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► CULTURE IN DOWNEY: The death of Hollywood great Miriam Nelson, a dancer and choreographer who lended her talents to shows with the Downey Civic Light Opera, is another reminder of Downey's further vanishing cultural life.

By Lawrence Christon
Contributor

DOWNEY - Every major newspaper in the country ran a lengthy obit on dancer/choreographer Miriam Nelson, who died on August 12 at the age of 98 and whose seven-decade career, as *The New York Times* put it, "spanned the golden ages of Broadway, Hollywood and television."

She worked with Judy Garland, Bette Davis, Audrey Hepburn, Ingrid Bergman and Jerry Lewis; she helped Shirley MacLaine perform a memorable striptease in "The Apartment" in which MacLaine removed nothing but her necklace; she choreographed the whole cast of "Cat Ballou" in a number; and she coaxed a terrified William Holden to dance with Kim Novak in one of Hollywood's immortal, sensually riveting scenes, in "Picnic."

On Broadway, as a dancer, she worked with Van Johnson, Ethel Merman and Danny Kaye, and appeared in six shows, including two by Cole Porter. As a film actress, she appeared in "Double Indemnity," and "Lady in the Dark." On TV, she worked on "The Red Skelton Show," "Father Knows Best," "The Lucy Show" and "Murder, She Wrote."

Tall, slender, graceful, outgoing and naturally aristocratic in bearing, she and then-husband Gene Nelson were, along with Marge and Gower Champion, among the premier dance couples of Hollywood and Broadway.

For quite some time I've been meaning to thank the Patriot for running that intriguing picture (April 11) of Marsha Moode, executive director of the Downey Civic Light Opera, taking tickets at the door of the Downey Theater prior to a Sunday matinee.

Moode, a former beauty queen and stage and film actress, and the only Downey woman beside Karen Carpenter to possess star quality (though of a different sort), is dressed in an evening gown in which she looks perfectly comfortable. More than a self-referential glamour puss, she's looking at one of her theater patrons directly in the eye and smiling in the way she had of making everyone feel happy and personally welcome at a DCLO performance, which consisted of a steady production schedule of the best musicals ever staged from the golden age of Broadway musicals, including works by Irving Berlin, Lerner & Loewe, Rodgers & Hammerstein and the Gershwin brothers

What's the connection here?

For much of the final decade of the DCLO's existence, Miriam Nelson was choreographer for Moode and the DCLO, in which Nelson's style, experience and brilliance seemed to make each show more dazzling and infectious than the one before. Mixing amateurs and pros, her dance numbers became more explosive, more confident and theatrical, full of the pizzazz of old Broadway at its most assured.

Long before its 2013 demise, a DCLO production was one of the few bright lights on what passes as Downey's dismal cultural scene. Moode also arranged and hosted opening night parties in which part of the Embassy Suites' ground floor was blocked off and city officials and business people mingled with cast members and dancers, alumni from other DCLO productions, L.A. actor friends and even a few university theater professors.



Miriam Nelson with then husband Gene Nelson on the Warner Bros. Studios lot in the 1950s. A dancer and choreographer, Nelson worked behind the scenes with the Downey Civic Light Opera before the organization was disbanded.

Miriam Nelson would be there too, friendly and beaming, a genial part of the fun, even though she had to drive home afterward to Malibu.

So why do I mention all this?

Because it's a reminder of what Downey has lost, and an indication of a city moving in the wrong direction. I can understand if local theater audiences, to whom the DCLO is already a distant memory, don't remember Nelson; she worked behind the scenes.

But I'll bet a hefty sum that no one on the city council, whose job it is to know what goes on in the city, knew anything about the luminary in their midst, or for that matter, the pleasure the DCLO brought audiences who drove in from as far away as Ventura. (Alex Saab would be the exception; but he, like the rest of the council members at the time, didn't take in DCLO performances; they didn't show up for the Downey Symphony performances either, unless they were getting an award.)

A city without a cultural life is a dead zone, and as I watch architectural atrocities like the KB project on Paramount and 5th hog the landscape as they metastasize in bulk, and lament the short-sightedness that created the semi-desolate Promenade—Downey's last great shot at the stuff municipal dreams are made of—I see a once-exceptional place bailing on its future.

I've lived here through more Downey election cycles than I care to remember, and there are a few council members I'm happy to see gone for the harm they've done that lives after them. But as I've observed the more recent parade of candidates pass through public scrutiny, each trumpeting the same tune about supporting police and business, business and police (as if a robust society consisted of nothing else), I'm struck more and more by the intellectual mediocrity, the absence of thought and imagination, of knowledge of how a well-rounded city and its rich satisfactions work, that has characterized our leadership.

The council as a body needs to snap out of its slumber. There have been notable efforts by Saab and Rick Rodriguez to get out and around, to listen to what's going

Marsha Moode was executive director of the Downey Civic Light Opera.

Photo by Joan Anderson, Downey Daily Photos



on in people's minds, to show a city presence. Sean Ashton has held a few meetings to hear what people have to say.

And the Downey arts community, such as it is, should be appalled at its own unresponsiveness to the gestures Saab has made both in meetings at City Hall, where the same 15 or 20 people showed up and offered little by way of a plan to promote their work; and at the Downey Theater, where he offered discounts and non-profit incentives to theater artists to make use of the space. Except for one or two whose sole purpose seemed to complain, the majority sat in passive silence. They wanted the city to do everything for them.

I can understand the city's reluctance to work with this bunch. Still, it has to do more. Without a cultural life, any urban locale is condemned to poverty of mind and spirit, stripped of historic continuity and the forms of expression that connect place and moment with the mystery that surrounds us, unrewarding to the inner lives of the people who live in it, something future generations can't wait to escape.

By cultural life I'm not just referring to visual and performing arts, literature and

poetry. I'm referring to the physical landscape around us, both natural and architectural. Our political leaders have got to reverse the punishing trend of selling us out to real estate developers.

There are a number of Downey civic and fraternal organizations where people come together in hearty appreciation of living here, as in the recent tributes to Mary Stauffer and the celebration of the historic McDonald's on Lakewood and Florence. But if you consider its leadership role, the city bungled the handling of the Downey Art Museum, the first in L.A. County, so that it could be destroyed by the senseless ire of one vindictive blowhard. Though the issue was complex, the city didn't protect the DCLO from a management firm that said, in effect, our way or the highway; a firm, incidentally, that acts basically as a pricey booking agency and does little to fulfill the purpose of the Downey Civic Theater as an anchor of Downey cultural identity.

Downey needs a staff architect to help give it a look more definitive than mere branding. It

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Downey restaurant grades

Yoshinoya Beef Bowl
7910 E Florence Ave.
Date Inspected: 8/31/18
Grade: **A**

Auntie Anne's
344 Stonewood St.
Date Inspected: 8/31/18
Grade: **A**

Norms Restaurant
7955 Firestone Blvd.
Date Inspected: 8/30/18
Grade: **A**

Narai Thai Cuisine
7611 Firestone Blvd.
Date Inspected: 8/30/18
Grade: **A**

El Sushi Loco Express
102 Stonewood Street Spc 15
Date Inspected: 8/29/18
Grade: **A**

Portos Cafe
8233 Firestone Blvd.
Date Inspected: 8/29/18
Grade: **A**

Portos Bakery
8233 Firestone Blvd.
Date Inspected: 8/29/18
Grade: **A**

Mr Pete's Patio
7811 E Firestone Blvd.
Date Inspected: 8/29/18
Grade: **A**

Los Pollos
7940 E Florence Ave.
Date Inspected: 8/29/18
Grade: **A**

Bob's Big Boy
7447 Firestone Blvd.
Date Inspected: 8/28/18
Grade: **A**

Wetzel's Pretzels
132 Stonewood St.
Date Inspected: 8/28/18
Grade: **A**

Ta Carbon Mexican Taqueria
11219 Old River School Rd.
Date Inspected: 8/28/18
Grade: **A**

Ono Hawaiian BBQ
12028 Lakewood Blvd.
Date Inspected: 8/28/18
Grade: **A**

Lucky Guy
12801 Bellflower Blvd.
Date Inspected: 8/28/18
Grade: **A**

Wild Berry Yogurt
130 Stonewood St.
Date Inspected: 8/28/18
Grade: **A**

Carl's Jr.
9002 Firestone Blvd.
Date Inspected: 8/28/18
Grade: **A**

Wingstop
8558 Firestone Blvd.
Date Inspected: 8/24/18
Grade: **A**

Max Fitness Depot
7320 Firestone Blvd.
Date Inspected: 8/24/18
Grade: **A**

Doc Popcorn
251 Stonewood St.
Date Inspected: 8/24/18
Grade: **A**

Vallarta Supermarkets (Restaurant)
7900 Imperial Hwy.
Date Inspected: 8/23/18
Grade: **A**

Vallarta Supermarkets (Food Retail)
7900 Imperial Hwy.
Date Inspected: 8/23/18
Grade: **A**

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Saturday - Hollywood Forever Cemetery, 6:15 pm

A special outdoor screening of the horror film "Scream." Gates open at 6:15, movie starts at 8. \$16

Warren High named ESPN Honor Roll school

DOWNEY – What started as a social club a decade ago at Warren High School is now a nationally recognized program. Warren High School, one of Downey Unified’s comprehensive high schools, is one of 30 Special Olympics Unified Champion Schools selected last Thursday as part of the first class of ESPN Honor Roll schools.

The school is also the first Special Olympics Southern California Unified Champion School to be recognized as a National Banner Unified Champion School, joining the class of 2018.

By earning national banner recognition, Warren High School has demonstrated inclusion by meeting 10 national standards of excellence in areas such as unified sports, inclusive youth leadership, whole-school engagement and sustainability.

“Receiving the national banner validates the work and effort of our staff into creating an inclusive environment,” said Christine Spino, a special education instructor in her 11th year at Warren High School. “It gives us an idea that we are headed in the right direction, keeping us motivated to continue along this path.”

Warren High School makes a number of activities available to its students – both with and without intellectual disabilities. The school hosts everything from movie nights and dances to unified sporting events and tailgate parties, in addition to the traditional dances –

homecoming, prom and winter formal – and, three years ago, one of Spino’s students was voted to the homecoming court by the senior class.

As far as sports are concerned, Warren High School hosts basketball camps and games, kickball and a unified P.E. program.

New this year, Spino and a general education teacher collaborated to create a unified art class. Spino said the students “have access to any club or activity they want to be part of” and are recognized for their achievements.

“If they require support or help, we make it happen,” stated Spino “Our students are acknowledged at all award ceremonies with their general education peers.”

Before connecting with Special Olympics Southern California, the school started its shift to a more inclusive environment through Spino’s social club Teen Connection, which started 10 years ago. The goal was to promote inclusion and create opportunities for her students to build friendships.

Spino invited 10 general education students to her classroom at lunch, sharing a pizza and playing board games, and by the end of its first month more than 50 general education students were attending. It became an official club on campus the following year, with 200

general education students involved.

“Each year it has grown and each year I have more people supporting it,” Spino said. “It’s amazing to be part of such a supportive campus from top down – administrators, teachers, students, staff and parents. I am never told no when I have an idea, and always greeted with enthusiasm, support and positivity.”

As one of Special Olympics Southern California’s Unified Champion Schools, Spino noted that the partnership has enhanced the school by providing a curriculum, ideas and support to reach more teachers, students and staff.

“Students and teachers have a higher respect and understanding of what it is like to walk in the shoes of our students’ everyday life,” she added. “Our students are typical teens and contribute to our school in a positive way.”

“These programs help us ensure that we are doing everything we can to provide a great educational environment for all of our students. ... It raises awareness, and teaches tolerance, acceptance, compassion and respect.”

Downey High recognized for financial aid work

DOWNEY – In August, Downey High School was notified that they will be recognized in October for their success in the 2018 Race to Submit statewide campaign, sponsored by the California Student Aid Commission.

This statewide campaign is aimed at increasing the number of high school seniors who complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and the California Dream Act Application (CADAA), and Downey High is among 35 California high schools with the highest completion rates in the state.

“Your school exemplifies what we can do when working together on behalf of California high school seniors,” stated Lupita Cortez Alcala, Executive Director of the California Student Aid Commission.

The Race to Submit tracked California school FAFSA and CADAA submission and completion rates as well as the number of grant award offers per school. The commission received 711 FAFSAs/ CADAAAs from Downey High for an overall submission rate of over 76 percent and an overall completion rate of over 71 percent.

Downey High has been asked to participate in the Race to Submit

award ceremony that will be taking place at the Governor’s Council Room within the State Capitol in October.

For purposes of the Race to Submit campaign, the Commission used the California Department of Education’s certified enrollment data. The California Student Aid Commission is the principal state agency responsible for administering \$2.2 billion in state financial aid for college and career training.



Thirteen people were arrested at a protest Monday outside Kaiser Permanente Medical Center.

Members of the Service Employees International Union Healthcare Workers blocked streets, including an entrance to the hospital, as part of their labor dispute with the healthcare provider.

“Even though 13 people were arrested, the protestors were peaceful and very cooperative with law enforcement throughout the event,” Downey Police said in a statement.

Photo by Manny Hernandez via Facebook.

OLPH Guild’s general meeting open to the public

DOWNEY – The Women’s Guild of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church extends an invitation to attend its general meeting on Wednesday, Sept. 19, in the OLPH School hall.

The board will host a salad luncheon and bingo will be played.

The cost of the lunch is \$10. However, in lieu of cash payment, attendees are encouraged to donate cans of tuna for contribution to the guild’s annual tuna drive, supporting the Skid Row Sandwich Program.

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Chad Berlinghieri outside the Downey Theatre. Photo by Alex Dominguez

Christmas show to usher in holiday season in Downey

► **CHRISTMAS IN DOWNEY:** The Dec. 16 show features the All American Boys Chorus, a full orchestra, and even an opera star.

By Alex Dominguez
Staff Writer

DOWNEY – A cast of internationally renowned singers will bring a very special performance to the Downey Theater this holiday season.

Cathedral Productions will showcase George Frideric Handel's "Messiah," one of the best-known and most frequently performed choral works in Western music.

Leading the production is Artistic Director Chad Berlinghieri, who is an international opera singer with a seasoned background and resume.

"I started singing in high school, passed that I did my undergraduate work at Chapman University. Then I went into Opera Pacific and did a post-graduate artist diploma which is kind of like getting a masters degree in performance. That was on the main stage in a 3,200-seat house, I ended up staying there for 15 years."

Berlinghieri has also performed as a guest at the Hollywood Bowl, at the Cincinnati Opera, and other major opera venues within the United States and internationally.

As he enters the Downey

market, Berlinghieri brings with him other talented and accredited singers.

"I have soloists coming in from all over the country. My baritone is coming in from Carnegie Hall the week before," said Berlinghieri. "These singers are really first class. I think the Downey audience is in for a real treat."

The All-American Boys Chorus will also be featured.

This is the sixth time that Berlinghieri has produced "The Messiah."

"It's not just The Messiah, it's the Christmas portion of The Messiah," said Berlinghieri.

"This concert is two 45-minute halves with a 20-minute intermission. The first half of the concert is kind of your feel-good, family-style, all your Christmas greatest hits portion...The second half is the Christmas portion of the Messiah, the 45-minute version with the hallelujah chorus on the end."

"What's special about that is if you're affiliated with a church in any way, you'll recognize the text from The Messiah. It will be spoken from the pulpit that day on Sunday, as we are in advent during that time; we're preparing ourselves for Christ's coming, his birth..."

Berlinghieri has been making the rounds to Downey's many clubs and organizations to promote the show, as well as

continuing to collaborate with Downey Theatre staff to make sure the show is a success.

"I've been working with the staff at the Downey Theatre. They've been very helpful," said Berlinghieri. "We are on track; sales have begun...This is the first time that The Messiah has ever happened in the Downey Theatre, so we want to make sure that it has a proper audience. Something special is coming and we want to make sure the community knows about it."

This performance may also open the door for future opportunities.

"Whenever I go into some place I always say I'm never here for a 'one and done, take the money and run.' I'm always looking to build long term relationships," said Berlinghieri.

"I hope to continue to build that relationship as well with all the partnering artistic entities that are already existing here."

In addition to the performance, a half hour pre-show lecture on Handel's Messiah will take place at the theatre at 3 p.m. The speaker will be Dr. Kevin St. Clair, Professor at Cal State Dominguez Hills and Director of Music at St. Irenaeus Catholic Church.

The performance will be on Sunday, Dec. 16 at 4 p.m. For ticket information, visit Cathedralproductions.org.

Martha Sodetani named grand marshal of Downey Christmas parade

► **PARADE:** School board member Martha Sodetani selected by chamber of commerce to ride as grand marshal in this year's Christmas parade.

By Alex Dominguez
Staff Writer

DOWNEY – The theme of this year's Downey Christmas parade is "Christmas of Giving," and there are few who embody that message more than this year's grand marshal: Martha Sodetani.

You've definitely seen or heard of Sodetani in the community at some point in time; it's almost impossible to miss her with how active she is in several of the city's volunteer and philanthropic organizations.

She's been a president of and is still currently a member of Assistance League, and Gangs out of Downey. She's been a member of PTA, and held several positions. She's a common helper at the PTA H.E.L.P.S. food bank. She's connected to the Downey Sister Cities. You may even find her at Downey Coordinating Council. That's just to name a few things.

Then consider her nearly 13-year-old tenure as part of the

Downey Unified School District.

And despite all that, she says she doesn't feel that she "does all that much."

"I feel that where my value is a lot of times that I am made aware of someone in need and that I connect that need with an organization or a group that offers help there," said Sodetani. "That's where I feel that I'm of value."

"Every organization to which I belong is really about safety, peace, outreach, and plenty – you know, where there's plenty of things for people – empowerment, full self-expression...my stand in life for children, that then was a natural progression to run for school board..."

Sodetani won her seat on the board of education in November of 2005, and was sworn in December of that same year.

"I'm not a politician. I'm not pushing a particular agenda," says Sodetani. "I've just been a parent."

Sodetani has lived in Downey since the 1970's when she and her husband Gordon moved into the city. She and Gordon married in 1997 and fostered and adopted



several children. They were married until Gordon passed away suddenly in 2006.

Sodetani keeps her family life more private than others, not out of secrecy but out of respect to her children, even if their last name tends to be a dead giveaway.

"Being a person who's out in public so much, I just want my children to feel that they can go about their life and not have a microscope on each part of it," says Sodetani. "It's amazing – we have a small town, it's a connected town – people hear

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Civic leader Martha Sodetani named grand marshal

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the name and they say, 'Are you related to?' and that's how things happen."

Sodetani says that her family celebrates diversity, as it is made up of every ethnicity from African American, to Japanese, to Hispanic, to Native American, to Caucasian.

"All of those races and all of those ethnicities make us stronger," she said.

Last year, Sodetani rode in the Christmas parade as part of the School Board, with her son Gordon sitting by her side. This

year, however, she may keep things a surprise as to who will join her this year.

She says that she is humbled having been named the Grand Marshal.

"I feel that so many do so much more," said Sodetani. "There are so many people who do so much. I'm so thankful to be able to serve. Serving does not mean you have to do everything...it's just looking around and doing one thing with a happy heart."

The Downey Christmas Parade will be held on December 2.

Downey is void of cultural identity, and there is blame to go around

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needs to revive a knowledgeable arts commission consisting of energetic and conscientious figures like George Redfox of the Downey Conservancy, to help advise it in fields that are clearly beyond the city council's area of expertise.

The city should offer low rent loft and industrial space to local and L.A. artists and thereby gain entry into one of the hottest art scenes currently in the world, with no sign of cooling down. It should erase a lingering embarrassment by restoring the Downey Art Museum, and with

it, an old, unmistakable source of civic pride.

The same with the Downey Theater, which, in being the largest civic structure in Downey, has dimensions superior to any other mid-size theater in Los Angeles County. Instead of the one-and-done commercial and amateur presentations we have programmed now — or in addition to them — the theater should be reconceived as a real theater, with classic and contemporary plays and theatrical performances.

Its management could offer invitations to the best college and university talents in the region to come and perform; ditto in partnership groups like the L.A. Theatre Alliance and others to cross-fertilize a regional performing arts scene. It should offer daytime performance

programs for kids, who could benefit from the knowledge of some of those visiting talents. Who doesn't like kids? The theater should be buzzing full-time, instead of looming in empty silence most days and nights like an abandoned morgue.

Who hasn't noticed the increased traffic, congestion, pollution and sheer noise that has characterized Downey life over the past decade or so? There isn't much the city can do about that. But it can find new spots here and there to put in walled-off pocket parks, which offer restorative peace and tranquility of spirit to anyone looking to get away from it all, or just catch a breath.

All this and more could be discussed as an antidote to what we're losing, and should be addressed to our current

city council, and perhaps even more crucially, the new faces competing for city leadership.

I'm a transplanted New Yorker. I first discovered the impressive Downey Theater as a theater critic for the L.A. Times; and later as a Downey resident, first became interested in local politics more than a decade ago when I went to a packed meeting at the Downey Theater hosted by city staff, who wanted to hear public opinion on how to deal with the obnoxious spread of McMansions. I was impressed by the professionalism of the staff, and by the earnest intelligence and concern of the Downey residents there.

"This city is going places," I thought.

Now I'm beginning to think I was wrong.



Mission Statement

Healthy Downey is a community collaborative that focuses on health and nutrition, creating a sustainable approach to wellness that will positively impact current and future generations through forming partnerships with committed community stakeholders

Law would require doctors on probation to notify patients

SACRAMENTO — The California Assembly approved legislation last week that would require doctors on probation for certain serious offenses to notify their patients.

If signed into law by Gov. Jerry Brown, California will become the first state in the nation to require such patient notification.

Doctors on probation are currently required to disclose their disciplinary status to hospitals and malpractice insurers, but they have no such requirement to inform their patients.

"Californians have a right

to know when their doctor has been put on probation for serious offenses," said Betsy Imholz, Director of Special Projects for Consumers Union. "But most patients have no idea when their doctor has been disciplined by the Medical Board for misconduct. This bill will help ensure that patients aren't left in the dark and get the notice they deserve when their doctor winds up on probation."

Nearly 600 doctors in California are on probation for a variety of offenses and are allowed to continue practicing medicine during this disciplinary

period. SB 1448 requires doctors to provide notification when they have been put on probation for offenses involving sexual misconduct with patients, drug abuse that can harm patients, criminal convictions involving harm to patients, and inappropriate prescribing of medication that harmed patients.

SB 1148, introduced by Senator Jerry Hill, is supported by Consumers Union, the advocacy division of Consumers Reports, and a number of consumer and patient safety organizations.

After 48 years in dentistry, Downey dentist E.N. St George, DDS, has retired.

Dr. St. George retired from UCLA School of Dentistry in 1970 and began practicing in Maywood with Dr. Waldman. In 1984, he opened his own practice in Downey on Paramount Boulevard.

In 2012, he sold the practice to his son, Nicholas St. George DDS. The senior doctor continued to care for his patients and also completed dental exams in the Downey Unified School District. He was a longtime member of the Downey Chamber of Commerce.



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The left's constant need to manufacture racism

By Dennis Prager

To appreciate the level of dishonesty and societal harm the media, the Democratic Party and others on the left engaged in last week regarding Congressman Ron DeSantis, one has to know exactly what DeSantis said.

The day after he won the Republican primary for governor of Florida and Tallahassee Mayor Andrew Gillum won the Democratic gubernatorial primary, DeSantis said: "The last thing we need to do is to monkey this up by trying to embrace a socialist agenda with huge tax increases bankrupting the state. That is not going to work."

He was clearly referring to Gillum's left-wing positions, which were described in the Sun-Sentinel, the main — and not conservative — newspaper of Broward County in South Florida: "Gillum is an unabashed champion of his party's most progressive ideas — including things like Medicare-for-all single payer health system, abolishing the federal Immigration and Customs Enforcement agency and impeaching President Donald Trump."

So, we can at least all agree that Gillum is on the left end of a left-wing party and, therefore, that anyone from the center to the right in American politics will regard his policies as, at the very least, injurious to Florida's — and America's — economy.

What, then, did DeSantis say that was morally objectionable? He said the socialist ideas of his opponent would monkey up Florida's economy — which would be a nonissue were it not for Gillum being black. Therefore, according to the Democratic Party and the left-wing media, DeSantis used that term to send a "racist dog whistle" to fellow Republican racists.

As Washington Post columnist Jonathan Capehart headlined his column, "Ron DeSantis's 'Monkey' Comment Was Just the Start of His Racist Dog-Whistling." He wrote, "The obvious slur here is

'monkey this up.' Likening African Americans to monkeys, apes and chimps is a racist pastime."

The chairwoman of the Florida Democratic Party, Terrie Rizzo, tweeted, "It's disgusting that Ron DeSantis is launching his general election campaign with racist dog whistles."

Florida Congresswoman Frederica Wilson, a Democrat who represents a district in South Florida, said: "They always find a way to add some sort of insult to African-Americans and make it racist. 'Monkeying this up' is clearly communicating that."

The NAACP Florida State conference said that "apes" and "monkey" are "by far the best-known racist references to African-Americans in our national folklore. It's only equal in racial semantics to the 'N-word.'"

Gillum himself said: "It's very clear that Mr. DeSantis is taking a page directly from the campaign manual of Donald Trump."

On CNN, Gillum told Chris Cuomo, "Well, I'll try to be articulate" — sarcastically referencing DeSantis' description of him as an "articulate" advocate of the leftist policies he espouses. This is normally a compliment, but it is now deemed racist when used to describe any black. "(He)'s apparently given up the whistle," Gillum continued. "They've gone to the bullhorn with these kinds of tactics."

On the CNN website, LZ Granderson wrote: "White people linking black people to monkeys has been a racist trope for centuries. That's why when Florida Rep. Ron DeSantis, the Republican nominee for governor, used the phrase 'monkey this up' when talking about the handling of the economy by his black Democratic opponent, it was hard to believe that the word choice was an accident."

The New York Times reported, "Sharon Austin, a professor of political science at the University of Florida, said she saw Mr.

DeSantis's language as a not-so-subtle racist dog whistle."

Princeton University African-American Studies professor Eddie Glaude Jr. said on MSNBC: "That's obviously a racial dog whistle. ... here we are once again. We are right back where we've always been."

Why does the left do this? Why does it incessantly libel Republicans and conservatives as racists?

The answers are as vile as they are obvious.

First, the left fears that unless blacks continue to believe Republicans are racists, they will not overwhelmingly vote Democrat. And if they don't, Democrats will not regain the White House for the foreseeable future. The same holds true for depicting Republicans and conservatives as women haters. There is no better way to persuade college-indoctrinated women to vote Democrat. And the same holds true for Latinos — Republicans must be continuously labeled "white supremacists" and "xenophobes" or they, too, may not reliably vote Democrat.

Second, though most intellectuals are on the left, the intellectual foundation of left-wing beliefs is unbelievably weak. Leftism is almost entirely emotion-based. That's another reason the left smears conservatives and tries wherever possible to prevent conservatives from speaking in the university, on the internet and by the many big businesses in the hands of people on the left: Since leftists cannot debate conservatives, they have to smear them.

America is the least-racist multiracial, multiethnic nation in world history. The left's constant need to locate racism where it doesn't exist is proof of this.

Dennis Prager is a nationally syndicated radio talk-show host and columnist. His latest book, published by Regnery in April 2018, is "The Rational Bible," a commentary on the book of Exodus.

Metaphor in a government-founded church

By Andrew Napolitano

Last week, I was intrigued by all the fanfare attendant upon the national farewell to the late Sen. John McCain. I have written in this space that McCain and I were friends who spoke many times, but generally only about the issues upon which we agreed — abortion, immigration and torture.

On those issues, he often stood at odds with most of his Republican colleagues in the Senate. They are opposed to abortion in name only (they will not lift a finger to stop or slow it), prefer judging the moral worth of individuals on the basis of where they were born, and think that torture is wrong unless the victim is a bad guy or a foreigner or has information the government wants.

Moral relativism is the coin of their realm.

On those issues, McCain stood steadfast, no matter the political or personal consequences. For that steadfastness, and with respect to those issues, his behavior was heroic. A hero does not lack fear. He or she proceeds into its face nevertheless, heedless of the consequences to self.

For reasons he has never adequately explained, President Donald Trump rejected McCain's heroism and mocked McCain's time of

torment in a North Vietnamese prison. That mockery was brought to full measure at McCain's funeral by the senator's daughter, my friend and former Fox News colleague Meghan McCain. She told the members of the Washington establishment who had gathered, sans the president, at her father's funeral at the Washington National Cathedral — why the federal government founded a cathedral is another question for another time — that her father manifested greatness and that Trump manifests cheapness.

Then the two men who each in his own way personally stopped McCain's efforts to become president — George W. Bush in the Republican primaries in 2000 and Barack Obama in the general election in 2008 — delivered similar accolades of McCain, complete with veiled rebukes of Trump.

On its face, the audience in that government-founded church, establishment to the core, was adoring McCain's memory and mourning his loss. But the establishment is filled with hypocrites.

This is the same establishment that gave us the unguarded borders and airways of 9/11 and blamed its failures on foreigners. It gave us the useless, fruitless wars in Iraq and Afghanistan and the human and monumental destruction they wrought.

It gave us the secret torture of foreign captives and their indefinite incarceration without trial. It gave us warrantless spying on innocent Americans — at first in secret and then openly and under color of law — in direct defiance of the Fourth Amendment. It gave us the 2008 financial crisis, which it cured by borrowing billions of dollars and giving the money to those who had caused it. And — as if all that were not enough — it gave us a \$13.5 trillion collective increase in government debt during the Bush and Obama years and the secret but repetitive use of drones to assassinate foreigners and Americans overseas.

Has any of this enhanced your life, liberty or property?

As much as I appreciated the kind words about my late friend and the polite reception those words received, it made me think about how dangerous to life, liberty and property the government has become, how unfaithful to the Constitution have been those in whose hands we have reposed it for safekeeping and how unashamed of their misdeeds are those who have caused all this.

Nearly all of the present assaults to liberty can be laid at the feet of the Republicans and Democrats who were sitting in that government-founded church in the nation's capital and listening to

the praise of John McCain.

But that establishment crowd also gave us another event it would rather forget and for which it will never accept blame or claim credit — the election of Donald J. Trump as president of the United States. He ran as the anti-establishment candidate, and he ran against the collective mindset of those proud of themselves in that "national" church. He condemned the wars they caused. He mocked their borrowing and spending. He attacked the secretive mindset of their intelligence and law enforcement communities. And the voters rewarded him.

Yet he, too, uses drones and missiles to kill and does so in foreign lands without any declarations of war. He, too, has borrowed money and spent it at nearly a wartime rate. And he, too, has continued the spying on innocent Americans. In those respects, he has become what he condemned — the government establishment proud of itself sitting in a government-founded church.

Add to this, he has mocked the rule of law, praised those charged with and convicted of violating it, tormented those charged with enforcing it, distorted tales about his personal behavior, and wreaked havoc on innocent farmers by making the sale of their goods too expensive for foreign consumers.

His presence was in that church as powerfully as if he had physically been there.

The bitterness about Trump was silently expressed by those who brought him to power and now cooperate with his behavior or pretend that they don't. The mindset of the establishment continues to be that the government can right any wrong, regulate any behavior, borrow and spend any amount of money, and build a church in utter defiance of the First Amendment, the Constitution — which is supposed to limit the government, not unleash it — be damned.

So, who caused more harm to the republic, McCain and his admirers or Trump and his enablers? Republicans or Democrats? Is there a difference?

Ultimately, we are responsible for the folks we have elected and the things they have done, whether secretive, hypocritical or in our faces. Ultimately, we have the government we deserve. Will we change this before it is too late?

Andrew Napolitano is a senior judicial analyst for Fox News.

Voter suppression

Dear Editor:

I was intrigued by Ms. Malkin's article, "The Left's Long War on Conservative Free Speech."

Indeed, it does seem as if progressives attempt, and often succeed, in silencing conservative voices. Witness the numerous times that student protests have led to the cancellation of conservative speaking engagements at colleges and universities.

But then Ms. Malkin ends her article with the following statement: "The ballot box is one of the mightiest platforms we have. Use it or lose it." This statement seems disingenuous at best, in that since 2010 it has been Republicans, and not Democrats, who have engaged in voter suppression through gerrymandering and voter ID requirements designed to reduce the voting power of liberals.

**Arnold Richards
Downey**

Mary Stauffer

Dear Editor:

Congratulations on your coverage of the celebration of Dr. Mary Stauffer 101th birthday (The Downey Patriot, Aug. 30, 2018). She has set the bar very high for anyone who wants to emulate her.

I regret that conflicting medical appointments precluded me from attending Mary's celebration at the Rotary Club and at the Assistance League.

Given Mary's DNA, I am sure that Methuselah's record is in jeopardy and I look forward to celebrate with her her birthday in 2019.

**Jorge Montero
Downey**

Speaking ill of the dead

By Ted Rall

"Too soon!" That was a standard response to my criticisms of John McCain after his death.

My cartoon and social media posts reminded readers that McCain had volunteered to bomb innocent civilians in an illegal war of aggression to prop up a corrupt and reviled regime at the time of his capture. The real heroes of the Vietnam War were the tens of thousands of draft dodgers forced to give up their lives to flee to Canada and the many conscripted veterans who came home appalled by what they had seen and done and spent the rest of their lives fighting for peace.

McCain, on the other hand, learned nothing from his experience. He never met a war — or a possible war — he didn't like. McCain voted for wars in Afghanistan and Iraq. He criticized Bill Clinton for limiting his war against Serbia to airstrikes; he wanted ground troops, too. He supported arming the Islamists in Syria and Libya, expanding the civil wars there. He threatened war against Iran. He engaged in saber rattling when it came to Russia. North Korea and even China were also in this deranged right-winger's sights.

These were not minor failings in an otherwise distinguished life. They were defining acts that erased the myths on which McCain built his career — his military service and his "maverick" persona. The war he fought in was disgusting and is now widely considered a mistake. McCain was a run-of-the-mill right-wing Republican warmonger. His straight-talk shtick was fake.

Media accounts sanitized the myriad very bad things McCain did throughout his life. So I've been doing my part to help counter the tsunami of BS.

"Do not speak ill of the dead." This dictum, attributed to the sixth-century philosopher Chilon of Sparta, may be appropriate at your uncle's funeral; who wants to hear that the dead man's widow discovered foot fetish websites in his browser history?

Public figures are different.

In cartoons and the written word, I have attempted to counter the fulsome praise that followed the deaths of people such as Ronald Reagan. I wasn't trying to be mean to Nancy Reagan when I criticized her late husband — though I doubt she read my work.

Ronald Reagan hurt and killed a lot of people. As much as Reagan's admirers didn't enjoy my reminders that he (we believed at the time) murdered Moammar Gadhafi's daughter or that he didn't care about

victims of AIDS, Americans who lost friends and relatives to the "gay plague" deserved to be acknowledged in assessments of Reagan's life and legacy. The media pretended Reagan's crimes never happened. I corrected the record.

The "too soon" and "can't you wait until the body is cold?" arguments fall flat. What better time to point out and discuss a dead leader's flaws than the time immediately after his death? That's when obituaries appear, the eulogies are said and the nation is focused on the issues and policies he affected and effected. A few weeks later, no one cares.

Presumably referring to himself, former President Theodore Roosevelt argued in a 1910 speech that men of action, those "in the arena," matter and their critics do not.

"It is not the critic who counts, not the man who points out how the strong man stumbles or where the doer of deeds could have done them better," Roosevelt said. "The credit belongs to the man who is actually in the arena, whose face is marred by dust and sweat and blood, who strives valiantly, who errs, who comes short again and again, because there is no effort without error and shortcoming; but who does actually strive to do the deeds, who knows great enthusiasms, the great devotions, who spends himself in a worthy cause, who, at the best, knows in the end the triumph of high achievement and who, at the worst, if he fails, at least fails while daring greatly, so that his place shall never be with those cold and timid souls who neither know victory nor defeat."

Soaring oratory! But self-serving and obsolete.

If effort and taking chances are all that matter when assessing a person's life, the firefighter who enters a burning house to save a baby has no more worth than the serial killer who sneaks inside to kill it. Adolf Hitler, Josef Stalin and Osama bin Laden all had grand visions they strove valiantly to turn into reality. They were daring. They achieved. They counted, but so what?

These days, it's the "timid souls" who stand aside, keeping mum while the mass media wallows in sordid orgies of mawkish praise for problematic figures such as Reagan and McCain. Adding perspective and nuance to assessments of mass adulation requires courage. In this age of relentless propaganda and unmitigated BS, the critic is in the arena just as much as a dead senator.

Ted Rall, an editorial cartoonist, columnist and graphic novelist, is the author of "Francis: The People's Pope."

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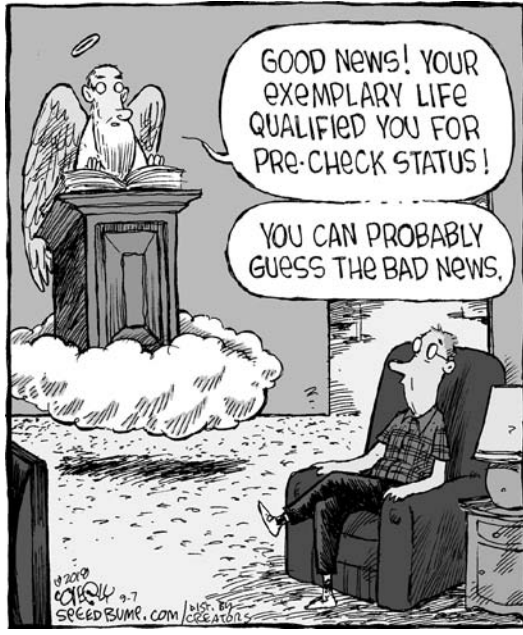
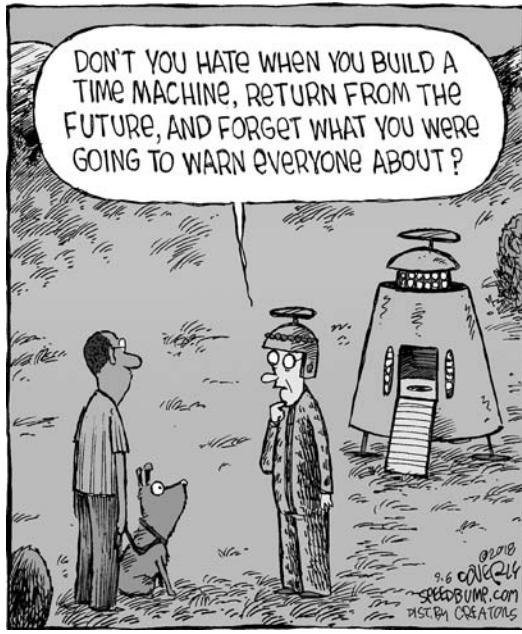
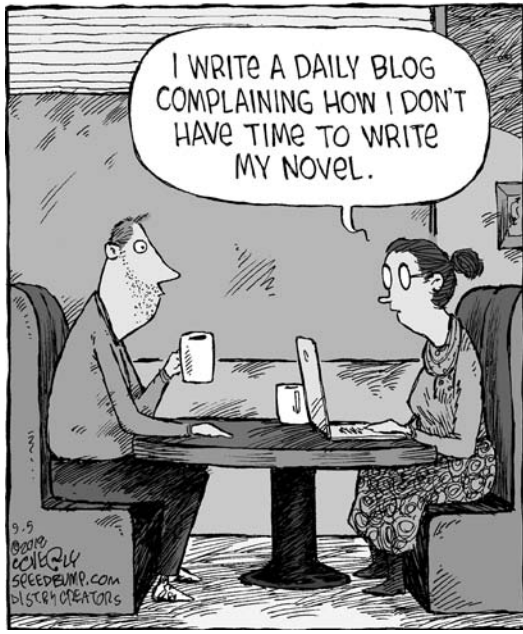
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Downey Community Calendar

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.
- 4:30 pm: Courage Forward Meeting, at 10829 New St, 2nd Floor, call 213-545-6810.
- 2nd Mon., 11 am: American Legion Auxiliary #270, at United Methodist Church, call 304-3439.
- 3rd Mon., 11:30 am: Downey Newcomers Club, call Marilyn 928-2623.
- 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 Greg Welch 323-816-4532.
- 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, call Marilyn 928-2623.
- 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., 7:30 pm: US Coast Guard Aux. Flotilla 5-10, First Presbyterian Church, call Brian 419-5420.
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- 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 Barbara Riley Senior Center, call (800) 932-8677.
- 12 pm: Kiwanis Club of Downey, at Rio Hondo Events Center, call Roy Jimenez 923-0971.
- 12 pm: Optimist Club of Downey, at Rio Hondo Events Center.
- 6:30 pm: Downey United Masonic Lodge # 220, 8244 3rd St., call 862-4176.
- 7 pm: Troop 351, Boy Scouts of America, at First Baptist Church, call 776-3388.
- 7:30 pm: Downey Elks Lodge #2020, call 803-3557.
- 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...

- September 6, 1630:** The Pilgrims left on the Mayflower from Plymouth, England to settle in the New World.
- 1876:** The Southern Pacific rail line from Los Angeles to San Francisco was completed.
- 1952:** In Montreal, Canadian television began broadcasting.
- 1995:** Cal Ripken played his 2,131st consecutive game setting a new record. Lou Gehrig previously held the record.
- 2002:** In New York, the U.S. Congress convened at Federal Hall for a rare special session. The session was held in New York to express the nation's mourning for the loss on September 11, 2001 and unity in the war against terrorism.

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Warren traveling to Paramount next week, with cross-town match against Downey looming

► GIRLS VOLLEYBALL: The Lady Bears and Vikings will face each other Sept. 18 in a highly-anticipated scheduled league match. But first, Warren travels to Paramount.

By Mark Fetter
Sportswriter

DOWNEY - The Warren High School girls' volleyball team currently has an overall record of 2-3 and began S.G.V.L. play when they hosted Lynwood yesterday (score unavailable at press time). The Lady Bears defeated Norwalk at Warren 3-0 (25-23, 25-18 and 28-26) on August 23 in preseason play.

Warren was defeated by Valley Christian at Warren on August 28 3-2 (25-21, 25-16, 17-25 and 25-16) and defeated El Rancho at Warren on August 30 3-0 in other preseason play.

The Lady Bears will travel to Paramount on September 11 to face the Lady Pirates and will host the Lady Gladiators at Warren on September 13 before their scheduled league match against Downey.

Warren will travel to cross-town rival Downey on September 18 for the first of their two highly anticipated matches against the Lady Vikings.

The Lady Bears will then host the Dominguez Lady Dons on September 20 in the last game of the first round of league play. Coach Lane, his staff and players are all looking forward to the start of league play and qualifying for C.I.F. postseason play.

The Lady Bears finished last season with an overall record of 9-7 and a S.G.V.L. record of 6-4. Warren finished league play last season in second place behind league champion Downey (18-8, 10-0), respectfully. Warren was defeated by Mayfair 3-0 (25-16, 25-13 and 25-16) in the first round of the C.I.F. Division 4 playoffs.

DOWNEY VOLLEYBALL: The Downey High School girls' volleyball team currently has an overall record of 2-5.

The Lady Vikings recently competed in the Molten Tournament where they finished with a record of 2-2. Downey was defeated by Edison in their first game 3-0 on August 18 25-10, 25-16 and 25-14 and defeated Long Beach Jordan in their second game 3-0 on August 22 25-5, 25-12 and 25-8.

The Lady Vikings defeated Valley Christian in their third game 3-2 on August 25 25-18, 21-25, 23-25, 25-21 and 15-11 and were defeated by Torrance in their fourth game 3-0, also on August 25, 25-10, 23-25, 25-16, 21-25 and 15-8.

Downey was defeated by Schurr of Montebello at Downey 3-2 on August 30 25-20, 23-25, 25-16, 21-25 and 15-8 and was also defeated by Mayfair at Mayfair on Tuesday 3-1 16-25, 25-20, 25-22 and 25-21.

The Lady Vikings opened S.G.V.L. play yesterday when they traveled to Paramount to play the Lady Pirates (score unavailable at press time). Downey will host cross-town rival Warren on September 18th in the first of their two much anticipated matches.

Coach McCarthy, his staff and players are all looking forward

to the start of San Gabriel Valley League play. Downey finished last season with an overall record of 18-10 and a S.G.V.L. record of 10-0. The Lady Vikings were defeated by El Segundo 3-1 (25-12, 25-20, 24-26 and 25-17) in the first round of the C.I.F. Division 4 playoffs.

WARREN FOOTBALL: The Warren High School football team defeated Huntington Park at Warren last Friday night, 59-0. With the win the Bears improved to 2-0 on the season and with the loss the Spartans fell to 0-3.

Warren will travel to Culver City later today to face the 2-0 Centaurs. Culver City defeated West Torrance 62-20 in their first game and defeated Peninsula 61-27 in their second game.

In the Warren/Huntington Park game the Bears scored early and often. Warren led 28-0 at the end of the first quarter and led 42-0 going into the locker room at halftime. The Bears picked up right where they left off in the second half and did not allow the Spartans to score. Warren kicked a field goal and led 45-0 at the end of the third quarter and added two fourth quarter touchdowns to win 59-0.

Bear quarterback Chris Venegas completed 7/9 pass attempts for 200 yards and four touchdowns. The Warren ground game was led by Nikko Fierro-Tuala's six carries for 74 yards and two touchdowns, Eimajah Hunter's two carries for 22 yards and one touchdown, Carlos Parra's two carries for 35 yards and Arvionte Sheffield's two carries for 10 yards and one touchdown.

The Bear receiving corps were led by Eimajah Hunter's one catch for 52 yards and one touchdown, Robbie Colenzo's one catch for 37 yards and one touchdown, Stephen N. Austin II's one catch for 29 yards and one touchdown and Jabari Hughes' one catch for 18 yards and one touchdown.

The Bear defense was led by Gerald Hickman III's five solo tackles,

Arvionte Sheffield's three solo and two assisted tackles and Kevin Arias' two solo and two assisted tackles. Coach Lara, his staff and players are all looking forward to handing Culver City their first loss of the season later today.

DOWNEY FOOTBALL: The Downey High School football team was defeated by Kapolei of Hawai'i last Friday night, 23-14. With the win the Kapolei Hurricanes improved to 2-2 while the Vikings fell to 1-2.

Downey will travel to San Pedro later today to play a 2-1 Pirate team. Downey defeated San Pedro at Downey last season in an offensive shootout 56-42.

In the Downey/Kapolei game the Hurricanes scored an early touchdown but missed the extra point and took an early 6-0 lead. Kapolei added a field goal before the second quarter ended and led 9-0 going into the locker room at halftime. The game got interesting in the fourth quarter as Downey closed the score to 16-14 with under a minute to play. Kapolei added a late touchdown and extra point and came away with the hard fought, 23-14 win.

Viking quarterback Kijion Fouts completed 13/36 pass attempts for 188 yards and two touchdowns. Downey's run game was led by Fouts' seven carries for 55 yards, Malcom Perry's twelve carries for 49 yards and Jaden Allen's eight carries for 32 yards. The Viking receiving corps were led by Brenden Hodge's seven catches for 113 yards, Danny Ruiz's two catches for 43 yards and Lawrence Joseph's two catches for 23 yards.

The Downey defense was led by Isaiah Burton's six solo and one assisted tackle, Vincent Willis' four solo and two assisted tackles, Anthony Lopez's one solo and four assisted tackles and Noah Skobis' four solo tackles. Coach Williams, his staff and players are all looking forward to evening their record at 2-2 against San Pedro later today.

Long Beach Comic Con featuring space expo hosted by Downey space center

DOWNEY - Downey's Columbia Memorial Space Center will host a space expo this weekend as part of Long Beach Comic Con.

The space expo will feature nearly 2,500 sq. ft. of hands-on STEM activities, including Bill Nye's Planetary Society. There will also be 10 STEM panel discussions featuring researchers, engineers and professionals from such sites as NASA JPL and Virgin Orbit.

Visitors will be debriefed on missions coming to an end like Dawn and Cassini, and hear about new missions still in development, including the Europa Clipper mission, designed to explore one of Jupiter's icy moons.

The official R2D2 Builders Club will have their droids driving around the show floor, while also having a show and tell panel.

Long Beach Comic Con takes place this weekend at the Long Beach Convention Center. Tickets can be purchased online.

Police collecting prescription drugs Oct. 27

DOWNEY - The Downey Police Department will be collecting unused and unwanted prescription drugs at a take-back event Saturday, Oct. 27.

The collection will take place from 10 am to 2 p.m. in the police department's west parking lot.

Over-the-counter and prescription medicine can be discarded. Liquids must be in fully-sealed, unopened plastic containers.

Needles, sharps and glass containers can not be accepted.

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Cerritos Center releases 2018-19 schedule, headlined by Kenny G and Martina McBride

CERRITOS – The Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts (CCPA) opens the 2018-2019 Season with Grammy nominee Martina McBride.

The Country Music Association and Academy of Country Music Awards winner performs her classics, such as “This One’s for the Girls” and “Independence Day” on Friday, Sept. 7 at 8 p.m. Tickets range from \$75 to \$95.

Grammy winner Boz Scaggs

returns to the CCPA on Saturday, Sept. 8, at 8 p.m. in the “Out of the Blues Tour.” The versatile singer-songwriter has lit up the musical scene with gems such as the Grammy-nominated Blues collection “Come on Home” and “But Beautiful.” His latest album is “Out of the Blues.” Tickets to Scaggs’ concert range from \$105 to \$80.

Mark your calendar for “An Evening With Lyle Lovett and His Large Band” as they present the

Grammy winner’s greatest hits, such as “If I Had a Boat,” “That’s Right (You’re Not From Texas)” and “Cowboy Man.” Tickets for the 7 p.m. concert on Sunday, September 9 range from \$90 to \$70.

Don’t miss three-time Academy Award and eight-time Grammy winner Burt Bacharach when he brings his talent and hits to Cerritos on Friday, September 14 at 8 p.m. Crowned the “maverick of the pop song” by “The New York Times,” Bacharach performs with three singers and his longtime band members. Tickets range from \$110 to \$75.

In a riveting evening of hits, Amy Grant presents her greatest, including “Lead Me On,” “Baby Baby,” “That’s What Love Is For” and “Every Heartbeat.” Make sure to catch the Grammy winner on Saturday, September 15 at 8 p.m. Ticket prices range from \$90 to \$50.

Engelbert Humperdinck, “The King of Romance,” has wooed generations of fans with the hits “Release Me (And Let Me Love Again),” “After the Lovin’,”

“The Last Waltz” and “Help Me Make It Through the Night.” The legendary balladeer has earned four Grammy nominations and a Golden Globe. He performs in Cerritos on Sunday, September 16 at 7 p.m. Tickets range from \$110 to \$70.

Kenny G’s undeniable blend of Pop-Jazz-New Age has proven to be a winning musical formula all over the globe, garnering the saxophonist an American Music Award, a “Billboard” Music Award and a Grammy for “Forever in Love.” See for yourself when he plays in Cerritos on Friday, September 21 at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$95 to \$75. This show is sponsored by Cerritos Auto Square.

A musical institution, the Isley Brothers shook up multiple musical genres from Funk to Soul and R&B to Rock. With a broad spectrum of hits – including “Love the One You’re With,” “This Old Heart of Mine” and the Grammy-winning “It’s Your Thing,” the band clinched a spot in the Vocal Group Hall of Fame and Rock and Roll Hall of Fame. The band performs on Saturday,

September 22 at 8 p.m. Tickets cost \$110 to \$90.

Motown powerhouse Gladys Knight shattered music charts with the Grammy-winning tunes “Love Overboard,” “Neither One of Us (Wants to Be the First to Say Goodbye)” and “Midnight Train to Georgia.” “The Empress of Soul” delivers her timeless hits on Saturday, September 29 at 8 p.m. Tickets range from \$135 to \$80.

Oscar-winning Hollywood legend Shirley MacLaine has done it all: television, movies, Broadway. In a free-wheeling, fun-filled afternoon featuring stills and clips of her acting career, the icon shares details of her life as an actress, author, political activist and spiritual searcher. MacLaine will also answer questions from the audience during this appearance



at the CCPA on Sunday, September 30 at 2 p.m.

Tickets are \$75 to \$40. Tickets are available now at cerritoscenter.com or by calling (562) 916-8500.

POETRY MATTERS

The Day After Labor Day

September breeze, an island chill,
the streets so quiet . . . still,
seem wider now
but soon they fill
with gulls
that stride and squawk
and boldly walk
the middle of the road—
I wish I understood
gull-talk
perhaps they, too, feel harmony
no crowds, no noise
now once again
just sand, waves, sky, and sea
. . . just gulls and me

—Joan Bransfield Graham,
Sharing the Seasons: A
Book of Poems. 2010

Besides being a festival day for workers, Labor Day has come to signal the end of summer. Graham lives here in Westlake Village, but she grew up on a barrier island along the southern coast of New Jersey. What impresses us when we are young seems to stay the longest: as the crowds leave, the gulls gradually take over the poem. Poetry Matters is curated by Lorine Parks.

60 Words to celebrate the Downey Symphony Orchestra's 60th anniversary

Board members delivered kettledrums in a pick-up truck to Warren High School's gymnasium, basketball hoops were folded out of the way, and a capacity audience sat on backless, squeaky bleachers for a free Pops Concert of American Music featuring noted composer-conductor Ferde Grofé's "Grand Canyon Suite." The man himself was there, a personal friend of Downey Symphony Conductor Mario Cajati.

Lia Fratello and Southeast News, May 19, 1963
compiled by Joyce Sherwin

Broadway series opens with '42nd Street'

CERRITOS – The Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts (CCPA) kicks off the 2018-19 Broadway Performance Partner Series with the award-winning 3-D Theatricals' "42nd Street," featuring "Phantom of the Opera's" Davis Gaines as Julian Marsh.

Tickets, which start at \$45, are available at the CCPA Ticket Office and cerritoscenter.com or by calling (562) 916-8500.

"42nd Street" will run at the CCPA on Friday, October 12, 19, and 26 at 8 p.m.; Saturday, October 13 at 8 p.m. and Saturday, October 20 and 27 at 2 and 8 p.m.; Sunday, October 14, 21, and 28 at 2 p.m.; and Thursday, October 25 at 7:30 p.m.

Based on a novel by Bradford Ropes and Busby Berkeley's 1933 movie, this Tony-winning tale is about a starry-eyed dancer named Peggy Sawyer, from Allentown, Pennsylvania, who heads to New York City to audition for the Broadway musical "Pretty Lady."

When the leading lady breaks her ankle, Peggy takes over and becomes a star. This American dream tale showcases some of the greatest songs ever written, including "We're in the Money," "Lullaby of Broadway," "I Only Have Eyes for You," and the title song "42nd Street."

For the 2018-2018 CCPA Season, 3-D Theatricals, the recipient of several Ovation awards and L.A. Drama Critics Circle Award nominations, will also present Broadway classics

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Emergency Preparedness Fair, 10 am to 2 pm. Practice hands-only CPR, learn to put out small fires, make emergency plans, and more. Civic Center, 11111 Brookshire Ave.

Senior Follies Talent Show, 1 pm and 5 pm. Downey seniors show off their unique talents in this 14th annual production. Barbara J. Riley Community & Senior Center, 7810 Quill Dr.

Gospel of Luke Album Release Show, 6 pm. Live show featuring performances of original songs written/recorded by Imago Dei Church. Stay Gallery, 11140 Downey Ave.

SUNDAY, SEPT. 9

New Bruin Send-Off, 12 pm. UCLA alumni welcome incoming students and families to UCLA. Los Amigos Country Club, 7295 Quill Dr.

TUESDAY, SEPT. 11

September 11 Remembrance Ceremony, 10 am. The city of Downey pays tribute to the victims of the Sept. 11, 2001 terrorist attacks. City Hall, 11111 Brookshire Ave.

The Arc Open House, 9-11 am or 5-7 pm. Learn about programs and services at The Arc, tour classrooms and facilities, and meet participants and staff. The Arc Los Angeles & Orange Counties, 12049 Woodruff Ave.

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 12

Women in Leadership Conference, 11:30 am. Featuring remarks from Betty Porto and Assemblymember Cristina Garcia. Embassy Suites, 8425 Firestone Blvd.

The Bishops, 9 pm. Ska/reggae band The Bishops perform live. Anarchy Library, 13250 Woodruff Ave.

THURSDAY, SEPT. 13

Family Game Night, 5 pm. A variety of classic and modern board games will be available for families to play. Downey City Library, 11121 Brookshire Ave.

SATURDAY, SEPT. 15

Vintage Car Show & Toy Drive, 8 am to closing. Hot rods, custom cars, live music, food and more. Calvary Chapel Downey, 12808 Woodruff Ave.

Reflections of Beauty Conference, 8:30 am. A lineup of speakers designed to instill confidence and inspiration. First Baptist Church of Downey, 8348 3rd St.

Keep Downey Beautiful Clean-Up, 9 am. Spend one hour picking up litter and beautifying the Downey community. Rio San Gabriel Park, 9612 Ardine St.

Chamber of Secrets: Virgin Orbit, 10 am. Students in grades 5-12 can take a field trip to Virgin Orbit headquarters to see their new launch system, LauncherOne. Register online. Columbia Memorial Space Center, 12400 Columbia Way.

International Food & Music Festival, 4-10 pm. Food from local restaurants and food trucks, craft beer and wine garden, DJ, live entertainment on 3 stages, balloon artists, caricature artists, photo booth, henna artists, face painters, and more. Downey Avenue, between 2nd and 4th streets

MONDAY, SEPT. 17

Kiwanis Golf Tournament, 12 pm. Annual golf tournament in support of Downey Los Amigos Kiwanis and their charitable efforts. Rio Hondo Golf Club, 10627 Old River School Rd.

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 19

Downey Sister Cities, 6 pm. The Downey Sister Cities Assoc. holds its monthly meeting. Downey City Library, 11121 Brookshire Ave.

THURSDAY, SEPT. 20

Job Source Grand Opening, 12 pm. A new Downey business celebrates its grand opening with a ribbon-cutting ceremony. Job Source, 8520 Florence Ave.

Body Soul Elite Grand Opening, 2 pm. A new fitness studio celebrates its grand opening. Body Soul Elite, 8214 Phlox St., suite E.

Empower Hour, 6 pm. Ferias Legales honors Lupita Infante with its Empower Hour Breaking Barriers Award. BRB Social, 11040 Downey Ave.

FRIDAY, SEPT. 21

Ms. Krazie Album Release Party, 8 pm. Hip-hop artist Ms. Krazie performs on stage in celebration of her latest album release. Godtts Nightclub, 7931 Firestone.

SATURDAY, SEPT. 22

Alpha Omega Con, 10 am. A comic and pop culture convention where Christian, faith-based, and family-friendly creators and fans can meet, fellowship, and network. First Baptist Church of Downey, 8348 2nd St.

Drill and Drum Competition, 10 am. The Sophisticated Sounds & Steppers drill team and drum squad hosts an all-ages competition. Apollo Park, 12544 Rives Ave.

THURSDAY, SEPT. 27

Pasadena Fine Arts, 7:30 pm. Biographer Nicholas Curry gives a presentation on the fine arts of Pasadena. Part of the Downey Historical Society's regular meeting. Barbara J. Riley Center (John Downey Room), 7810 Quill Dr.

SATURDAY, SEPT. 29

Spinal Injury Games, 10 am. Designed for all skill levels, wheelchair participants compete in a variety of sporting games. Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center, 7601 Imperial Hwy.

Skate Jam 2018, 1 pm. Skateboarders are invited to show off their skills. Various categories, including Beginner, Girls Only, and Best Trick. Meredith Perkins Skate Park, 12334 Bellflower Blvd.

FRIDAY, OCT. 5

DUSD State of the Schools, 7 am. Superintendent Dr. John Garcia provides an update on the Downey Unified School District. Los Angeles County Office of Education, 12830 Columbia Way.

Latina Empowerment Day, 8 am. Latina Empowerment Day is a one day workshop created to empower Latinas to increase their community impact and strengthen their skills and knowledge on a variety of issues. Buy tickets online at Eventbrite. Gas Company Energy Resource Center, 9240 Firestone Blvd.

Pink on the Green Golf Tournament, 12 pm. A Promise of Hope's first annual golf tournament, raising money for breast cancer research. Los Amigos Golf Club, 7295 Quill Dr.

Homecoming Alumni Tailgate and BBQ, 5 pm. Al Pius X, St. Matthias & PMA alumni are invited to a homecoming tailgate and barbecue. St. Pius X - St. Matthias Academy, 7851 Gardendale St.

SATURDAY, OCT. 6

Pius X Grand Reunion, 6 pm. An all-year alumni celebration for Pius X, St. Matthias and PMA. Hall of Fame inductees include Diane J. Martinez & Evelia Castillo-Rodriguez. Embassy Suites, 8425 Firestone Blvd.

SATURDAY, OCT. 13

Naturalization Clinic, 10 am. Ferias Legales offers free help with naturalization applications. Barbara J. Riley Center, 7810 Quill Dr.

SUNDAY, OCT. 14

CROP Hunger Walk, 1 pm. The sixth annual Hunger Walk supports Downey Council PTA and Downey First Christian Church's FoodHelp program. Downey Memorial Christian Church, 8441 Florence Ave.

Beatles vs. Rolling Stones, 7 pm. The Beatles, represented by tribute band Abbey Road, engage in a barrage of hits against premier Rolling Stones tribute band Satisfaction. Downey Theatre, 8435 Firestone Blvd.

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 17

Flu Vaccination Clinic, 1-3 pm. Free flu shots courtesy of the L.A. County Department of Public Health. Barbara J. Riley Community & Senior Center, 7810 Quill Dr.

FRIDAY, OCT. 19

Downey-Warren Football Game, 7 pm. The Vikings and Bears face-off in their annual rivalry game. Downey High School, 11040 Brookshire Ave.

SATURDAY, OCT. 20

Keep Downey Beautiful Clean-Up, 9 am. Meet in the Big Lots parking lot, 9020 Firestone Blvd.

Spooky Science Night, 5 pm. Food trucks, games, activities, costume parade, and more. Columbia Memorial Space Center, 12400 Columbia Way.

Downey Symphony Concert, 8 pm. Celebrated composer Oscar Navarro returns for an encore of his "Downey Overture." Downey Theatre, 8435 Firestone Blvd.

FRIDAY, OCT. 26

Ricky Galvez Golf Tournament, 11 am. Gangs Out of Downey's annual golf tournament, raising money for Ricky Galvez college scholarships. Rio Hondo Golf Club, 10627 Old River School Rd.

PINK Conference, 5 pm. The start of a three-day women's conference featuring workshops and guest speakers. New Season Christian Worship Center, 9001 Paramount Blvd.

SATURDAY, OCT. 27

Halloween Party, 9:30 pm. Featuring live music by God Module and Mordacious. Plus four DJs and a costume contest. Stardust Club, 7643 Firestone Blvd.

SUNDAY, OCT. 28

Dia de los Muertos Festival, 11 am to 8 pm. Music and dance performances, dozens of vendors, art shows, food trucks, altar displays, and more. Downey Civic Center, 11111 Brookshire Ave.

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 31

Pumpkin Patch, 5-9 pm. Costume contests, carnival games, photo booth, caricature artist, glow walk, and more. Apollo Park, 12544 Rives Ave.

FRIDAY, NOV. 2

Rotary/Arc Golf Tournament, 11 am. Rotary Club of Downey's annual golf tournament with proceeds benefiting The Arc - Los Angeles & Orange Counties. Rio Hondo Golf Club, 10627 Old River School Rd.

FRIDAY, NOV. 9

El Segundo Kiwanis Cup Golf Tournament, 12 pm. A 4-person

scramble golf tournament, with proceeds benefiting El Segundo Kiwanis. Rio Hondo Golf Club, 10627 Old River School Rd.

Brighten Women's Conference, 2 pm. The start of a two-day conference for women and girls ages 12 and older. Worship, speakers, breakout sessions, and more. Lord's Grace Church, 7360 Foster Bridge Blvd.

SATURDAY, NOV. 10

Car Show and Breakfast, 8 am. All makes, models, years welcome. Free to the public. First Baptist Church Downey, 83343 2nd St.

Downey High School Class of 1973 Reunion, 6pm - 10 pm, Frantone's 9148 Telegraph Rd Downey, Please RSVP to Bruce Hearn 562-695-9088. Cost \$25 in advance / \$30 at door - food and drink included.

Smart Gardening Workshop, 9:30 am. Learn smart and effective ways to grow a drought-tolerant garden. Wilderness Park, 10999 Little Lake Rd.

Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer, 11 am and 2 pm. A holiday tradition based on the animated television special. Downey Theatre, 8435 Firestone Blvd.

SUNDAY, NOV. 11

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MONDAY, NOV. 12

Veterans Day Ceremony, 10 am. A ceremony honoring all who have served our country. City Hall, 11111 Brookshire Ave.

SATURDAY, NOV. 17

Keep Downey Beautiful Clean-Up, 9 am. Help pick up litter and make the community nicer. 8832 Imperial Hwy.

MONDAY, DEC. 3

Tree Lighting, 6-8:30 pm. The city of Downey lights up its Christmas tree. City Hall, 11111 Brookshire Ave.

SATURDAY, DEC. 15

Mariachi Divas, 8 pm. The all-female mariachi group performs a special Christmas concert. Downey Theatre, 8435 Firestone Blvd.

MONDAY, DEC. 16

It's Christmas in Downey, 4 pm. A holiday spectacular featuring performances by the All American Boys Chorus, Cooper Phillip, Mary Beth Nelson, Chris Job, and more. Downey Theatre, 8435 Firestone Blvd.

FRIDAY, JAN. 25

Hotel California - A Salute to the Eagles, 8 pm. A dynamic show saluting the work of The Eagles. Featuring mega hits such as "Take It Easy" and "Hotel California." Downey Theatre, 8435 Firestone Blvd.

SATURDAY, FEB. 2

Villalobos Brothers, 8 pm. The popular Mexican trio perform their brand of jazz, rock and classical music. They'll be joined by Flor de Toleache. Downey Theatre, 8435 Firestone Blvd.

SATURDAY, FEB. 23

Healthy Downey 5K, 8 am. A 5K walk/run to raise money for the TLC Family Resource Center. Apollo Park, 12544 Rives Ave.

THURSDAY, MARCH 14

GOOD Luncheon, 11:30 am. Annual fundraiser benefiting Gangs Out of Downey. Rio Hondo Event Center, 10627 Old River School Rd.

Blue Öyster Cult, 8 pm. The heavy metal band from Long Island, New York performs their canon of hits. Downey Theatre, 8435 Firestone Blvd.

SATURDAY, MARCH 30

Arc Walk for Independence, 9 am. A 1- or 3-mile walk to celebrate people with developmental disabilities. Stonewood Center, 251 Stonewood St.

SUNDAY, APRIL 7

Billy Ocean, 7 pm. With more than 30 million records sold, Billy Ocean is a pop legend with no signs of slowing down. Downey Theatre, 8435 Firestone Blvd.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10

Havana Cuba All Stars, 8 pm. Some of Cuba's greatest musicians and dancers perform everything from the cha cha to rumba. Downey Theatre, 8435 Firestone Blvd.

SATURDAY, APRIL 20

Kids & Cops Day, 11 am. Police officers and local kids come together for a day of games and activities. Furman Park, 10419 Rives Ave.

SUNDAY, MAY 19

Los Chicos del 512, 7 pm. Called "the best Selena tribute band out there," Los Chicos del 512 performs across the country, taking audiences back to 1995. Downey Theatre, 8435 Firestone Blvd.

Compiled by Eric Pierce. Email calendar listings to eric@thedowneypatriot.com

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Shared Stories: My own best medical advocate

Mary Nieraeth contended with periodic epileptic seizures in childhood, and episodes reappeared under the stress of being a full-time working mother and wife. She urges everyone to be actively involved in their own medical treatment. 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 Mary Nieraeth

Ready for summer vacation, my parents, two younger sisters and I packed into our 1960's Chevrolet station wagon. Headed about four hundred miles from Illinois to Minnesota to visit relatives, I recalled playing Go Fish, I Spy and other games with my sisters to pass the time. While driving, my father suddenly veered off the road into a shallow ditch to avoid a head on collision.

We were jostled around since there were no seat belts in our vehicle. My sisters and I were thrown to the right side of the middle seat and my head banged into the window. This trauma to my head was disregarded by my parents. However, it has lingered in the back of my mind since it may have been a contributing factor to the story that follows.

A few weeks later, I began second grade. My parents and teachers both observed incidents when I stared out into the room in a trance-like state for about 30 seconds. I never had any recollection of these incidents. After referred to a pediatric neurologist, an EEG and MRI of my head revealed normal results.

Because these staring episodes continued, the neurologist diagnosed this as epilepsy. Anti-seizure medication was prescribed but it took many months before finding the correct medication and dosage for my condition. In my mid-teens, the neurologist weaned me off the medication, with no further seizures during my high school and college years.

During my mid-twenties, I moved from Los Angeles to Boston for graduate school and employment as a registered dietician. This was a stressful time with many life adjustments. Shortly after starting my job, some coworkers observed me doing a peculiar behavior while eating lunch together. I had no recollection of this but knew I needed to see a doctor.

My primary care physician expedited a referral to a neurologist. Following an EEG and MRI of my head, the results were normal. I was started on medication and instructed not to drive. Fortunately, I did not have a car and was using public transportation. Within a few months, my seizures were completely controlled.

The next twenty years were without any reported incidents of seizures. In my early forties, however, I was married, working full time, and had three children in middle school. On a busy Friday morning, the weekend of the annual school festival, I drove to the grocery store then planned to drop off some items at the festival. I was stressed from anticipation of being outside many hours that weekend in the hot September weather.

Returning home from the grocery store, I missed the turn into the school due to loss of consciousness. I had no recollection of this happening but, apparently, ran into a truck waiting at the traffic light. The impact caused my van to veer to the right, up onto the lawn outside a medical building, instead of into oncoming traffic.

After the accident, my life drastically deteriorated. I lost my driver's license, my job was terminated, and I continued to have uncontrolled seizures. My doctor referred me to a new neurologist.

Anxious, frightened and depressed, I had my first appointment. After a quick knock on the exam room door, a male doctor entered the room. Without making any eye contact with me, he announced, "I'm Dr. Indifferent." He picked up the clipboard and glanced at my completed medical form.

"So, you are here for seizures. When was your last one?"

"I'm not sure since I don't know when I have one. My husband said I had one last night."

"Do you know what happens when you have one?"

"No, my family says I rock back and forth with my upper body or move my right arm in and out."

The doctor verified my seizure medication and dosage. Next, he checked reflexes in my elbows, knees and ankles, arm and leg muscle strength, peripheral vision, coordination, balance, hopping, and walking. He asked basic math computations, current history questions and checked my short and long-term memory. The process was exhausting.

Without comment on my test results, he took out his prescription pad, scribbled a higher dose of the same medication and handed it to me. As he walked out the door, he told me to return in one month.

During the following weeks, I decided to keep records of the date and time of my seizures, at least those seen by my family. Feeling proud of my efforts, I brought my notes to the doctor, but he refused to look at this information.

I felt discouraged about not having any improvement in my seizures with the higher medication dosage. He did not perform an assessment of

my physical and emotional state. I felt invisible in his presence, anxious and depressed about my severely limited lifestyle.

Finally, he handed me a prescription for a second medication and again told me to return in one month. Clearly, connection with his patient was low priority for this doctor.

Almost immediately, I became restless and drowsy on the new medication. I called the office but was told to continue the medication. My symptoms and seizures continued. I was losing hope about my worsening condition but refused to give up.

During my follow-up appointment, the doctor interrupted me and rudely exclaimed, "You have to learn to live with these symptoms. There is nothing more I can do!"

Feeling appalled and dismissed by his comments, I left the office and vowed to myself never to return to Dr. Indifferent.

A few weeks later, my husband showed me an article he read in the Parade magazine of the Los Angeles Times newspaper entitled "Their Best Chance for a Normal Life" (9/18/2005). This article discussed medical and surgical options for people with epilepsy.

My feeling of hope returned as I explored the referral process with my medical insurance to the UCLA Seizure Disorder Center.

Several months later, I had my first consultation with an epilepsy specialist. He assured me that the medical team's goal was to find the root cause and best treatment for my seizures.

During the next year, I completed many tests and medication changes as part of the preoperative protocol for epilepsy surgery. The functional MRI test found a noncancerous lesion in my right temporal lobe which appeared to be the cause of my seizures. My case was reviewed by the department's neurophysiology board.

The team of doctors concluded that removal of this lesion by surgery had a high probability of ending my lifelong seizures. In December 2006, I had brain surgery at UCLA and miraculously, since then, I have never had another seizure.

Many people seeking medical care place a blind trust in doctors' opinions which may lead to substandard treatment. I learned it was imperative to do an independent medical investigation of my condition and search for a doctor who was committed to finding the root cause and best treatment of my seizures. Not accepting the status quo in medical treatment launched my journey of becoming my own best medical advocate. That journey has no end in sight.

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FAMILY LAW

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2. The name, address, and telephone number of the petitioner's attorney, or the petitioner without an attorney, are: (El nombre, dirección y número de teléfono del abogado del demandante, o del demandante si no tiene abogado, son): JONATHAN MARTINEZ, 9230 DEEBLE ST., SOUTH GATE, CA 90280 2138048361 Date (Fecha): JUNE 11, 2018 Clerk, by (Secretario, por) N. GUTIERREZ, Deputy (Asistente)

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File Number 2018209525

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) BRO SIGNS & PRINTING, 6314 EASTERN AVE, BELL GARDENS CA 90201, LA COUNTY

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) BRO SIGNS & PRINTING, INC., 6314 EASTERN AVE, BELL GARDENS CA 90201 State of Incorporation: CA THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: A CORPORATION

The Downey Patriot 8/16/18, 8/23/18, 8/30/18, 9/6/18

The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 08/2018

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/BRO SIGNS & PRINTING, INC., SECRETARY, JAMES F KAMURA This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on August 17, 2018

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The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State or Common Law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).

The Downey Patriot 9/6/18, 9/13/18, 9/20/18, 9/27/18

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File Number 2018223606

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) 7-40 MOBILE REPAIR, 2115 W VICTORIA AVE APT. 13, MONTEBELLO CA 90640, LA COUNTY

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) VICTOR HUGO CHICATTO CABRERA, 2115 W VICTORIA AVE APT. 13, MONTEBELLO CA 90640

State of Incorporation: N/A THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: AN INDIVIDUAL

The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: N/A I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).)

S/VICTOR HUGO CHICATTO CABRERA, OWNER This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on September 4, 2018

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The Downey Patriot 9/6/18, 9/13/18, 9/20/18, 9/27/18

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File Number 2018208984

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) EL DORADO MOTORS, 13516 TELEGRAPH RD #A, WHITTIER CA 90605, LA COUNTY

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) VMD, INC., 14562 CORNISHCREST RD, WHITTIER CA 90604

State of Incorporation: CA THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: A CORPORATION

The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 08/2018 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/VMD, INC, PRESIDENT, DANIEL CHAVEZ This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on AUGUST 17, 2018

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The Downey Patriot 8/23/18, 8/30/18, 9/6/18, 9/13/18

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File Number 2018222127

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) SMOKIN SHACK BBQ, 9437 UNDERWOOD STREET, PICO RIVERA CA 90660, LA COUNTY

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) CHRISTINA MARIE ANDUJO, 9437 UNDERWOOD STREET, PICO RIVERA CA 90660

State of Incorporation: N/A THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: AN INDIVIDUAL

The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 08/2018 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/CHRISTINA MARIE ANDUJO, OWNER This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on August 31, 2018

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The Downey Patriot 9/6/18, 9/13/18, 9/20/18, 9/27/18

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File Number 2018180325

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) MASCORRO INSURANCE AGENCY, 6301 FLORENCE AVE SUITE 203, DOWNEY CA 90240, LA COUNTY

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) JORGE MASCORRO, 9624 BRIERFIELD ST, PICO RIVERA CA 90660

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: 07/2018 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/JORGE MASCORRO, OWNER This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on JULY 20, 2018

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Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State or Common Law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).

The Downey Patriot 8/16/18, 8/23/18, 8/30/18, 9/6/18

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File Number 2018218823

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) ZEALOUZ FASHION, 12555 LAKEWOOD BLVD SUITE B, DOWNEY CA 90242, LA COUNTY

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: C4136030 REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) ZEALOUZ INC, 12555 LAKEWOOD BLVD SUITE B, DOWNEY CA 90242

State of Incorporation: CA THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: A CORPORATION

The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 11/2012 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/ZEALOUZ INC, PRESIDENT, JANETTE NATALIE CALLEJAS This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on August 29, 2018

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The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State or Common Law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).

The Downey Patriot 9/6/18, 9/13/18, 9/20/18, 9/27/18

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File Number 2018213771

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) HEY BROTHER BAKER, 10012 ROSE ST, BELLFLOWER CA 90706, LA COUNTY

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) JESSE C HELLEN-LLOYD, 10012 ROSE ST, BELLFLOWER CA 90706 (2) JOSEPH H HELLEN-LLOYD, 10012 ROSE ST, BELLFLOWER CA 90706

State of Incorporation: N/A THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: A GENERAL PARTNERSHIP

The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 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/JESSE C HELLEN-LLOYD, PARTNER This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on AUGUST 23, 2018

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The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State or Common Law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).

The Downey Patriot 8/30/18, 9/6/18, 9/13/18, 9/20/18

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME 2018208799

FILE NO: 2018051266 DATE FILED: MARCH 1, 2018 NAME OF BUSINESS(ES): MED-EXPRESS

STREET ADDRESS, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE: 7403 SIDEVIEW DR., PICO RIVERA, CA 90660 REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) LUZ A. MANCILLA, 7403 SIDEVIEW DR., PICO RIVERA CA 90660

If Corporation or LLC – Print State of Incorporation/Organization: N/A Business was conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.)

S/LUZ A. MANCILLA, OWNER This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES on AUGUST 17, 2018

The Downey Patriot 8/23/18, 8/30/18, 9/6/18, 9/13/18

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File Number 2018210604

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) LAKEWOOD TERRACE APARTMENTS, LP, 12848 LAKEWOOD BLVD, DOWNEY CA 90242, LA COUNTY, 265 S. RANDOLPH AVE. STE. 220, BRECA CA 92821

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) SUPERIOR PROPERTIES, LLC, 265 S. RANDOLPH AVE. STE. 220, BRECA CA 92821

State of Incorporation: DE THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 06/2008 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/SUPERIOR PROPERTIES, LLC, MANAGER, RAYMOND GOETZ This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on AUGUST 20, 2018

Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.

The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State or Common Law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).

The Downey Patriot 8/23/18, 9/6/18, 9/13/18, 9/20/18

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File Number 2018201584

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) RM PROPERTIES, 213 N 3RD ST, MONTEBELLO CA 90640, LA COUNTY

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) RICKY MAGANA, 213 N 3RD ST, MONTEBELLO CA 90640

State of Incorporation: N/A THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: AN INDIVIDUAL

The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 08/2018 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/RICKY MAGANA, OWNER This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on AUGUST 9, 2018

Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.

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S/MICHELLE ZARA DA SILVA TORRES, OWNER

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on AUGUST 28, 2018 Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State or Common Law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).

The Downey Patriot 8/30/18, 9/6/18, 9/13/18, 9/20/18

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2018201001 THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) LEO'S AUTO TRANSMISSION REPAIR (2) LEO'S AUTO-TRUCK REPAIR CENTER (3) LEO'S AUTOMOTIVE, 10918 NORWALK BL., SANTA FE SPRINGS CA 90670, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) LEO'S AUTO TRANSMISSION INC., 10918 NORWALK BLVD, SANTA FE SPRINGS CA 90670

State of Incorporation: CA THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: A CORPORATION

The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 08/2018

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/LEO'S AUTO TRANSMISSION INC., PRESIDENT, JOAQUIN CAMACHO

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on AUGUST 8, 2018 Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.

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The Downey Patriot 8/23/18, 8/30/18, 9/6/18, 9/13/18

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2018190320 THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) DRA. ALFARO EDUCATIONAL CONSULTING, 3953 CENTRALIA STREET, LAKEWOOD CA 90712, LA COUNTY

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) DAISY D ALFARO, 3953 CENTRALIA STREET, LAKEWOOD CA 90712

State of Incorporation: N/A THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: AN INDIVIDUAL

The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: N/A

I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).)

S/DAISY D ALFARO, OWNER

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on AUGUST 1, 2018 Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.

The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State or Common Law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).

The Downey Patriot 8/23/18, 8/30/18, 9/6/18, 9/13/18

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2018201837 THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) TADYS INSURANCE AGENCY INC, 8043 2ND ST STE 103, DOWNEY CA 90241-3692, COUNTY OF LA

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) TADY'S INSURANCE AGENCY, INC., 8043 2ND ST. #103, DOWNEY CA 90241

State of Incorporation: CA THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: A CORPORATION

The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 12/2008

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/TADY'S INSURANCE AGENCY, INC, CEO, TADAIMA MENEDEZ

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on AUGUST 9, 2018 Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.

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The Downey Patriot 8/23/18, 8/30/18, 9/6/18, 9/13/18

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2018222629 THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) FRESH START LMM, 10527 SAN CARLOS AVE, SOUTH GATE CA 90280, LA COUNTY, 8202 NADA ST, DOWNEY CA 90242

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) LETICIA VALLADARES, 10527 SAN CARLOS AVE, SOUTH GATE CA 90280

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: 09/2018

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/LETICIA VALLADARES, OWNER

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on September 4, 2018 Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.

The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State or Common Law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).

The Downey Patriot 9/6/18, 9/13/18, 9/20/18, 9/27/18

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2018202482 THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) THE KNOCH GROUP, 553 N PACIFIC COAST HWY 542, REDONDO BEACH CA 90277, LOS ANGELES COUNTY

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A

REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) Leticia Valladares, 10527 San Carlos Ave, South Gate CA 90280

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: 09/2018

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/LETICIA VALLADARES, OWNER

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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).

REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) ANDREW KNOCH, 553 N PACIFIC COAST HWY 542, REDONDO BEACH CA 90277

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: 02/2007

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/ANDREW KNOCH, OWNER

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on AUGUST 9, 2018 Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.

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The Downey Patriot 8/23/18, 8/30/18, 9/6/18, 9/13/18

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2018213412 THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) STARLITE HAIR & NAILS, 10301 ARTESIA BLVD. SUITE 108, BELLFLOWER CA 90706, LA COUNTY

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) AMY KIM KING, 10301 ARTESIA BLVD SUITE 108, BELLFLOWER CA 90706

State of Incorporation: N/A THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: AN INDIVIDUAL

The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: N/A

I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).)

S/AMY KIM KING, OWNER

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on August 22, 2018 Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.

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The Downey Patriot 8/23/18, 8/30/18, 9/6/18, 9/13/18

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2018210187 THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) TADYS INSURANCE AGENCY INC, 8043 2ND ST STE 103, DOWNEY CA 90241-3692, COUNTY OF LA

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) TADY'S INSURANCE AGENCY, INC., 8043 2ND ST. #103, DOWNEY CA 90241

State of Incorporation: CA THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: A CORPORATION

The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 12/2008

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/TADY'S INSURANCE AGENCY, INC, CEO, TADAIMA MENEDEZ

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The Downey Patriot 8/23/18, 8/30/18, 9/6/18, 9/13/18

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2018201837 THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) TADYS INSURANCE AGENCY INC, 8043 2ND ST STE 103, DOWNEY CA 90241-3692, COUNTY OF LA

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) TADY'S INSURANCE AGENCY, INC., 8043 2ND ST. #103, DOWNEY CA 90241

State of Incorporation: CA THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: A CORPORATION

The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 12/2008

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S/TADY'S INSURANCE AGENCY, INC, CEO, TADAIMA MENEDEZ

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on AUGUST 9, 2018 Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.

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The Downey Patriot 8/16/18, 8/23/18, 8/30/18, 9/6/18

GOVERNMENT

CITY OF DOWNEY NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON A PROPOSED CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT PLN-18-00039

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held before the DOWNEY CITY PLANNING COMMISSION on the 19th day of September, 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:

Conditional Use Permit (PLN-18-00039) - A request by Verizon Wireless to construct and operate a 50' tall cellular communication tower on the City of Downey Public Works Department's Maintenance Yard. The cell tower will contain 12 panel antennas (3 sectors with 4 antennas per sector), one microwave antenna, and related tower and ground mounted equipment. The cell tower is designed to appear as a pine tree (mono-pine). The subject site is located at 12324 Bellflower Boulevard and zoned M-2 (General Manufacturing).

All interested parties are invited to submit written comments and/or to attend and give testimony. The staff report, which provides a detailed description and analysis of this project, will be posted to the City's website (<http://www.downeyca.org>) on the Friday prior to the public hearing.

As required by the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), this request has been found to be Categorical Exempt from CEQA, per CEQA Guideline, Section 15303 (Class

3, New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures).

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 Senior Planner, Monica Esparza at 562-904-7154, or at mesparza@downeyca.org.

The Downey Patriot 9/6/18

CITY OF DOWNEY NOTICE CALLING FOR BIDS

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT NO. 18-17 PARAMOUNT BOULEVARD WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENT PROJECT (FIRESTONE BOULEVARD TO FLORENCE AVENUE)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that sealed bids will be received at the office of the City Clerk of the City of Downey until 11:00 AM on Thursday, September 27, 2018 which hour the proposed bids will be publicly opened and read in the City Hall at 11111 Brookshire Ave, Downey, California for Capital Improvement Project No. 18-17 Paramount Boulevard Water System Improvement Project (Firestone Boulevard to Florence Avenue).

The work to be performed under this Contract generally consists of the construction of water system improvements on Paramount Boulevard from Firestone Boulevard to Florence Avenue, as shown on the contract plans. The work to be performed generally consists of potable water main improvements including the installation of new main, fire hydrant assemblies, water service lines (meters and boxes; installation of gate valves, tees, bends, thrust blocks, and fittings; abandonment of existing water mains, service lines, and other associated facilities; removal and salvaging of existing fire hydrant assemblies, existing water meters, and boxes; clearing and grubbing; trenching, backfilling and compacting; asphalt concrete (AC) and Portland cement concrete (PCC) pavement reconstruction; reconstruction of miscellaneous PCC improvements, landscaping, irrigation, and other existing improvements disturbed during the course of construction; traffic control; and all labor, tools, materials, equipment, and appurtenant work thereto necessary for the proper construction of the contemplated improvements, in accordance with Plans and Specifications entitled Capital Improvement Project No. 18-17.

Plans and Specifications for this project are on file in the office of the City Cashier at 11111 Brookshire Ave., Downey, California, where they may be examined and copies obtained at a cost of \$35.00 per set. The cost of said Plans and Specifications is non-refundable and purchased Plans and Specifications need not be returned. Plans and Specifications may be mailed for an additional charge of \$20 via On-Trac Overnight courier.

BIDS MUST BE MADE ON THE PROPOSAL FORM INCLUDED IN THE PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT NO. 18-17. Each bid shall be accompanied by cash, a certified or cashier's check or by a corporate surety bond issued by a surety company, admitted to do business in the State of California, on the form furnished by the City as guarantee that bidder will, if an award is made to him/her in accordance with the terms of his/her bid: promptly secure Workers' Compensation insurance, liability insurance, execute a contract in the required form, and furnish satisfactory bonds for the faithful performance of the Contract ("Performance Bond") and for the payment of all bills of materialmen and laborers thereunder ("Payment Bond"). Said cash, check or bidder's bond shall be in an amount of not less than ten percent (10%) of the amount of the bid. The Performance and Payment Bond shall be not less than one hundred percent (100%) of the total amount of the bid price named in the contract. Only bonds issued by companies admitted to do business in the State of California will be accepted in accordance with the Civil Procedure Section 995.311. Failure to submit acceptable Payment and Performance Bonds as required shall result in a rejection of the bid and a forfeiture of the proposal guarantee.

The Contractor shall abide by the provisions of the California Labor Code § 1770-1781, et seq. In accordance with the provisions of the California Labor Code § 1771, the general prevailing rates of per diem wages and holiday and overtime work in the locality in which the work is to be performed has been obtained from the Director of the Department of Industrial Relations, a copy of which is on file in the office of the City Clerk of the City of Downey and will be made available to any interested party upon request. The Contractor shall post a copy of the prevailing rate of per diem wages at the job site. The Contractor, and any Subcontractor under him/her, shall pay not less than the specified prevailing rates of wages to all workers employed in the execution of the contract.

All projects require the successful bidder to possess a valid State of California Contractor's License at the time of Contract Award, in accordance with Section 10103.5 of the Public Contract Code. Pursuant to Section 3300 of the Public Contract Code, the City has determined that the Contractor to whom the subject contract is awarded shall possess a valid State of California Contractor's License in the Classification of A, "General Engineering Contractor" or C34, "Pipeline Contractor."

In accordance with California Labor Code Section 1771.1, no Contractor or Subcontractor shall be qualified to (a) bid on or be listed in a bid proposal on or after March 1, 2015, or (b) engage in the performance of this Work after April 1, 2015, unless registered and qualified to perform the Work pursuant to Labor Code Section 1725.5.

Contractor's performance of the Work described in this Notice Inviting Bids is subject to compliance monitoring and enforcement by the California Department of Industrial Relations. Each Contractor submitting a proposal or bid for his/her work shall complete and submit with the proposal all of the forms included therein, including the Bidder's Qualifications Statement, Designation of Subcontractors, the Non-Collusion Affidavit, the Pre-Bid Site Inspection Certification and the Signature Page. Failure to include any of these documents with the proposal may disqualify the proposal.

The City of Downey reserves the right, after opening bids, to reject any or all bids, to waive any informality in any bid received, and to be the sole judge of the merits of the respective bids received. The award of the Contract, if it is awarded to the lowest responsible Bidder whose bid complies with all the requirements prescribed. Pursuant to California Public Contract Code § 22300, the Contractor at his/

her sole cost and expense, may substitute authorized securities for any monies withheld by the City to ensure performance under the Contract.

All requests for information (RFI) shall be in written form and shall be directed to:

Mrs. Lorena Powell, Associate Civil Engineer - Utilities
E-Mail: lpowell@downeyca.org
Tel: (562) 904-7110
Fax: (562) 904-7296

No inquiries will be accepted later than five (5) business days prior to the bid opening date as this would not allow time to respond to all plan holders. Phone inquiries will not be accepted.

NO LATE BIDS WILL BE ACCEPTED.

CITY OF DOWNEY, CALIFORNIA
Maria Alicia Duarte, CMC
City Clerk

The Downey Patriot 8/30/18, 9/6/18

CITY OF DOWNEY NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON A PROPOSED VARIANCE PLN-18-00125

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held before the DOWNEY CITY PLANNING COMMISSION on the 19th day of September, 2018, at 6:30 p.m., in the Council Chamber of the Downey City Hall, 11111 Brookshire Avenue, Downey, California. At that time and place, consideration will be given to the following:

Variance (PLN-18-00125) - A request by Diesel Tune, to deviate from the Section III-G(4)(C) of the Florence Ave/I-5 Specific Plan, to construct a 16.5-foot tall monument sign, instead of the maximum allowed 8-foot tall monument sign. The subject site is located at 10780 Fairford Avenue and zoned SP 90-1(Florence Ave/I-5 Specific Plan).

All interested parties are invited to submit written comments and/or to attend and give testimony. The staff report, which provides a detailed description and analysis of this project, will be posted to the City's website (<http://www.downeyca.org>) on the Friday prior to the public hearing.

As required by the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), this request has been found to be Categorical Exempt from CEQA, per CEQA Guideline, Section 15305 (Class 5, Minor Alterations in Land Use Limitations).

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 Principal Planner Guillermo Arreola at 562-904-7154, or at garreola@downeyca.org.

The Downey Patriot 9/6/18

CITY OF DOWNEY NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AMENDMENTS TO THE DOWNEY UNIFORM FEE SCHEDULE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City Council for the City of Downey has scheduled a Public Hearing to consider amendments to the Downey Uniform Fee Schedule, at the Regular Council Meeting of September 11, 2018, at 6:30 p.m., in the Downey City Council Chambers, 11111 Brookshire Avenue, Downey, CA.

This Public Hearing and Notice is intended to comply with the provisions of Government Code Section 66018. The Resolution proposes the following amendments to the City's Uniform Fee Schedule:

- **Parks & Recreation**
Proposes a fee waiver for use of City facilities for event space once per year and/or one hour of meeting space per month, as space is available, for qualified Downey based groups.
- **Police Department**
Proposes to modify fees charged for subpoenas for police records and non-department related civil proceedings for Police Department employees and to align fees with those charged by the City Clerk.
Proposed changes:
Subpoena – Standard – Evidence Code 1563(b)(6) \$15,00ea + actual costs
Subpoena – Fees for Documents – Evidence Code 1563(b) \$15,00ea + reasonable costs
Subpoena Witness Fee – Government Code 68096.1(b) \$275.00 per day
- **Fire Department**
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PROBATE

Petitioner: Gloria Garcia
GLORIA GARCIA
12337 GNEISS AVE
DOWNEY CA 90242
CN952783 GARCIA Aug 30, Sep 6, 13, 2018

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Dated this 30th Day of August, 2018 and 6th day of September, 2018.
Self Storage Management Co. Bond #: WL11254152
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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF MIGUEL MEDINA aka MIGUEL MEDINA MARTINEZ
Case No. 18STPB06448
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of MIGUEL MEDINA aka MIGUEL MEDINA MARTINEZ

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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
FOR CHANGE OF NAME
CASE NUMBER: VS031001

NOTICE OF HEARING
Date: November 21, 2018, Time: 1:30 p.m., Department: C, Room: 312
The address of the court is 12720 Norwalk Blvd., Norwalk 90650

Attorney for petitioner: DANIEL J WILSON ESQ
SBN 106487
WILSON & WILSON
8141 E 2ND STREET
STE 501
DOWNEY CA 90241
CN951435 MEDINA Aug 23,30, Sep 6, 2018

TRUSTEE SALES

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TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
Petitioner JAMES & VERA CLINE on behalf of JONATHAN CLINE filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
Present name (1) JONATHAN JAMES CLINE to Proposed name (1) JONNY JAMES CLINE
THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
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A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in the county, THE DOWNEY PATRIOT
AUGUST 31, 2018
Margaret M. Bernal
Judge Of The Superior Court
Petitioner or Attorney, In Pro Per
James & Vera Cline
on behalf of Jonathan Cline
11036 Lorene St.
Whittier, CA 90601
(562) 447-8454
jvjvine@hotmail.com

Attorney for petitioner: DANIEL J WILSON ESQ
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8141 E 2ND STREET
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CN951435 MEDINA Aug 23,30, Sep 6, 2018

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Petitioner IRMA JENNIFER AGUILAR on behalf of ANTHONY NESTOR AGUAYO filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
Present name (1) ANTHONY NESTOR AGUAYO to Proposed name (1) ANTHONY NESTOR AGUILAR
THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
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AUGUST 27, 2018
Margaret M. Bernal
Judge Of The Superior Court
Petitioner or Attorney, In Pro Per
Irma Jennifer Aguilar,
on behalf of Anthony Aguayo
13128 Dunrobin Ave

Attorney for petitioner: DANIEL J WILSON ESQ
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Neil Simon, acclaimed playwright, dies at 91

NEW YORK – Neil Simon, one of the most popular and prolific playwrights and screenwriters of the second half of the 20th century, died Sunday, Aug. 26, of complications from pneumonia, according to his publicist Bill Evans as reported by CNN. He was 91.

Born July 4, 1927, in New York City, Simon grew up loving movies, especially comedies, and turned that love into a career when he began writing for some of TV's earliest comedy shows, including Sid Caesar's "Your Show of Shows" and "The Phil Silvers Show," both of which earned him Emmy awards.

Simon spoke later of the enormous influence these jobs had on his career, particularly the opportunity to work with some of the day's finest comedy writers: "I knew when I walked into 'Your Show of Shows,' that this was the most talented group of writers that up until that time had ever been assembled together."

The first play Simon wrote was 1961's "Come Blow Your Horn," which ran on Broadway for more than a year to favorable reviews. It had barely closed when Simon's next play, "Little Me," opened on Broadway, starring Caesar in multiple roles and with choreography by Bob Fosse.

Simon continued to write prolifically, and as his reputation grew, his plays began to become instant classics. His list of notable plays includes great favorites such as "Barefoot in the Park" (1963), "The Odd Couple" (1965), "The Sunshine Boys" (1972), "They're Playing Our Song" (1979) and "Lost in Yonkers" (1991).

Many of Simon's best-loved plays were adapted into movies, most with screenplays written by Simon: "The Odd Couple" (1968), "Only When I Laugh" (1981, based on his play "The Gingerbread Lady"), "Brighton Beach Memoirs" (1986). In other cases, the movie came first, as when he adapted his 1977 film, "The Goodbye Girl," into a 1993 play.



Neil Simon

Simon also wrote screenplays that were not based on existing stage plays, such as "The Heartbreak Kid" (1972), "Murder by Death" (1976) and "The Odd Couple II" (1998).

Among Simon's most critically acclaimed works is the trilogy of autobiographical plays, "Brighton Beach Memoirs," which won the New York Drama Critics Circle Award for best play, "Biloxi Blues," which won the Tony Award for best play, and "Broadway Bound." 1991's "Lost in Yonkers" was also greatly celebrated, winning a Drama Desk Award, a Tony Award and a Pulitzer Prize.

Simon's other honors include membership in the American Theatre Hall of Fame, the New York State Governor's Award, the Kennedy Center Honors and the Mark Twain Prize for American Humor.

Journalist Lawrence Grobel asserted that Simon "towers like a Colossus over the American theater. When Neil Simon's time comes to be judged among successful playwrights of the 20th century, he will definitely be first among equals. ..."

Broadway critic Walter Kerr also praised Simon: "Because Americans have always tended to underrate writers who make them laugh, Neil Simon's accomplishment have not gained as much serious critical praise as they deserve. His best comedies

contain not only a host of funny lines, but numerous memorable characters and an incisively dramatized set of beliefs that are not without merit. Simon is, in fact, one of the finest writers of comedy in American literary history."

Simon is survived by his wife, actress Elaine Joyce, and his daughters, Nancy, Ellen and Bryn.

CLAIRE WINELAND: Claire Wineland, a social media star whose story about living with cystic fibrosis inspired thousands of people, died at 21.

According to a statement from her foundation Claire's Place, Wineland suffered a massive stroke caused by a blood clot on August 26 following a double lung transplant.

Wineland passed away after a week of intensive care and procedures to attempt to save her life, said the foundation.

Wineland was born with cystic fibrosis, a genetic disease causing persistent lung infections and limiting a person's ability to breathe.

Wineland has told her story through her book "Every Breath I Take, Surviving and Thriving with Cystic Fibrosis," and on social media platforms including YouTube and Instagram, where she has hundreds of thousands of followers.

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OP-ED: Where' the Beef?

By Raul Riesgo Contributor

The uber-liberal faction of State Legislature has come across another item of great importance to Californians - vegans in the prison system aren't getting their greens.

Yes, California Democrats have introduced a bill (Senate Bill 1138) to require prisons to offer inmates "plant-based meals" that are free of meat, dairy, fish, poultry or eggs.

The bill's author, Senator Nancy Skinner of Berkeley, states that her intent to require a vegan

menu is because it "will provide an example of healthful eating to the general public."

Last I checked, prison inmates are not who we the public turn to when we're looking for living advice.

I understand keeping a Kosher or halal diet, and there are already specialized foods available for inmates with certain health or medical needs. But veganism is not a religion or a medical issue. What's next; inmates require a specific world cuisine? Prisoners already end up eating better than the almost 20 percent of Californians who struggle just to meet their basic needs.

Adding a vegan menu to the prisons' meal plan is costly, too. The California State Legislative analysis says the cost will be hundreds of thousands of dollars annually.

There are far more urgent problems facing California

than hiring vegan chefs for the digestive comfort of a few hardened criminals. Spending taxpayer money is all about priorities, and catering to finicky eaters in prison shouldn't be high on that list.

The Democrats in charge in Sacramento are spending too much time and money on ridiculous issues that impact a very few people and not enough time solving the truly urgent challenges facing this state, like affordability, the housing crisis, fixing the 911 system, stockpiling water for the next drought, wildfires, and so much more.

California deserves better.

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How to get rid of private mortgage insurance

If you bought a house and made a down payment of less than 20 percent, the lender required you to buy mortgage insurance. The same goes if you refinanced with less than 20 percent equity.

Private mortgage insurance is expensive, but you can't remove it until you have met some conditions.

How to get rid of PMI?

To remove PMI, or private mortgage insurance, you must have at least 20 percent equity in the home. You may ask the lender to cancel PMI when you have paid down the mortgage balance to 80 percent of the home's original appraised value. When the balance drops to 78 percent, the mortgage servicer is required to eliminate PMI.

Although you can cancel private mortgage insurance, you cannot cancel Federal Housing Administration insurance. You can get rid of FHA insurance by refinancing into a non-FHA-insured loan.

Ways to cancel PMI sooner

Here are steps you can take to cancel mortgage insurance sooner or strengthen your negotiating position:

Refinance: If your home value has increased enough, the new lender won't require mortgage insurance.

Get a new appraisal: Some lenders will consider a new appraisal instead of the original sales price or appraised value when deciding whether you meet the 20 percent equity threshold. An appraisal generally costs \$450 to \$600. Before paying for an appraisal, ask the lender whether this tactic will work to get rid of PMI for your loan.

Prepay on your loan: Even \$50 a month can mean a dramatic drop in your loan balance over time.

Remodel: Add a room or a pool to increase your home's market value. Then ask the lender to recalculate your loan-to-value ratio using the new value figure.

Refinancing to get out of PMI

When mortgage rates are low, as they are now, refinancing can help you to not only get rid of PMI, but to reduce your monthly interest payments. It's a double dose of savings.

The refinancing tactic works if your home has gained substantial value since the last time you got a mortgage. For example, if you bought your house four years ago with a 10 percent down payment, and the home's value has risen 15 percent since then, you now owe less than 80 percent of what the home is worth. Under these circumstances, you can refinance into a new loan without having to pay for PMI.

Many loans have a "seasoning requirement" that requires you to wait at least two years before you can refinance to get rid of PMI. So if your loan is less than 2 years old, you can ask for a PMI-canceling refi, but you're not guaranteed to get approval.

What is mortgage insurance?

Mortgage insurance reimburses the lender if you default on your home loan. You, the borrower, pay the premiums. When sold by a company, it's known as private mortgage insurance, or PMI. The FHA sells mortgage insurance, too.

Know your rights

By law, your lender must tell you at closing how many years and months it will take you to pay down your loan enough to cancel PMI.

Mortgage servicers must give borrowers an annual statement that shows whom to call for information about canceling mortgage insurance.

Other requirements to cancel PMI

According to the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, you have to meet certain requirements to remove PMI:

You must request cancellation in writing.

You have to be current on your payments and have a good payment history.

You might have to prove that you don't have any other liens on the home (for example, a home equity loan or home equity line of credit).

You might have to get an appraisal to

demonstrate that your loan balance isn't more than 80 percent of the home's current value.

Higher-risk properties

Lenders can impose stricter rules for high-risk borrowers. You may fall into this high-risk category if you have missed mortgage payments, so make sure your payments are up to date before asking your lender to drop mortgage insurance. Lenders may require a higher equity percentage if the property has been converted to rental use.

Getting down to 80% or 78%

To calculate whether your loan balance has fallen to 80 percent or 78 percent of original value, divide the current loan balance (the amount you still owe) by the original appraised

value (most likely, that's the same as the purchase price).

Formula: Current loan balance / Original appraised value

Example: Dale owes \$171,600 on a house that cost \$220,000 several years ago.

$\$171,600 / \$220,000 = 0.78$.

That equals 78 percent, so it's time for Dale's mortgage insurance to be canceled.

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Home prices rise when a Starbucks opens nearby, study shows

Each new Starbucks boosts the value of housing prices in a neighborhood. And not by an insignificant amount.

This data point is revealed in a broader study on gentrification by the Harvard Business School that relied on information from Yelp, the online restaurant review platform, and the United States Census.

A new Starbucks introduced into a ZIP code is associated with a 0.5 percent increase in housing prices within a year, the paper found.

It's not clear whether housing prices are rising due to the Starbucks opening itself or simply because more affluent customers that would go to the coffee chain have moved into the area.

Harvard economics professor Edward Glaeser said Yelp data reveals it may be the latter. The study found that each 10-unit increase in the number of reviews is associated with a 1.4 percent increase in housing prices in the ZIP code.

"The most natural hypothesis to us is that restaurants respond to exogenous changes in neighborhood composition, not that restaurant availability is driving neighborhood change," the paper concludes.

This is the broader point of the paper, which surmises that gentrification is "strongly associated" with increases in the numbers of grocery stores, cafes, restaurants and bars.

"Yelp data has the advantage of being more up to date than most official government

statistics," the economist added. "It also contains metrics on things like cuisine, prices, and ratings that can be difficult to observe otherwise."

What remains uncertain, though, is any idea of causality, Glaeser wrote.

"Yet, it seems true that Yelp establishments from 2007-2011 predict changes in education

levels over the next five years, but education from 2007 to 2011 does not predict increases in the number of Yelp establishments, once we control for the initial level of Yelp establishments."

So Starbucks may not be causing gentrification, but its arrival may confirm the gentrification trend.

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