled Veteran Business Enterprises (DVBE) are encouraged to participate in this project.

Darren Purselglove, C.P.M.

Darren Purselglove

Director, Purchasing and Warehouse

Downey Unified School District

Los Angeles, County, State of California

The Downey Patriot
2/15/18, 2/22/18

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS CALLING FOR BIDS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Downey Unified School District ("District") of Los Angeles County, California, acting by and through its Governing Board ("Board"), will receive up to, but not later than, 2:30 p.m. on March 15, 2018, sealed bids for the award of a contract for:

Bid #17/18-13

ASPHALT PAVING AT WARREN HIGH SCHOOL

All bids shall be made and presented on a form furnished by the District. Bids shall be received in the office of the Director, Purchasing and Warehouse and shall be opened and publicly read aloud at the above stated time and place.

Each bid must conform with and be responsive to the contract documents, copies of which are on file and may be obtained electronically on or after February 15, 2018 - Contact Andrew Ulmen at aulmen@rachlinpartners.com

A mandatory bidder's conference and job-walk will be held on March 1st at 11:00 a.m. This bidders conference will take place at Warren High School - 8141 De Palma St, Downey, CA 90241. No bid shall be accepted from any bidder failing to comply with attending the mandatory bidder's conference.

The District has obtained from the Department of Industrial Relations the general prevailing rate of per diem wages and the general prevailing rate for holiday and overtime work for the Los Angeles County area for each trade, craft, classification, or type of work needed to execute the contract. Holiday rates shall be paid as specified in the collective bargaining agreement applicable to each particular trade, craft, classification, or type of work employed on the project.

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Darren Purselglove, C.P.M.

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Paging Dr. Frischer...

By Dr. Alan Frischer

Dried plums, far better known as prunes, have a poor reputation – especially among younger people, and worst among women between the ages of 25-54. Does the prune deserve it?



Grandma was right: prunes do help to *relieve constipation*. Their high fiber content is more effective than psyllium and other fibers, and helps to digest food, keep the bowels moving and prevent hemorrhoids. One prune contains nearly a gram of fiber. Sorbitol, the natural sugar in prunes, also helps. Prune juice doesn't contain as much fiber as the whole fruit, but it still works as an excellent laxative.

Prunes contain key* vitamins *and* minerals*. They are high in vitamin A, which can help to prevent poor night vision, dry eyes, macular degeneration, and cataracts. They are also high in vitamin K, riboflavin, vitamin B-6, and niacin, and contain the minerals iron, manganese, copper, and magnesium. Iron helps

to make more red blood cells and prevent anemia.

Prunes are high in *antioxidants*. Antioxidants appear to be extremely valuable in the prevention of a number of age-related, degenerative diseases. (Antioxidants are also found in fresh fruits and vegetables, and in whole grains.)

Prunes are a great source of *potassium*. Potassium is an electrolyte that helps with digestion, heart rhythms, nerve impulses, lower blood pressure, and muscle contractions. Keep in mind that there is such a thing as too much: too many prunes or too much prune juice can lead to dangerously high potassium levels.

Prunes play a role in *maintaining healthy bones*. They are an important source of the mineral boron, which can help build strong bones and muscles. There is some evidence that the polyphenols in prunes are beneficial to bone as well. They may help to limit bone loss from radiation treatments and to treat and prevent osteoporosis.

Prunes can help *control appetite*. This is due to their high fiber content, which digests slowly and keeps us feeling full longer. They also help to control appetite because of their low glycemic index, which means they raise the blood sugar level slowly. This makes them a good part of a diabetic diet.

Note that prunes are not low in calories, and can add a lot of natural sugar to the diet. Six prunes contain about 138 calories and 22 grams of sugar.

Also note that too many prunes may loosen the bowels enough to cause diarrhea, gas, or bloating. Or, constipation may occur if there isn't enough fluid to accompany the fiber.

My bottom line is that prunes are pretty great, and have benefits that go beyond the bathroom. Most people can safely build up to eating as many as 10 dried prunes a day, which is about one-half of a cup.

It's easy to add prunes to your diet; try chopping them into pieces and adding them to hot or cold dishes, to smoothies and shakes, to cookie batter, or even using them as a sugar substitute. Eat them alone as a snack or in a trail mix with nuts, other dried fruits, and chocolate chips.

They're highly nutritious and even small amounts will provide a good source of energy and make a real contribution to your diet.

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Kaiser workers picket over job outsourcing

► Hospital workers staged a public protest Wednesday, saying Kaiser plans to eliminate 61 jobs.

By Alex Dominguez
Staff Writer

DOWNEY – Kaiser Permanente Downey saw individuals march in protest of the hospital's planned future outsourcing of 61 jobs.

Clad in purple shirts and their usual workday scrubs, several of the hospital's workers marched up and down Imperial Highway with protest signs bearing the words "Outsourcing hurts patients," and "Caregivers / patients for healthcare justice," each chanting "Healthcare justice!"

This protest was one of 32 held across California by caregivers between Feb. 14 and March 15 at facilities owned by Kaiser.

It was expected that at least 400 individuals including workers and possibly patients would take part in the protest, which spanned from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday.

Gabriel Montoya, a 38-year-old emergency room assistant who lives in Whittier, says that the outsourcing of these jobs will have a drastic negative effect on patient care.

"What that does is it breeds inexperience; it breeds people who don't have commitment to Kaiser like our workers do," said Montoya. "Many of our workers [have worked here] 25 years plus, and that experience leads to good patient care, quality patient care, and people who know their patients."

Montoya has worked at Kaiser for 10 years. He says that Kaiser has been outsourcing at their other locations for around the last five years or more, which has confused workers due to Kaiser having been profitable in the last several years.

"That's the part that's complexing to us," said Montoya. "Kaiser last year, they made \$4



Gabriel Montoya leads a chant during Wednesday's protest. Photo by Alex Dominguez

billion in profits; that's four billion with a "B." They have \$32 billion sitting in cash on hand, so it is perplexing. How in the heck are you going to sit on that type of money, and yet outsource jobs to non-union workers, and most importantly put your patient care at risk.

"You can't on one hand if you're Kaiser say you're committed to the community you serve, while putting patient care at risk and taking away those middle-class jobs from the community that you serve."

Montoya says that the entire union of 55,000 workers across the state - 2,500 working at the Downey medical center - are affected.

"Any time you pick on one member of the union, you pick on all of us," said Montoya. "They're really working to take away the union's ability to fight for patient care, and the union's ability to fight for its members and middle-class jobs."

Francisco Mora Paez has worked in the warehouse across the street for 11 years as a drug distributor. He says that the outsourcing will not only have drastic effects on patient care, but on the workers home lives as well.

"My job security is out the window," said Paez. "I pay child-support. I pay medical for my children. This helps pay for their daycare, this helps pay for their medical. Not only that, my bills at home. I'm going to have to restructure everything that's going on in my life in the context of my children and family at this point."

Paez added that there has been no set date given to them for when this action will take effect. In the meantime, Kaiser had offered to pay workers affected by the outsourcing for a year, as well as offer educational programs while they look for new work either inside or outside of the hospital.

Still, Paez says that this will still be a blow to workers.

"We want to be where we're at; we want our job. We don't want to give it to nobody else," said Paez. "There's a lot of employees that work in our warehouse that have family and children, and they're probably going to have to take pay cuts if they're going to stay within

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KAISER: Hospital calls union's demonstrations 'counterproductive'

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Kaiser; they're going to have to take pay cuts anywhere else to go outside of Kaiser.

"I'm hoping that something can get worked out here and they can do the right thing for us because we've dedicated a lot of time to Kaiser. I'm hoping they do the right thing and keep us going here."

In response to the event today, Kaiser released a statement, saying,

"First and foremost, please know that SEIU-UHW is planning to stage a series of rolling informational pickets, not strikes. These informational pickets will not impact our care delivery or operations. Also note that the union has a contract in place and Kaiser Permanente and SEIU-UHW are not in contract bargaining.

"We have not announced or made any wage proposals for SEIU-UHW members. We are committed to providing our employees excellent wages and benefits wherever they work.

"The union's claims that we have announced 700 layoffs at our call centers is simply not true. Kaiser Permanente has seven appointment service call centers in our Southern California region. These are part of our efforts to provide high quality, affordable and convenient care to our members.

"To do this consistently and reliably, we must ensure we have the latest technology and work processes. So for example, over the next year we are looking to

advancements for appointment booking that will improve our call center agents' ability to manage member calls and schedule appointments across Southern California.

"We will certainly make additional improvements and changes in the future, and we will communicate them as we always do: transparently and thoughtfully.

"We have been working for more than 8 months with the unions representing our employees who work within our pharmacy warehouses, on how to address the many regulatory, technological and efficiency challenges we face now and in the future.

"After these careful deliberations and extensive discussions with our unions, including SEIU-UHW (including 17 all-day sessions over the past 8 months), Kaiser Permanente reached the conclusion that an external pharmacy storage and distribution network is the best option for meeting the current and future needs of our members.

"The exact number of positions affected by this decision has not yet been determined, so the union's claims are premature and may in fact be wrong. We will be scheduling more sessions with our union partners over the next few months to fully address the effects of this decision. As we determine the potential impact to employees, plans will be finalized and shared with them.

"SEIU-UHW's decision to stage picketing and make misleading and inaccurate statements about Kaiser

Permanente is uncalled for and counterproductive. If the union's leadership is truly interested in working constructively and as a partner, as they claim, they should reconsider this path.

"While this union is staging picketing, the physicians and employees of Kaiser Permanente will remain focused on the important work of delivering high-quality, affordable care to our members and improving the health of the communities we serve.

"It's hopefully also helpful to understand the context around why the union's actions are counterproductive: When bargaining with a union in the Coalition of Kaiser Permanente Unions, for the past 20 years we have jointly used an interest-based problem-solving approach.

"Unlike traditional bargaining, in interest-based bargaining the parties identify shared interests, propose ways to meet those interests, and agree on solutions. This process yields mutually beneficial results that preserve—and improve—workplace relationships and partnership.

Over the 20 years we have used this approach, we have enjoyed a historically productive labor management partnership that has resulted in improved quality and efficiency, and better working relationships, and has helped Kaiser Permanente improve as a great place to work and to receive care."

Mortgage rates inch higher as home sales drop

Mortgage rates increased 1 basis point to 4.52 percent, according to Bankrate's weekly survey of large lenders. That's the seventh consecutive week of increases and the highest point for the 30-year fixed since April 2014, when the average rate was 4.54 percent.

Meanwhile, home sales dropped across the country in January, according to a report by the National Association of Realtors. The 3.2 percent drop, to a seasonally adjusted rate of 5.38 million units last month, is the second monthly drop in a row.

Most experts attribute the drop in sales to a shortage of inventory rather than rising rates. Greg McBride, CFA, chief financial analyst for Bankrate.com, says that limited inventory of available homes for sale is putting a crimp in home sales, not small upticks in mortgage rates as the strong economy is motivating buyers.

McBride says that although a well-qualified buyer might have to buy a different house at 4.5 percent than they would at 4 percent, it won't deter them completely.

"In the short-term, rising rates will rob the housing market of some momentum, but it won't derail it altogether," McBride says.

Important reminders from Downey Rose Float Association

DOWNEY – The last day to register for the Miss Downey Pageant is Feb 26, at Trinity Baptist Church at 5:30 pm.

Application forms are available on the Miss Downey Royalty Facebook page. For more information, call Jennifer DeKay at (562) 714-5658.

Theast day to pre-register for the Princess for a Day is Feb. 26, at Trinity Baptist Church from 5:30 to 7:30pm.

Princess for a Day will be held March 24 at Casa de Parly Johnson house from 10 am to 2 pm. Pre-registration is \$20, includes t-shirt, lunch, activities and more.

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

The Downey Rose Float Association will be having a "Dine-Around Fundraiser" at Rock n Brews on Wednesday, Feb. 28.

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