



**NEWS**  
**Police officers on campus**

SEE PAGE 3



**PAGING DR. FRISCHER**  
**Daylight savings time**

SEE PAGE 7



**NEWS**  
**Bunny brunch at Golden Park**

SEE PAGE 4



**POLITICS**  
**Mendoza running to reclaim seat**

SEE PAGE 4



**MARCH 23**  
**'One Strange Rock' documentary**  
**DATE:** Friday, March 23  
**TIME:** 6:30 pm  
**LOCATION:** Columbia Memorial Space Center

**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

**Princess for a Day**  
**DATE:** Saturday, March 24  
**TIME:** 10 am  
**LOCATION:** Casa de Parley Johnson House

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

**MARCH 29**  
**Coffee with a Cop**  
**DATE:** Thursday, March 29  
**TIME:** 6-8 pm  
**LOCATION:** Starbucks (7954 Imperial Hwy.)

**MARCH 30**  
**'Animaniacs live**  
**DATE:** Friday, March 30  
**TIME:** 8 pm  
**LOCATION:** Downey Theatre

**APRIL 7**  
**Downey Symphony concert**  
**DATE:** Saturday, April 7  
**TIME:** 8 pm  
**LOCATION:** Downey Theatre

**APRIL 22**  
**Sara Evans in concert**  
**DATE:** Sunday, April 22  
**TIME:** 7 pm  
**LOCATION:** Downey Theatre

**APRIL 28**  
**Miss Downey Pageant**  
**DATE:** Saturday, April 28  
**TIME:** TBD  
**LOCATION:** Downey Theatre

**City of STEM Science Festival**  
**DATE:** Saturday, April 28  
**TIME:** 10 am to 11 pm  
**LOCATION:** Columbia Memorial Space Center

**MAY 5**  
**Downey Street Faire**  
**DATE:** Saturday, May 5  
**TIME:** 10 am to 3 pm  
**LOCATION:** Brookshire Avenue

**MAY 30**  
**Columbus High graduation**  
**DATE:** Wednesday, May 30  
**TIME:** 6 pm  
**LOCATION:** Downey Civic Theatre

**MAY 31**  
**Downey High graduation**  
**DATE:** Thursday, May 31  
**TIME:** 7 pm  
**LOCATION:** LBCC stadium

**JUNE 1**  
**Warren High graduation**  
**DATE:** Friday, June 1  
**TIME:** 6 pm  
**LOCATION:** LBCC stadium

**AUGUST 25**  
**Downey Relay for Life**  
**DATE:** Saturday, Aug. 25  
**TIME:** 10 am  
**LOCATION:** Downey Adult School



Wendy Welt poses with admirers after last Thursday's Gangs Out of Downey meeting. The annual event raises money for gang-prevention efforts in Downey.

Photo by Claudia Gomez

## Gangs Out of Downey luncheon brings message of unity and positivity

► Despite being born without arms or legs, Wendy Welt lives a routine life that includes driving, texting, marriage and family.

"I am so blessed and thankful to God," she says.

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

**DOWNEY** – The 2018 Gangs Out of Downey (GOOD) luncheon was held last Thursday featuring congenital quad-amputee Wendy Welt as its keynote speaker.

The event, held at the Rio Hondo Event Center, was attended by GOOD members, several notable Downey residents and elected officials, as well as students and representatives from Downey and Warren high schools.

The luncheon opened with several brief statements from former GOOD presidents – Downey Unified Board of Education member Martha Sodemani and Mayor Pro Tem Rick Rodriguez – as well as current president Downey Police Department Lt. Mark McDaniel.

Rodriguez, in particular, took a hard stance against any potential gang members in Downey.

"In my city, you're not welcome here. In my city we don't want you here," said Rodriguez. "If you know a gang member, if you see a gang member, if you know a family member of a gang member, tell the family to get involved...But understand this: when you come to Downey, we don't have gang members; we have respect and integrity."

McDaniel said that the community could support the mission of GOOD by coming together as examples and difference makers.

"Downey is a unique city, where our police department, our school district, elected officials, city staff, our business community, civic roots and residents come together as one to affect change in people's lives," said McDaniel. "To affect change, we have to be out in the community setting the example and showing these young folks that we care and we respect them."

Gangs Out of Downey has adopted the six pillars of Character Counts...GOOD helps spread these pillars. Character does count and character matters. We have to set the example."



Downey Police Lt. Mark McDaniel, president of Gangs Out of Downey.

Photo by Claudia Gomez

The keynote speaker was Wendy Welt, a former Downey resident and Warren High School alumnus who was born without arms and legs.

Welt spoke of positivity, self-image and acceptance, and overcoming challenges.

"There is no such thing as 'can't,'" said Welt. "Where there's a will, there's a way."

During her presentation, Welt demonstrated what it is like to live a life without arms and legs, covering her early life, challenges and experiences, and how she performs day to day tasks.

Welt said that her parents "didn't raise me to be handicapped."

"My parents told my brothers 'we're not going to do everything for Wendy. Wendy is going to learn to do everything for herself,'" said Welt. "I can do everything just like everybody else, just a little bit differently."

## Police make arrest in Norm's robbery

**DOWNEY** – A Norwalk man has been arrested and charged with robbing the Norm's restaurant in Downey late last year.

Edward Ramon Rodriguez, 46, is accused of brandishing a handgun and robbing the restaurant at about 9:30 p.m. on Dec. 12. He ordered the cashier to give him the money in the register before Rodriguez fled through the front doors to a waiting vehicle, authorities said.

Rodriguez was arrested March 3, although police didn't announce the arrest until March 16. Rodriguez is facing similar robbery charges in Huntington Beach.

Prosecutors charged Rodriguez with felony armed robbery. He is currently being held at the Orange County Jail pending a court appearance.

Welt concluded her presentation with comments on acceptance and moving forward.

"Remember, we're only in control of ourselves... Doing your work and working on your self-talk and your attitude helps with all that," said Welt. "I am so blessed and thankful to God, and to my parents, family, and friends and all my different challenges..."

The luncheon concluded with comments from former Mayor Mario Guerra before McDaniel briefed attendees on upcoming events.

"Gangs Out of Downey is a special place. We know that the city of Downey is a special place, and because we do it as a community," said Guerra. "That's what's important to us; our school district, our city, our police, our city working together."

## Downey restaurant grades

**Sunny's Sushi and Grill**  
11531 Bellflower Blvd.  
Date Inspected: 3/16/18  
Grade: **A**

**The Coffee Bean and Tea Leaf**  
8550 Firestone Blvd.  
Date Inspected: 3/15/18  
Grade: **A**

**Subway**  
9228 Lakewood Blvd.  
Date Inspected: 3/15/18  
Grade: **A**

**Godtti's**  
7931 Firestone Blvd.  
Date Inspected: 3/15/18  
Grade: **A**

**The Flame Broiler**  
9206 Lakewood Blvd.  
Date Inspected: 3/15/18  
Grade: **A**

**Bluewater Fish Grill**  
8262 Firestone Blvd.  
Date Inspected: 3/15/18  
Grade: **A**

**The Palms**  
8060 E Florence Ave.  
Date Inspected: 3/15/18  
Grade: **A**

**Starfish Sushi**  
8244 Firestone Blvd.  
Date Inspected: 3/15/18  
Grade: **A**

**Chris & Pitts BBQ**  
9243 Lakewood Blvd.  
Date Inspected: 3/15/18  
Grade: **A**

**Poached Kitchen**  
9510 Lakewood Blvd.  
Date Inspected: 3/14/18  
Grade: **A**

**The Coffee Bean and Tea Leaf**  
9516 Lakewood Blvd.  
Date Inspected: 3/14/18  
Grade: **A**

**El Azteca Taqueria**  
11917 Paramount Blvd.  
Date Inspected: 3/14/18  
Grade: **A**

**Toppings Pizza**  
9516 Lakewood Blvd.  
Date Inspected: 3/14/18  
Grade: **A**

**Golden Corral**  
9588 Lakewood Blvd.  
Date Inspected: 3/14/18  
Grade: **A**

**RJ Southern Home Cooking**  
8852 Rosecrans Ave.  
Date Inspected: 3/13/18  
Grade: **C**

**Taco Bell**  
9551 Lakewood Blvd.  
Date Inspected: 3/13/18  
Grade: **A**

**Sansai Japanese Grill**  
8428 Firestone Blvd.  
Date Inspected: 3/13/18  
Grade: **A**

**Hometown Buffet**  
8432 Firestone Blvd.  
Date Inspected: 3/13/18  
Grade: **A**

**Poke 2 Grill**  
9523 Lakewood Blvd.  
Date Inspected: 3/13/18  
Grade: **A**

**Uncle Henry's Deli**  
7400 Florence Ave.  
Date Inspected: 3/12/18  
Grade: **A**

## Weekend at a Glance

Friday 66°

Saturday 64°

Sunday 63°

### THINGS TO DO



#### Waffles & Beer Festival

All Weekend - Pershing Square, 12-8 pm

Beer, mimosas, live music and all the best waffles in LA, from savory to sweet. \$7 admission



#### Santa Monica Airport ArtWalk

Saturday - Santa Monica Airport, 12-5 pm

Art and ceramic demonstrations, theater and art workshops, live music and food trucks. Free.



#### Orange County Beer and Music Festival

Saturday - Downtown Santa Ana, 7-10 pm

An outdoor walk-around event with live music, DJ's and complimentary samples from 100-plus craft breweries. \$35



#### Helpful Honda Pet Adoptions

Sunday - Rosie's Dog Beach in Long Beach, 11 am to 3 pm

Take home a new family member. Plus free dog baths, pet photo booths and complimentary leashes.



#### Marlon Wayans

Saturday - Ontario Improv, 9:30 pm

The actor and comedian performs stand-up. 21 and older. \$35-\$45, plus two item minimum order.

### TWEET OF THE WEEK

@WarrenBears: Sophomore, Nadine Gomez, ran a mark in the 3200m (2 miles) on Saturday that put her in a very elite group of distance runners nationwide. Her time of 11:02 ranks her 16th in the nation & 6th in California for 10th graders currently in this event.

Follow us!  
@DowneyPatriot

# Augie Garrido, longtime baseball coach at Cal State Fullerton, dies at 79



Augie Garrido had the most victories amongst all managers in college baseball. He died March 15 at age 79.

**FULLERTON** -- Augie Garrido, who won five College World Series titles with two schools and still ranks No. 1 on the career victories list in college baseball, died Thursday. He was 79.

The University of Texas, where he wrapped up his extraordinary career that spanned six decades, announced the death and said Garrido had recently been hospitalized following a stroke.

"We lost one of the greatest coaches of all time, a truly special Longhorn legend and college athletics icon," athletic director Chris Del Conte said. "If you were fortunate enough to have spent time with Augie, or if you followed him in any way, he had a great effect on you with his brilliant combination of wisdom, wit and charm. He was just an incredible coach, molder of men and a great person."

Garrido won three national championships with Cal State Fullerton in 1979, 1984 and 1995. He also won titles at Texas in 2002 and 2005. He last coached the Longhorns in 2016, leaving the game with 1,975 career wins dating

to 1969. He was inducted into the College Baseball Hall of Fame in 2016.

Garrido also coached at San Francisco State, Cal Poly and Illinois. He was a special assistant in the Texas athletic department since his final season with the Longhorns.

Garrido won 25 conference championships and national coach of the year honors six times. He was the first coach to win national championships with different schools. Over his career, Garrido's teams played in the College World Series 15 times.

He spent 20 years at Texas, which hired him away from Fullerton in 1997 to replace Cliff Gustafson, who won two national championships with the Longhorns and had the program on a regular rotation at the College World Series.

Garrido's personality of California cool and his aura as a Zen-master coach who talked as much about thinking about winning as swinging a bat, took some time to take root at Texas. But once he did, Garrido had the Longhorns back among the nation's top programs.

His best years with the Longhorns were from 2002 to 2010 when he won the two national titles and had six 50-win seasons.

"When we were looking for a baseball coach, we already knew that Augie was the guy we needed, and he did not disappoint," former Texas athletic director DeLoss Dodds said. "He and his kids set the standard that caught fire within the athletics department when they won the national championship in 2002, showing all of our sports what could be done at the highest level."

Garrido's teams produced 15 first-round draft picks in the Major League Baseball and 27 players won All-America honors 34 times.

The Vallejo, California, native played college baseball at Fresno State, where he played in the College World Series in 1959. He played six seasons in the minors with the Cleveland Indians organization before taking his first head coaching job at Sierra High School in Tollhouse, California, in 1966.

**LARRY KWONG:** Larry Kwong, the first player of Asian heritage to appear in an NHL game, has died at 94.

According to an online obituary, he died Thursday in Calgary, Alberta.

Kwong played a shift with the New York Rangers against the Montreal Canadiens on March 13, 1948. The brief NHL stint came after he joined the New York Rovers, a Rangers farm team. He led the team in scoring in the 1947-1948 season.

Kwong was born in British Columbia and played with his hometown Hydrophones before moving up to the senior ranks at 18 with the Trail Smoke Eaters.

After the Rangers, Kwong spent several seasons in the Quebec Senior Hockey League. He later

played in England and Switzerland, where he also coached. Kwong was inducted into British Columbia's sports Hall of Fame in 2013.

**MILLIE DUNN VEASEY:** A North Carolina woman believed to be one of the last African-American women to serve overseas during World War II has died at the age of 100.

Haywood Funeral Home in Raleigh said on its website that Millie Dunn Veasey died March 9 and will be buried Monday at Raleigh National Cemetery. Her niece, Elsie Thompson, told WUNC that her aunt's "heart was tired."

After she graduated from high school in 1942, Veasey enlisted in what was called the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps. Her unit was the only all-black, all-female battalion to serve overseas during World War II.

Veasey served in France and England with the unit, which sorted and routed mail for millions of American service members and civilians.

She later became the first female president of the Raleigh NAACP.

**ED CHARLES:** Ed Charles, the third baseman known as "The Glider" who helped lead the Miracle Mets to the 1969 World Series title with his veteran guidance and poetry, has died. He was 84.

Charles died Thursday in New York, the J. Foster Phillips Funeral Home said.

Born Edwin Charles on April 29, 1933, in Daytona Beach, Florida, he was inspired to become a professional baseball player when he saw Jackie Robinson, then a minor leaguer in the Brooklyn Dodgers farm system, on a train at spring training in 1946. A year later, Robinson broke the big league color barrier.

Charles was signed by the

Milwaukee Braves in 1952 and spent nearly a decade in the minor leagues before he was traded to the Kansas City Athletics after the 1961 season. He made his big league debut with the A's that April at age 29 but is most known for his time with the Mets, who acquired him on May 10, 1967, for outfielder Larry Elliot and \$50,000.

Charles hit just .207 with three homers and 18 RBIs in 169 at-bats in 1969, which turned out to be his final season, but he inspired his young teammates with his poetry and came up with the occasional big hit.

He singled off Baltimore's Dave McNally in the ninth inning of Game 2 of the World Series and scored the go-ahead run on Al Weis' sacrifice fly as the Mets won 2-1 for a 2-0 Series lead en route to New York's first title. Charles provided leadership to an expansion team that had established itself as lovable losers in its initial seasons. Mets broadcaster Bob Murphy was fond of saying: "Never hang a slider to the Glider."

Released by the Mets after the World Series, Charles never played again. He finished with a .263 career batting average, 86 homers and 421 RBIs.

The Mets dubbed him their poet laureate. He wrote rhyming verse about Robinson and other sports-related subjects and would sometimes send poems to fans who requested autographs, the Daily News reported.

The team said he is survived by longtime companion Lavonnie Brinkley, sons Edwin and Eric, sister Virginia Charles and brother Elder.

**LOUISE SLAUGHTER:** Veteran Congresswoman Rep. Louise Slaughter died Friday days after falling in her residence, her top aide said. The 88-year-old lawmaker had been the first woman to chair the House Rules Committee and was her party's top member on the panel when she died.

The New York Democrat died at George Washington University Hospital in Washington, said Liam Fitzsimmons, her chief of staff, a week after a fall in which she'd sustained a concussion.

Slaughter was serving her 16th term in the House, and her 31 years in the chamber made her its third longest-serving woman, according to the official House website. She chaired the rules committee from 2007 through 2010.

Slaughter had a degree in microbiology and was originally from Harlan County, Kentucky, and her soft, twangy accent always seemed out of place for someone representing a district around Rochester, New York. But she was repeatedly re-elected—including a narrow victory in 2014 — and was the longest-serving member of Congress from New York when she died.

"Louise never forgot her roots as the daughter of a Kentucky blacksmith," House Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif., said in a statement. "She brought the grace and grit of her Southern background to her leadership in the Congress, building bridges and breaking down barriers all with her beautiful accent. Louise could be fiercely debating on the floor in the morning, and singing in harmony with her colleagues across the aisle in the evening."

House Speaker Paul Ryan, R-Wis., called Slaughter "a giant in the people's House" and said she was "unrelenting" in working for her ideals and constituents. "Louise did not need a gavel to make a dent in history," Ryan said.

Slaughter was the chief force behind a 2012 law to ban insider stock trading based on congressional knowledge and require disclosure of market activities by lawmakers. She also helped write the Violence Against Women Act and a 2008 law designed to protect people with genetic predispositions to health conditions from facing discrimination from their employers or health insurance companies.

Her death creates a vacancy at the top of the Democratic side of the Rules panel, which sets the terms of House floor debates. It's likely to be filled by Rep. Jim McGovern, D-Mass.

When Slaughter was first elected in 1986, she ousted GOP Rep. Fred Eckert after running a campaign advertisement in which Peggy Say accused him of refusing to "speak up" for her brother, kidnapped Associated Press reporter Terry Anderson.

Say and Anderson were both from the Rochester, New York, area. Anderson, the AP's Middle East bureau chief, had been captured the year before by Islamic militants in Beirut, Lebanon, and was not released until 1991.

## Easter Fun Weekends

FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!

ONLY \$23 per person

2-Hour Unlimited Wristband

Includes Go-Karts, Bumper Boats, Kiddie Train, Miniature Golf + Free Chocolate Bunny!

SATURDAYS & SUNDAYS

MARCH 14-15 & MARCH 21-22

## FREE EASTER EGG HUNT

Saturday, March 24

(Ages 10 & Under)

12:30 pm • Ages 1" - 3

1:00 pm • Ages 4-5

1:30 pm • Ages 6-7

2:00 pm • Ages 8-10

FREE Activities from 12-4 pm

Free Face Painting and Balloon Art!

Golf N' Stuff

Hawthorne, CA • 562.868.9926

# Spring Worship

## Guide

Holy Week

Messiah Lutheran Church

10711 Paramount Boulevard • Downey • CA

Palm Sunday - March 25 - 9:00 a.m.

Good Friday - March 30  
7:00 pm

Easter Sunday - April 1  
9:00 a.m. - Easter Service  
10:30 a.m. - Breakfast  
11:00 a.m. Egg Hunt for children 12 & younger

For more information call (562) 923-1215  
or visit us at  
<http://messiahlutherandowney.com>

Downey Seventh-day Adventist Church

Celebrate Easter with us  
Saturday, Mar. 31 at 11:00AM

What Difference Does  
The Cross Make?

9820 Lakewood Blvd. - 562.869.6013  
[www.downeychurch.org](http://www.downeychurch.org)

# In Downey, putting police officers on campus is far from a new idea

► Downey police officers have been in Downey public high schools since 1998.

Officials credit the program for strengthening relationships between law enforcement and teens.

By Eric Pierce  
Editor

**DOWNEY** – As a 32-year veteran of the Downey Police Department, there are not many things Cpl. Mike Pope hasn't seen.

But last February, he experienced a first.

"I was at Gallatin Elementary and after the students asked me the typical cop questions, they started asking me for my autograph, like 'I'm some rock star or something,'" Pope laughed. "I signed my name over 100 times."

Pope is one of the Downey Police Department's 20 sworn police officers enrolled in the department's school resource program, a rotating shift of officers that spend their days off patrolling Downey Unified's three public high schools.

The Feb. 14 mass shooting at Stoneman Douglas High School in Florida thrust campus safety into the national conversation, but it's an issue the Downey community first tackled 20 years ago. Police officers began patrolling Downey school campuses in 1998, when the non-profit Gangs Out of Downey fronted \$50,000 to start the pilot program.

Today, the program is mostly funded by the Downey Unified School District, with financial support from the City of Downey and Gangs Out of Downey.

Each school – Downey, Warren and Columbus – has an armed officer on campus during school

hours. Officers are assigned to the same school to build rapport with students and staff; on days an officer can't work due to vacation or sickness, an alternate police officer is called in to cover the shift.

Pope, 49, has participated in the program since its inception. Hired by Downey PD in 1986, he's worked in many of the department's units, including undercover narcotics and gang investigations, but working at the schools "is the funnest, most rewarding detail of my career," he said.

"I get to interact with kids I normally wouldn't meet and they see life from an officer's perspective. This isn't work I dread doing."

Pope graduated from Downey High School and is assigned to patrol Warren High. Most of the issues he's asked to address involved disciplinary issues, including students caught with marijuana or vaping devices.

"School has definitely changed since I first started," said Pope, who is two months away from retirement. "Kids today have to deal with social media and so many other things. I try to be more heartfelt with students; if they're having issues at school, they're usually having issues at home."

According to Everytown for Gun Safety, a gun control advocacy group, the U.S. averages one school shooting every 2.5 days.

As of last week, 130 people have been killed in shootings on elementary, middle school and high school campuses since 2000, according to statistics compiled by the Washington Post. Another 58 were fatally shot at colleges and universities.

It's against this backdrop that Pope patrols the Warren High

campus, greeting teachers and staff by nicknames. At more than 6 feet tall, with a bald head and wearing wrap-around sunglasses, Pope is an intimidating figure but that doesn't stop students from greeting him with fist bumps and nods of appreciation.

"They don't always say hi or thank you, especially the boys when they're around their buddies," said Pope. "But a lot of kids still tell me they appreciate me being here. They've told me it makes them feel safe."

One recent lunchtime, Pope spotted a boy eating alone on a bench and sat down next to him. The boy appeared apprehensive at first but three minutes later was showing Pope his science project.

"Last year, I ran into two former students who were here getting their transcripts for nursing school," Pope said. "One of the girls I had arrested for having a knife on campus. She told me later she had never had a male role model speak to her the way I had."

"Those interactions are very rewarding."

According to Sgt. Leigh Lacy of the Downey Police Department, school resource officers not only provide security for the campus, but they help strengthen bonds between law enforcement and teens.

"The last thing we want is for students to not feel safe at a place of education," said Sgt. Lacy. "Officers are very approachable. Not only do they provide a safe environment, but they build relationships with students and school staff."

Roger Brossmer, assistant superintendent of secondary education at Downey Unified, agreed, saying the district has "greatly benefited" from the



Downey Police Cpl. Mike Pope on patrol at Downey High School.

Photo by Eric Pierce

presence of police officers on campus the past 20 years.

"They work closely with our students and establish relationships, often becoming mentors to many of them," Brossmer said.

"While our relationship with our resource officers go back many years, in light of the latest school

tragedies, having these highly-trained and capable police officers on school campuses has provided a great sense of relief not only to our students, but also to our parents and staff."

As the father of two young children, Pope said the issue of campus safety is extra important to him.

"I have kids, most of our Downey police officers have kids," Pope said. "I know we all feel better knowing there's an officer on campus to help keep the kids safe. It's peace of mind."



## Mikel's

INSURANCE SERVICES

*Proudly serving Downey for over 35 years.*

www.Mikels-Ins.com  
Phone: (562) 449-4321  
Fax: (562) 928-8149  
7847 Florence Ave Ste. 120  
Downey, CA 90240  
Monday - Friday 9am-5pm








CA LICENSE 0E11818



# Thank You!

www.arcwalk.org

A Special Thanks to all those that participated and supported  
The Arc Walk for Independence.

Thank You for caring about people with intellectual and  
developmental disabilities and supporting The Arc.

On behalf of over 200 individuals served through our programs & services

## Thank You!

**Host Sponsors:**

- Wescom Credit Union • WeCare Foundation

**Platinum Sponsors**

- Acapulco Restaurant Y Cantina
- Stonewood Shopping Center
- M&G Neiman

**Official Media Sponsor**

- Long Beach Press-Telegram

**Diamond Sponsors**

- Cleveland Properties, L.P. • Downey Federal Credit Union
- Double "E" Enterprises, Inc. • Financial Partners Credit Union
- Pat and Mike Heineke • Hoag Property Management, Inc.
- Betty Morse & Family • Pacific Western Bank • Silversage Advisors

**Gold Sponsors**

- Admiral Pest Control • Advanced Office Services • All American Air & Electric
- American Capital Realty Group, Inc. • Anabela Barajas & Family • Cadena-Chavez Family
- Marcia Castro & Family • The Downey Patriot Newspaper • William Henderson & Family
- Downey Kiwanis Foundation • Wendy Krause and Family • Arthur J. Gallagher & Co.
- Lindley-Hoskins Family • Knights of Columbus • St. Linus Council • Learn4Life
- Raul & Arlene Lopez • Lumsdaine Law Corporation • MacDonald Family
- Minuteman Press • Ashvin Patel & Family • Hetal Patel & Family
- Penske Toyota of Downey • Ray-A-Motive • Rincon/Diaz-Infante Families
- Lupita Romero & Family • Swat Fame Inc. • Larry Simpson & Family
- Abraham Torres & Family • Carol Wait • Starbucks • TLD Law



Receive

# \$814 in Value<sup>1</sup>

DURING AAA TRAVEL'S EXCLUSIVE

## ALOHA DAYS

### BIG ISLAND, HAWAII

Sheraton Kona Resort & Spa at Keauhou Bay

## 5 NIGHTS FROM \$1,081<sup>2</sup> INCLUDES AIRFARE!

**INCLUDES:**

- ROUND TRIP AIRFARE from Los Angeles, CA (LAX) to Kona, HI (KOA)
- Five nights' garden/mountain view accommodations
- FREE breakfast for two daily (\$290 value)
- KIDS 17 & YOUNGER STAY FREE<sup>3</sup>

ASK ABOUT RATES FROM YOUR LOCAL AIRPORT!

ALOHA DAYS SPECIAL OFFERS

**\$100 OFF<sup>1</sup>**  
PER BOOKING

**FREE CAR RENTAL<sup>2</sup>**  
FOR 5 DAYS

AAA MEMBER BENEFIT

**\$50 ACTIVITY VOUCHER<sup>1</sup>**  
PER BOOKING

**CALL: 562.622.2170 VISIT: 8223 Firestone Blvd**

**CLICK: AAA.com/Aloha Downey, CA 90241**

**BOOK NOW! VALID NOW THROUGH APRIL 30, 2018**

<sup>1</sup>The value listed is per booking and equals the total of the Aloha Days special offers, plus the \$50 activity voucher, plus the total inclusions listed. \*Rate is per person, land and round trip economy-class airfare from LAX only, based on double occupancy for check-in on September 3, 2018 & includes taxes, fees and surcharges collected by seller at time of booking. Air tickets are non-refundable. Itinerary changes/cancellations are subject to Pleasant Holidays, airline and/or other supplier-imposed fees from \$25 (for Canada or contiguous U.S. travel) or from \$50 (for all other travel) per person, plus applicable fare differential (certain changes involve re-confirmation deadlines). See General Disclaimer for additional information regarding air. \*Kids stay free in same room as adults using existing bedding. Occupancy limits apply. **ALOHA DAYS SPECIAL OFFERS:** Minimum five nights' accommodation at a participating hotel or resort and round trip transoceanic air required to receive Aloha Days offers. \$100 off per booking after applies to new bookings to Hawaii<sup>1</sup> at select hotels made March 1 – April 30, 2018 for travel March 1 – December 15, 2018. Savings is per booking and taken at time of booking, and not reflected in rate shown. Complimentary five-day Hertz mid-size car rental valid for new Hawaii<sup>1</sup> bookings made March 1 – April 30, 2018 for travel March 1 – December 15, 2018. Blackout dates apply June 9 – August 12, 2018. Mid-size car value is \$374. **AAA MEMBER BENEFIT:** Activity voucher does not apply to air/car only booking. Valid toward the purchase of a select optional activity. Not valid for hotel direct activity bookings.

**For all offers, unless otherwise indicated:** Rates quoted are accurate at time of publication & are per person, based on double occupancy. Gratuities, transfers, excursions and, for non-inclusive offers, airfare, taxes, fees & surcharges, are additional. Advertised rates do not include any applicable daily resort or facility fees payable directly to the hotel at check-out; such fee amounts will be advised at the time of booking. Rates, terms, conditions, availability, itinerary, taxes, fees, surcharges, deposit, payment, cancellation terms, conditions & policies subject to change without notice at any time. Cruise rates capacity controlled. Advance reservations through AAA Travel required to obtain Member Benefits & savings which may vary based on departure date. Rates may be subject to increase after full payment for increases in government imposed taxes or fees and, except for air inclusive offers, for supplier imposed fees. Blackout dates & other restrictions may apply. **As to Air-Inclusive Offers Only:** Other restrictions may apply, including, but not limited to, baggage limitations & charges for first & second checked bag, standby policies & fees, non-refundable airline tickets, advance purchase requirements & airline change fees up to & including the price of the fare per change plus any applicable fare differential (certain changes may involve re-confirmation deadlines). Airline fees & policies may vary; contact your ticketing airline for more information, for baggage fees & other details, see www.flytoaaa.com. Rates involving round trip air transportation for travel dates or from gateways other than those advertised may differ. Not responsible for errors or omissions. The Automobile Club of Southern California acts as an agent for Pleasant Holidays®. CST 1016202-80. © 2018 Automobile Club of Southern California. All Rights Reserved.

Pleasant Holidays



On March 19, the members of Delta Kappa Chapter, Delta Kappa Gamma Society International presented their Chapter Service Awards to Julie Moren (Outstanding Professional Service), Lisa Glick (Outstanding Chapter Service) and Dorothy Pemberton (Outstanding Public Service).

"These three deserving women work tirelessly, volunteering hours of hard work to serve our students and the families in our community," the chapter said. "We thank them for their dedication and service."

The city of Downey, in conjunction with Downey Los Amigos Kiwanis, will host its annual Brunch with the Bunny & Spring Extravaganza this Saturday at Golden Park.

The community event features carnival games, photos with the Easter bunny, prizes, games, live entertainment, information booths, and a pancake breakfast (\$5).

The event is from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.



### Downey artist debuts new work in exhibits

**DOWNEY** – "Manifesto 2018," a text-oriented public art exhibit by Downey resident Roy Anthony Shabla, is open at various venues throughout Southern California.

Referencing a long history of the written word as public protest, "Manifesto 2018" is a political exhibit addressing dissatisfaction with the current administration of the United States. Gun control, equal rights, and government corruption are emphasized.

"Manifesto 2018" can be viewed at the Los Angeles Center for Digital Art in downtown L.A., at Beehive near 5th and Wall streets in downtown L.A., and at various locations in Downey, Long Beach and Norwalk.

Meanwhile, another politically-charged exhibit by Shabla, "T is for Treason/Portfolio X," will run April 12 to May 5 at the Los Angeles Center for Digital Art.

"T is for Treason" is an ongoing group of prints coupling images of revolution and redemption. For example, a guillotine -- a symbol of the French Revolution -- is coupled with a hummingbird and a butterfly. Another artwork features the electric chair, the once-preferred method of execution for treason in America, coupled with a sparrow.

The electric chair holds a velvet pillow, suggesting that the privileged class "be held accountable for its crimes against the nation and the people of the nation."

Shabla's non-narrative, multi-film installation, "Signs of the Times," discussing the current social and political state of America, will show in an abbreviated version for the run of the exhibit.

A reception for "T is for Treason/Portfolio X" is scheduled for April 14 at 6 p.m.

### Carnival of Champions renamed after late admin

**DOWNEY** – Downey Unified will hold its 54th Carnival of Champions track and field exhibition this Saturday, March 24, from 8:30 a.m. to noon at Warren High's stadium and gymnasium.

A dedication ceremony will be held at approximately 9:30 a.m. in honor of longtime Downey Unified administrator and Carnival of Champions advocate Dale Lostetter. Organizing this event for over 10 years and continuing to take a large part even after his retirement, Lostetter believed that this event allowed students at an early age to be introduced to competition and camaraderie, all while strengthening students' character.

"It is with great honor that we rename the Carnival of Champions in honor of our beloved Dale Lostetter," said Bobbie Samperi, Board of Education President. "The Board of Education voted unanimously in September to make this change and this event will be named The Dale Lostetter Carnival of Champions from this Saturday forward."

Approximately 500 fourth and fifth-graders will compete in the following seven track and field events: baskets in one minute, softball throw for distance, standing long jump, 50-meter dash, 100-meter dash, four-member team 400-meter relay and mixed-coed relay.

Last year, for the fourth consecutive year, the Old River Elementary School Gators took home the Carnival of Champions trophy; followed by Gallatin Elementary in second place and Rio Hondo Elementary in third place.

**ROSE HILLS**  
Memorial Park & Mortuary

Now Hiring  
**SALES PROFESSIONALS**

NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY  
*paid training*

SET YOUR OWN SCHEDULE  
*medical, dental & vision benefits*

MAKE BIG MONEY  
*offices in Alhambra, Cerritos, City of Industry & Whittier*

Please send your resume to [jaciel.camacho@rosehills.com](mailto:jaciel.camacho@rosehills.com)  
Immediate interviews will be arranged  
(562) 463-4566 • [www.rosehillscareers.com](http://www.rosehillscareers.com)



Alice Barker celebrated her 100th birthday at Downey Community Health Center on March 17.

A Downey resident for the past 14 years, Barker is the oldest of five generations. She said she "loves" that she was born on St. Patrick's Day because her favorite color is green.

Celebrating 20 Years in Business

# UrgentCare

walk-in welcome **Open 7 days a week**  
Open till 9 pm

**COSMETIC SERVICES**

Book An Appointment Today!

**Botox, Laser and other cosmetics services**

**CO2 Fractional Laser Skin Rejuvenation**  
\$499 Full Face  
\$599 Face and Neck

**Laser Tattoo Removal**  
\$119 5 sq. in area  
\$219 10 sq. in area  
\$359 15 sq. in area

**Botox**  
\$10 per unit  
\$80 Glabella Lines  
\$160 Crows Feet  
\$320 Worry Lines

**Acne and Scar Removal**  
\$399 Scar Removal (15 sq. in)  
\$349 Stretch Mark/Body Scar  
\$499 Acne Removal

**AME Medical Group, Inc. Est. 1997**

|   |   |  |   |   |
|---|---|--|---|---|
| 11938 Paramount Blvd., Suite B<br>Downey, CA 90242<br>Phone: (562) 923-6060<br>X-ray<br>Hours of Operation:<br>Monday to Friday 9 am - 9 pm<br>Saturday 10 am - 5 pm<br>Sunday 10 am - 3 pm | 8500 Florence Ave., Suite 101<br>Downey, CA 90240<br>Phone: (562) 202-5020<br>Hours of Operation:<br>Monday to Friday 9 am - 9 pm<br>Saturday 10 am - 5 pm<br>Sunday 10 am - 3 pm | 904 E. Pacific Coast Hwy<br>Long Beach, CA 90806<br>Phone: (562) 444-0022<br>Hours of Operation:<br>Monday to Friday 9 am - 9 pm<br>Saturday 10 am - 5 pm<br>Sunday closed | 12472 Washington Blvd.,<br>Whittier, CA 90602<br>Phone (714) 451-2230<br>Hours of Operation:<br>Mon-Fri 9 am - 9 pm<br>Saturday 10 am - 5 pm<br>Sunday closed | 3625 M. L. K. Jr Blvd, Unit 8<br>Lynwood, CA 90262<br>Phone (323) 585-8876<br>Hours of Operation:<br>Monday to Friday 9 am - 9 pm<br>Saturday 10 am - 5 pm<br>Sunday 10 am - 3 pm |
|---|---|--|---|---|

@amedicalgroup   amemedical   www.ameqme.com

### Tony Mendoza running to regain seat he resigned

**DOWNEY** – Tony Mendoza, the former state senator who resigned last month after allegations that he sexually harassed six women, is running to reclaim his seat.

Mendoza resigned under the threat of expulsion but is now running in a June 5 special election, seeking a new four-year term.

Mendoza is listing himself as a "state senator" on the ballot, drawing a rebuke from the California Democratic Party.

Party chairman Eric Bauman said that "law and common decency dictate" that Mendoza should be required to describe himself in another way on the ballot.

The secretary of state is required by law to determine whether ballot designations are accurate.

"Under this standard, Mr. Mendoza's proposed ballot designation is clearly misleading and would deceive the public into believing that he is running for reelection as the incumbent officeholder," Baumann wrote in a letter.

### Sue Phillips fundraiser returns for 12th year

**DOWNEY** – The 12th annual Sue Phillips Memorial Fundraiser, featuring bingo, dinner, silent auction and an opportunity drawing, will take place Saturday, April 21, at 6 p.m. on the second floor of the Downey Masonic Lodge.

Suggested donation is \$20, which includes admission, dinner and bingo cards.

RSVP at [Facebook.com/SuePhillipsMemorialFundraiser](https://www.facebook.com/SuePhillipsMemorialFundraiser).

## RESTORE your pelvic health

## REVITALIZE your life

Millions of women suffer from bladder leakage & pelvic organ prolapse.

Attend a **FREE** Women's Health Community Education Seminar presented by Coloplast where these conditions and treatment options will be discussed. Light refreshments will be served.

**Tuesday, March 27, 2018**  
Registration begins at 6:45 pm  
Presentation begins at 7:00 pm

**Featuring: Dr. Jonathan Perley**  
A urologist specializing in the treatment of Urinary Incontinence & Pelvic Organ Prolapse

Barbara J. Riley Community and Senior Center  
Main Room  
7810 Quill Drive  
Downey, CA 90242

To reserve your space or for more information about this **FREE** Coloplast Women's Health Community Seminar, please call: (866) 464-6777

An educational series, sponsored by Coloplast Corp., designed to inform and empower. [www.PelvicHealthID.com](http://www.PelvicHealthID.com)

**A-1 PERFORMANCE**  
**ROOTER & PLUMBING**  
DRAINS AS LOW AS \$39.95  
FAMILY OWNED & OPERATED  
EST. 25 YEARS LIC. #896712  
"LOCAL NEIGHBORHOOD DOWNEY PLUMBER"  
CALL US TODAY FOR A FREE QUOTE AT  
**562.420.6458**  
**FAST24HRPLUMBER.COM**

## ATTORNEY • ABOGADA

# Eva Juárez Malhotra

### ATTORNEY AT LAW

I am fully fluent in English and Spanish and a graduate of UCLA Law School with more than 34 years of experience.

Contact me today for your **FREE** consultation!

**FAMILY LAW | TRUSTS | PROBATE | WILLS**

## (562) 806-9400 • (800) 811-8881

7847 E. Florence Avenue, Suite 111, Downey, CA 90240

## Downey's (not so independent) independent planning commission

By Jim Rodriguez

An independent planning commission is essential for a balance of power between people and government. This entity represents a semi-judicial body, responsible for decisions on many complex land issues. Each of the five councilpersons selects one planning commissioner (PC) to act as a voice and final check on the cities' process of developing and improving land use.

I have had the honor to sit as a commissioner for the last six years for Councilman Alex Saab's district 5. In my experience, having five Downey citizens' input is critical to establish an "of the people" balance.

This kind of citizen input can make the oversight process cumbersome. Although decisions by experienced staff and officials can be made more efficiently, without this outside input, the necessary checks and balances would be sacrificed. Loss of independence leads to the five-person planning commission acting simply as a rubber stamp without thoughtful scrutiny of the requests brought before them, compromising citizen input.

The learning curve for an effective planning commission is steep. Fortunately, California offers an annual Planning Commissioner Academy, typically attended by thousands. The academy teaches and encourages planning commissioners to maintain their independence, ask tough questions, challenge staff, think critically, and commit to a thorough review of projects to uncover solutions through compromise with applicants and city staff.

There is strong pressure to go along with staff's recommendation without counterbalancing it with your own independent review, study, and thought. By resisting this pressure, cities can reap the benefit of improved development, staff motivation, and quality of work. Unfortunately, I don't believe this goal is shared by our city staff.

Our city has encountered both challenge and success. We have seen inspiring new developments, as well as improved standards, including better radius ingress and egress curbing, improved business signage, and a more vibrant downtown reflective of conservative values put toward progressive ends. (ie., no go-go dancers and marijuana, and increased hookah lounge restrictions).

The KB Homes townhouse development is a valuable housing

### Planning commissioner responds to removal

Dear Editor:

I've been asked to address Councilman Alex Saab's choice to make a change in the planning commission, mid term, in order to give others an opportunity to serve. I intend to do this with two letters. This being the first, simply sharing my beliefs about the motives. The second being more descriptive (above).

I want to be clear. I don't have a problem with leaving the commission, and I'm not lobbying to keep that position. I understand that I serve at the pleasure of the council. I have a problem with what's going on in the city, and my councilmen not supporting our efforts of transparency, but condoning the city staff's repression of citizen awareness and engagement.

Why would the city try and stop this effort? I believe that if our efforts were successful, they feel it might become too disruptive to their process. It's true that greater community involvement might take more time and effort. Democracy is not always the most efficient, but it's critical for an effective democracy.

Anyone who knows Alex, knows he's a very nice person and I consider him a friend. I believe that, although he has remained mostly silent and unresponsive of our efforts toward an independent planning commission and a more aware and engaged community, his heart and intentions are in the right place. The challenges and pressures of city politics can be overwhelming. The signs are there. From the awkward attempts to prevent Sean Ashton's mayoral bid, to not supporting the efforts of the commission for increased community awareness and involvement. This pressure is especially difficult for someone like Alex, who wants to do the right thing and remain nice.

I believe those pressures and struggles may have taken its toll on him. I feel for him, knowing that he began his term with the goals of high levels of passion for transparency and community engagement. He has done, and will continue to do, great things for the community.

In this instance, however, I believe he has fallen short. And that's ok. We all do. It's a difficult and thankless job. It's one of the reasons I've chosen to stay away from the political city council arena.

Power, politics, ethics, friends. Nothing new here. It's human nature. As old as time. We all know that. (Et tu, Brute?)

Hopefully we can all grow in wisdom and come away from this with more wisdom while maintaining love and respect for each other knowing that we are just human. We need to move forward and keep all of this in perspective by knowing what's really important, especially today, Sunday, and this season. That although we all at times fall short, me included, and we all have our own weaknesses and strengths, that our true strength comes from God and His sacrifice and His gift of forgiveness through grace.

I feel compelled to share these feelings. Remaining silent would only serve to condone and make me complicit. I don't meet the status quo, rubber stamp mold that I believe they want. I believe we are here to do our best, and to pursue truth, transparency and accountability even when faced with challenging circumstances.

**Jim Rodriguez**  
Downey

opportunity for our city. However, it has also been a great example of an opportunity sold short. Considering the vastness of the development, I requested an early study session. The written petition was denied. Per the city's response: "...the design, elevations, and site plan has been peer-reviewed by an outside professional and renowned architectural firm, in addition to staff reviews. Thus a study session wouldn't be required."

A few relatively straightforward changes to the KB development could have made a significant difference, including greater setbacks and more defined architecture and design (patios, balconies, greater articulation, etc.). The planning commission vote was close, 3-2, with myself and Pat Owens voting for additional improvements and changes.

But who were we to even dare ask for a study session, when the project had already received a thumbs up from a "professional and renowned architectural firm" as well as the many "staff reviews"? We were stopped in our tracks...and so, too, our community.

During the first four years of my six-year tenure, we were unable to make significant progress toward increased citizen awareness and engagement. But the last two years have been different; Pat Owens and, later, Dr. Steven Dominguez (selected by councilmen Sean Ashton and Rick Rodriguez), two courageous voices and independent thinkers, undeterred by outside influence, were added. With these two commissioner appointments, progress began to accelerate.

However, they, too, have been hindered. When first coming on board, they promptly looked into attending the planning commission academy as a means of readying themselves for the prodigious task before them. Although they made no request for transportation or hotel costs, the seminar entry fee request was denied. Only after appealing to the city council was the request granted. When asked if they could pay for their own city logo shirt and obtain business cards, they were also denied.

As an academy attendee, I was embarrassed for them -- they could not even share their business cards with others. To not even allow a planning commissioner to have a business card seems very petty and oppressive to me.

In the beginning of last year, many of you might remember when the planning commission was presented with the Marriot Springfield Hotel project. During our discussion period, the then mayor, Fernando Vazquez, was visibly frustrated with the commission's questions and analysis. He later even came out publicly to share his frustration with our process, calling it grueling and nitpicking.

This, I believe, is a form of undue influence, to attempt to reduce the commission's independence by exerting pressure for passivity. That kind of public display of frustration during the hearing, by a legislative body, who potentially will have a decision making say, borders on violations of its own.

Still, the sentinel efforts continued with this now more educated and inspired group. Among recent efforts, a stand against the increased use of lot splits was taken. Both initiatives were denied by the commission.

The commission also worked diligently toward the goal of increasing citizen awareness and engagement. Last year, as chairman, I was able to get citizen awareness on the agenda. After a 10-month battle, to illustrate the challenge of even securing the opportunity to discuss this in an open hearing, I was called into a private meeting and scolded for asking the City Attorney to clarify if the chairman has the right to place an item on the agenda. The response called for staff and the chairman to come to a

### Councilman responds

Dear Editor:

Recent comments by former Planning Commissioner Jim Rodriguez against my character and against the staff of the City of Downey are very disappointing. As I explained to Jim Rodriguez, no elected official or Planning Commissioner owns the seat in which he or she was entrusted to sit.

When elected, I vowed to always do what is best for the citizens of Downey and will continue to do so at any cost, even if it means being attacked unfairly. I personally told him on numerous occasions, in no unequivocal terms, that my exact reason for asking him to step down after 6 years was simply to allow another good citizen of Downey to have the opportunity to serve our fine city. This is not uncommon and is, in fact, healthy to avoid nepotism and complacency.

Unfortunately, in response, Jim Rodriguez has chosen to attack my credibility and character by disparaging me and allowing others around him to do so. I will not stoop to the level of attacking an individual in response because the citizens of Downey deserve better and it does not set a good example for my three young children and those in our community. Rather, I will follow the advice recently said which is "when they go low, we go high."

### Assault rifles

Dear Editor:

In an attempt to help us understand the term "assault rifle," a recent (3/15/2018) letter to the editor points us to the dictionary's definition for "assault." This carries an unfortunate consequence. Any rifle used in an assault becomes an assault rifle.

Using this logic the Winchester 1873 lever action rifle -- the one that "won the West" -- is an assault rifle. By some accounts, the Sioux used it rather effectively in their assault on General Custard, whose forces, unfortunately, did not have it at their disposal. Does this or other instances of this venerable rifle's use in "Wild West" assaults land it on assault weapons lists? Nope.

Curiously, the M1 Garand, which won many a battle for American soldiers -- presumably involving an assault or two -- during World War II does not qualify it for the "ban it now!" list either. Never mind the M1 Garand's round packs a bigger punch than the much maligned AR-15's. (Note: "AR" stands for "ArmaLite," not "Assault Rifle.")

To further see the nonsense in the "assault rifle" definition, look no further than the incoherent, uninformed convolutions California law has dreamed up to rid us of the purported menace. Instead of getting rid of the AR-15 altogether, lawmakers have lavished us with a host of hoop-jumping "features" we must avoid. These include a pistol grip, a flash hider, a telescoping (or collapsing) stock, and a forward vertical grip. You modify your AR-15 to avoid or disable these, and you are legal -- even if the resulting concoction packs the same fire power. Get a tiny detail wrong, and you become a felon, which then strips you of your Second Amendment rights.

The ten round magazine limit, applying to both pistols and rifles, further demonstrates the incoherence. Law abiding citizens can no longer purchase these "high capacity" magazines, putting their safety at risk should they come face to face with an armed criminal who bypasses the limitation.

Which brings us to the final logical consequence. If you truly want to ban "assault rifles" you will need to ban all rifles. If so, please do not waste your time and ours by nibbling at the edges. Pass Go, don't collect \$200, and proceed directly to a constitutional amendment.

**Eduardo Suastegui**  
Downey

consensus, yet we were unclear on the next steps should this consensus be challenged or unachieved altogether.

Arising from this frustration, I was called into a meeting with my councilman, Alex Saab, the city attorney, and the director of community development. In no uncertain terms, I was told to extinguish my pursuit.

The commission finally had the open-meeting discussion on Oct. 4, 2017. During the two-hour exchange, the commission unanimously directed the staff (and they agreed) to post the following four items on Facebook for community discussion and return to the commission in 6-9 weeks for possible action.

The topics items were:

1. Increase resident-notification radius from 500' to 1000'.
2. Place advertisement in the Downey Patriot for bigger projects.
3. Provide billboard-style notification and information on future project sites.
4. Provide an interactive Facebook page where citizen comments could be legally included in the formal public hearing.

No posting was ever made by staff. To our collective dismay, the commission's efforts were once again stifled. No posting and no call to the chairman as to why. Four months later, we were asked to approve minutes that stated a completely different set of events than actually occurred.

Instead of the clear direction and acceptance to post the four items on Facebook for community discussion over 6-9 weeks with return to the Planning Commission, the minutes presented to us for approval (moved to the 3/7/18 meeting) stated that staff was to "consider options" (video available on-line).

Shortly thereafter, my councilman, Alex Saab, notified me that he felt it would be best to "give another person an opportunity to serve" my remaining two years -- a move rarely, if ever, done, especially mid-term. In my opinion, the new commission's majority was getting dangerously close to making effective changes.

I'm sure an appropriate selection will be made to get the city back to its standard business practices and token planning commission oversight, without the "unnecessary" distraction of my and others desire to have meaningful community awareness and engagement. A step backward. A loss for our city. A move toward mediocrity and status quo.

A group of civic-minded citizens committing countless hours to make the city better should not be met with such resistance.

It has been an honor to serve on the Planning Commission and dutifully stand for what is right and best for our community. My goals included maintaining ethics, honesty, and action orientation, regardless of personal time, cost, and outside pressures.

I hope these comments will be met with positive change, rather than continued obstruction and inaction. As a community, we need to work together, with true transparency, to achieve goals of excellence.

I continue to love Downey. Anyone who knows me, knows my dedication and passion to our city. I write this not to sow discord, but rather to inspire engagement for those who follow with the open, ongoing citizen support this wonderful city has always afforded.

I would like to thank Mr. Jim Rodriguez for serving on the Planning Commission. I would also like to thank all the other Commissioners, as well as our City Hall staff, who work hard for our residents. The evidence speaks for itself; Downey has seen unprecedented growth with a balanced budget five years in a row, a healthy reserve with a new policy to ensure future safeguards, a robust local economy, an increase from a strong "A" rating to an excellent "AA" bond rating and we have received the prestigious GFOA Budget Award for four consecutive years for our transparency and efficiency in local government.

Are we perfect? We are not. However, pouting and demeaning others, when clearly we are all collectively making efforts to improve our City, is counterproductive and contrary to our commitment to being a "Character Counts" community.

If, as Jim Rodriguez says, I am too "nice" and respectful of others, then I am guilty as charged. I will continue to treat others with respect and work diligently for our residents as we move our City forward.

**Alex Saab**  
Downey City Council Member

### People in glass churches shouldn't throw stones

Dear Editor:

It is important to remember that America is not a Christian nation and is not governed by Christian values. Attempts by Christians to legislate their beliefs have resulted in lawsuits costing taxpayers millions and millions of dollars. Christianity is neither a fiscally responsible nor sustainable lifestyle choice.

The Christian god promoted malignant philosophies to which his followers adhere and recent studies have shown that the greatest terrorist threat in America is Christianity. Many Christian organizations remain on National Security watch lists. And more are being added.

Christians themselves seem intent on removing equal rights legislation which was hard-won throughout the twentieth century. Blacks, women, and homosexuals continue to struggle because of long-held Christian values. The ridiculous blockage of transgender rights is a great drain on America.

And abortion: How many anti-abortion, Christian, Republican congressmen are found forcing their mistresses to have an abortion? (The same question can be asked of anti-gay, Christian, Republican congressmen found with male prostitutes or underage boys and drugs.)

People in glass churches should not throw stones.

What Christians seem to miss in their study of the bible is that their god supported and prescribed abortions. Several passages of the bible, most notably Numbers 5 which contains a recipe to cause an abortion, are easily overlooked by Christians. So are the "judge not lest ye be judged" passages.

The Downey Patriot's Letters to the Editor regarding an abortion clinic in our city are as self-righteous and lacking of compassion as Christian issues in the national news. The last letter is devoid of empathy while relishing the number of family members of the clinic's owner, his extended family, friends, and crew members who died in a plane crash on the way to a vacation. The Christian god is not a god of love or charity.

If, as Carl Vesper suggests, Downey needs to recognize and rid itself of the evil among us, let it begin with the churches.

**Roy Anthony Shalba**  
Downey

**The Downey Patriot** STAFF

|  |   |
|--|---|
| <p><b>JENNIFER DEKAY</b><br/>Publisher</p> <p><b>MICHAEL ROBINSON</b><br/>Display Advertising</p> <p><b>JAZMIN GOMEZ</b><br/>Display Advertising</p> <p><b>LINDA LARSON</b><br/>Classified Advertising</p> <p><b>JULIE LEDESMA</b><br/>Legal Notices</p> | <p><b>ERIC PIERCE</b><br/>Editor</p> <p><b>ALEX DOMINGUEZ</b><br/>Staff Writer</p> <p><b>MARK FETTER</b><br/>Contributor</p> <p><b>CAROL KEARNS</b><br/>Contributor</p> <p><b>LORINE PARKS</b><br/>Contributor</p> <p><b>JONATHAN FOX</b><br/>Production/Graphics</p> |
|--|---|

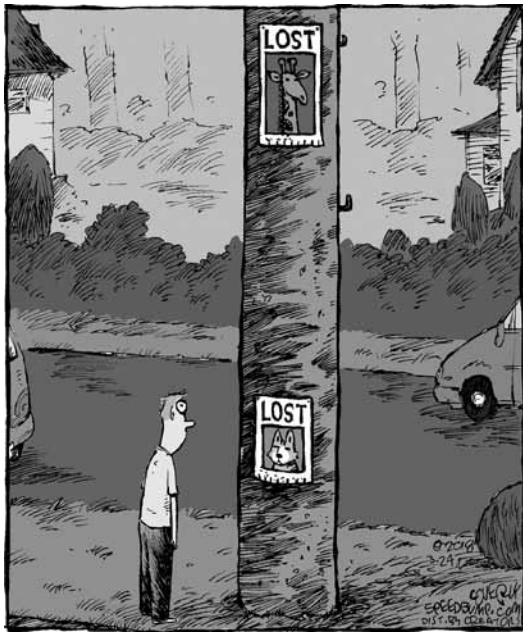
TEL (562) 904-3668 | FAX (562) 904-3124 | MONDAY - THURSDAY 9AM - 3PM  
8301 FLORENCE AVE., SUITE 100, DOWNEY, CA 90240 | FRIDAY 9AM - 12PM  
THE DOWNEY PATRIOT.COM | ADJUDICATION #BS124251

The Downey Patriot is published weekly by The Downey Patriot, Inc.  
Controlled Distribution, 25,000 copies are printed.  
Distributed by CIPS Marketing Group, Inc., Los Angeles, CA.

## SPEED BUMP



## DAVE COVERLY



# Downey Community Calendar

### CITY MEETINGS

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

### Regularly Scheduled Meetings

#### MONDAYS

7 pm: Boy Scout Troop 2, at Downey United Methodist Church, call 869-6478.  
 2nd Mon., 11 am: American Legion Auxiliary #270, at United Methodist Church, call 304-3439.  
 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.  
 3rd Tues., 6 pm: American Legion #270, at Sizzler Restaurant, call 544-0372.  
 Tues., Thurs. & Sat., 10 am: Downey Bocce Club, at 7850 Quill Drive, call John Fiorenza 652-4399

#### WEDNESDAYS

7 am: Kiwanis Club, at Rio Hondo Events Center, call Steve Roberson at 927-2626.  
 1 pm: Women's Bocce Club, at 7850 Quill Drive, call Marie Puch at 869-4366.  
 7 pm: Out Post 132 Royal Rangers, at Desert Reign Church, call 928-8000.  
 1st Wed., 11 am: Woman's Club of Downey, call Cheryl Olson 833-8954.  
 1st Wed., 11:30 am: Downey Coordinating Council, Community Center, call Bobbi Bruce 440-5416.  
 1st Wed., 7:30 pm: Downey Stamp Club, at Maude Price School cafeteria, call 928-3028.  
 2nd Wed., 11:30 am: Christian Women's Club, at Los Amigos Country Club, call Helen 864-7319.  
 2nd Wed., 3:30 pm: Keep Downey Beautiful, at City Hall, call 904-7102.  
 2nd Wed., 7:30 pm: Downey Model A Club, at Gallatin School Cafeteria, call 928-4132.  
 3rd Wed.: Downey Dog Obedience Club, for information please call Gina 869-5213 or Valerie 420-2972.  
 3rd Wed., 10 am: Los Angeles County Quilters Guild, at Women's Club, call (310) 604-0725.  
 3rd Wed., 10 am: OLPH Women's Guild, at OLPH School Auditorium, contact Paula Mayfield, (562) 923-3518.  
 3rd Wed., 6 pm: American Business Women's Association, Rio Hondo Country Club, call Barbara 863-2192.  
 4th Wed., 12:00 pm: Retired Federal Employees, at Barbara J Riley Center, call 943-5513.  
 4th Wed., 7:30 pm: US Coast Guard Aux. Flotilla 5-10, First Presbyterian Church, call Brian 419-5420.  
 Wed. & Fri., 10:15 am: Senior Bingo, at Apollo Park, call 904-7223

#### THURSDAYS

7:30 am: Connections Networking, at Bob's Big Boy, for info., call Nick Smith, 861-5222.  
 7:30 am.: Soroptimist Int'l of Downey, for information, call Mia Vasquez, 806-3217.  
 9 am: Crafters group, at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, call 803-4459.  
 9:30 am: Take off Pounds Sensibly, at Barabara Riley Senior Center, call (800) 932-8677.  
 12 pm: Kiwanis Club of Downey, at Rio Hondo Events Center, call Roy Jimenez 923-0971.  
 12 pm: Optimist Club of Downey, at Rio Hondo Events Center.  
 6:30 pm: Downey United Masonic Lodge # 220, 8244 3rd St., call 862-4176.  
 7 pm: Troop 351, Boy Scouts of America, at First Baptist Church, call 776-3388.  
 1st Thurs., 12:00 pm: Downey Christian & Professional Luncheon, Sizzler's Restaurant, call James 310-1335.  
 1st Thurs., 7:30 pm.: The Downey Amateur Radio Club, at First Baptist Church room 120.  
 2nd Thurs., 7:30 pm: Beaming Rebel Foxes Collectors Club, call Carl D. Jones at 923-2400.  
 2nd & 4th Thurs., 6 pm: Lions Club, at Coco's, call Lenora (310) 283-9825.  
 3rd Thurs., 4 pm: Public Works Committee, at City Hall Training Room.  
 3rd Thurs., 6 pm: Downey CIPAC, at Sizzler's Restaurant, call Rich Tuttle 413-6045.  
 4th Thurs., 10 am: Assistance League, at Casa De Parley Johnson, call 869-0232.  
 4th Thurs., 7:30 pm: Downey Historical Society programs, at Community Center, call 862-2777.

#### FRIDAYS

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

#### SATURDAYS

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

### On This Day...

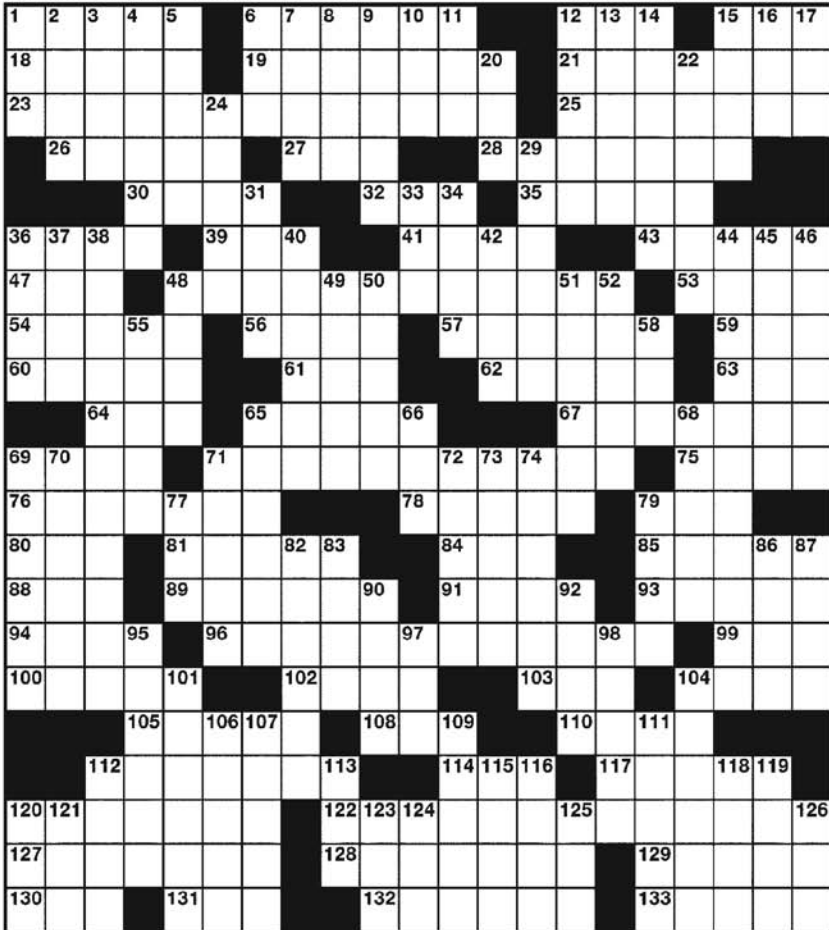
- March 22, 1457:** Gutenberg Bible became the first printed book.
- 1765:** The Stamp Act was passed. It was the first direct British tax on the American colonists. It was repealed on March 17, 1766.
- 1790:** Thomas Jefferson became the first U.S. Secretary of State.
- 1882:** The U.S. Congress outlawed polygamy.
- 1997:** Tara Lipinski, at 14 years and 10 months, became the youngest women's world figure skating champion.

### THE NEWSDAY CROSSWORD

Edited by Stanley Newman (www.StanXwords.com)  
**GUILTY WITH AN EXCLAMATION: No need to shout**  
 by Fred Piscop

- |   |                            |
|---|----------------------------|
| <b>ACROSS</b>                                       | <b>DOWN</b>                |
| 1 Belittle  | 1 Prince in <i>Aladdin</i> |
| 6 Set lofty goals                                   | 2 Stick together           |
| 12 Tampa NFLer                                      | 3 Play opener              |
| 15 Early afternoon                                  | 4 Much of North Africa     |
| 18 From around here                                 | 5 Justice Kagan            |
| 19 Rectangle quartet                                | 6 First-class              |
| 21 Causing wear                                     |                            |
| 23 How piano virtuosos play                         |                            |
| 25 Layered, as plywood                              |                            |
| 26 Keaton of <i>Annie Hall</i>                      |                            |
| 27 Leave speechless                                 |                            |
| 28 Cash holders                                     |                            |
| 30 SWAT team operation                              |                            |
| 32 Kanye West's music                               |                            |
| 35 Homes of twigs                                   |                            |
| 36 Legal prefix                                     |                            |
| 39 Surpass  |                            |
| 41 Pirate's plunder                                 |                            |
| 43 Fills fully                                      |                            |
| 47 Outback bird                                     |                            |
| 48 Queen's reaction to the London Eye               |                            |
| 53 Skyscraping                                      |                            |
| 54 Ship of 1492                                     |                            |
| 56 San __, Italy                                    |                            |
| 57 __ band (solo act)                               |                            |
| 59 Atticus Finch creator                            |                            |
| 60 Sir, in Sonora                                   |                            |
| 61 Little fella                                     |                            |
| 62 Strike down                                      |                            |
| 63 Preparatory night                                |                            |
| 64 E-file org.                                      |                            |
| 65 Sources of salt                                  |                            |
| 67 Prepares   |                            |
| 69 Florence's river                                 |                            |
| 71 What's heard upon exiting a musical in Fairbanks |                            |
| 75 Stylish  |                            |
| 76 Requests humbly                                  |                            |
| 78 Send __ (pay from one's bank electronically)     |                            |
| 79 Big galoot                                       |                            |
| 80 Army training academy: Abbr.                     |                            |
| 81 Gives off  |                            |
| 84 "Patience __ virtue"                             |                            |
| 85 Doing battle                                     |                            |
| 88 Morse code sound                                 |                            |
| 89 "It wasn't me," e.g.                             |                            |
| 91 Latest info                                      |                            |
| 93 Giggling sound                                   |                            |
| 94 Tesla head Musk                                  |                            |
| 96 Bingeing on <i>Simpsons</i> episodes             |                            |
| 99 Celestial body                                   |                            |
| 100 Regatta craft                                   |                            |
| 102 Whom Fallon succeeded                           |                            |
| 103 Shriek bark                                     |                            |
| 104 Town near Santa Fe                              |                            |
| 105 20 Down provisionally                           |                            |
| 108 Completion                                      |                            |
| 110 Beach toy                                       |                            |
| 112 Island east of South Carolina                   |                            |
| 114 Psychic ability                                 |                            |
| 117 Poetic preposition                              |                            |
| 120 Overemphasized                                  |                            |
| 122 Close call you got yourself into                |                            |
| 127 Urban renewal target                            |                            |
| 128 Vague discomfort                                |                            |
| 129 __ di Pisa (Italian landmark)                   |                            |
| 130 Put chips on                                    |                            |
| 131 <i>Game of Thrones</i> patriarch                |                            |
| 132 Widen, as pupils                                |                            |
| 133 Ticket portions                                 |                            |
| 7 What Brits call beans in veggie burgers           |                            |
| 8 Front tip of a ship                               |                            |
| 9 Deduce  |                            |
| 10 Rule, for short                                  |                            |
| 11 Poetic preposition                               |                            |
| 12 <i>Beauty and the Beast</i> girl                 |                            |
| 13 Russian range                                    |                            |
| 14 Celestial bodies                                 |                            |
| 15 Cookie containers                                |                            |
| 16 Md. neighbor                                     |                            |
| 17 Poetic preposition                               |                            |
| 20 Stitch up  |                            |
| 22 Occupies, as a table                             |                            |
| 24 __ Rupert Murdoch                                |                            |
| 29 "O Canada," for one                              |                            |
| 31 Take-charge type                                 |                            |
| 33 Emulating  |                            |
| 34 Casual shirt                                     |                            |
| 36 Energizes, with "up"                             |                            |
| 37 Cannes confidante                                |                            |
| 38 Chasing away flies while jogging                 |                            |
| 40 Early tourney round                              |                            |
| 42 Has possession of                                |                            |
| 44 Zane Grey stories                                |                            |
| 45 Late morning                                     |                            |
| 46 Rainy and icy                                    |                            |
| 48 Coal derivatives                                 |                            |
| 49 Certain sultanate's subject                      |                            |
| 50 Alpine song                                      |                            |
| 51 Asylum seeker                                    |                            |
| 52 What "-vore" means                               |                            |
| 55 Barcelona bulls                                  |                            |
| 58 Paycheck amount                                  |                            |
| 65 Dolphins quarterback great                       |                            |
| 66 RR stop  |                            |
| 68 Oldest cabinet department                        |                            |
| 69 Residences                                       |                            |
| 70 Bring to mind                                    |                            |
| 71 <i>Odyssey</i> byline                            |                            |
| 72 Due (to)   |                            |
| 73 Some Japanese-Americans                          |                            |
| 74 Muscular   |                            |
| 77 Did the catering for                             |                            |
| 79 Courtroom ritual                                 |                            |
| 82 Turned, as soil                                  |                            |
| 83 Shopper stopper                                  |                            |
| 86 Starter for space                                |                            |
| 87 Confederate soldiers                             |                            |
| 90 Brief script excerpt                             |                            |
| 92 Mt. Rushmore locale                              |                            |
| 95 Annual Stockholm presentations                   |                            |
| 97 Part of NCO                                      |                            |
| 98 State one's views                                |                            |
| 101 Dollywood proprietor                            |                            |
| 104 Something used on the range                     |                            |
| 106 Campfire-created confection                     |                            |
| 107 Accurately pitched                              |                            |
| 109 Window attachment                               |                            |
| 111 Scouts' shelters                                |                            |
| 112 Sucrose source                                  |                            |
| 113 S&L amenity                                     |                            |
| 115 Branch of Islam                                 |                            |
| 116 Blog entry                                      |                            |
| 118 Drive-__  |                            |
| 119 Soup seasoning                                  |                            |
| 120 Young socialite                                 |                            |
| 121 Slingshot shape                                 |                            |
| 123 Contained                                       |                            |
| 124 New Haven collegian                             |                            |
| 125 Witness   |                            |
| 126 Director Anderson                               |                            |

CREATORS SYNDICATE © 2018 STANLEY NEWMAN WWW.STANXWORDS.COM 3/18/18



### Advertising Policy

The Downey Patriot reserves the right to censor, reclassify, revise or reject any ad. The Downey Patriot is not responsible for incorrect ads beyond the first business day of an ad scheduled. Please check your ad on the first day of publication and report any errors we have made to the Classified Department at 562-904-3668 at the beginning of the next business day to have it publish correctly for the remainder of the schedule.

**You can contact puzzle editor Stanley Newman at his e-mail address: StanXwords@aol.com. Or write him at P.O. Box 69, Massapequa Park, NY 11762. Please send a self-addressed, stamped envelope if you'd like a reply.**



## Paging Dr. Frischer...

By Dr. Alan Frischer

We recently moved our clocks forward one hour, essentially shifting an hour of daylight from the morning to the evening, and starting daylight savings time up again. The good news is that this gives us those long summer evenings. However, we won't see that hour again until the fall. What impact does that have on our health?



Light is the cue that sets and resets our 24-hour internal clock, known as circadian rhythm. Moving our clocks in either direction changes this, and our biological clock falls out of sync. In general, losing an hour as we just did is more difficult than is gaining an hour in the fall. Think about airplane travel: in general, our bodies find it easier to travel west, where we gain time, than to travel east.

Daylight savings time transitions often lead to disrupted sleep cycles. Springing forward requires that we go to sleep earlier. On average, for the first few days of setting the clocks forward in the spring, we lose 40 minutes of sleep. Even this relatively small sleep loss has been shown to have consequences.

Many experience an increase in mood disturbances, and increased irritability. Studies show that people who are sleep deprived develop a

more sensitive amygdala, the emotional center of the brain. It becomes more reactive to disturbing images as compared to those who are more rested.

Loss of sleep can cause a decrease in motor skills, which leads to more workplace injuries. One study revealed a 5.7% increase in workplace injuries on the Monday following the time change. The injuries were more severe, leading to a 68% increase in the number of days of work missed. Research also reveals a 6% increase in car accidents immediately after we reset our clocks in the spring.

Other studies show an 8% higher rate of ischemic stroke in the first two days following both the spring forward and fall behind time changes. A 2014 study found a 25% jump in the number of heart attacks on the Monday after daylight savings time begins. Interestingly, the opposite occurred, with a 21% drop in the number of heart attacks following the end of daylight savings in the fall.

Sleep deficiencies also can cause an increase in the release of the hormone ghrelin, which leads to hunger, and a decrease in the release of the hormone leptin, which makes us feel satisfied when we eat. These changes in hormone levels can wreak havoc on our diet and weight control.

Have you heard the term cyberloafing? Workers spend significantly more time searching for entertainment content (YouTube and other videos, and music) specifically on the Monday following a time change.

Who might be affected the most? Those who are already sleep-deprived, or consume alcohol or caffeine close to bedtime. Keep these

tips in mind for dealing with future time changes:

• Give yourself a jump-start to adjusting to a time change. Try going to bed and waking up a bit earlier, or later, than usual, before the change occurs.

• Light is the principal environmental cue. Expose yourself to sunlight as soon as you wake up and during waking hours. Seeing light first thing in the morning can help reset your body's clock. Try eating breakfast in front of a window or taking an early morning walk. On the other hand, avoid exposure to bright artificial light when it is dark outside and close to your bedtime.

• Make your environment sleep-friendly, and practice good "sleep hygiene." This includes avoiding caffeine, alcohol, or other stimulants after lunch. Don't exercise immediately before bedtime, and create a calming bedtime ritual. Go to bed and rise around the same time each day.

• Avoid daytime naps, which decrease your ability to sleep at night.

Give yourself an extra break when there is a time change. Avoid driving if you are sleep deprived. Take care of yourself and listen to what your body is trying to tell you, and you will be ready for Nov. 4 - when we'll finally get our hour back!

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

## Study: 1 in 6 Americans binge drink weekly

U.S. adults consumed more than 17 billion binge drinks in 2015, or about 470 binge drinks per binge drinker, according to a first-of-its-kind study released by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). The study appears in the American Journal of Preventive Medicine.

CDC researchers found that 1 in 6, or 37 million, adults binge drink about once a week, consuming an average of seven drinks per binge. Binge drinking is defined as consuming five or more drinks for men, or four or more drinks for women, in about two hours.

"This study shows that binge drinkers are consuming a huge number of drinks per year, greatly increasing their chances of harming themselves and others," said study co-author Robert Brewer, M.D., M.S.P.H., lead researcher in CDC's alcohol program. "The findings also show the importance of taking a comprehensive approach to prevent binge drinking, focusing on reducing both the number of times people binge drink and the amount they drink when they binge."

For this report, CDC scientists analyzed data on self-reported binge drinking during the past 30 days from CDC's 2015 Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS). Total annual binge drinks was calculated by multiplying the estimated total number of binge drinking episodes among binge drinkers by the average largest number of drinks consumed per episode, and was assessed by age, sex, education, race/ethnicity, household income, and state.

New insights on binge drinking reported in the study include:

While the prevalence of binge drinking was more common among young adults ages 18-34 years, more than half of the binge drinks consumed each year were by adults ages 35 years and older.

About 4 in 5 total binge drinks were consumed by men.

Binge drinkers with lower household incomes (less than \$25,000 a year) and lower educational levels (less than high school) consumed substantially more binge drinks per year than those with higher incomes and educational levels.

Binge drinkers consumed the most alcohol in Arkansas, Mississippi, Kentucky, and Hawaii, and the least in Washington, DC; New Jersey, New York, and Washington State.

Binge drinking can result in dangerous driving, risky sexual behavior, and violent behavior. Over time, binge drinking also increases the risk of serious health problems such as cancer, heart disease, and liver failure. Annually, binge drinking is responsible for more than half of the 88,000 alcohol-attributable deaths and three-quarters of the \$249 billion in economic costs associated with excessive drinking in the United States.

### How to reduce binge drinking

Widespread use of effective community prevention strategies, such as limiting the number of alcohol outlets in a geographic area, limiting days and hours of sale, and legal liability for outlets that illegally serve underage or intoxicated patrons, could help reduce total binge drinks and related harms. The U.S. Preventive Services Task Force also recommends alcohol screening and brief intervention by health care providers as part of routine clinical care.

The U.S. Dietary Guidelines for Americans recommends that if alcohol is consumed, it should be consumed in moderation — up to one drink per day for women and up to two drinks per day for men — and only by adults of legal drinking age.



### Our Lady of Perpetual Help Dual Language Immersion School

Our Dual Language Immersion program is currently TK-1st grade and will continue to grow each year. Our students receive instruction in English and Spanish. OLPH is proud of its highly qualified teachers, the majority of whom hold Masters degrees in addition to their California Teaching Credential. We have designated Art and Music teachers, both of whom have an educational background in those fields.

### Now Accepting Applications

### Transitional Kindergarten, Kindergarten & 1st - 8th Grades for the 2018-2019 School Year

We have a special tuition rate for contributing parishioners! Contact our school office at 562-869-9969 to set up a tour today!  
10441 Downey Ave. Downey, CA 90241  
562-869-9969 [www.ourladysschool.com](http://www.ourladysschool.com)

**ATTORNEY**

**ALEXIS SAAB**  
ATTORNEY AT LAW

• **HABLAMOS ESPAÑOL**

10810 Paramount Blvd Suite 201  
(562) 904-2622

**BLANCA PACHECO**  
Attorney At Law

- Living Trusts
- Evictions
- Probate

CALL TODAY! **562-861-6001** *Hablo Español*  
Bar # 225243  
[www.blancapacheco.esq.com](http://www.blancapacheco.esq.com)  
8137 3rd St., 3rd Floor Downey, CA 90241 • (562) 861-6001

St. Lic. #731172 (562) 861-1234

**DOWNEY**  
PLUMBING  
HEATING & AIR CONDITIONING

11829 Downey Ave. • Downey, CA 90241

**\$10 OFF ALL REPAIRS**

e-mail: [joe@downeyplumbing.com](mailto:joe@downeyplumbing.com)

**got trees?**

the original **George's Tree Trimming Service**

**EVERYTHING IN TREES**

Trimming • Topping  
Removing • Stump Grinding

**\$5000 OFF**  
Any Tree Service  
Min. \$200.00  
Present coupon after quote  
Call for a FREE Estimate

Serving the Community Since 1960  
State Licensed and Fully Insured

**(800) 695-5237**  
**(562) 923-8911**

Residential • Commercial  
Apartments • Condominiums

**MONEY & TAXES** 2018

**TAX SOLUTION CENTER**

"WE SPEAK TAX"  
ENROLLED AGENTS  
"The Tax Professionals"

TAX PREPARATION | ACCOUNTING SERVICES | PAYROLL SERVICES  
TAX AUDIT REPRESENTATION | TAX PLANNING

**EDWIN R. MEDINA, EA**  
LICENSED TO PRACTICE BEFORE THE IRS

8402 E. Florence Ave #A1 Downey, CA 90240  
(562) 261-5744 OFFICE

[www.TaxSolutionCenter.com](http://www.TaxSolutionCenter.com)

**Cesar Macedo MBA, CFP®**  
LPL Financial, Member FINRA/SIPC

Cesar Macedo is a recognized financial advisor and member of LPL Financial. His professional career has spanned over 20 years where he has helped transition hundreds of investment clients into retirement. Cesar joined LPL Financial in 2007.

Cesar is a graduate of the University of California, Santa Cruz, receiving a Bachelors degree in Economics. He received his Personal Financial Planner Certificate from U.C. Irvine and his Certified Financial Planning designation from the Certified Financial Planner Board of Standards in 2004. In addition he has earned his Chartered Life Underwriter designation from The American College. He earned his MBA from Cal State Long Beach. His professional affiliations include the Financial Services Institute.

Call Cesar to establish a complimentary review, whether you are getting ready to retire or if you want a second opinion about your investment portfolio.

**Income Tax Services**

**\$45 Short Form and \$90 Long Form**  
(Includes Fed/State and e-file & No Additional Fees)

8141 E. 2nd St., Suite 530, Downey CA 90241  
Office 562-862-4900

**FREE INITIAL CONSULTATION**

**TAXIQ** Moises Rosiles  
Accountancy Group, Inc. CPA MST  
THE SMART CHOICE 323.893.4686

Office: 562-659-8744 • Fax: 562-249-6593  
[moises@taxiqgroup.com](mailto:moises@taxiqgroup.com) • [www.taxiqgroup.com](http://www.taxiqgroup.com)  
11445 Paramount Blvd., Ste D Downey, CA 90241

# BULLETIN BOARD

**DOWNEY PARTY RENTALS**

Hours: M-F 8:30-5pm, Thurs 8:30-7pm, Sat 8:30-2pm, Sun 8-11am  
10900 Paramount Blvd. Downey CA 90241  
(562) 861-1616  
[www.DowneyPartyRentals.com](http://www.DowneyPartyRentals.com)

NOW A UPS ACCESS POINT  
FROM WEDDINGS TO COOKOUTS, WE'VE GOT WHAT YOU NEED!

**HUSBAND FOR RENT**

7 Day, 24 Hour Service - FREE Estimates

**Patrick's Lighting**  
(562) 965-9028

**FREE ESTIMATE**

Electrical Repairs Outlet/Switches • Home Repairs  
Telephone Jacks • Smoke Detectors Earthquake Preparedness • Motion Detectors  
Electrical Contractor State License #693761  
[patrickslighting@verizon.net](mailto:patrickslighting@verizon.net)

**Pennine Plumbing, Inc.**  
(Formerly Hoffner Plumbing, Inc.)  
Serving this neighborhood for over 35 years

- SERVICE • REPAIR •

**Free Estimates**  
**(562) 803-0101 or (800) 400-5145**

Drain & sewer cleaning, water heaters, copper re-pipes, heating & toilet repairs

Lic. # 844663 **10% OFF** with this coupon (after price has been quoted)

**PIN ROOFING**  
Richard "Mr. Pin" Semones

New Roofs • Repairs • Tear-Offs  
General Roof Maintenance  
Bonded / Insured • Lic# 758000

**Call for a FREE Estimate**  
**562.923.9242**

# Downey girls' lacrosse stays perfect in league play

By Mark Fetter  
Contributor

**DOWNEY** – The Downey High School girls' lacrosse team currently has an overall record of 4-1 and are 2-0 in Ocean League play.

In preseason play, the Lady Vikings defeated Westridge at Westridge 12-11 on March 1, were defeated by Crescenta Valley, 8-5, on March 7 and defeated Murrieta Mesa, 9-8, on March 10.

In league play, the Lady Vikings defeated Beverly Hills, 17-2, on March 14 and defeated Culver City at Downey, 12-8, on March 16. Downey played Peninsula at Downey on Tuesday night in a non-league game and played El Segundo at Downey on Wednesday night (score unavailable at press time). The Lady Vikings will travel to Santa Monica in another league game later today.

The Ocean League consists of Marlborough, Downey, Culver City, Beverly Hills and Santa Monica. The Lady Vikings do not compete in San Gabriel Valley League play because they are the only school from the S.G.V.L. that fields a team.

Downey finished last season with an undefeated Ocean League record and are the defending 2017 league champions. Coach Mires, his staff and players are all looking forward to finishing Ocean League play undefeated.

**WARREN BOYS BASKETBALL:** The Warren High School boys' volleyball team currently has an overall record of 5-1 and began S.G.V.L. play when they hosted Lynwood at Warren yesterday (score unavailable at press time).

The Bears will host cross-town rival Downey at Warren on April 10.

The Bears defeated Bellflower at Warren in three sets 25-15, 25-16 and 25-13 on Feb. 27. Warren was defeated in a nail-biter by Santa Fe at Warren in five sets 25-22, 22-25, 21-25, 25-21 and 15-12 on March 8.

Warren bounced back by defeating Bell Gardens at Bell Gardens in five sets on March 13 and defeated Cypress in four sets on March 15.

The Bears hosted Valley Christian Wednesday in their final tune-up before the start of league play (score unavailable). Warren finished last season with an overall record of 14-7 and a S.G.V.L. record of 9-1. Warren's only league loss last season was to Gahr at Gahr. The Bears are the 2017 defending S.G.V.L. champions.

Warren was defeated by San Marcos of Santa Barbara at Warren in three sets 25-23, 25-22 and 25-18 in the first round of the C.I.F. Division 2 playoffs last season.

Coach Lane, his staff and players are all looking forward to the start of league play and are looking forward to making a deeper run in the Division 2 playoffs.

**DOWNEY BOYS SWIMMING:** The Downey High School boys' swim team is off to another fast start. The Vikings are currently 5-0 overall and will begin league competition next week.

Thus far, Downey has defeated Santa Fe 139-33, Cal High 139-29, Whitney 128-22, La Serna 118-52 and Cerritos 91-79. Downey was scheduled to swim against Kennedy yesterday (score unavailable at

press time).

This year's team is led by seniors Andrew Cabrera, Werner Rosales, Humberto Banuelos and Matt Farias. This year's juniors include: Jesus Marguia, Christian Gonzalez, Nathan Lopez and Jose Salazar. Two key freshmen making varsity contributions are Armando Flores and Tomas Marquez.

Many of Downey's swimmers are determined to beat their C.I.F. times from last season. Coach Delhousay believes this swim team may be the strongest Downey has had in recent years. Delhousay maintains, "there is a great combination of returning veterans and new swimmers" in this competitive group.

The Vikings' main competition will come from cross-town rival Warren. Downey will face the Bears at Warren on April 26, with S.G.V.L. prelims and finals following at Warren on Tuesday, May 1 and Thursday, May 3, respectively.

Coach Delhousay, his staff and swimmers are all looking forward to the start of S.G.V.L. competition and claiming another league championship.

**PIUS-MATTHIAS BOYS VOLLEYBALL:** The St. Pius X-St. Matthias Academy boys' volleyball team currently has an overall record of 2-13 and will begin Santa Fe League play against Bellarmine-Jefferson of Burbank on April 12.

The Warriors were defeated by Mayfair at SPXSMA in three sets 25-15, 25-20 and 25-18 on Feb. 26.

SPXSMA competed in the Ambassador Scramble Tournament on March 3 where they played eight other teams in back-to-back contests. A scramble tournament is when you play several schools in a one set competition up to 25.

The Warriors were defeated by Upland 25-11 at 8:15 a.m., were defeated by Ambassador 25-21 at 9:15 a.m., defeated CAMS 25-18 at 10 a.m., were defeated by New Roads 25-21 at 10:30 a.m., were defeated by Chadwick 25-15 at 11:45 a.m., were defeated by Wiseburn-Da Vinci 25-17 at 12:15 p.m., were defeated by Mary Star of the Sea 25-14 at 1:00 p.m. and were defeated again by Chadwick 25-19 at 1:30 p.m. in the fifth place game.

SPXSMA was defeated by Culver City at SPXSMA in three sets 25-15, 25-20 and 25-11 on March 5 and was defeated by St. Paul at St. Paul in four sets on March 7. The Warriors most recently competed in the Foothill Tournament on March 9 and 10.

SPXSMA was defeated by Damien in two sets 25-10 and 25-6 and was defeated by University in two sets 25-8 and 25-9. The Warriors were defeated by San Juan Hills in two sets 25-12 and 25-8 and were then defeated by Fountain Valley in two sets 25-8 and 25-18.

The Warriors hosted Artesia at SPXSMA on Tuesday night (score unavailable at press time). Coach Miguel Flores, his staff and players are all looking forward to the start of Santa Fe League play.

**MIDDLE SCHOOL SPORTS:** The fourth rotation of baseball and softball for middle school sports has concluded and four more city championships have been claimed.



The Downey sixth grade DJAA basketball team won the SCMAF Tournament in Inglewood last week, advancing to the state championship tournament this weekend.

Downey defeated Cerritos and Lynwood on March 17 to advance to the title game against Lakewood on March 18. Downey came out victorious, beating Lakewood, 22-20.

Top row, from left: Coach Joel Barraza, Ziad Elbially, Oliver Lindahl, Brandon Valencia, coach Richard Barraza, Andrew Cerros and Joshua Rodriguez.

Bottom row, from left: Ilan Arias, Anthony Gurrola, Kal-El Barraza, Eric Duron, Mario Velasquez and Jose Trujillo.

Not pictured: Coach Armando Valencia.

Griffiths won three of the four championships. The Indians won city championships in varsity and junior varsity baseball and varsity softball.

The Griffiths varsity baseball team finished in first place with a record of 5-1, Doty finished in second place with a record of 3-3, Stauffer finished in third place with a record of 2-3-1 and Sussman finished in fourth place with a record of 1-4-1.

The Griffiths junior varsity baseball team finished in first place with a record of 6-0, Doty and Stauffer finished in a tie for second place with records of 3-3 and Sussman finished in fourth place with a record of 0-6.

The Griffiths varsity softball team finished in first place with a record of 6-0, Doty finished in second place with a record of 4-2, Sussman finished in third place with a record of 2-4 and Stauffer finished in fourth place with a record of 0-6.

The Doty junior varsity softball team finished in first place with a record of 5-0-1, Griffiths finished in second place with a record of 4-1-1, Stauffer finished in third place with a record of 2-4 and Sussman finished in fourth place with a record of 0-6.

The fifth and final rotation of track and field will begin on April 26. There will be two more dual meets on May 3 and May 10 with the all-city track and field meet taking place on Friday, May 18, at Downey High School.

**PreSale Tickets \$35 each through March 31**  
**CALL JENNIFER (562) 714-5658**

**General Admission \$50**

*The Downey Rose Float Association presents*

## A Dance with Death

**Time to SHAKE RATTLE & ROLL your way to the DEADLIEST SOCK HOP...**

**MURDER MYSTERY DINNER**

**FRIDAY, APRIL 6, 2018**

**Check-In & Cocktails at 6:00pm**

**Downey Elks Lodge**

**11233 Woodruff Avenue**



**DFCU**

**DOWNEY FEDERAL CREDIT UNION**

**SPONSOR**

**PRE-SALE TICKET IS \$35. ALL PRE-SALE TICKETS MUST BE PAID BY MARCH 31, 2018. NO REFUNDS.**

**Protecting your family has never been easier. For less than \$3/day, you can begin to build your legacy with Rose Hills.**



**Tierra Del Sol at Rose Hills Memorial Park is a beautiful space designed to celebrate an unforgettable legacy.**

Buy now and pay just **\$78.25** per month for a single space with interment right for two.

To make this smart purchase, please contact a Rose Hills Advisor by March 31, 2018.

**(888) 818-8541**

\*This offer may not be applied to the first space purchased. Space includes two interment rights. Original certificate must be presented at the time of purchase and cannot be combined with any other promotions. One certificate. One space. One contract. Payment shown is based on property located in Tierra Del Sol priced at \$7,800 with a 0.9% interest, 10% down payment for an 84-month term with automatic payments and includes \$1,000 savings. Offer expires March 31, 2018. Offer, discounts, promotions and prices are subject to change without notice. Ask your Rose Hills Pre-Planning Advisor for details.

**3888 Workman Hill Road, Whittier, CA 90601**

Rose Hills Mortuary #FD970



## Shared Stories: Take me out of the ball game -- please!

This is a painful story to read about bullying – especially in light of headlines that we see far too often in the news today. Yolanda Adele describes a storybook outcome to a game, but concluding events are still sad. Shared Stories is a weekly column featuring articles by participants in a writing class at the Norwalk Senior Center. Bonnie Mansell is the instructor for this free class offered through the Cerritos College Adult Education Program. Curated by Carol Kearns.

By Yolanda Adele

I was 12 years old and in primary school. Students in my class were being picked for baseball teams. I was the last one standing. The team captains argued about who'd have to take me. They assessed that my doughy body wouldn't be able to run fast nor throw a ball with any amount of accuracy, let alone be capable of catching it. I pretended not to care, stating loudly, "Girls shouldn't play baseball anyway!"

Mrs. Grant, my P.E coach, stepped in and told the captains, it was a requirement, everyone had to participate. Most of the kids began to whine. Then Mrs. Grant said she'd flip a coin in the air for the captains to call to see who would be stuck with me. Oh, she didn't really say it in that way, but everyone knew that's what she meant.

At our first game my teammates groaned when I

took my place alongside them. I stood tall with my chin up, shoulders squared back, and tummy held in so tight I felt it quiver.

Out of the corner of my eye I could see some of the kids sneering at me. I wondered if they could hear my heart beating as loudly as I did. My pulse sounded like percussion in my ears. Beads of sweat raced down my body. My anxiety was evident to everyone. And the ball game had not even started yet!

My team played the field first. And as predicted I fumbled and dropped the ball when it was thrown to me. Then I tripped over the base while running backwards and getting in the way of the second baseman. This error allowed the runner to get away from being tagged out. As if that were not enough I missed a "sure fly ball", that someone yelled out his grandmother could have caught.

When it was our turn at bat my captain said to me, "Your next, just relax."

I walked up to the plate slowly. My knees felt like they were doing the hula.

When I picked up the bat, my teammates started "booing." Soon the spectators and rival team joined in. I gripped the bat hard. It was difficult to see the pitcher through the tears that welled in my eyes.

"Strike One!" I heard the umpire say. Though he was right in back of me, his voice sounded far away as if he were yelling from a tunnel.

After the cascade of tears streamed down my face, I could see the ball coming. I held the bat past my right shoulder and when the ball reached me I quickly pivoted on my right foot, twisting hard at the waist, at the same time swinging the bat around with all the pent up anger and frustration percolating within me.

Then I heard the bat crack as it made contact with the ball. People began to cheer. They shouted, "Run! Run! What are you waiting for?" I stood watching the ball go over the fence, until it was out of sight. I turned and glared at my teammates before I began to walk the bases. I guess it could be said, that I walked my "Home Run".

A lot of the kids said they'd



## Daniel Bryan medically cleared to return to WWE

Following more than two years of extensive evaluations, four-time world champion Daniel Bryan has been medically cleared to return to in-ring competition.

Bryan underwent a full review of his medical history and received comprehensive neurological and physical evaluations independent of WWE, the company announced.

He was cleared by each doctor as well as WWE's Medical Director, Dr. Joseph Maroon.

After enjoying numerous championship runs, battling in legendary rivalries as both a singles and tag team competitor and sparking the epic "Yes!" Movement, Bryan was forced to make an emotional decision to retire from competition in February 2016.

Later that year, he became the SmackDown LIVE General Manager, where he has continued to be an active part of the blue brand.

### POETRY MATTERS

from "The Dresser" and "Not Youth Pertains To Me"

As an old man bending, I come, among new faces,  
*...Come tell us, old man,  
 Of those armies so rapid, so wondrous,  
 ...what stays with you latest and deepest?*  
 ...The rows of the hospital tent,  
 the long rows of cots up and down  
 ... Not youth pertains to me,  
 Nor delicatessen, I cannot beguile the time with talk,  
 Awkward in the parlor, neither a dancer nor elegant,  
 In the learn'd coterie sitting constrain'd and still, for  
 learning  
 inures not to me,  
 Beauty, knowledge, inure not to me—yet there are two or  
 three  
 things inure to me,  
 I have nourish'd the wounded and sooth'd many a dying  
 soldier,  
 And at intervals waiting or in the midst of camp,  
 Composed these songs.

-Walt Whitman, Drum Taps, 1865

The Civil War brought American women into nursing. Dorothea Dix created a Nursing Corps and Walt Whitman was one of her nurses. He writes when nursing came of age as a profession. "Angel of the Battlefield" Clara Barton, who in 1864 had been "the lady in charge" of a Union Hospitals, went on to found the American Red Cross. Poetry Matters is curated by Lorine Parks.



G-Eazy

## G-Eazy tickets on sale Friday

Tickets go on sale Friday, March 23, to see G-Eazy perform July 31 at the Irvine Amphitheatre and Aug. 1 at the Mattress Firm Amphitheatre in Chula Vista.

The Oakland rapper is embarking on his "Endless Summer Tour" with Lil Uzi Vert and Ty Dolla \$ign.

On Monday, tickets go on sale to see Jay Z and Beyonce perform a joint concert Sept. 23 at the Rose Bowl.

Also Monday, pre-sale tickets can be purchased to see Luis Miguel perform at The Forum in Inglewood on Sept. 16.

## Easter Sunday Brunch Buffet

# BRICKSTONES

## -GRILL-

Sunday, April 1st 2018  
11AM-3PM

Breakfast Station including: Eggs Benedict, Scrambled Eggs, Bacon, Sausage & Cooked-to-order Omelets, French Toast & Assorted Pastries, Assorted Salads & Seafood Stations

Carving Stations including: Roast Pork Loin & Honey Glazed Ham, Chef's Choice of Chicken, Meat and Fish Dishes, Seasonal Vegetables, Assorted Desserts, Coffee, Tea, Milk, and Juices, Champagne & Sparkling Apple Cider

\$38\* Adults  
\$18\* Children (under 12 years)  
\*tax and gratuity not included

located inside the  
**Embassy Suites Downey**  
8425 FIRESTONE BLVD, DOWNEY  
For reservations, please call (562)299-1657

DINING OUT

**Grill & Cantina**  
*Authentic Fresh Made Mexican Food*

**HAPPY HOUR**  
Mon. - Fri. 3 PM-8 PM  
Sat. & Sun. 3 PM-8 PM  
(Bar Only)

**DOWNEY PATRIOT SPECIAL**  
**Breakfast & Lunch Buffet**  
Now Available!

**Monday - Thursday**  
Buy One Entree, Get the Second of Equal or Lesser Price for **\$3.99**  
Expires 3-31-18  
(\*Not Valid on Molcajete for 2 purchases)

**MARIACHI**  
Friday 6 PM-12 AM  
Saturday 7:30 PM - 12 AM  
Sunday 3:00 PM - 9 PM

Tel. **562.622.9100**  
**11010 Paramount Blvd.**  
**Downey, CA 90241**

**Beloon**

**2 for \$25<sup>95</sup>**  
**Complete Dinners**

Soup or Salad, Garlic Cheese Toast or Cornbread  
Choose from Sirloin Steak, Roast Turkey, Chicken Chipotle Pasta, Fettucini Alfredo with Chicken, or Steak Fajita  
Includes coffee, tea or soft drink.  
No Take-Out, Dine-In Only, 2 coupons per table  
Expires 4/5/18

**562-862-0223**  
10822 Lakewood Blvd. Downey (Next to Stonewood)

Includes Slice of Pie

**Stox**  
RESTAURANT / BAKERY / BAR

**Voted Best**  
Breakfast in Town Served All Day

A Downey Landmark for over **56 Years**

**Easter Saturday & Sunday SPECIALS**

STOX will be serving their famous Champagne Brunch menu on Sat. & Sun. Open - 4:00 PM  
All kids 10 & under will get to pick an egg and a chance to win thousands of dollars in cash or gift certificates!

|                                |         |
|--------------------------------|---------|
| Prime Rib King Cut             | \$27.95 |
| Leg of Lamb                    | \$17.95 |
| Baked Ham with Champagne Glaze | \$16.95 |

**Best Bloody Mary's West of New Orleans!**  
**9518 E. Imperial Hwy., Downey, CA (562) 803-4004**

# Downey Symphony closing its 59th season with Tchaikovsky

**DOWNEY** -- If you like music, you are going to love the Downey Symphony's concert April 7 at the Downey Theatre.

The program features two of the most popular works in classical music—Tchaikovsky's fifth symphony and Rachmaninoff's second piano concerto. These two giants of Russian music create haunting melodies and powerfully moving harmonies.

Kevin Fitz-Gerald, an internationally renowned pianist, will perform the Rachmaninoff. He came to study piano in a unique way. When he was 4, growing up on a farm in Canada, he saw a famous cartoon where Bugs Bunny, complete in white tie and tails, plays a piano concerto—pausing to munch a carrot, of course. (You can find it on YouTube.)

Kevin rushed into the kitchen to tell his mom, "That's what I was meant to do!"

That's the inspiration moment, but Kevin also persisted. He saved his allowance and earnings and at the age of 10 bought a piano and started taking lessons. The rest is history, including a scholarship to the Victoria Conservatory and a career as performer and also as a professor at USC Thornton School of Music.

Kevin performed with the Downey Symphony a few years ago, and says, "I was so impressed with all the musicians in the orchestra. Sharon Lavery is a consummate artist and conductor and an amazing

collaborator."

Another special feature of this concert is the appearance of the baton auction winner. At its final concert of the season, the Symphony gives the audience a chance to bid to conduct the orchestra next season.

Downey resident Bonnie Beall made the winning bid last year for her son, Josh. He grew up in Downey, graduated from the University of Redlands in music education, and teaches music at Our Lady of Perpetual Help School, as well as conducting the Bellflower Community Choir. To open the concert, he'll conduct one of Dvořák's energetic Slavonic dances.

Josh observes that working with Music Director Sharon Lavery to prepare for conducting "made me realize how much goes into putting together a piece for performance. It's amazing how effortless these professionals make it look. Having so many people on the same wavelength and being in control of this powerful thing that is music is tremendously liberating and exciting."

The concert also includes an exhibit of work by local artists titled "Metallic Reflections," featuring painting and sculpture that use metal.

Doors open at 6:30 pm so patrons can enjoy the artwork. Lavery offers a talk on the evening's music at 7:15 pm. The concert begins at 8 pm.

**Renowned pianist Kevin Fitz-Gerald will perform a solo number April 7 at the Downey Theatre as part of the Downey Symphony concert.**



A complimentary champagne reception follows the performance so that the audience can celebrate the end of a great 59th season and meet friends as well as the soloists, conductor, and orchestra members.

Tickets are on sale at the Downey Theatre Box Office in person or by phone (562) 861-8211, open 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday, or online at downeysymphony.org. Tickets are \$30 or \$35, depending on seating area, and student tickets are \$10. Free parking is located adjacent to the theatre.

# Advertise Your Business



◆ Delivered Weekly to Single Family Homes and Bulk Drop Off Locations

Get the word out by Advertising and Promoting your company

Call Michael or Jazmin

**(562) 904-3668**

Having a Yard Sale? Looking for Renters?

Call our Classifieds Department **(562) 904-3668**

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

**Downey Patriot wins 5 journalism awards**

**Weekend at a Glance**

**Memorial Day Ceremony**

# LEGALS

## CIVIL

STATE OF WISCONSIN  
CIRCUIT COURT  
WINNEBAGO COUNTY  
Case No. 18 SC 810  
COMMUNITY FIRST CREDIT UNION  
1575 Dressang Way  
Neenah, WI 54956  
Plaintiff  
-vs-  
JUSTIN J. TOMAJCIK  
5632 Oceana Avenue  
Lakewood, CA 90713  
Defendant  
**Small Claims Publication Summons and Notice TO THE PERSON(S) NAMED ABOVE AS DEFENDANT(S):**  
You are being sued by the person(s) named above as Plaintiff(s). A copy of the claim has been sent to you at your address as stated in the caption above.  
The lawsuit will be heard in the following Small Claims court:  
Safety Building  
420 Jackson Street, Room 194  
Oshkosh, WI 54903  
on the following date and time:  
Date: April 11, 2018  
Time: 11:00 a.m.  
If you need help in this matter because of a disability, please call: (920) 236-4858.  
**If you do not attend the hearing, the court may enter a judgment against you in favor of the person(s) suing you.** A copy of the claim has been sent to you at your address as stated in the caption above. A judgment

may be enforced as provided by law. A judgment awarding money may become a lien against any real estate you own now or in the future, and may also be enforced by garnishment or seizure of property.  
You may have the option to Answer without appearing in court on the court date by filing a written Answer with the clerk of court before the court date. You must send a copy of your Answer to the Plaintiff(s) named above at their address. You may contact the clerk of court at the telephone number above to determine if there are other methods to answer a Small Claims complaint in that county.  
Dated: 03/20/2018  
s/Amanda E. Keitel  
State Bar No. 1079609  
Van Lieshout Law Office  
PO Box 186  
Little Chute, WI 54140-0186  
920-788-0800

**The Downey Patriot 3/22/18**

## FICT. BUS NAME

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File Number 2018062235  
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) CABALLERO ENVIRONMENTAL, 8516 ALAMEDA ST, DOWNEY CA 90242, LA COUNTY.  
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A  
REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) GILBERTO

ALEJANDRO CABALLERO, 4048 VIRGINIA ST, LYNWOOD CA 90262 (2) YADIRA ZERON CABALLERO, 4048 VIRGINIA ST, LYNWOOD CA 90262  
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: 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/ YADIRA ZERON CABALLERO, OWNER  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on MARCH 13, 2018  
Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on MARCH 13, 2018  
Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of 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/ JOSE MIGUEL GONZALEZ FLORES, OWNER  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on FEBRUARY 22, 2018  
Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Business 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 Downey Patriot 3/15/18, 3/22/18, 3/29/18, 4/5/18**

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File Number 2018044951  
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) ABODAH ENVIRONMENTAL, 8516 ALAMEDA ST, DOWNEY CA 90242, LA COUNTY.  
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A  
REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) JOSE MIGUEL GONZALEZ FLORES, 8516 ALAMEDA ST, DOWNEY CA 90242 (2) BELEN ELIZABETH GONZALEZ, 8516 ALAMEDA ST, DOWNEY CA 90242  
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: 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/ JOSE MIGUEL GONZALEZ FLORES, OWNER  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on FEBRUARY 22, 2018  
Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Business 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 Downey Patriot 3/1/18, 3/8/18, 3/15/18, 3/22/18**

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File Number 2018054033  
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) SG OFFICE SERVICES, 8120 DUESLER LANE, DOWNEY CA 90242, LA COUNTY, 8120 DUESLER LANE, DOWNEY CA 90242  
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A  
REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) SOCORRO GUTIERREZ, 8120 DUESLER LANE, 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: 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/ SOCORRO GUTIERREZ, OWNER  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on MARCH 5, 2018  
Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on MARCH 5, 2018  
Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of 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/ SOCORRO GUTIERREZ, OWNER  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on MARCH 5, 2018  
Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a 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).  
Paid parking meters are not being considered at this time.  
Council members voted unanimously to accept the recommendations.

**The Downey Patriot 3/8/18, 3/15/18, 3/22/18, 3/29/18**

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File Number 2018033283  
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS







# CLASSIFIEDS

## FOR RENT

**SINGLE FAMILY HOME**  
N.W. Downey 2BR 2BA  
2 Car Garage. \$2,000/mo.  
Please call or text Javier after  
5pm, text preferred.  
(562) 330-7705

## SERVICES

**FULL SERVICE PLUMBING**  
Licensed, bonded & insured,  
24/7, senior discount  
**McKinnon & Sons**  
**Plumbing of Downey**  
(562) 904-3616

## SERVICES

**POOL SERVICE & REPAIRS**  
40 yr exp., free estimate.  
Hablamos Espanol  
(562) 652-0054

## APPLIANCE TECH HAS ARRIVED

House calls. Same day rapid service all major brands.  
Washers, dryers, ovens, stoves, refrigerators, etc.  
Senior citizen discount.  
(562) 866-4291  
(310) 251-3018

## SERVICES

**HANDY CRAFTSMAN SERVICE**  
for all your home improvements & repairs. All labor and material guaranteed.  
(562) 331-0976

## COMPUTER SOLUTION

Desktop & Notebook Repair.  
Senior computer help & printer setup. Virus Removal.  
PC Sales & Upgrade  
**Call Larry Latimer**  
(562) 714-9876

## SERVICES

**FINE ROOFING, INC.**  
Roof Repair & Leaks  
Free Estimate•Quality Service  
Senior Discount. Lic 976823  
(562) 879-4987

## PLANS, PERMITS CONSTRUCTION

Project Design,  
New Construction,  
Remodeling & Additions  
**Lic. #936419**  
Call Jeff (562) 869-1421

## SERVICES

**NICE-N-KLEAN**  
Residential & Commercial Cleaning.  
Call for a Free Estimate.  
(562) 419-6577

## YARD SALE

**ESTATE SALE**  
Sat. March 24th @ 8am  
**11718 Julius Ave, Downey**



**CLASSIFIED ADS AT PIGGY BANK PRICES!**  
**904-3668**

Visit Us Online  
[www.TheDowneyPatriot.com](http://www.TheDowneyPatriot.com)

above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.  
**NOTICE OF HEARING**  
Date: **May 2, 2018, Time: 1:30 p.m.**,  
Department: **C, Room: 312**  
The address of the court is **12720 Norwalk Blvd. Rm 101, Norwalk 90650**  
A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in the county, **Downey Patriot**  
February 26, 2018  
Judge Margaret M. Bernal  
Judge Of The Superior Court  
Petitioner or Attorney, In Pro Per  
Valissa Leon  
11147 Rivera Rd  
Whittier, CA 90606  
(562) 569-3195

## PROBATE

**NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE**  
**CREEK PARK OWNERS ASSOC. VS SALKINGER, DONNA**  
CASE NO.: 09CD0781 R  
Under a writ of Habeas Corpus, dated 04/18/18. Out of the L.A. SUPERIOR COURT, NORWALK, OF THE SOUTHEAST DISTRICT, County of Los Angeles, State of California, on a judgment entered on 04/15/10.  
The described property is sold subject to the right of redemption. The amount of the secured indebtedness with interest and costs is \$26,662.51 (Amount subject to revision)  
In favor of CREEK PARK OWNERS ASSOCIATION, A CALIFORNIA NON-PROFIT CORPORATION and against SALKINGER, DONNA  
I have levied upon all the right, title and interest of said judgment debtor(s) in the property in the County of Los Angeles, State of California, described as follows:  
LOT 55 OF TRACT NO. 26200, CITY OF LA MIRADA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AS PER MAP RECORDED IN BOOK 806, PAGES 79 TO 84, INCLUSIVE OF MISCELLANEOUS MAPS, IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY, CALIFORNIA.  
APN: 8034-029-036  
Commonly known as: 12202 SANTA GERTRUDES AVENUE #55, LA MIRADA, CA 90638  
Public notice is hereby given that I will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash in lawful money of the United States all the right, title and interest of the debtor(s) in the above described property or so much as will be sufficient to satisfy said writ or warrant with interest and all costs on 04/18/18, 10:00 AM at the following location:  
STANLEY MOSK COURTHOUSE  
111 N. HILL STREET, ROOM 125B  
LOS ANGELES, CA 90012  
( ) This sale is subject to a minimum bid in the amount of \$0.00 (Subject to revision)  
Prospective bidders should refer to sections 701.510 to 701.680, inclusive, of the Code of Civil Procedure for provisions governing the terms, conditions and effect of the sale and the liability of defaulting bidders.  
Creditor's Attorney  
COMMUNITY LEGAL ADVISOR INC.  
MARK T. GUTHRIE, ESQ.  
509 N. COAST HIGHWAY  
OCEANSIDE, CA 92051  
Dated: 03/15/18  
Branch: Los Angeles  
JIM McDONNELL, Sheriff  
By: LISA MOJARRO, Deputy  
Operator Id: E229646

Para obtener esta informacion-traducción en Espanol llame a este numero: (213) 972-3950  
NOTE: IT IS A MISDEMEANOR TO TAKE DOWN OR DEFACE A POSTED NOTICE BEFORE THE DATE OF SALE. (Penal Code section 616)  
CN947589  
09CD0781 R Mar 22, 29, Apr 5, 2018  
CN947589  
The Downey Patriot  
3/22/18, 3/29/18, 4/5/18

## TRUSTEE SALES

**NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE** Trustee Sale No.: 00000006074553 Title Order No.: 730-1605971-70 FHA/VA/ PM No.: ATTENTION RECORDER: THE FOLLOWING REFERENCE TO AN ATTACHED SUMMARY APPLIES ONLY TO COPIES PROVIDED TO THE

TRUSTOR, NOT TO THIS RECORDED ORIGINAL NOTICE. NOTE: THERE IS A SUMMARY OF THE INFORMATION IN THIS DOCUMENT ATTACHED. YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 05/16/2007, UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. BARRETT DAFFIN FRAPPIER TREDER and WEISS, LLP, as duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust Recorded on 05/22/2007 as Instrument No. 20071237185 of official records in the office of the County Recorder of LOS ANGELES County, State of CALIFORNIA. EXECUTED BY: ROBERTO ROMO, A MARRIED MAN AS HIS SOLE AND SEPARATE PROPERTY, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH, CASHIER'S CHECK/CASH EQUIVALENT or other form of payment authorized by California Civil Code 2924(n)(b), (payable at time of sale in lawful money of the United States). DATE OF SALE: 04/03/2018, TIME OF SALE: 11:00 AM, PLACE OF SALE: By the fountain located at 400 Civic Center Plaza, Pomona, CA 91766. STREET ADDRESS and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 9362 BUELL STREET, DOWNEY, CALIFORNIA 90241. APN#: 6286-014-013. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said note(s), advances, under the terms of said Deed of Trust, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the note(s) to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is \$783,168.20. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written Declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located. NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call 800-758-8052 for information regarding the trustee's sale or visit this Internet Web site [www.homeseach.com](http://www.homeseach.com) for information regarding the sale of this property, using the file number assigned to this case 00000006074553. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. FOR TRUSTEE SALE INFORMATION PLEASE CALL: XOME 800-758-8052 [www.homeseach.com](http://www.homeseach.com) BARRETT DAFFIN FRAPPIER TREDER and WEISS, LLP as Trustee 20955 Pathfinder Road, Suite 300 Diamond Bar, CA 91765 (866) 795-1852 Dated: 03/01/2018 BARRETT

DAFFIN FRAPPIER TREDER and WEISS, LLP IS ACTING AS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. A-4649228 03/08/2018, 03/15/2018, 03/22/2018

## The Downey Patriot 3/8/18, 3/15/18, 3/22/18

**NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE** T.S. No. 17-30871-PM-CA Title No. 170316875-CA-VOL APN: 6255-018-011, ATTENTION RECORDER: THE FOLLOWING REFERENCE TO AN ATTACHED SUMMARY IS APPLICABLE TO THE NOTICE PROVIDED TO THE TRUSTOR ONLY PURSUANT TO CIVIL CODE 2923.3. NOTE: THERE IS A SUMMARY OF THE INFORMATION IN THIS DOCUMENT ATTACHED. YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 07/20/2012, UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, (cashier's check(s) must be made payable to National Default Servicing Corporation), drawn on a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state; will be held by the duly appointed trustee as shown below, of all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by the trustee in the hereinabove described property under and pursuant to a Deed of Trust described below. The sale will be made in an "as is" condition, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. Trustor: Maria D Maldonado a married woman, as her sole and separate property. Duly Appointed Trustee: National Default Servicing Corporation. Recorded 07/30/2012 as Instrument No. 20121120115 (or Book, Page) of the Official Records of Los Angeles County, California. Date of Sale: 04/06/2018 at 11:00 AM. Place of Sale: By the fountain located at 400 Civic Center Plaza, Pomona, CA 91766. Estimated amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$249,844.64. Street Address or other common designation of real property: 11816 La Reina Avenue, Downey, CA 90241. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address or other common designation, if any, shown above. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. The requirements of California Civil Code Section 2923.5(b)(2)923.55(c) were fulfilled when the Notice of Default was recorded. NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the

mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call 714-730-2727 or visit this Internet Web site [www.ndscorp.com/sales](http://www.ndscorp.com/sales), using the file number assigned to this case 17-30871-PM-CA. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. Date: 03/12/2018 National Default Servicing Corporation c/o Tiffany and Bosco, P.A., its agent, 1230 Columbia Street, Suite 680 San Diego, CA 92101 Toll Free Phone: 888-264-4010 Sales Line 714-730-2727; Sales Website: [www.ndscorp.com/sales](http://www.ndscorp.com/sales) Rachael Hamilton, Trustee Sales Representative A-FN4650470 03/15/2018, 03/22/2018, 03/29/2018

## The Downey Patriot 3/15/18, 3/22/18, 3/29/18

T.S. No. 063096-CA APN: 6312-014-020 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE IMPORTANT NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 11/7/2007, UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER On 4/18/2018 at 10:30 AM, CLEAR RECON CORP, as duly appointed trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust recorded 11/14/2007, as Instrument No. 20072540286, of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Los Angeles County, State of CALIFORNIA executed by: JAMES ARCIGA AND CARMEN

ARCIGA, HUSBAND AND WIFE WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH, CASHIER'S CHECK DRAWN ON A STATE OR NATIONAL BANK, A CHECK DRAWN BY A STATE OR FEDERAL CREDIT UNION, OR A CHECK DRAWN BY A STATE OR FEDERAL SAVINGS AND LOAN ASSOCIATION, SAVINGS ASSOCIATION, OR SAVINGS BANK SPECIFIED IN SECTION 5102 OF THE FINANCIAL CODE AND AUTHORIZED TO DO BUSINESS IN THIS STATE: BEHIND THE FOUNTAIN LOCATED IN CIVIC CENTER PLAZA, 400 CIVIC CENTER PLAZA, POMONA, CA 91766 all right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County and State described as: MORE FULLY DESCRIBED ON SAID DEED OF TRUST The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 4019 E 56TH ST MAYWOOD, CA 90270-2705 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be held, but without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession, condition, or encumbrances, including fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust, to pay the remaining principal sums of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is: \$339,674.36 If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written Declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located.

NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call (844) 477-7869 or visit this Internet Web site [WWW.STOXPOSTING.COM](http://WWW.STOXPOSTING.COM), using the file number assigned to this case 063096-CA. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. FOR SALES INFORMATION: (844) 477-7869 CLEAR RECON CORP 4375 Jutland Drive San Diego, California 92117

The Downey Patriot 3/22/18, 3/29/18, 4/5/18



**GUARANTEED DELIVERY \$15 PER YEAR SUBSCRIPTION**

The Downey Patriot is offering subscriptions for \$15/year. Subscription guarantees delivery every Friday to a single-family home in Downey.  
**8301 E. Florence Ave., Suite 100, Downey, CA 90240**

**CITY OF DOWNEY NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING A ZONE TEXT AMENDMENT PLN-17-00103**

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held before the DOWNEY CITY PLANNING COMMISSION on the **4th day of April, 2018**, at 6:30 p.m., in the Council Chambers of the Downey City Hall, 11111 Brookshire Avenue, Downey, California. At that time and place, consideration will be given to the following:

**PLN-17-00103 (Zone Text Amendment) –** A request to amend various sections of Article IX of the Downey Municipal Code regulating Accessory Dwelling Units in the R-1 (Single-Family Residential) zones. These changes are proposed to comply with the State of California's requirements.


Staff has reviewed the proposed Zone Text Amendment for compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). Upon completion of this review, staff has determined that the proposed Zone Text Amendment is statutorily exempt from CEQA pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21080.17 and CEQA Guidelines Section 15282(h), which exempts adoption of ordinances regarding accessory dwelling units.

If you challenge the proposed actions in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the Planning Commission at, or prior to, the public hearing.

For more information contact the Principal Planner Guillermo Arreola at 562-904-7154.

**The Downey Patriot 3/22/18**

|                              |  |
|------------------------------|--|
| <b>Name:</b>                 |  |
| <b>Address:</b>              |  |
| <b>Phone:</b>                |  |
| <b>Name of Recipient:</b>    |  |
| <b>Address of Recipient:</b> |  |
| <b>Phone of Recipient:</b>   |  |



To give The Downey Patriot as a gift, fill out the information form below and send it along with a check for \$15 to The Downey Patriot, or you can always come into the office and drop off your subscription form.



## Downey Patriot is finalist for 3 awards in journalism contest

**DOWNEY** – Three stories published by the Downey Patriot have been named finalists in the California Newspaper Publisher Association's state journalism competition.

Staff writer Alex Dominguez is a finalist in the "Breaking News" category for his story about a Downey woman who narrowly avoided tragedy at last October's Las Vegas mass shooting.

Ashley Enslin, 26, was at the Route 91 Music Harvest Festival when a shooter opened fire from the 32nd floor of the Mandalay Bay, leaving 58 people dead. Enslin escaped with relatively minor injuries.

Meanwhile, Downey Patriot editor Eric Pierce was named a finalist in the "Best Writing" category for his article on Dr. Mary Stauffer.

Published on her 100th birthday, the article chronicles Dr. Stauffer's life of charitable giving and her impact on the Downey community.

Contributor Lawrence Christon was also named a finalist in the "Best Writing" category for his essay on Jerry Baxter, a reclusive figure who played tennis at Furman Park.

The article attempted to trace Baxter's whereabouts after he stopped showing up at Furman Park. It turns out he had died a couple months prior.

Winners will be announced April 14 at a banquet in Sonoma, Calif.

## Bosco takes first place at academic decathlon

**BELLFLOWER** – With nearly 300 students competing from more than 20 schools in Los Angeles and Orange counties, the Academic Decathlon featured some of the best and brightest in Southern California.

In addition to finishing first place in its division, St. John Bosco High School finished with the 7th highest overall score.

Junior Ethan Wadsworth led the Braves, winning 10 medals (nine of which were gold) and finishing with the fifth highest score out of the students who competed. Senior Regil Machete won six medals; and senior Jared Stillhard, junior Derek Wadsworth, sophomore Connor Roohan, and freshman Zachary Pao won five medals each.

Fifteen St. John Bosco High School Students participated in the regional round of this national competition. Decathlon teams are comprised of students from different grade-point average levels who compete against other students in 11 areas: Art, Economics, Essay, Interview, Language & Literature, Math, Music, Social Science, Speech, Science and Super Quiz. All events, except for math, relate to a central topic; this year's United States Academic Decathlon theme was "Africa."

"I am extremely proud of our students for laying the foundation of academic competition excellence and paving the way for future Braves to show off their academic talents," said Edgar Salmingo, Vice President of Academic Affairs at Bosco. "To achieve first place in only their first year of competition is truly remarkable."

Founded in 1940 by the Salesians of Don Bosco, St. John Bosco High School is a distinctive all-male Catholic college preparatory school with a student body of approximately 800 students, grades 9-12.

As a Catholic college preparatory community in the Salesian tradition, the school educates young men with "reason, religion and loving kindness to become men of purpose."

## 'Wicked' returning to Pantages Theatre

**HOLLYWOOD** – "Wicked," L.A.'s most popular musical, will return to Hollywood Pantages Theatre for a limited engagement this holiday season beginning Nov. 28 and playing through Jan. 27, 2019.

Tickets for "Wicked" are currently available exclusively to 2018-19 Pantages season ticket holders. Individual tickets will go on sale to the public at a later date.

"From the moment Elphaba and Glinda flew away three years ago, fans have consistently asked: 'when is Wicked coming back?'" said Jeff Loeb, the Pantage Theatre's general manager. "We are thrilled to have 'Wicked' back this holiday season."

Since opening in 2003, "Wicked" has been seen by nearly 55 million people worldwide, been performed in over 100 cities in 15 countries around the world (U.S., Canada, United Kingdom, Ireland, Japan, Germany, Holland, Australia, New Zealand, Singapore, South Korea, The Philippines, China, Mexico, and Brazil) and has thus far been translated into six languages: Japanese, German, Dutch, Spanish, Korean and Portuguese.

Declared "The Best Musical of the Decade" by Entertainment Weekly, "Wicked" is the recipient of over 100 international awards including a Grammy Award and three Tony Awards.

The surprising tale of an unlikely friendship between two women in the Land of Oz, "Wicked" tells the untold story of the Wicked Witch of the West and Glinda the Good Witch, long before Dorothy drops in.

Elphaba, born with emerald-green skin, is smart, fiery and misunderstood. Glinda is beautiful, ambitious and very popular. The remarkable odyssey of how these unexpected friends changed each other's lives for good has made "Wicked" one of the world's most popular musicals.

For more information about the production, visit [WickedTheMusical.com](http://WickedTheMusical.com).

## Cerritos expands use of license plate readers

**CERRITOS** – The Cerritos City Council recently approved leasing two additional Ford Explorer patrol vehicles that feature Automatic License Plate Reader (ALPR) technology to add to the Cerritos Sheriff's Station fleet.

Cerritos deputies will soon deploy a total of seven ALPR-equipped vehicles to aid them in their daily crime suppression efforts.

The original two ALPR equipped vehicles were introduced to the Station's fleet in 2016, and three additional ALPR equipped patrol vehicles were added in early 2018. The two additional vehicles will be utilized to abate residential burglaries.

Cerritos' ALPR equipped patrol vehicles feature the most updated version of ALPR technology. The vehicles have four roof-mounted, high-resolution, infrared digital cameras providing 360 degree coverage and a computer that automatically photographs, geo-tags and instantly checks the license plate number of every vehicle that passes within proximity of the ALPR cameras.

The ALPR system immediately notifies the patrolling deputy if a scanned license plate belongs to a stolen vehicle, a person with an outstanding warrant or other persons of interest.



U.S. Air Force Airman Connie A. Espino graduated from basic military training at Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland, San Antonio, Texas.

Espino completed an intensive, eight-week program that included training in military discipline and studies, Air Force core values, physical fitness, and basic warfare principles and skills.

She is the daughter of Araceli Alvarez of Downey, and niece of Jenny Nunez of Whittier, Claudia Alvarez of Downey, Griselda Alvarez of Bellflower, Marisol Alvarez of Gardena, and Grecia Alvarez of Compton. She is also the sister of Danny Espino and Krystal Espino.

She is a 2016 graduate of Downey High School.

# SEVEN SURE-FIRE WAYS to Make Your Home Sale SELF-DESTRUCT. And How You Can Avoid Them.

Taking the wrong approach to selling your home can be a lot like lighting a fuse and hoping the bomb won't go off.

**Mistake #1:** Pricing With Your Heart, Not Your Head. An asking price not based on the most accurate and up-to-date market information can be instant death for a home sale. You need to know if you're asking too much or much too little.

**Mistake #2:** Selling in Your Spare Time. Getting your home sold takes more than just putting a sign on the lawn or an ad in the paper. You need to make sure the right prospects know about your home, and one missed phone call could be "the one that got away."

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

**Mistake #4:** Finding Out Too Late That Your Buyer Isn't Qualified. How can you tell if an interested buyer is really prepared to buy your home? Wasting time with the wrong person could cost you time in finding the right buyer.

**Mistake #5:** Forgetting to Set the Stage. Do you know the ten most common details buyers look for in a home? Sometimes the most minor cosmetic changes can make all the difference.

**Mistake #6:** Choosing the Wrong Real Estate Agent. All real estate agents make the same promises and provide the same services, so they're basically all the same, right? Wrong! The professional you hire to help you with your sale can make all the difference. How do you know what to look for?

**Mistake #7:** Not Calling Dale Jervis Before Selling Your Home. Dale Jervis has helped so many home sellers with these questions and more, he's prepared an in-depth brochure filled with all the information you need to make your sale successful. Even if you don't choose to work with Dale, he'd still like to offer you this valuable resource. Simply call/text him at (562) 743-2121 today and ask for his brochure and **FREE Seller's Report**. There's absolutely no obligation, and you wouldn't want to sell your home without it, so call today!

562.743.2121

www.DaleJervis.com

**Century 21 Allstars**  
SMARTER. BOLDER. FASTER.  
CENTURY 21 ALLSTARS: (323) 702-5722

**DOWNEY SELLERS:** "YOUR HOME SOLD IN UNDER 60 DAYS GUARANTEED OR I'LL SELL IT FOR FREE!"\*

**DOWNEY BUYERS:** "YOU CAN BUY A HOME FOR ZERO DOWN"

CELL: (323) 702-5722  
FAX: (323) 370-6821

HECTOR BENAVIDEZ  
9155 TELEGRAPH RD.  
PICO RIVERA, CA 90660  
E-MAIL: [HECTOR.BENAVIDEZ@C21ALLSTARS.COM](mailto:HECTOR.BENAVIDEZ@C21ALLSTARS.COM)  
WEB: [HECTORBENAVIDEZ.COM](http://HECTORBENAVIDEZ.COM)

\*PLEASE CALL FOR A FREE COPY OF 60 DAYS GUARANTEED OR I'LL SELL IT FOR FREE CERTIFICATE.

## Ready to sell?

Downey home values are going up.

Trust Eric Pierce to sell your home.

Eric Pierce  
(562) 216-3642

**BRE No. 01977526**  
[eric.pierce@century21.com](mailto:eric.pierce@century21.com)

## My Real Estate

century21myrealestate.com

(562) 927-2626

7825 Florence Avenue • Downey, CA 90240

### OUR CLIENTS

"Patricia Loya & Jose Salguero did a wonderful job!" - Edith Hernandez

"Lorena Amaya & Lilian Lopez did an awesome job!" - Janet Yataco

"Steve Roberson did a great job & it was a good experience!" - Dexter Kamiya

### FEATURED PROPERTY

Location! Location! Location!

Beautiful three bedroom, two bathroom home north of Whittier Blvd. and walking distance to Michigan Park. Super open floor plan, multiple closets, newer light fixtures, newer floors and paint in all bedrooms, ceiling fans, newer windows, and much more. The long driveway leads to single car detached garage and a private backyard. **Call Today!!!**

### TOP PRODUCERS

TOP LISTING  
Joanna  
Torrico

TOP PRODUCTION  
Jackeline  
Mendez

TOP SALES  
Cheryl Van  
Rensselaer

Ready To Move In!

Property features 3 bedrooms, 1 bathroom. Bathroom has been recently updated. Master bedroom has newer flooring. House has new double paneled windows throughout. Home has a one car garage, carport, and driveway parks 3 cars. Low maintenance backyard with plenty of room to entertain. **Call Today!!!**

Immaculate!

Immaculate - 10+ year home. Everything is in very nice condition, from the fountain on the front porch to the built in BBQ and patio area. Never before carpet throughout and new wood flooring in the office. Granite countertops in the kitchen with upgraded stainless steel appliances (less than 2 years old). Built-ins in the dining room, office, and family room. Office can be 4th bedroom. Pool and spa have been completely redone with new pump. **Call Today!!!**

Everything You Need!

Move in ready home. Near new roof. Near new wood flooring. Open floor plan. Granite throughout. Bar area off kitchen. Extra large formal dining room. Updated bathrooms. Lots of cabinet and storage area. Bedrooms area very large. Guest quarters off garage with 3/4 bath and wall AC. Kid fence around pool and spa. **Call Today!!!**

Turnkey!

3 bedroom, 2 bathroom home in Bellflower. Remodeled kitchen in 2015. Combination living room and formal dining room. Nice and roomy master bedroom. All 3 bedrooms have mirror closets. Large family room. Double garage with remote control. Laundry facilities inside. **Call Today!!!**

Amazing!

Beautiful 3 bedroom, 1 bathroom home in desirable North Downey. This home features refinished hardwood floors, central air & heat, 2 car detached garage & a spacious backyard. Close to everything. This one won't last. **Call Today!!!**

Impeccable!

This beautiful home is nestled in Downey's highly desirable and prestigious North Downey area. This property has an open floor plan, newer stainless steel kitchen appliances, remodeled front entrance with path lighting, long gated driveway, detached two car garage recently remodeled, newer hardwood floors & newer base boards. **Call Today!!!**

Spectacular!

Beautiful 1st-level condo in gated community. 3 bedrooms and 3 baths with additional bonus room/office. Bonus room on ground floor with full bath and sliding door access to enclosed patio. Ground level laundry hookups and service risk leading to attached 2 car garage. Spacious second level includes large living room with balcony. Open kitchen with plenty of cabinet space, granite counter tops, and large closet pantry. **Call Today!!!**

My Real Estate School  
BRE APPROVED  
LIVE REAL ESTATE SCHOOL  
\$299 Reimbursed  
Call Darlene - ext. 119 (562) 927-2626



**Mel & Rita Berdelis**  
BROKER/OWNERS

**CALL US TODAY!**  
OFFICE: (562) 861-7257  
TOLL FREE: (800) 521-4572  
www.24hourRealEstate.com

**24 HOUR Real Estate**

**Carrie Uva**  
BROKER  
"Let's Talk Real Estate"  
**562-382-1252**  
www.CarrieUva.com  
BRE #01152047

**Marie Picarelli**  
REALTOR®  
"The Intelligent Choice!"  
**562-618-0033**  
www.MariePicarelli.com  
BRE #00610605

**Frank Moreno**  
REALTOR®  
"I Get Results!"  
**562-889-1870**  
www.FrankMoreno.com  
BRE #01129668

**Vicki Spearman**  
REALTOR®  
"I Care for Downey"  
**562-367-9520**  
lcare4dow@aol.com  
BRE #00542721

**Mario Persico**  
REALTOR®  
"Mario DID IT Again!"  
**562-533-7433**  
Mario@MarioPersico.com  
BRE #01341121

**NEW LISTING!**  
  
**This One's Hot!**  
3 BD, 1 BA home in Long Beach with 1,349 sq. ft. on a 5,392 sq. ft. lot. **\$375,000. Call Now! 562-382-1252.**

**OPEN HOUSE SUN 1 - 5 PM**  
  
10705 Pico Vista, Downey  
This 3 bedroom, 2 bathroom Downey home features a formal dining room, refinished hardwood floors, central air & heat, and dual paned windows. 1,916 sq. ft. living space on a 8,000+ sq. ft. lot size. **Call today! \$749,900.**  
www.MariePicarelli.com

**NEW LISTING!**  
  
**Attention Investors!**  
6 units total on 3 parcels. 20,766 square feet of land total. 4,829 square feet of total living space. Good rental income!  
**Call Frank for more information! 562-889-1870**  
Frank@FrankMoreno.com

**NEW LISTING!**  
  
**Downey Beauty!**  
3 BD, 1 3/4 BA, 1,832 sq. ft. living space on a 6,265 sq. ft. corner lot w/ a 3 car garage. **\$549,000! Call for more info!**

**COMING SOON!**  
  
**Northeast Downey Pool Home!**  
2 BD, 2 BA, 1,590 sq. ft. living space. Nearby Award Winning Schools. Plus a salt water pool. **Don't miss this gem!**

**Office Exclusive Listing**  
N. Downey 3 BD, 2 BA home with 1,592 sq. ft. on an 8,958 sq. ft. lot & a completely new pool. **Priced at \$729,900.**

**10705 Pico Vista, Downey**  
This 3 bedroom, 2 bathroom Downey home features a formal dining room, refinished hardwood floors, central air & heat, and dual paned windows. 1,916 sq. ft. living space on a 8,000+ sq. ft. lot size. **Call today! \$749,900.**  
www.MariePicarelli.com

**FOR SALE!**  
  
"This Could Be You!"  
I can help find you the home of your dreams too! I look forward to it!  
**Call Vicki today! 562-367-9520.**

**FOR SALE!**  
  
"This Could Be You!"  
I can help find you the home of your dreams too! I look forward to it!  
**Call Vicki today! 562-367-9520.**

**Mario Can Sell Yours Too!**  
  
**FOR SALE**

**BUSINESS!**  
  
**Own Your Own Business!**  
Super Popular Santa Fe Springs Restaurant For Sale. **\$120,000.**  
**Call Carrie for more info. 562-382-1252.**

**EXCLUSIVE!**  
  
**10,000 Sq. Ft. Lot!**  
4 BD, 2 BA, plus permitted guest house! **\$589,000! Call Us to get all the details! 562-618-0033.**

**Ben & Stephanie**  
REALTORS®  
"The Father-Daughter Team"  
**562-217-8384**  
TheFatherDaughterTeam.com  
BRE #01090340 | #01445843

**Pam Lee**  
REALTOR®  
**562-537-1134**  
PamLeeRealtor@gmail.com  
BRE #01750256

**IN ESCROW!**  
  
**Mario Did It Again! In Escrow! In Escrow!**  
1st time custom Downey home on the market features 4 BD, 3 BA, 2,190 sq. ft. living space and a step-down formal living room with vaulted ceilings & family room. Spacious master suite w/ custom bathroom. **Don't miss this magnificent home! \$669,000.**  
**Call Mario today! 562-533-7433.**

**SOLD!**  
  
**Investors Wanted!**  
Fixer upper home with 3 bedrooms, 1 bathroom and lots of potential!  
**Call Carrie for more info. 562-382-1252.**

**COMING SOON!**  
  
**Northwest Downey!**  
Be the 1st to see this 3 bedroom, 2 bath home! Hardwood floors, new paint and large rear yard!! **Won't last!**

**MUST SEE!**  
  
**Orange County Beauty**  
3 BD, 2.5 BA, remodeled open kitchen, hardwood floors throughout, dual pane windows and much more!!  
**Please call 562-217-8384 for price & info.**  
- IT'S A SELLERS MARKET -  
**CALL TODAY FOR A FREE MARKET EVALUATION 562-217-8384**

**CALL TODAY!**  
  
**Commercial Building**  
Great visibility located in East Los Angeles! (Between Whittier Blvd & Olympic Blvd) Perfect for owner user or retail business. 3,125 sq. ft.  
**Call Pam for more information! 562-537-1134.**  
PamLeeRealtor@gmail.com

**MARIO PERSICO**  
BORN | EDUCATED | LIVES | WORSHIPS  
**SELLS IN DOWNEY**  
**562-533-7433**  
#ItsNeverJustBusinessItsAlwaysPersonal

**CARRIE UVA**  
"Providing Service To Downey Residents For 24 Years"  
"Lifetime Downey Resident Selling Downey Homes"

**ANGELO & MARIE PICARELLI**  
Check Out our **68 REVIEWS** on Zillow!  
  
www.zillow.com/profile/mariepicarelli/#reviews

**Orange County Beauty**  
3 BD, 2.5 BA, remodeled open kitchen, hardwood floors throughout, dual pane windows and much more!!  
**Please call 562-217-8384 for price & info.**  
- IT'S A SELLERS MARKET -  
**CALL TODAY FOR A FREE MARKET EVALUATION 562-217-8384**

**Commercial Building**  
Great visibility located in East Los Angeles! (Between Whittier Blvd & Olympic Blvd) Perfect for owner user or retail business. 3,125 sq. ft.  
**Call Pam for more information! 562-537-1134.**  
PamLeeRealtor@gmail.com

**MARIO PERSICO**  
BORN | EDUCATED | LIVES | WORSHIPS  
**SELLS IN DOWNEY**  
**562-533-7433**  
#ItsNeverJustBusinessItsAlwaysPersonal



**MICHAEL BERDELIS**  
REALTOR® CalBRE #01234589  
"The 24 Hour Agent!"  
**562.818.6111**

**24 HOUR Real Estate**  
Call TODAY For A Private Showing Of These Homes Or A FREE Market Evaluation of YOUR Home!

**JUST LISTED**  
  
**Why Rent When You Could Own?**  
Charming 1 bedroom, 1 bath own-your-own (kind of like a condo) with assigned parking. Located in North Downey and very central to shopping, schools, and dining.  
**LIST PRICE \$219,950**

**JUST LISTED**  
  
**The American Dream Home**  
NW Downey! 3 BD, 2 BA, living room with fireplace, large dining room and family room, and spacious yard with POOL. Upgrades: Solar panels, new windows, updated hall bathroom, and central air/heat  
**LIST PRICE \$699,900**

**JUST LISTED**  
  
**Look No Further!**  
3 BD, 2 BA, spacious open living room with fireplace and formal dining room, large master bedroom with its own bathroom and dual closets, newer dual pane windows, central air & heat, and 1 year new roof.  
**LIST PRICE \$649,000**

**OPEN HOUSE SAT & SUN**  
  
**Remodeled Like New**  
NW Downey near Price & Griffiths! 3 BD, 2 BA, new kitchen, new flooring, fresh paint, master bedroom with new bathroom and walk-in closet, and pool in backyard.  
**REDUCED: \$614,950**

**OPEN HOUSE SAT & SUN**  
  
**Tuscan Villa With Pool!**  
4 BD, 5 BA, 3,127 sq ft, remodeled/built in 2007, remodeled kitchen w/large island, upstairs family room, spacious master bedroom with balcony overlooking pool/spa, downstairs office, & each BD has its own BA.  
**LIST PRICE: \$859,950**

**OPEN HOUSE SAT & SUN**  
  
**Don't Let This One Get Away**  
Updated 3 BD, 2 BA NW Downey home with fresh paint inside & out, remodeled kitchen, family room w/fireplace, & a master bedroom with its own bathroom. This corner cul-de-sac property has a nice patio & large fenced yard.  
**LIST PRICE \$629,000**

**FOR SALE BY MICHAEL**

**www.MichaelBerdelis.com**