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Teachers upend school board meeting over fate of Sussman, Carpenter

Facing declining enrollment, DUSD considers closing making Sussman Middle School a magnet secondary school and Carpenter Elementary a dual immersion campus.

Teachers and parents are protesting the idea.

By Alex Dominguez
Staff Writer

DOWNEY – The strike may be in Los Angeles, but that didn't mean that Downey Unified School District was free from its own turmoil this week.

The usually quiet and calm Grace E. Horney Board Room resembled more of a gladiator's

arena on Tuesday as a platoon of concerned teachers and parents packed into the School Board's regularly scheduled meeting.

Despite the crowd, the School Board attempted to operate as usual. However, the agenda's final two items – the potential reprogramming of Carpenter Elementary to a Dual Immersion / International Baccalaureate (IB) school and the possible change of Sussman Middle School to an IB / Early College magnet secondary school for grades six through 12 – sat like a giant elephant in the room.

Almost as if she anticipated a long and hard evening, Board President Nancy Swenson addressed the crowd before the board received presentations on the controversial agenda items.

"I want to take a moment for any of the Downey Unified family members that felt disrespected with the process we have been using to roll out the information regarding the potential changes," said Swenson. "Everything being considered has been heard during our monthly meetings, and tonight the process continues... even though more ideas and possibilities will be discussed tonight, no changes will take effect until it is approved by a vote of the Board at a later date."

Both potential changes come at a time when DUSD is battling a statewide trend of declining enrollment. According to information presented at Tuesday's meeting, enrollment in DUSD has dropped from around 23,000 students in the 12/13 school year to about 22,000 in the 18/19

school year.

"Enrollment is a long-term challenge; it's not going to be something that all of a sudden goes away," said Superintendent Dr. John Garcia.

Because of this trend, DUSD has scrambled to come up with ways to retain and attract students to the district, including the two controversial proposals.

More than the fate of Carpenter, most in attendance seemed disenfranchised with the idea of the seemingly impending closure of Sussman. Should the Board decide to move forward with the conversion of the middle school, they would have to decide

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Bill would ban untrained teachers from low-income schools

Teacher trainees do students a disservice at Title 1 campuses, says Assembly member Cristina Garcia.

DOWNEY – Legislation that would prohibit untrained teacher trainees from teaching in low income schools was introduced by Assemblywoman Cristina Garcia (D-Bell Gardens) on Wednesday.

The bill, AB 221, seeks to prevent additional education disparities that persist in Title 1 (low income) funded schools and are often exacerbated by poor educator training and retention seen with trainee's placed through Teach for America (TFA), Garcia said.



Cristina Garcia

"Title 1 funded school kids already face multiple disadvantages because of their ethnicity, zip code and socio-economic status, that are further compounded when you have an inexperienced educator in the classroom," said Garcia, who taught math at the high school and college level prior to being elected to the Assembly.

"I've been that new teacher. I've seen how my own inabilities affected my students. And I saw how much my skillset and effectiveness changed once I had received the proper training and got a mentor.

"We must remove barriers to quality education for our most vulnerable students and not add problems that contribute to our achievement gap and create systemic inequities that follow kids their entire lives."

California's achievement gap, particularly with students of color, is well documented and historic particularly in math and science. Although the state has made attempts to closing the gap, policies and resources have struggled to close it significantly with vulnerable populations.

New standards and strategies, such as requiring better educator training and preparation, have proven effective and practical at creating a foundation that creates an equitable education system for all of California's children.

According to Garcia, Teach for America trainees lack crucial training before entering a classroom, receiving only five weeks of training before entering the classroom and do not need to have a degree in education.

For traditional teacher credentialing programs, hopeful educators take two years to complete their educational training and serve as a student teacher for another year before entering the classroom as its sole instructor as a credentialed teacher.

Further, more than 50 percent of TFA trainee's leave after two years and 80 percent leave after three years creating

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COURTESY PHOTO

Julian Park, left, directs Kaleb Alexander Roberts in "Invincible Boy," which premiered late last year at the InFocus Short Film Festival.

Filmmaker Julian Park stays humble

The Downey filmmaker is working to turn his hobby into a career.

By Alex Dominguez
Staff Writer

DOWNEY – Julian Park isn't a filmmaker. At least, that's what he will tell you.

It's funny that he would say that, however, once you learn his new short film debuted recently at the InFocus Short Film Festival in Van Nuys.

The short film, called Invincible Boy, is described by Park as "all that childhood energy and imagination encapsulated in a short film." If many of the locations in the film seem familiar, that's because they are.

"I grew up here. My family moved here when I was 5," said

Park. "It's my hometown...when I did this film this year, I was like I got to pay homage to Downey. I set the film in Downey, we shot it here."

"It's about remaining a child and holding onto that childlike wonder that you can do things, whatever you want in the world Your dreams or whatever," said Park.

Park describes himself as a "hobbyist." While his passion is in film making, it is not his main career right now.

"For me, I was always obsessed with stories. I was a TV kid growing up," said Park. "Certain films changed my mind and really showed me that it's probably one of the highest artforms because it combines everything – acting, drama, writing, photography –

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Downey restaurant grades

The Marketplace Grill Cafe
7877 Florence Ave.
Date Inspected: 1/8/19
Grade: **A**

Downey Super Market
13240 Woodruff Ave.
Date Inspected: 1/8/19
Grade: **A**

Maria's Grill
13232 1/2 Woodruff Ave.
Date Inspected: 1/8/19
Grade: **A**

Parillas Cholito
12121 Paramount Blvd.
Date Inspected: 1/8/19
Grade: **A**

Mart One
9913 Paramount Blvd.
Date Inspected: 1/8/19
Grade: **A**

Boba Indeed
12246 Paramount Blvd.
Date Inspected: 1/8/19
Grade: **A**

Hometown Buffet
8432 Firestone Blvd.
Date Inspected: 1/8/19
Grade: **A**

Vallarta Super Markets (Restaurant)
7900 Imperial Hwy.
Date Inspected: 1/3/19
Grade: **A**

Vallarta Super Markets (Market)
7900 Imperial Hwy.
Date Inspected: 1/3/19
Grade: **A**

Alberchachos
7347 Imperial Hwy.
Date Inspected: 1/3/19
Grade: **A**

Luis Butcher Shop
9071 Imperial Hwy.
Date Inspected: 1/3/19
Grade: **A**

Luis Butcher Shop Deli
9071 Imperial Hwy.
Date Inspected: 1/3/19
Grade: **A**

Tropicana Bakery & Cafe
10218 Paramount Blvd.
Date Inspected: 1/2/19
Grade: **A**

El Charro Taco Shop
8504 Paramount Blvd.
Date Inspected: 1/2/19
Grade: **A**

Walmart Main Market
12270 Paramount Blvd.
Date Inspected: 1/2/19
Grade: **A**

McDonalds
12256 Paramount Blvd.
Date Inspected: 1/2/19
Grade: **A**

Waba Grill
8258 Firestone Blvd.
Date Inspected: 1/2/19
Grade: **A**

Walmart Bakery
12270 Paramount Blvd.
Date Inspected: 12/27/18
Grade: **A**

Walmart Deli
12270 Paramount Blvd.
Date Inspected: 12/27/18
Grade: **A**

Fatima Grill
7840 Firestone Blvd. Ste A101
Date Inspected: 12/27/18
Grade: **A**

Gaucha Grill
8830 Apollo Way Bld1 100
Date Inspected: 12/27/18
Grade: **A**

Weekend at a Glance

Friday 65°

Saturday 75°

Sunday 71°

THINGS TO DO



Stories in Song

Saturday - Downey Theatre, 8 pm
A curated art show followed by a live performance by the Downey Symphony, playing Mozart. \$10-\$29



Women's March

Saturday - Pershing Square, 10 am
Join people of all ages, genders, races, cultures, political affiliations for a day of civic engagement.



Lost Cemeteries of Los Angeles Tour

Sunday - La Plaza de Cultura y Artes, 12 pm
Explore the sites and stories of the four original cemeteries of Los Angeles. Walking tour totals about 3 miles. \$20, sign up on Facebook



Pink Floyd Experience

All Weekend - Cerritos Center
Witness a full theatrical production of the Pink Floyd masterpiece album, The Wall, performed in its entirety. \$30-\$65



MLK Celebration

Saturday - Martin Luther King Jr. Park in Long Beach, 10:30 am to 5 pm

A parade followed by an open-air celebration with live entertainment, food, merchandise, and information vendors.



Full Moon Hike for Women

Saturday - Griffith Park, 7 pm
A 1-hour hike under a full moon, specifically for female-identifying people only. Specific directions posted on Facebook.

SB 1437

OPEN LETTER TO LEGISLATORS

By Pedro Galvez

Pedro Galvez is the brother of Downey police officer Ricky Galvez, who was shot and killed in a botched robbery attempt in 2015.

Pedro wrote this open letter to legislators after one of Ricky's admitted killers was sentenced to juvenile detention, where he will serve no more than 5 years.

The letter is being published here with Pedro's permission.

To Representatives of the State of California:

I am compelled to write this letter to make California residents aware of the dangerous repercussions associated with the recent passing of Senate Bill 1437 on Sept. 30, 2018 as approved by State Governor Edmund Brown. It is my intent, that it will bring forth a call to action to reverse the bill, public awareness, and provide insight into the negative impact that such a bill would impose upon innocent

community residents and especially to victims' families like my own.

On Nov. 18, 2015 my brother Ricardo "Ricky" Galvez was murdered in the line of duty. Ricky was a dedicated Downey Police Officer, and also a United States Marine Veteran who served two separate tours of duty while serving our country. He believed in our judicial system and risked his life daily to protect the innocent and defenseless. Senate Bill 1437 now presents an opportunity for those charged

with Ricky's murder to receive no punishment for the intentional murder they were all involved in on Nov. 18.

Existing law defines first degree murder, as all murder that is committed in the perpetration of, or the attempt to perpetrate, specified felonies, which include but are not limited to, arson, rape, carjacking, robbery, burglary, mayhem, and kidnapping. The penalty for such crime

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Classrooms shouldn't be used as training grounds, lawmaker says

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retention problems for the most vulnerable schools and their students.

California has also struggled with a teacher shortage for decades. The answer to addressing that shortage and closing the gap in low-income schools is not placing untrained educators in them. The solution must be increased support for our teacher workforce, adequate compensation and to populate our low-income schools with trained teachers.

"We can't use our kids' classrooms as training grounds when we know it has long-lasting and detrimental effects on a child's future," added Garcia. "Experience is necessary. Proper training is necessary. That's why California mandated a year of student teaching prior to credentialing our public school teachers. This is not a profession where one can just learn on the job without significant repercussions.

"And we certainly shouldn't be allowing it with our most vulnerable students who are already dealing with systemic challenges entirely outside their control."

The purpose of Title I designation is to address systemic educational challenges facing high-poverty communities by providing more resources to school districts and schools with the highest concentrations of poverty.

"The state's goals for high quality education will be undermined if it continues to supplement an inadequate teacher supply with underprepared teachers who leave the profession at very high rates," said Garcia.

Art show will precede symphony concert

More than 20 artists will exhibit their work at the Downey Theatre on Saturday.

DOWNEY - Downey's art explosion continues Saturday at the Downey Theatre when the Downey Arts Coalition stages an exhibit, "Wonder," featuring local artists.

The show adds an extra dimension to the concert by the Downey Symphony Orchestra, which includes a world premiere by local composer Lars Clutterham, as well as Mozart's great symphony no. 40 and Prokofiev's ingenious and delightful music for the Russian folk tale "Peter and the Wolf."

"Art and music are a great way to bring the community together to share in a unique experience of creativity," said Pat Gil, president of the Downey Arts Coalition and a board member for the Downey Symphonic Society.

More than 20 artists' works will be on display. The featured artist is Sean P. Roach. His creations blur the line between painting and sculpture, using different materials to present colorful geometric patterns that engage the eye and play tricks on the mind, celebrating the amazing possibilities of sight itself.

Examples are on his website seanproach.com.

Returning artists include well known favorites like Carolina Estrada del Toro, who creates stunning photographs, and her husband Jorge del Toro, whose sculptures are powerful and often witty or even whimsical as well. Lindsay Yost returns with two pieces, "Unlock Joy" and "Handbook for the Recently Deceased," unique mosaics crafted from broken pieces of ceramics.

Beto Reyes shows three fascinating papier-mâché dragons with lights inside.

Some titles are particularly intriguing, such as Amelie Simmons' "Whale in Space" and "Eysteinn" or Irina Karkov's "Eva is Inside her Cat" or Eureka Wells' "Ravaged Nigeria."

New artists include Charles Osawa, whose "Thrasher" uses recycled materials and epoxy resins to create unique and raw works that defy verbal description.

Art and music come together to make a powerful experience for concertgoers. Music "puts us in a positive state of mind, allowing inspiration to flow through and create art," says photographer Carolina del Toro. Almost all the artists will be standing by their artwork, and nothing pleases an artist more than talking with viewers, answering questions about their work and their creative process.

"Artists love to hear from the audience," Carolina added. "You don't need special training to appreciate art, and this is a great

Sean P. Roach will be the featured artist at an art show Saturday evening at the Downey Theatre.

The art show precedes a performance by the Downey Symphony.



opportunity to get acquainted with a local artist."

Most of the works are for sale at affordable prices.

The Downey Theatre's doors open at 6:30 pm so that patrons

can enjoy the art at leisure before the concert begins at 8 pm, while also leaving plenty of time for the free pre-concert talk at 7:15 pm by composer Lars Clutterham.

Filmmaker isn't looking for fame and fortune

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everything...I think that's why I like it so much. I saw that it was like magic."

"I started off just doing short documentaries, and now I'm going more into narrative; I'm taking it more seriously as a hobby. I want to pursue it as a career, but I still have to have a day job...I kind of came at it afterwards, after I started my career. I have a day job that has nothing to do with filmmaking. I think every artist is struggling with the whole 'should I do something practical or should I follow my passions?'"

And, of course, Park says filmmaking is probably the most impractical passions of all.

"It's super expensive. It's super dumb," said Park. "You could go shoot photography or draw in your room, but filmmaking

you need everything...that's why I don't say I'm a filmmaker. I say I'm a hobbyist. I like to do it as a hobby. I'm very passionate about it, but I haven't 'made it' yet."

It was his films, however, that caught the attention of the Downey Arts Coalition.

"In 2012, I did a little short documentary about Bumble Bee who is also a Downey artist," said Park. "That was sort of my beginning relationship with Downey Arts Coalition. They found out about the film. I didn't even really try to publicize it, but they found out about it and they hosted a screening for us. That's kind of why I'm so connected to the city."

Park is already starting to write and work on new projects. It's documentaries, Park says, that he would like to get back into in the new year. However, he's also working on another short film.

Through it all, he acknowledges that he still has a lot to learn.

"I'm still learning. I need to master more storytelling aspects," said Park. "I feel like I saw so many mistakes I made in Invisible Boy. I want to write another one. I want to do it more contained, more drama. Very serious. I want to do another short."

The ultimate goal is to "make it," but not necessarily to obtain great fame and fortune.

"Just to get paid to do that and have a sustainable career. To make a living off of it," said Park. "I think that's what everyone dreams of doing, to do what they love for their work so you don't have to work a day in your life."

"I don't want to be crazy successful. I just want to continue to make my work...anybody that makes art or wants to tell a story, ultimately, they want as many people to see it as possible. That's really what it is."

City hosting summer job fair

DOWNEY - Downey's Parks and Recreation Department is hosting a summer job fair Saturday, Feb. 9, at the Barbara J. Riley Center.

Job seekers can learn about part-time positions available this summer, including as lifeguards, swim instructors, recreation leaders, after-school program leaders, and parks workers.

The fair is from 12-4:30 p.m. for pre-registered guests or 12-2:30 for walk-ins.

For more information, call Parks & Recreation at (562) 904-7223.

Red Cross blood drive next week

DOWNEY - The American Red Cross will be in Downey next week collecting much-needed blood donations.

The Red Cross will visit Century 21 Peak on Tuesday, Jan. 22, from 12-6 p.m. The real estate office is located at 7825 Florence Ave.

Make an appointment online at RedCrossBlood.org and use sponsor code "cent21" or call Century 21 Peak at (562) 927-2626.

Downey mayor Rick Rodriguez will lay out his plans for 2019 at a Downey Chamber of Commerce City Affairs meeting Wednesday, Jan. 30, at Financial Partners Credit Union.

The meeting begins at 5:30 p.m. at the credit union's Imperial Highway main branch.

Rodriguez was elected mayor of Downey last December. RSVP by Jan. 28 to SheilaTB@fpcu.org or blake@downeychamber.com.



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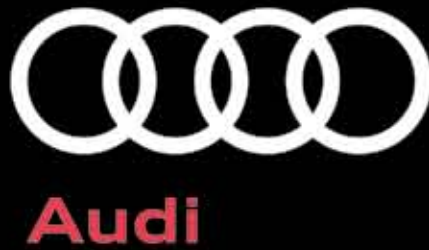
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While Danny, Jeri and their bulldog Hazel work at the Volkswagen, BMW, Porsche and Audi stores, they have grown the business to 9 dealerships in Southern California adding Subaru, Mini and

Volvo. Their son Hutton (the third generation) is now working at McKenna Porsche. Danny and his family have developed close personal relationships with their customers and like to be on a first name basis. He gives out his cell phone number so he can resolve issues or answer questions quickly as possible. Please stop in, meet the entire McKenna family, and experience the "neighborly" customer service they've become famous for.



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Teachers, parents chide DUSD for lack of communication

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whether to make the transition at a gradual or accelerated rate.

At a gradual rate, Sussman would remain open during construction between the 19/20 school year to the 21/22 school year, while simultaneously moving the current crop of students through their normal projection and phasing into the new grade format.

Under an accelerated transition, the school would close for construction during the 2019/20 school year, and reopen in 20/21 with grades six and nine before growing to grade 12 throughout the next several years.

In both scenarios, the new programs would officially begin in the 20/21 school year.

Currently, there are approximately 1200 students at Sussman. In the case of an accelerated approach, the district would be forced to find a place for each of those students divided equally amongst Griffiths, Doty, and Stauffer schools. According to Assistant Superintendent Roger Brossmer - who was giving the presentation - that would bring each of those schools up to around 1700 students.

Many of those in attendance have concerns over the transition of students, staff and teachers to the three remaining middle schools during and after the transition. There are also fears that jobs may be lost in the process.

Out of the audience, four speakers came forward to address the Board.

One of those speakers, Andra Macomber, read a letter that had been submitted to the district by a representative of many of the teachers and staff in attendance and district wide.

Macomber has not only taught in DUSD for 25 years,

but is also a product of the district and has a child currently attending school at Doty.

The letter read by Macomber said in part,

“Our concerns are based upon the districts lack of transparency pertaining to key issues that while not violating any apparent contractual agreements, will affect our employment and morale in the immediate and sustainable future.

For several years we have been asked for input regarding how district funding should be funneled through LCFF. At the same time, we have been told the district budget needs to be cut exponentially. At this point in time, we feel that our input is no longer being considered or asked for. Decisions are hastily being made at the top without stakeholder consideration.

We believe our students deserve the best, and that is what guides our day to day decisions. The district claims this belief too, but is making decisions to the contrary.

Staff morale is at an all-time low, and we are attempting to repair and improve the strains in this relationship for the sake of our students...

Most concerning, the district’s press release stated that it had been talking with teachers since the beginning of the school year. Teachers were not informed of the new dual immersion program until after Thanksgiving, but the public was misleadingly told otherwise.

Closing a middle school to reopen a 6 - twelve grade IB school without deepened stakeholder input is not a move we currently support as we are uncertain it has our students’ best interest in mind. For the unforeseen future, the remaining three middle schools will be over-crowded... additional students will heighten overcrowding and impact class

size, and again stakeholders were not adequately involved in the decision-making process...”

As Macomber read the letter, many in the room stood in solidarity.

In a statement released on Wednesday, DUSD explained that while the Board listened to each speaker, they did not offer any immediate responses due to board policy. DUSD says instead that the comments made were noted and recorded by staff to incorporate into the stakeholder feedback for discussions at future meetings.

Visibly frustrated through most of the proceedings was Board Member Mark D. Morris, who feels as though the District is having to repeat itself.

“A lot of times they’re not listening,” said Morris. “We’ve said from the outset we will not be cutting positions; there will be no terminations. And what comes in? That’s the first thing they say, ‘You’re going to be losing positions. Our teachers will follow the students.’”

“Yeah I’m a little frustrated



PHOTO BY ALEX DOMINGUEZ

A capacity crowd filled the Downey Unified School District’s school board meeting Tuesday.

on that. I’m frustrated on some of the other stuff. A lot of times it’s just like a teacher in a classroom. He goes over stuff and what happens the next time? They ask questions about what has been covered.

I have a little bit of problem with that.... You can’t have too many meetings discussing this, but we’ve said in each and every meeting we will not be cutting employees, and that gets lost in the conversation.”

The Board will next meet at a special meeting on Jan. 29, with a regularly scheduled meeting on Feb. 19.

New state legislation revictimizes families

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of death is imprisonment in state prison for life without the possibility of parole, or imprisonment in state prison for a term of 25 years to life. Existing laws stipulates 2nd degree murder imposes the penalty of imprisonment in state prison for the terms of 15 years to life.

Senate Bill 1437 excuses murder liability for those individuals who participate in felony criminal acts whereby murder occurs, if the participants did not personally commit the murder,

convictions dismissed, absent of a proper court hearing in which adequate evidentiary support (full court records, exhibits) are thoroughly reviewed and considered. The lack of such critical exchange of information allows all individuals convicted of murder to apply for resentencing hearings. Thereby placing communities and their residents, at risk of serious harm and danger.

Senate Bill 1437 offers no consequences to those individuals who have mercilessly and senselessly ended an innocent life. The bill eliminates murder liability for participants

in such heinous crimes and fails to distinguish between those who participate in murder crimes and those who do not. The bill simply burdens our already impacted judicial system, and state budget, as reimbursement fees must be awarded to agencies and school districts. More importantly, Senate Bill 1437 allows for the re-victimization of those most impacted by such heinous crimes and their families.

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Downey Theatre presents:

The Villalobos Brothers with Flor de Toloache

Saturday, February 2nd, 2019 8:00PM

The Villalobos Brothers (Ernesto, Alberto and Luis) use their violins and voices to redefine contemporary Mexican music. Their original compositions masterfully blend elements of jazz, rock, classical and Mexican folk to deliver a powerful message of love, brotherhood and social justice. Artistic Director and guitarist Humberto Flores, drummer Rosa Ávila and bassist Leo Sherman complete the line-up.

In the same show, Flor de Toloache, mariachis with moxie.

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Katie Elias Maude Price Elementary School Ms. Farina’s Class

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The left, the wall, and the truth

By Dennis Prager

Democrats and others on the left offer three reasons for their opposition to building a wall on America's southern border.

1. A wall is ineffective.
2. A wall is too expensive.
3. A wall is immoral.

Each one is false, so false as to constitute lies. So, the only question is: Do Democrats and others on the left believe these lies?

This question has plagued me all my life. Leftism is built on lies — and has been since Lenin. That's why he named the Communist Party's lying newspaper "Pravda" ("truth").

Did my left-wing professors at Columbia University really believe the United States and the Soviet Union were equally responsible for the Cold War? Did they really believe one of the most genocidal regimes in history — which butchered tens of millions its own people, starved as many as 4 million Ukrainians, enslaved seven Eastern European countries under totalitarian rule and created the monstrous North Korean communist regime — was no more responsible for the Cold War than the United States, the freest country in human history?

Did my left-wing professors really believe men and women are the same except for body parts? And do today's leftists really believe human beings with double X chromosomes, a vagina, a uterus, ovaries, menstrual periods and lactating breasts are not necessarily female?

Do leftists really believe American universities constitute "rape cultures"? If so, why does any left-wing parent send his or her child to college? Would you send your daughter to a place you believe is permeated by rape?

Do leftists really believe that the statement "There is only one race: the human race" is a racist statement? That is the official position of the University of California.

Do leftists really believe that virtually every criticism of former President Barack Obama emanated from racism, that all opposition to lowering college admission standards for blacks is racist, that all attacks on George Soros are anti-Semitic?

If leftists believe any of the above, let alone all of it, they are deluded people. And the existence of tens of millions of deluded people in a society can only portend catastrophe. If leftists do not believe those claims, they are not deluded; they lie for effect and, therefore, engage in evil. The existence of tens of millions of people consciously committed to lying means society has little hope.

Now to the wall.

Do leftists believe the country cannot afford \$5.7 billion? As the Democrats have approved \$1.3 billion for border security, the difference is about one-tenth of 1 percent of U.S. federal spending (\$4.5 trillion). Democrats and the rest of the left make this argument. Yet they are the very people who, for more than half a century, have successfully pushed for unprecedented expansion of government spending; the very people who are overwhelmingly responsible for local, state and federal government debts of such magnitude that they cannot be paid without massive decreases in spending and the likely social disruption they entail. It is not possible these people believe America cannot afford to pay for a wall. They are, therefore, lying when they claim the price tag is too high.

California Democrats have allocated some \$77 billion to pay for a high-speed train between San Francisco and Los Angeles that will be ready in 2033 at the earliest. It will undoubtedly rise to more than a hundred billion dollars. And, thanks to the left and the Democrats, California is spending this money despite being an

estimated \$2 trillion in debt (between debt and pensions).

The left says a wall (or steel barrier) would be "ineffective" at preventing illegal immigration. We know it doesn't believe this, because just five years ago, Speaker Nancy Pelosi supported a bill that required the construction of 700 miles of border fencing. And Sen. Chuck Schumer was one among the "Gang of Eight" Republicans and Democrats who also supported 700 miles of fencing at the border. Every Senate Democrat voted for the Gang of Eight Bill, including 36 Democrats who serve in the Senate today.

Do Schumer and Pelosi and all these other Democrats regard fencing as effective but a wall as ineffective? Do Democrats deny that Israel's barrier has virtually ended Palestinian terrorism? Do they believe Turkey's just-built 500-mile wall across nearly its entire border with Syria will be ineffective? Do they know about the effective walls/barriers between the Turkish- and Greek-controlled areas in Cyprus; between Hungary and Serbia and Croatia; Morocco and Algeria; India and Pakistan; and elsewhere?

As for the Democrats and others on the left declaring a wall "immoral," it is difficult to know which is preferable: that they are living in delusion or lying. On what grounds is it "immoral"? They never say.

Is there a Democrat or leftist who regards walls or other physical barriers surrounding homes or communities as immoral? One doubts it. For one thing, many of them live behind a physical barrier. So, then, why isn't a physical barrier that protects America equally moral? The only possible answers are that these people don't really regard America as their home or they are lying about a wall being immoral.

So why all the lies?

Because lies are effective in achieving left-wing goals. There are people in every political, social and religious group who lie. And there are people within every one of those groups who are truth tellers. But — and this is a "but" whose significance cannot be overstated — while truth is a liberal value and truth is a conservative value, truth has never been a leftist value. For the left, there is always something more important. In this case, it is the humiliation of the president of the United States.

Dennis Prager is a nationally syndicated radio talk-show host and columnist.

A national emergency might backfire

By Steve Chapman

If you can't stop someone from doing something you dislike, you can always hope he or she will eventually overdo it. Icarus fell out of the sky not because he flew but because he disregarded a warning not to get too close to the sun.

Donald Trump may not be familiar with the lesson of that story. He has raised the real possibility that, denied funds by Congress to build his border wall, he will declare a national emergency to do it anyway. On Thursday, he said, "If this doesn't work out, probably I will do it. I would almost say definitely."

It would represent new heights of chutzpah, even for the modern presidency and even for Trump. And it might be enough to cause some Republicans on Capitol Hill to rise up in rebellion — lest this tactic become a weapon for a Democratic president pursuing liberal ends without the consent of Congress.

It would probably not be illegal, though, thanks to a 1976 statute called the National Emergencies Act. "If President Trump wishes to state that the border is in a state of disarray or exposure such that it constitutes a national emergency under the NEA, he is pretty much free to do so," writes University of Texas law professor Robert Chesney on the website Lawfare.

The "national emergency" option sounds like something to be deployed only rarely and in exceptionally dire circumstances — such as 9/11 or a huge natural disaster. In fact, it's gotten to be as unusual as corn dogs at a county fair.

In the NEA, Congress gave the president considerable authority but placed firm restrictions on it, with the intention of keeping its use to a minimum. Things didn't work out as planned. The Brennan Center for Justice reports that 58 separate emergencies have been declared, and 30 remain in effect — several of which date back to the 20th century. Congress is supposed to regularly review each use of the law, but it never has.

That's not all. There are 123 laws granting the president emergency powers. What was supposed to be a last resort in urgent crises is now rolled out whenever it suits the convenience of the White House, and what was supposed to be temporary is often permanent.

The danger to Trump is not so much that he would be blocked by the courts on the ground that using this power to build a wall would be exceeding his legal authority. It's that his declaration might

finally induce Congress to break its habit of tamely submitting to the whims of whoever occupies the Oval Office.

Congress was not supposed to be a junior partner in governing. James Madison, the chief architect of the Constitution, wrote, "In republican government, the legislative authority necessarily predominates." Under our system, "the executive magistracy is carefully limited, both in the extent and the duration of its power."

That's why the power of the purse was placed with Congress. Presidents are not supposed to be able to spend a nickel without legislative action. Madison feared that if anything, Congress would grow too powerful.

He shouldn't have worried. Lawmakers have found that with power comes responsibility, so they've chosen, repeatedly, to surrender both to the executive branch.

Partisan solidarity is one big reason. The Framers expected each branch to jealously guard its prerogatives and repel any encroachment by the others. In our time, though, members of Congress are usually more devoted to advancing the interests of their parties than of their institution.

Only when the opposition party controls one or both houses can the president expect to be rebuffed on important issues — as in the case of Trump's wall, which the Democratic House refuses to approve. Even Republicans who sometimes deplore his methods and disagree with his policies seldom vote against him.

But if Trump undertakes to spend \$5.7 billion that lawmakers have denied him, some GOP members could rebel. If a Republican president can use this trick to build a border wall, a Democratic successor might use it for some nefarious left-wing purposes. Rep. Matt Gaetz, R-Fla., said, "I don't want the next national emergency to be that some Democrat president says we have to build transgender bathrooms in every elementary school in America." And if Trump were to use it for this project, he would soon think of others.

Congress has frequently abdicated authority to presidents on the hope that it would be handled wisely. Thanks to Trump, members may finally realize that the only sure method to prevent emergency powers from being abused is to take them away.

Steve Chapman is a columnist at the Chicago Tribune.

The illogic of 'assault weapon' bans

By Jacob Sullum

Since 1996, Gallup has been asking Americans whether they support a ban on "assault weapons." Gallup has never explained what "assault weapons" are, and there's a good reason for that: The category is defined by politicians, so its meaning is arbitrary, mutable and illogical.

Last week, Sen. Dianne Feinstein, D-Calif., who wrote the federal "assault weapon" ban that was enacted in 1994 and expired in 2004, introduced her latest attempt to reinstate and expand it. Her bill bans "205 military-style assault weapons" by name, along with any rifle that "accepts a detachable ammunition magazine and has one or more military characteristics," such as "a pistol grip, a forward grip, a barrel shroud, a threaded barrel or a folding or telescoping stock."

The 1994 definition required two "military characteristics" instead of just one, and the list was different. Back then, Feinstein said nothing about barrel shrouds, but she was worried about bayonet mounts, which she is now willing to allow.

Now, as then, however, features that do not make a gun any more deadly in the hands of a mass shooter or an ordinary criminal, such as a folding stock or a threaded barrel, nevertheless transform it into an intolerable "assault weapon." Compounding the craziness, Feinstein's new bill also targets products that reverse this magic by removing the features that offend her.

The California company Thordsen Customs, for example, sells a kit that replaces an adjustable stock and pistol grip on a rifle that would otherwise qualify as a prohibited "assault weapon" in some states. Feinstein claims "Thordsen-type grips and stocks" are "designed to evade a ban on assault weapons," which is a bizarre way of looking at it.

"We are complying with the ban," says Alan Thordsen, the founder and CEO of Thordsen Customs. "If there's a feature that is banned, we change the feature. That's not evading. That's not skirting the law or violating the spirit of the law. We are conforming with the law and creating products that enable law-abiding people to keep their legal firearms in a

legal configuration so that they are not criminals."

By Feinstein's logic, smooth rifle barrels should be banned because they can replace threaded barrels, changing a prohibited "assault weapon" into a legal gun. The problem here is not sneaky entrepreneurs like Thordsen, but irrational legislators like Feinstein. Thordsen's real offense, one suspects, is highlighting the silliness of legislation like Feinstein's.

An "assault weapon" ban that just took effect in Boulder, Colorado, cuts Feinstein's list of "military characteristics" in half, focusing on pistol grips, adjustable stocks and "any protruding grip or other device" that "allow(s) the weapon to be stabilized with the non-trigger hand." Unlike Feinstein, it seems, Boulder's gun controllers are not afraid of barrels with shrouds or threads.

A ballot initiative that took effect this month in Washington goes in a different direction. While the state's ban applies only to adults younger than 21, it defines "semiautomatic assault rifles" so broadly that the category includes all semi-automatic rifles.

The seven states with general bans on "assault weapons" define them more narrowly than Washington, but the criteria vary. New York, like Feinstein circa 1994, cannot abide bayonet mounts, for example, but California, which enacted the nation's first "assault weapon" ban in 1989, is OK with them.

Once you realize that "assault weapons" are in the eye of the beholder, it's hard to take seriously the extravagant promises of legislators who want to ban them. Feinstein claims her bill would "put a stop to mass shootings." Yet, even if it eliminated the millions of "assault weapons" that Americans already own (something it does not even purport to do), would-be mass shooters would still have plenty of equally lethal alternatives.

After three decades of this nonsense, Americans may be starting to wise up. According to Gallup, support for legislation like Feinstein's fell from a peak of 59 percent in 2000 to 40 percent last year.

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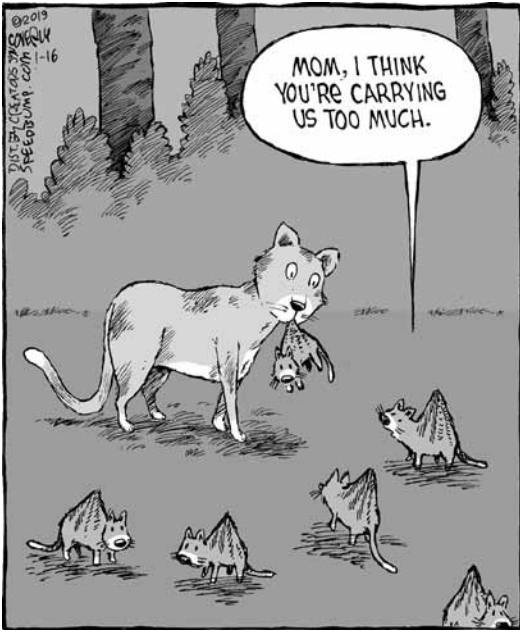
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Downey Community Calendar

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: tmsalcuede@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 Melodie Santana, (562) 806 3102.
- 3rd Wed., 6 pm: American Business Women's Association, Rio Hondo Country Club, call Barbara 863-2192.
- 3rd Wed., 6 pm: Sister Cities of Downey, at Downey City Library, call Gloria Nezahualcoyotl (562) 776-6136.
- 4th Wed., 7:30 pm: US Coast Guard Aux. Flotilla 5-10, First Presbyterian Church, call Brian 419-5420.
- Wed. & Fri., 10:15 am: Senior Bingo, at Apollo Park, call 904-7223

THURSDAYS

- 7:30 am: Connections Networking, at Bob's Big Boy, for info., call Nick Smith, 861-5222.
- 7:30 am: Soroptimist Int'l of Downey, for information, call Mia Vasquez, 806-3217.
- 9 am: Crafters group, at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, call 803-4459.
- 9:30 am: Take off Pounds Sensibly, at Barabara Riley Senior Center, call (800) 932-8677.
- 12 pm: Kiwanis Club of Downey, at Rio Hondo Events Center, call Roy Jimenez 923-0971.
- 12 pm: Optimist Club of Downey, at Rio Hondo Events Center.
- 6:30 pm: Downey United Masonic Lodge # 220, 8244 3rd St., call 862-4176.
- 7 pm: Troop 351, Boy Scouts of America, at First Baptist Church, call 776-3388.
- 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., 6:30 pm: Downey Lions Club, at Mimi'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.

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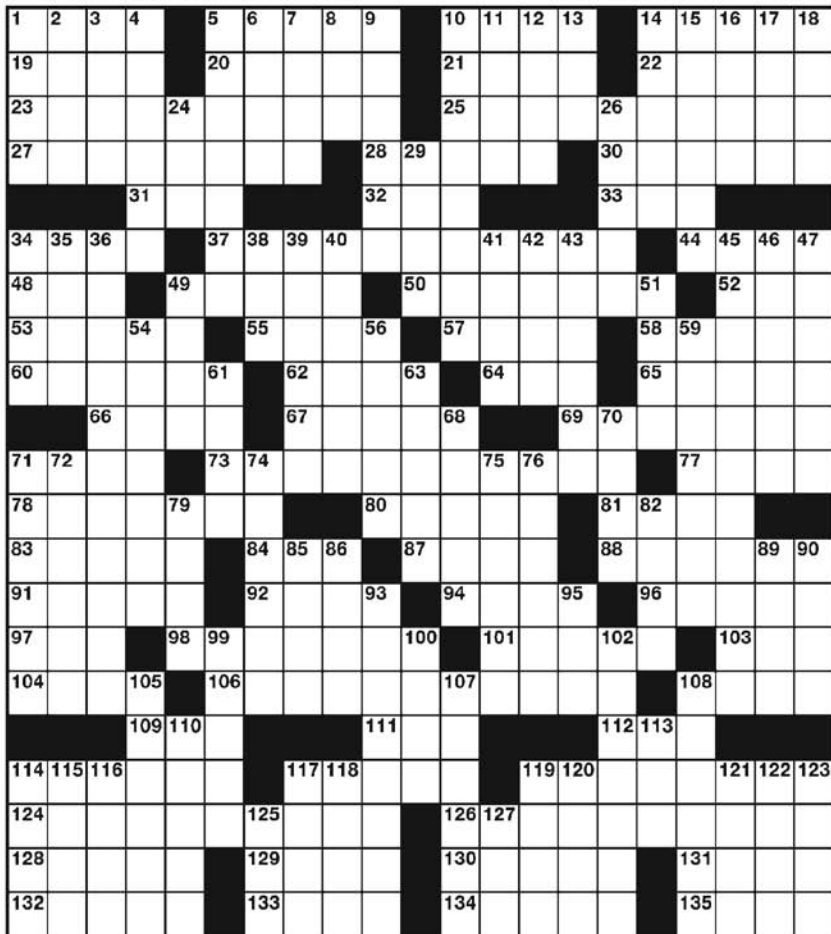
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DOWNEY HAPPENINGS

SATURDAY, JAN. 19

Keep Downey Beautiful Clean-Up, 9 am. Spend one hour cleaning up litter in the community. Downtown Downey parking lot, 2nd St. and La Reina

Transformation Retreat, 9 am. A daylong retreat for people wanting to strengthen their relationship with God. The Vine Christian Fellowship, 11610 Lakewood Blvd.

Downey Symphony, 8 pm. Performances of Mozart, "Peter and the Wolf," and a world premiere by Lars Clutterham. Downey Theatre, 8435 Firestone Blvd.

Black Sabbath Tribute, 8 pm. Live performances by Mistress of Reality, an all-female Black Sabbath tribute band, and also The Burning Doors. Epic Lounge, 8239 2nd St.

TUESDAY, JAN. 22

Blood Drive, 12-6 pm. New Year's blood drive by the American Red Cross. Appointments available online. Century 21 Peak, 7825 Florence Ave.

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 23

Landlord Workshop, 3 pm. Learn how to seek prospective tenants, the rental process, credit checks, and your rights and responsibilities. Downey City Library, 11121 Brookshire Ave.

THURSDAY, JAN. 24

No Excuses Show, 9 pm. Artists are invited to go on stage and showcase their talents, "no excuses." Stardust Club, 7643 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.

Mid-Life Crisis on Stage, 8 pm. Los Angeles band Mid-Life Crisis is joined by Erratik Behavior for live classic and hard rock from the '70s, '80s, and '90s. Stardust Club, 7643 Firestone Blvd.

SATURDAY, JAN. 26

90's Alternative Night, 8 pm. Musical tributes to Nirvana, Jane's Addiction and Smashing Pumpkins. Stardust Club, 7643 Firestone Blvd.

SUNDAY, JAN. 27

Baseball Camp, 10:30 am. Learn the fundamentals of baseball, including infield, outfield, hitting, throwing, and pitching. For kids ages 6-14, taught by coaches from Northwest Downey Little League. Warren High School baseball field, 8141 DePalma St.

Intentionally Bold, 11 am. Have you always wanted to be the best version of yourself? Join hosts Natly & Alina and dive into how to slay 2019. Stay Gallery, 11140 Downey Ave.

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 30

City Affairs Meeting, 5:30 pm. Meet Mayor Rick Rodriguez and hear about his plans for 2019. Financial Partners Credit Union, 7800 E. Imperial Hwy.

THURSDAY, JAN. 31

Lunch & Learn, 11:30 am. Learn to become a mortgage loan originator in less than 30 days. Hosted by Affinity Real Estate. Downey Association of Realtors, 12073 Paramount Blvd.

SATURDAY, FEB. 2

Downey Cheer & Dance Showcase, 10 am. Watch and support Downey High's award-winning cheerleaders as they prepare for Nationals. Plus vendors and food. Downey High gymnasium, 11040 Brookshire Ave.

Astronaut Commemoration, 10 am. Remembering the astronauts of the Challenger, Columbia, and Apollo I, all of whom we lost on our trek to the stars. Columbia Memorial Space Center, 12400 Columbia Way

You Are a Masterpiece, 10 am. An identity initiative workshop featuring paint and praise. For girls ages 9-12. Barbara J. Riley Center, 7810 Quill Dr.

Cristina Garcia Swearing-In, 11 am. Re-elected Assembly member Cristina Garcia is sworn-in by labor activist Dolores Huerta. Downey Adult School, 12340 Woodruff Ave.

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.

SUNDAY, FEB. 3

Super Bowl Breakfast, 8-11 am. Enjoy a hearty breakfast for \$8, with proceeds benefiting Downey DeMolay. Plus a boutique for shopping. Masonic Lodge, 8244 3rd St.

SATURDAY, FEB. 9

Walk for Water, 9 am. The KIWIN's of Diamond Division raise awareness of the global water crisis. Downey High School football stadium, 11040 Brookshire Ave.

Excursion to Palm Springs, 9 am. Enjoy a scenic ride on the Palm Springs tram, and enjoy downtown Palm Springs before heading home. Call (562) 904-7223 for details.

Summer Job Fair, 12 pm. Learn about summer jobs with the city of Downey, including as lifeguards, swim instructors, recreation leaders, parks worker, and more. Barbara J. Riley Center, 7810 Quill Drive.

SATURDAY, FEB. 16

Keep Downey Beautiful Clean-Up, 9 am. Spend one hour cleaning up litter in the community. Park & Ride parking lot, Lakewood Boulevard and Vista Del Rosa

THURSDAY, FEB. 21

Benefit Dance Concert, 7 pm. Downey High School's dance team performs its fourth annual benefit concert with proceeds benefiting the TLC Family Resource Center. 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.

NWDL Opening Day, 10 am. Opening Day of Northwest Downey Little League. Furman Park, 10419 Rives Ave.

Angels & Agony, 9:30 pm. Angels & Agony, a synth-pop band from Holland, performs live in a rare U.S. show. Stardust Club, 7643 Firestone Blvd.

SUNDAY, FEB. 24

Excursion to San Diego, 8 am. Visit downtown San Diego and the Veterans Museum at Balboa Park. Call (562) 904-7223 for details.

SATURDAY, MARCH 2

Family Night at the Space Center, 6:30 pm. The space center's normal exhibits will be open, plus telescopes for stargazing, and family games. Columbia Memorial Space Center, 12400 Columbia Way.

The Great Deceivers, 8 pm. Alt band The Great Deceivers reunites for a charity event to fight anxiety, depression and suicide. Epic Lounge, 8239 2nd St.

THURSDAY, MARCH 7

Disaster Conference, 8 am. The inaugural West Coast UAS DRONES Disaster Conference, featuring two days of educational workshops, live flight demonstrations, and networking opportunities. Columbia Memorial Space Center, 12400 Columbia Way.

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

SATURDAY, MARCH 16

Keep Downey Beautiful Clean-Up, 9 am. Spend one hour cleaning up litter in the community. Independence Park, 12334 Bellflower Blvd.

SATURDAY, MARCH 23

Amistad Gala, 5:30 pm. Annual gala fundraiser benefiting Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center. Westin Long Beach, 333 Ocean Blvd.

SUNDAY, MARCH 24

Quartermania, 5 pm. Dinner, boutique shopping, quarter auctions, drawings, and more. Temple Ner Tamid of Downey, 10629 Lakewood 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.

SATURDAY, APRIL 6

Downey Symphony, 8 pm. An all-Gershwin concert, featuring a guest solo by pianist Bernadene Blaha. Downey Theatre, 8435 Firestone Blvd.

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.

FRIDAY, APRIL 12

Coffee with the Superintendent, 9 am. Chat with Downey Unified superintendent Dr. John Garcia over a cup of coffee. Lewis Elementary cafeteria, 13220 Bellflower Blvd.

SATURDAY, APRIL 13

Brunch with the Bunny, 9:30 am to 12:30 pm. Carnival games, arts and crafts, prize walk, and optional pancake breakfast with the Easter bunny. Golden Park, 8840 Golden Ave.

MONDAY, APRIL 15

Downey Adult School Golf Tournament, 12 pm. Downey Adult School's annual golf tournament raising money for student scholarships. Rio Hondo Golf Club, 10627 Old River School Rd.

SATURDAY, APRIL 20

Keep Downey Beautiful Clean-Up, 9 am. Spend one hour cleaning up litter in the community. Del Taco, 8028 Firestone Blvd.

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

THURSDAY, APRIL 25

We've Only Just Begun, 7 pm. A 50th anniversary concert celebration of The Carpenters' first album with A&M Records. Downey Theatre, 8435 Firestone Blvd.

SATURDAY, MAY 18

Keep Downey Beautiful Clean-Up, 9 am. Spend one hour cleaning up litter in the community. Denny's, 8350 Firestone Blvd.

Downey High Prom, 8 pm. Grove of Anaheim, 2200 Katella 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.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 29

Columbus High Graduation, time TBA. Columbus High's class of 2018 graduates. Downey Theatre, 8435 Firestone Blvd.

THURSDAY, MAY 30

Warren High Graduation, 6 pm. Warren High's class of 2018 graduates. Long Beach City College, 5000 E. Lew Davis St.

FRIDAY, MAY 31

Downey High Graduation, 6 pm. Downey High's class of 2018 graduates. Long Beach City College, 5000 E. Lew Davis St.

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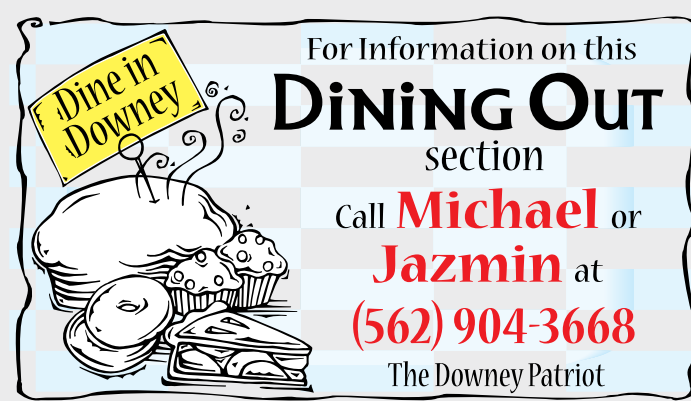
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Soroptimists's human trafficking forum a public service for Downey

The Downey service group held a workshop last week, teaching parents how to fight against child predators.

By Lorine Parks
Society Columnist

Rain? Nothing stops Soroptimists. At 10 a.m., a poncho-clad young woman stood in the rain by the Downey Adult School driveway entrance, with a colorful sign, "Soroptimist Event."

Another smiling volunteer waited further down, to say "Thanks for coming," making sure everyone was greeted and shepherded into the First Annual Human Trafficking Awareness Forum. What's rain? "We are Soroptimists," a sign read. "What's your superpower?"

Inside, the woman's touch was apparent in the bouquets of blue Dutch iris and yellow roses on the platform on speaker's tables, and in the festive pillars of blue and gold balloons topped with a big neon blue S. Coffee and cookies were offered by Lazy Dog and Butter Cakes, and signs adorned with "Soroptimist - Best for Women," left no question who was sponsoring this first annual event, and why.

Seen in the audience, front row, were Martha Medford Soderani, governing member of Board of Education for the Downey Unified School District, and Gigi Perez-Saab, newest member elected to that body and former president of Downey Soroptimist. Supporters also included Dorothy Pemberton, longtime Soroptimist and presently coordinator of PTA Helps, and former Mayor of Downey Fernando Vasquez.

Also present were Donna Lindley, director of the Arc Southeast Los Angeles and Orange County, an organization devoted to helping those with intellectual and developmental disabilities, and

her Downey predecessor, Kevin MacDonald. They had intended to go to another event, but when that was cancelled because of the rain, they came over to the cafeteria at the Adult School. Rain doesn't deter Soroptimists, as Donna knows. She is one.

Past District Governor of Soroptimist International Linda Haines greeted the audience, a full house even on a rainy day. At least 150 participants were on hand as District 3 Director Laura Lind convened the event. Judy McDonnell, retired City Clerk for the City of Downey, lead the pledge to Soroptimist that states, Soroptimist strives to improve the lives of women and girls through programs leading to social and economic empowerment.

Event Chair Cecelia Goñez introduced keynote speaker Susan Patterson.

Susan, standing on the floor with the audience instead of being on the stage, gave a dynamite presentation. "This crime is about money" she said, "It is the fastest growing illegal business in the world." How is this different from in the past?

Because human traffickers use the Internet, it travels everywhere, instantly. And because it can make big money, organized crime is interested. Drugs can only be sold once. But the number of times a child is sexually exploited is as often as seven times per day. A pimp can make \$100,000 to \$150,000 a year per child because victims of child trafficking are used over and over again.

And the average life expectancy after a child is dragged into that life is just seven years.

These predators thrive on the fact that to the general public sex is a subject tinged with sentiment and cloaked in shame. If people talked openly about this menace, which is prevalent in everyone's backyard, these criminal traffickers would be much less successful.

And then there are porn movies featuring minors as sex objects. "Porn is a drug," and a billions of dollars a year industry," said Susan. "Porn creates fantasies that users believe only prostitutes can fill."

Susan showed pictures of the human brain before and after being introduced to porn, and that showed a gradual atrophy and damage especially to the part of the cerebral cortex that controls compassion and empathy.

"Porn dehumanizes a person," said Susan, who never stopped with statistics and examples. "It destroys marriages,"

WHAT TO DO? Be aware. "Don't give a young boy any playthings with overt sexual or unnecessarily violent overtones. It grooms them for further neediness."

PUBLIC AWARENESS. Teach children how traffickers trick their victim into making "pictures," "only for personal use". But they're not - The traffickers sell them. And the Romeo pimp turns into a Gorilla pimp, when they threaten the girls with exposure to their families, if they don't do just as they're told. These are kids who are sneaking out at night, if they haven't already run away.

Not a common crime? One in every three middle-schoolers and one in nine high-schoolers were found to have been solicited by traffickers, a Florida study found. Boys as well as girls.

"The greatest way to protect is to educate," the panelists all agreed. There are now sex-trafficking awareness classes taught in schools, with scenarios mimicking real life to show children how they can be tricked.

HOW ARE CHILDREN APPROACHED? "On Facebook, 'People You May Know' - don't open that. It's creepy." Kids brag about how many "friends" they have, or know. And traffickers know how to play on their vanity.

"Just imagine," said Susan, standing in front of the audience, "that this lady," and here she pointed to me, "is a teenager" That was funny, because I was probably the oldest person in the room.

"And these two women sitting on either side of her," and she pointed to Gigi and Martha, "are

her mother and father." Gigi and Martha are two of the most careful and caring of parents. "You don't think they can get to her?"

And what was ironic but not funny was that now I understood a strange email I had received recently, saying "We know what you did, looking at those web sites. And we're going to tell, if you don't follow our instructions." I had ignored it, but now I see I should have copied it and the sender's address and sent it to the Hot Line. If you have a computer or a cell phone, they can get to you.

Teens are the "front line" in the war on sex trafficking. That is to say, they are the cannon fodder, as in front line troops who are consumed by the struggle for possession. Soroptimist International want to raise awareness, that this is right-here-and-now-crime.

The teen years have been romanticized for hundreds of years as a time of self-doubt, wandering and "angst." This moodiness makes teen-agers easy prey for offers of love and understanding from an invisible stranger they may first meet in a chat room on-line. Adult traffickers pose as other teens, or slightly older glamorous figures. But when the youngster, often emotionally abused at home, runs away to find "love and understanding," they are physically branded, like cattle or slaves, mutilated with facial tattoos and scars, to show they "belong" to someone else.

HOW CAN A PARENT TELL? Two major red flags are airline tickets, and second cell phone follow-up calls. Parents need to know what their kids are seeing with their cell phones. "My child doesn't have a cell phone." Oh yes they do - a stranger "gives" them one at school, and they are hooked.

The victim may look and act normal, but if you see something suspicious, such as age-inappropriate clothes on a youngster, SAY SOMETHING.

"IF YOU SEE IT, SAY IT," was the mantra of all the speakers. Susan, representing the SoCal Faith Coalition Against Human Trafficking, was followed by Detective Raymond Bercini, of the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Crime Stoppers and Los Angeles Regional Human Trafficking Task Force.

Are men being supportive? Absolutely. Prominent on the wall was a poster, "Men Standing Against Human Trafficking." Detective Raymond was proof that this fight is everyone's.

Human trafficking deals with slavery, which is defined as one

human being made to perform a service by force, threat or fraud. There is sweat-shop trafficking and domestic servant slavery, but the big money is in sex.

Human trafficking is a successful business model, and people are making a lot of money out of it. It is estimated to be a \$150 billion a-year global industry, Detective Raymond said. People are making a lot of money by moving commodities - the bodies of these teens and pre-teens - some girls as young as 7 have been found.

The average age of sex trafficking victims is 11 to 14 years old. California has a particularly high human trafficking rate compared to the rest of the nation.

"We now have a victim-centered approach," Detective Raymond said, "and that is a new way of looking at this problem." A minor cannot be considered a prostitute legally, because a minor cannot legally consent to sex. So the perpetrator, the criminal, is the trafficker, and the youngster is the victim.

This approach was echoed by the Honorable Diane Reyes, who has presided in juvenile courts since the 1990's. "There is a judge in Compton, Judge Catherine Pratt," said Diane, "who pioneered this approach." They call it the Star Court, and all underage prostitutes who are brought before her are treated as rescued victims. "The first thing Judge Pratt says to a girl brought in to her court is 'I'm so glad you've been saved.'"

Alert readers of The Downey Patriot will remember this reporter's interview with Judge Pratt on April 4, 2018.

"If you see something suspicious, say something," said Judge Diane.

This was emphatically echoed by speaker Mary David, Esquire, who represents Journey Out, a private non-profit organization. She and Cherise Charleswell spoke passionately. "Come forward," said Natasha Smith of SI Downey. This is not just about poor people. Or foster children. This goes across all backgrounds.

"Not my child," A mother will say. But yes. Her child has most likely been approached, maybe exposed to blandishments. And many will give in. "Many victims are loyal to their pimp," said Cherise. "Anyone can be a victim"

As Detective Raymond emphasized, the Internet and Facebook, Instagram, YouTube, all carry messages that are come-ons and Judge Diane agreed.

"The greatest way to protect is to educate," the panelists all concurred. Sex-trafficking awareness classes need to be

taught in schools, with scenarios mimicking real life to show children how they can be tricked. Providing students with awareness can minimize the success of trafficking tactics succeeding.

In order to avert children from being exploited for labor or sex, Assembly Bill 1227 (Bonta) is proposed right now to require California public schools to offer education on human trafficking identification. Teaching teachers and administrators can help provide the tools necessary to know when a child is at risk of being trafficked.

We need this greater awareness and education. We also need to work collaboratively with law enforcement, our schools, healthcare, houses of worship and community organizations to combat this epidemic. Human Trafficking is today's modern slavery.

California hotels have just begun to institute Human Trafficking Awareness Training for all their employees, as mandated by a bill signed by outgoing Governor Jerry Brown. By 2020, employees who are likely to come in contact with victims will receive at least twenty minutes of training. They are told to be aware of inappropriate age pairing in clientele, or unhappy girls left alone in rooms.

Fast food places, where the girls may be taken for a "treat" are taught to recognize symptoms. And airline personnel. And then what? "IF YOU SEE SOMETHING, CALL." Soroptimist members held up giant signs with this number: 1-888-539-2372. IF YOU SEE IT - SAY IT.

"This is why we come together," said Cecelia in closing the session. "Women come together to work together."

Susan, stunning in a green blouse that set off her pale coppery hair and fair complexion, and her fellow panelists, could have been models for the logo for the event: "There Are No Color Boundaries When It Comes to Human Trafficking." Five faces in profile superimposed on each other, began with white and became tan, then cocoa, then black. The audience reflected this diversity too. All caring, all sharing, all connected.

By the end of the session, the sky had cleared. Raising consciousness was the purpose of this First Annual Forum and members of the audience were ready to march north to Downey High and then back again, wearing Awareness ribbons provided by Soroptimist International of Montebello. Soroptimist: women working together for the common good.

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Downey wrestlers edge Warren in showdown

Downey, Warren ended with identical 33-33 scores, but the Vikings won due to unsportsmanlike penalty.

By Mark Fetter Sports Reporter

DOWNEY – The Downey High School wrestling team defeated cross-town rival Warren at Downey last week 33-33, via criteria decision.

Warren's Josh Mariscal (106) won his match via forfeit and the Bears took a 6-0 lead. Downey's Matthew Mendoza (113) defeated Carlos Vasquez by decision and Warren still led 6-3.

Warren's Alvarez (120) defeated Moses Rubio by decision and Warren led 9-3. Downey's Isaac Medina (126) defeated Hernandez by decision and Warren still led 9-6 after four matches.

Downey's Matt Morales (132) pinned Solorzano at the 3:06 mark of the second period and Downey took their first lead at 12-9. Downey's Jordan Vega (138) defeated Joel Gutierrez by decision and Downey extended their lead to 15-9. Downey's Angel Gonzalez (145) pinned Hector Santiago at the 1:51 mark of the first period and Downey took a 21-9 lead after seven matches.

Warren's Andrew Martinez (152) defeated Gibson Colchado by decision and Warren cut Downey's lead to 21-12. Warren's Carlos Durazo (160) defeated Mathew Ruano by major decision and Warren trailed 21-16. Warren's Troy Garza (170) defeated Anthony Zendejas by technical fall and Warren tied the score at 21 after ten matches.

Warren's Gonzalez (182) received a bye and Warren took the lead back at 27-21. Warren's Guerrero (195) earned a six-point win after a miscommunication at the scorer's table. Warren led 33-21 with two matches remaining. Downey's Nelson Cruz (220)

earned a pin at the 2:32 mark of the second period and Downey cut Warren's lead to 33-27.

Downey heavyweight Dan Moreno (285) pinned Warren's Rodriguez at the 5:18 of the third period to bring the score to 33-33. An unsportsmanlike team point was assessed to Warren and Downey won by criteria decision 33-33.

DOWNEY GIRLS BASKETBALL: The Downey High School girls' basketball team currently has an overall record of 16-5 and a San Gabriel Valley League record of 3-1.

The Lady Vikings defeated Paramount at Paramount 76-16 on January 4th, defeated Dominguez at Dominguez 70-28 on January 7th, were defeated by Lynwood at Lynwood 60-45 on January 9th and defeated Warren at Downey 57-53 on January 11th.

Downey hosted Gahr at Downey on Wednesday night (score unavailable at press time) and will host Paramount at Downey later today. The game against Paramount tonight marks the first game in the second round of league play.

DOWNEY GIRLS SOCCER: The Downey High School girls' soccer team currently has an overall record of 9-5-4 and a San Gabriel Valley League record of 3-1.

The Lady Vikings defeated Dominguez at Downey 4-0 on January 4th, defeated Paramount at Downey 5-0 on January 5th, defeated Lynwood at Downey 4-0 on January 8th and were defeated by cross-town rival Warren at Warren 2-0 on January 10th.

Downey traveled to Paramount yesterday to face the Lady Pirates (score unavailable at press time) and will host Gahr at Downey later today.

WARREN GIRLS BASKETBALL: The Warren High School girls' basketball team currently has an overall record of 8-11 and are 3-2 in San Gabriel Valley League play.

The Lady Bears were defeated by Lynwood at Lynwood 86-33 on January 4th, defeated Paramount at Paramount 70-38 on January 7th and defeated Gahr at Warren 79-60 on January 9th.

The Lady Bears were defeated by cross-town rival Downey at Downey 57-53 on January 11th and defeated Dominguez at Warren 53-46 on Wednesday night. The Lady Bears will host Lynwood at Warren later today and will host Paramount at Warren next Wednesday on senior night.

WARREN GIRLS SOCCER: The Warren High School girls' soccer team currently has an overall record of 13-5-2 and are 5-0 in San Gabriel Valley League play. The Lady Bears defeated Lynwood at Warren 2-1 on January 2nd, defeated Paramount at Paramount 7-0 on January 4th, defeated Gahr at Gahr 2-1 on January 8th, defeated Downey at Downey 2-0 on January 10th, and defeated Dominguez at

Dominguez 5-0 on January 15th.

Warren hosted Lynwood yesterday in the first game of the second round of league play. A score was not available.

WARREN BOYS SOCCER: The Warren High School boys' soccer team currently has an overall record of 5-10-2 and a San Gabriel Valley League record of 2-3.

Warren was defeated by Lynwood at Lynwood 2-1 in overtime on January 2nd, was defeated by Paramount at Paramount 1-0 on January 4th and defeated Gahr at Warren 2-1 on January 8th.

The Bears were defeated by cross-town rival Downey at Downey 1-0 on January 10th and defeated Dominguez at Warren 3-1 on January 15th. Warren played Lynwood yesterday at Warren (score unavailable at press time) and will host Bell Gardens at Warren tomorrow.

The Bears will host Paramount at Warren on Tuesday, will travel to Gahr next Thursday and will travel to Downey on January 28th.

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Symphony archives.
Compiled by Joyce Sherwin

High School boys' basketball team currently has an overall record of 13-6 and a San Gabriel Valley League record of 3-2. Warren defeated Lynwood at Lynwood 72-65 on January 4th, were defeated by Paramount at Paramount 50-49 on January 7th, were defeated by Gahr at Warren

55-49 on January 9th and defeated cross-town rival Downey at Downey 51-46 on January 10th.

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Thank you for being so good to me

Clara Ward

I will sing hallelujah
Trouble over
I wanna thank Jesus for all he's done for me
How I got over, over

This year marks the 56th anniversary of the 1963 March on Washington for Jobs and Freedom, which brought roughly two hundred and fifty thousand men, women, and children, mostly African-American, to the nation's capital. Mahalia Jackson, The Queen of Gospel, fired up the crowd with the powerful, "How I Got Over." The righteousness of gospel was used to evoke the righteousness of civil rights activism.

During King's remarks, she spurred him forward with an offhanded comment ("Tell them about the dream, Martin") that encouraged him to move off his prepared notes and into the improvised, immortal portion of his speech. Five years later, Jackson sang "Take My Hand, Precious Lord" at Martin Luther King Jr.'s funeral.
Poetry Matters is curated by Lorine Parks

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2018319530
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) TRES GUZMAN DELIVERY, 9731 E. IMPERIAL HIGHWAY #A14, DOWNEY CA 90242, LA COUNTY
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A
REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) LATOYA BOLTON, 9731 E. IMPERIAL HIGHWAY #A14, DOWNEY CA 90242
State of Incorporation: CA
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/LATOYA BOLTON, OWNER, LATOYA BOLTON
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on DECEMBER 26, 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).

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
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2019000299
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) PEREGRINE ELECTRIC, 2551 PALM PLACE, HUNTINGTON PARK CA 90255, LA COUNTY
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A
REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) TED ORTEGA, 2551 PALM PLACE, HUNTINGTON PARK CA 90255
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: 04/2005
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/TED ORTEGA, OWNER
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on JANUARY 2, 2019
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 accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.
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The Downey Patriot
1/17/19, 1/24/19, 1/31/19, 2/7/19

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2018322221
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) THE KUSTOM KLOSET (2) BIPOLAR DISTRACTIONS MUSIC GROUP (3) BIPOLAR DISTRACTIONS FILM GROUP (4) BIPOLAR DISTRACTIONS STUDIOS, 300 W. OCEAN BLVD 6806, LONG BEACH CA 90802, LA COUNTY
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A
REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) ELLIOTT LEE HART, 300 W. OCEAN BLVD 6806, LONG BEACH CA 90802 (2) MICHELLE RENEE HART, 300 W. OCEAN BLVD 6806, LONG BEACH CA 90802
State of Incorporation: N/A
THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: A MARRIED COUPLE
The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 01/2018
I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).)
S/ELIOTT LEE HART, HUSBAND
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on DECEMBER 28, 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).

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/RUBY DEBORA VEGA, OWNER
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on DECEMBER 19, 2018
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1/10/19, 1/17/19, 1/24/19, 1/31/19

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2018315451
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) RELIABLE STRETCH FILM, 8444 LUXOR STREET, DOWNEY CA 90241, LA COUNTY
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A
REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) ALMA L. RODRIGUEZ, 8444 LUXOR STREET, DOWNEY CA 90241
State of Incorporation: N/A
THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: AN INDIVIDUAL
The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 1/2018
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/ALMA L. RODRIGUEZ, OWNER
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on DECEMBER 19, 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).

INTERCONTINENTAL HOLDINGS, INC., 12000 WOODRUFF AVE #A, DONWEY 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: 03/2001
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/INTERCONTINENTAL HOLDINGS, INC., CFO, BARBARA MOHAMMADI
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on JANUARY 11, 2019
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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1/17/19, 1/24/19, 1/31/19, 2/7/19

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2018316608
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) CHRISTINA MYUNG DDS, 12009 GARFIELD AVE, SOUTH GATE CA 90280, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A
REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) ALMA L. RODRIGUEZ, 8444 LUXOR STREET, DOWNEY CA 90241
State of Incorporation: N/A
THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: A CORPORATION
The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 1/2018
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/EMBRACE DENTAL INC, PRESIDENT, CHRISTINA LEE
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on DECEMBER 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).

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2019000076
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) A & C TRANSPORTATION SERVICES, 3305 S. PACIFIC AVE., SAN PEDRO CA 90731, LA COUNTY
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A
REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) URSULA ZAPATA, 3305 S. PACIFIC AVE, SAN PEDRO CA 90731 (2) JUAN CARLOS MONTAÑA JR., 3305 S. PACIFIC AVE., SAN PEDRO CA 90731
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/URSULA ZAPATA, OWNER
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on JANUARY 2, 2019
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).

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1/10/19, 1/17/19, 1/24/19, 1/31/19

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2019011621
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) MONTOYA MOTORSPORTS, 1471 E. MISSION BLVD, POMONA CA 91766, LA COUNTY
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A
REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) JUAN CARLOS MONTOYA, 1471 E. MISSION BLVD, POMONA CA 91766
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/JUAN CARLOS MONTOYA, OWNER, JUAN CARLOS MONTOYA
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on JANUARY 14, 2019
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

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2018295613
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) FIX HEATING & COOLING, 4216 E LINSLEY STREET, COMPTON CA 90221, LA COUNTY
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A
REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) EULISES MOISES ANDA, 4216 E LINSLEY STREET, COMPTON CA 90221
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: 11/2018
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/EULISES MOISES ANDA, OWNER
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on NOVEMBER 27, 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

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2019008816
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) EYA MILLWORK CABINETS, 5000 LONG BEACH AVENUE, VERNON CA 90058, LA COUNTY
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A
REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) ESTEBAN ANTONIO ESPINOZA-IBARRA, 10309 PESCADERO 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: 01/2019
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/ANTONIO ESPINOZA-IBARRA, OWNER
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on JANUARY 10, 2019
Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2018316090
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) THERREALBELLARUBY, 8817 CHESTER STREET, PARAMOUNT CA 90723, LA COUNTY
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A
REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) RUBY DEBORA VEGA, 8817 CHESTER STREET, PARAMOUNT CA 90723
State of Incorporation: N/A
THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: AN INDIVIDUAL
The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: N/A

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12/27/18, 1/3/19, 1/10/19, 1/17/19

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2019009323
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) PRIME PAPER, 12000 WOODRUFF AVE #A, DOWNEY CA 90241, COUNTY OF PRIME PAPER
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A
REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1)

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TOROGOZ INC., 10406 LONG BEACH BLVD, LYNWOOD CA 90262
 State of Incorporation: N/A
THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: A CORPORATION.
 The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: N/A
 I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).)
S/EL TOROGOZ INC., PRESIDENT, LETICIA D GONZALEZ
 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on JANUARY 4, 2019 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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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2018315909

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) PAPPACHURROS, 9238.5 HALL ROAD, DOWNEY CA 90242, LA COUNTY
 Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): A1 #ON: N/A
REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) ORLANDO MARTIN CERNAS, 3788 MILLIKEN AVE SUITE D, MIRA LOMA, CA 91752
 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: 12/2018
 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/ORLANDO MARTIN CERNAS, OWNER
 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on DECEMBER 19, 2018
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2019004823

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) R B 1 TRUCKING, 8264 STEWART AND GREY RD., DOWNEY CA 90241, LA COUNTY
 Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): A1 #ON: N/A
REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) ROBERTO BECERRA, 8264 STEWART AND GREY RD., DOWNEY CA 90241
 State of Incorporation: N/A
THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: AN INDIVIDUAL.
 The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 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/ROBERTO BECERRA, OWNER
 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on JANUARY 7, 2019 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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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2019004823

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) R B 1 TRUCKING, 8264 STEWART AND GREY RD., DOWNEY CA 90241, LA COUNTY
 Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): A1 #ON: N/A
REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) ROBERTO BECERRA, 8264 STEWART AND GREY RD., DOWNEY CA 90241
 State of Incorporation: N/A
THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: AN INDIVIDUAL.
 The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 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/ROBERTO BECERRA, OWNER
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CITY OF DOWNEY NOTICE CALLING FOR BIDS
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT NO. 19 - 37 FIRE STATIONS INTERIM CONSTRUCTION
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that sealed bids will be received at the office of the City Clerk of Downey until **2:00 PM on Thursday, January 31, 2019**, at 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. 19 - 37 - Fire Stations Interim Construction.**
 The Scope of Work to be performed under this Contract includes grading of the existing site, installation of water, sewer, as well as placement of miscellaneous pavement base materials and asphalt pavement, and other miscellaneous related work in accordance with Plans and Specification entitled **Capital Improvement Project No. 19-37 - Fire Stations Interim Construction, dated 12/12/18.**

Mandatory Bid Walk shall be required for all contractors bidding on this Project, failure to attend and formally sign the Attendance Sheet, shall render the bidder non-responsive and its bid shall be returned unopened.
Day/Date of Mandatory Bid Walk: Friday / January 25, 2019
Time: Noon
Location: Northwest corner of Bellflower Boulevard and Washburn Road,
 Eastern 1.0 +/- acre portion of the "Downey Esplanade"
Plans and Specifications for this

project are available on the City of Downey's Project Coordination and Communication on-line internet portal, PROCORE. To obtain free access to the Plans and Specifications via PROCORE, email Melanie Cazin mcazin@edencoinc.com with the Subject Line: "FIRE STATIONS INTERIM CONSTRUCTION".

BIDS MUST BE MADE ON THE PROPOSAL FORM INCLUDED IN THE PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT NO. 19 - 37. 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 in accordance with the terms of his bid, promptly secure Workers' Compensation insurance, and 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 claims 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 Code of 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 § 1773, 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, 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 20103.5 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, B or C-12.**

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 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, will be to the lowest responsible Bidder whose bid complies with all the requirements prescribed.

Pursuant to California Public Contract Code § 22300, the Contractor at his 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 **only** and shall be directed to:

Melanie Cazin – Project Controls Manager
Email: mcazin@edencoinc.com

RFI's shall **NOT** be accepted later than 12:00 pm on January 28, 2019 and shall **NOT** be responded to. Phone inquiries shall not be accepted. The City may issue a clarification Addendum responding to the appropriately submitted RFI's.

The estimated construction cost is \$375,000.00

NO LATE BIDS WILL BE ACCEPTED.

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

The Downey Patriot
 1/17/19, 1/24/19

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that LYNWOOD UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT (LUSD) Purchasing Department offers an **Invitation to make an OFFER to Purchase;**

Various types of SURPLUS/OBSOLETE INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS AND TEXTBOOKS
 OTP #010219RJ

Mandatory Site Visit: January 22, 2019 at 10:00 a.m.
Location: LUSD CENTRAL WAREHOUSE, 11300 Wright Rd Lynwood, CA 90262

NOTE: Only those who attend the Mandatory Site Visit will be able to submit an OFFER to Purchase. The total number of pallets to be determined at time of Mandatory Site Visit.

Written Offer to Purchase Due: January 24, 2019 at 10:00 am.

Location: LUSD PURCHASING DEPT., Room 211
 11321 Bullis Road, Lynwood, CA 90262

Information and questions regarding this Public Notice must be sent by email to: rjohnston@mylUSD.org and cc: smclucas@mylUSD.org

Phone calls for information concerning this PUBLIC NOTICE will not be accepted.

The Downey Patriot
 1/10/19, 1/17/19

NOTICE INVITING BIDS
LYNWOOD UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Lynwood Unified School District, acting by

and through its Governing Board, hereinafter referred to as "District," will receive prior to **10:00 a.m. on the 1st day of February, 2019** sealed bids for the award of a Contract for the following:

BID NO. CM-045619; REPLACEMENT OF GYM BLEACHERS FOR LYNWOOD HIGH SCHOOL PACKET 3

Scope of Work Overview

The Scope of Work shall include labor, materials and equipment, to modify the north and south walls of the existing gymnasium to receive new HSS beams between pilasters at eight locations for anchorage of new bleachers (by others). Remove partial section of plaster finish over section of walls. Unbolt and remove existing pedestal braces and wood ledgers for previous bleachers and discard. Brace and remove section of metal studs. Furnish and install a total of eight (8) HSS beams between existing pilasters. Sister new metal studs to existing studs and add Type X yep board in thickness required to lay flush with adjacent plaster surface. Finish gyp. Board surface and paint to conceal joints. The Contract Time is **72** consecutive calendar days.

All bids shall be made and presented only on the forms presented by the District. Bids shall be received in written form at the Purchasing Dept. on the second floor of the District Office, 11321 Bullis Road, Lynwood, CA 90262 and shall be opened and publicly read aloud at the above stated time and place. Any bids received after the time specified above or after any extensions due to material changes shall be returned unopened.
 This Project is being let in accordance with the Uniform Public Construction Cost Accounting Act ("UPCCAA") (specifically, the formal bidding procedures in Section 22032(c)).

Prequalification of Bidders

As a condition of bidding for this Project, and in accordance with California Public Contract Code section 20111.5, prospective bidders are required to submit to the District a completed set of prequalification documents on forms provided by the District. These documents will be the basis for determining which bidders are qualified to bid on this Project.

Bids will not be accepted if a Contractor has not been prequalified. Prequalification documents are available from Del Terra Construction Group, 13181 Crossroads Pkwy. N., Suite 540, City of Industry, CA 91746, upon request. Prequalification documents must be submitted by January 28, 2019 at noon [not less than five days prior to bid opening date]. Contractors will be notified by fax or by mail of their prequalification rating within a reasonable period of time after submission of their prequalification documents, but not less than one day prior to the bid opening date.

There will be a **Mandatory Pre-Bid Conference and Job Walk on Friday, January 18, 2019 at 1:00 p.m.** in front of the Lynwood High School main entrance located at 4050 E Imperial Hwy, Lynwood, CA 90262. Any Contractor bidding on the Project who fails to attend the entire mandatory job walk and conference will be deemed a non-responsive bidder and will have its bid returned unopened.

A link to download bid documents will be emailed at the end of the mandatory bid walk by Del Terra.

Each bidder shall be a licensed contractor pursuant to the California Business and Professions Code, and be licensed to perform the work called for in the Contract Documents. The successful bidder must possess a valid and active Class "B" Contractor's License at the time of bid and throughout the duration of this Contract. The Contractor's California State License number shall be clearly stated on the bidder's proposal.

Subcontractors shall be licensed pursuant to California law for the trades necessary to perform the Work called for in the Contract Documents.

In accordance with California Public Contract Code section 22300, the District will permit the substitution of securities for any monies withheld by the District to ensure performance under the Contract.

Each bidder's bid must be accompanied by one of the following forms of bidder's security: (1) cash; (2) a cashier's check made payable to the District; (3) a certified check made payable to a California admitted surety as defined in Code of Civil Procedure section 995.120, made payable to the District in the form set forth in the Contract Documents. Such bidder's security must be in an amount not less than ten percent (10%) of the maximum amount of bid as a guarantee that the bidder will enter into the proposed Contract, if the same is awarded to such bidder, and will provide the required Performance and Payment Bonds, insurance certificates and any other required documents. In the event of failure to enter into said Contract or provide the necessary documents, said security will be forfeited.

The Contractor and all subcontractors shall comply with the requirements set forth in Division 2, Part 7, Chapter 1 of the Labor Code which are available from the Director of the State of CA Department of Industrial Relations.
 A contractor or subcontractor shall not be qualified to bid on, be listed in a bid proposal, subject to the requirements of Section 4104 of the Public Contract Code, or engage in the performance of any contract for public work, as defined in the Labor Code, unless currently registered and qualified to perform public work pursuant to Labor Code section 1725.5. It is not a violation of this section for an unregistered contractor to submit a bid that is authorized by Section 7029.1 of the Business and Professions Code or by Section 10164 or 20103.5 of the Public Contract Code, provided the contractor is registered to perform public work pursuant to Section 1725.5 at the time the contract is awarded.

The Contractor and all subcontractors shall furnish certified payroll records as required pursuant Labor Code section 1776. Monitoring and enforcement of the prevailing wage laws and related requirements will be performed by the Labor Commissioner/ Department of Labor Standards Enforcement (DLSE).

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

Separate payment and performance bonds, each in an amount equal to 100% of the total Contract amount, are required, and shall be provided to the District prior to execution of the Contract and shall be in the form set forth in the Contract Documents.

All bonds (Bid, Performance, and Payment) must be issued by a California admitted surety as defined in California Code of Civil Procedure section 995.120.
 Where applicable, bidders must meet the requirements set forth in Public Contract Code section 10115 et seq., Military and Veterans Code section 999 et seq., and California Code of Regulations, Title 2, Section 1896.60 et seq., regarding Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise ("DVBE") Programs.

Any request for substitutions pursuant to Public Contract Code section 3400 must be made at the time of Bid on the Substitution Request Form set forth in the Contract Documents and included with the bid.
 Inquiries shall be sent in writing to: Manuel Jaramillo, Program Manager, Del Terra Group, 13181 Crossroads Parkway North, Suite 540, City of Industry, CA 91746 Fax: 626-839-9307 or Email: mjaramillo@delterra.com.

No telephone or facsimile machine will be available to bidders on the District premises at any time.

It is each bidder's sole responsibility to ensure its bid is timely delivered and received at the location designated as specified above. Any bid received at the designated location after the scheduled closing time for receipt of bids shall be returned to the bidder unopened.

LYNWOOD UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
The Downey Patriot
 1/10/19, 1/17/19

NOTICE INVITING BIDS
LYNWOOD UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Lynwood Unified School District, acting by and through its Governing Board, hereinafter referred to as "District," will receive prior to **11:00 a.m. on the 14th day of February, 2019** sealed bids for the award of a Contract for the following:

BID NO. CM-045719; LYNWOOD MIDDLE SCHOOL STORM DRAIN FACILITIES IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

Scope of Work Overview

The Scope of Work shall include boring for a new drywell system. Furnish and install two drywells with Maxwell® IV drainage system by Torrent Resources as specified or approved equal. Furnish and install storm drain piping, trenching and backfill, precast lining and manhole cone and cover, base and asphalt in T-section as detailed. The Contract Time is 59 consecutive calendar days.

All bids shall be made and presented only on the forms presented by the District. Bids shall be received in written form at the Purchasing Dept. on the second floor of the District Office, 11321 Bullis Road, Lynwood, CA 90262 and shall be opened and publicly read aloud at the above stated time and place. Any bids received after the time specified above or after any extensions due to material changes shall be returned unopened.

This Project is being let in accordance with the Uniform Public Construction Cost Accounting Act ("UPCCAA") (specifically, the formal bidding procedures in Section 22032(c)).

Prequalification of Bidders

As a condition of bidding for this Project, and in accordance with California Public Contract Code section 20111.5, prospective bidders are required to submit to the District a completed set of prequalification documents on forms provided by the District. These documents will be the basis for determining which bidders are qualified to bid on this Project.

Bids will not be accepted if a Contractor has not been prequalified. Prequalification documents are available from Del Terra Construction Group, 13181 Crossroads Pkwy. N., Suite 540, City of Industry, CA 91746, upon request. Prequalification documents must be submitted by February 6, 2019 at noon [not less than five days prior to bid opening date]. Contractors will be notified by telephone, fax or by mail of their prequalification rating within a reasonable period of time after submission of their prequalification documents, but not less than one day prior to the bid opening date.

There will be a **Mandatory Pre-Bid Conference and Job Walk on Friday, January 25, 2019 at 10:00 a.m.** at the Carlin Ave. (south) entrance to Lynwood Middle School located at 12124 Bullis Road, Lynwood, CA 90262. Any Contractor bidding on the Project who fails to attend the entire mandatory job walk and conference will be deemed a non-responsive bidder and will have its bid returned unopened.

A link to download bid documents will be emailed at the end of the mandatory bid walk by Del Terra.

Each bidder shall be a licensed contractor pursuant to the California Business and Professions Code, and be licensed to perform the work called for in the Contract Documents. The successful bidder must possess a valid and active Class "A" Contractor's License at the time of bid and throughout the duration of this Contract. The Contractor's California State License number shall be clearly stated on the bidder's proposal.

Subcontractors shall be licensed pursuant to California law for the trades necessary to perform the Work called for in the Contract Documents.

In accordance with California Public Contract Code section 22300, the District will permit the substitution of securities for any monies withheld by the District to ensure performance under the Contract.

Each bidder's bid must be accompanied by one of the following forms of bidder's security: (1) cash; (2) a cashier's check made payable to the District; (3) a certified check made payable to a California admitted surety as defined in Code of Civil Procedure section 995.120, made payable to the District in the form set forth in the Contract Documents. Such bidder's security must be in an amount not less than ten percent (10%) of the maximum amount of bid as a guarantee that the bidder will enter into the proposed Contract, if the same is awarded to such bidder, and will provide the required Performance and Payment Bonds, insurance certificates and any other required documents. In the event of failure to enter into said Contract or provide the necessary documents, said security will be forfeited.

The Contractor and all subcontractors shall comply with the requirements set forth in Division 2, Part 7, Chapter 1 of the Labor Code which are available from the Director of the State of CA Department of Industrial Relations.

A contractor or subcontractor shall not be qualified to bid on, be listed in a bid proposal, subject to the requirements of Section 4104 of the Public Contract Code, or engage in the performance of any contract for public work, as defined in the Labor Code, unless currently registered and qualified to perform public work pursuant to Labor Code section 1725.5. It is not a violation of this section for an unregistered contractor to submit a bid that is authorized by Section 7029.1 of the Business and Professions Code or by Section 10164 or 20103.5 of the Public Contract Code, provided the contractor is registered to perform public work pursuant to Section 1725.5 at the time the contract is awarded.

The Contractor and all subcontractors shall furnish certified payroll records as required pursuant Labor Code section 1776. Monitoring and enforcement of the prevailing wage laws and related requirements will be performed by the Labor Commissioner/ Department of Labor Standards Enforcement (DLSE).

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

Separate payment and performance bonds, each in an amount equal to 100% of the total Contract amount, are required, and shall be provided to the District prior to execution of the Contract and shall be in the form set forth in the Contract Documents.

All bonds (Bid, Performance, and Payment) must be issued by a California admitted surety as defined in California Code of Civil Procedure section 995.120.
 Where applicable, bidders must meet the requirements set forth in Public Contract Code section 10115 et seq., Military and Veterans Code section 999 et seq., and California Code of Regulations, Title 2, Section 1896.60 et seq., regarding Disabled

Veteran Business Enterprise ("DVBE") Programs.

Any request for substitutions pursuant to Public Contract Code section 3400 must be made at the time of Bid on the Substitution Request Form set forth in the Contract Documents and included with the bid.

Inquiries shall be sent in writing to: Manuel Jaramillo, Program Manager, Del Terra Group, 13181 Crossroads Parkway North, Suite 540, City of Industry, CA 91746 Fax: 626-839-9307 or Email: mjaramillo@delterra.com.

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LYNWOOD UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
The Downey Patriot
 1/10/19, 1/17/19

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS CALLING FOR BIDS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Downey Unified School District ("District") of Los Angeles County, California, acting by and through its Governing Board ("Board"), will receive up to, but not later than, **2:00 p.m. on February 6, 2019**, sealed bids for the award of a contract for:

Bid #18/19-12
REPLACEMENT OF THE SWIMMING POOL FILTRATION SYSTEM AT DOWNEY HIGH SCHOOL

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

Each bid must conform with and be responsive to the contract documents, copies of which are on file and may be obtained electronically on or after **January 17, 2019 - Contact Darren Purselglove, C.P.M., Director, Purchasing and Warehouse, at dpurselglove@dusd.net.**

A mandatory bidder's conference and job-walk will be held on January 28, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. This bidder's conference will take place at Downey High School Swimming Pool, 11040 Brookshire Avenue, Downey, CA 90241. No bid shall be accepted from any bidder failing to comply with attending the mandatory bidder's conference.

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

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

No bidder may withdraw their bid for a period of ninety (90) days after the date for the opening of bids.
 All bidders and their subcontractors **MUST** be registered with the Department of Industrial Relations (DIR) and possess a current and valid DIR registration number at the time of bid submission.

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

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

Darren Purselglove, C.P.M.
 Darren Purselglove
 Director, Purchasing and Warehouse

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be at time plus one-half. The Contractor and any subcontractor(s) shall pay not less than the specified prevailing rates of wages to all workers employed by them in the execution of the contract. In accordance with provisions of the Public Contract Code Section 22300, substitution of eligible and equivalent securities for any monies withheld to ensure performance under this contract will be permitted at the request and expense of the Contractor.

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Darren Purselglove, C.P.M.
Darren Purselglove
Director, Purchasing and Warehouse

Downey Unified School District
Los Angeles, County, State of California

The Downey Patriot
1/17/19, 1/24/19

CARBALLO to Proposed name (1) JULIAN MATHIAS SITO
THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.

NOTICE OF HEARING
Date: JANUARY 30, 2019, Time: 1:30 p.m., Department: C, Room: 312

The address of the court is 12720 Norwalk Boulevard, Norwalk, CA 90650
A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in the county, **DOWNEY PATRIOT**

DECEMBER 21, 2018
Judge Margaret M. Bernal
Judge Of The Superior Court
Petitioner or Attorney, In Pro Per
MELISSA MARIE SITO
15328 BECHARD AVE.
NORWALK, CA 90650
562.972.8158
SITOMELISSA@YAHOO.COM

The Downey Patriot
1/3/19, 1/10/19, 1/17/19, 1/24/19

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
CASE NUMBER: 18NWCP00013
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner NAHAL NICHOLE HYDARYACIL filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
Present name (1) NAHAL NICHOLE HYDARYACIL to Proposed name (1) NICHOLE NAHAL HYDARY DIETTE
THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.

NOTICE OF HEARING
Date: FEBRUARY 6, 2019, Time: 1:30 p.m., Department: C, Room: 312
The address of the court is 12720 Norwalk Boulevard, Norwalk, CA 90650
A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in the county, **THE DOWNEY PATRIOT**

DECEMBER 18, 2018
Judge Margaret M. Bernal
Judge Of The Superior Court
Petitioner or Attorney, In Pro Per
NAHAL NICHOLE HYDARYACIL
4413 SHADEWAY RD.
LAKEWOOD, CA 90713
714-721-7110
OBEY714@YAHOO.COM

The Downey Patriot
1/3/19, 1/10/19, 1/17/19, 1/24/19

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
CASE NUMBER: 19NWCP00010
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner JEREMY ANDERSON filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
Present name (1) JEREMY ANDERSON to Proposed name (1) JEREMY ENDERS
THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that

includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.

NOTICE OF HEARING
Date: MARCH 20, 2019, Time: 1:30 p.m., Department: C, Room: 312
The address of the court is 12720 Norwalk Boulevard, Norwalk, CA 90650
A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in the county, **DOWNEY PATRIOT**

JANUARY 16, 2019
Judge Margaret M. Bernal
Judge Of The Superior Court
Petitioner or Attorney, In Pro Per
GAGIN MICHAEL MACARDIAN
10622 CASANES AVE
DOWNEY, CA 90241

The Downey Patriot
1/17/19, 1/24/19, 1/31/19, 2/7/19

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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
CASE NUMBER: 19NWCP00010
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner JEREMY ANDERSON filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
Present name (1) JEREMY ANDERSON to Proposed name (1) JEREMY ENDERS
THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that

includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.

NOTICE OF HEARING
Date: MARCH 20, 2019, Time: 1:30 p.m., Department: C, Room: 312
The address of the court is 12720 Norwalk Boulevard, Norwalk, CA 90650
A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in the county, **DOWNEY PATRIOT**

JANUARY 16, 2019
Judge Margaret M. Bernal
Judge Of The Superior Court
Petitioner or Attorney, In Pro Per
GAGIN MICHAEL MACARDIAN
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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
CASE NUMBER: 18NWCP00080
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner ESPERANZA MARIA ANGEANO filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
Present name (1) ESPERANZA MARIA ANGEANO to Proposed name (1) MARIA ESPERANZA ACEVES
THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.

NOTICE OF HEARING
Date: FEBRUARY 27, 2019, Time: 1:30 p.m., Department: C, Room: 312
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DECEMBER 28, 2018
Judge Margaret M. Bernal
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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
CASE NUMBER: 18NWCP00078
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner MELISSA MARIE SITO filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
Present name (1) JULIAN MATHIAS

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CASE NUMBER: 18NWCP00078
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\$35M in tax savings still unclaimed by homeowners

LOS ANGELES - More than \$35 million worth of property tax savings go unclaimed each year by eligible homeowners in L.A. County.

In an effort to raise awareness among the estimated 435,000 homeowners who likely qualify for the savings, Los Angeles County Assessor Jeffrey Prang along with the Board of Supervisors have declared the month of January as Homeowners' Exemption Awareness Month.

"It is not surprising that the savings program goes unnoticed as homeowners usually only contact the Office when they are buying or selling their property. Being that they are already inundated with paperwork, our application can easily get lost in the shuffle," said Prang.

This is how it works: This exemption reduces a property's taxable assessed value by \$7,000, resulting in a \$70 savings on the annual tax bill. Homeowners need only apply once in order to receive the savings each year or until a change in ownership is recorded. The only eligibility requirement is that the property is the owners' principal place of residence as of January 1st.

"We estimate that one in three families do not take advantage of saving \$70 each year, totaling almost \$1,000 over the average length of homeownership. This savings can potentially go towards investing in easy home improvements such as, purchasing

a new water heater or installing new sprinklers. I encourage every homeowner to apply," said Prang.

In addition to County efforts, Assessor Prang is partnering with local cities to facilitate similar outreach, focusing on those with the highest percentage of unclaimed exemptions. In the City of Palmdale for example, 14,095 likely eligible homeowners have not filed, leaving just under \$1 million in unclaimed exemptions.

For questions regarding the Homeowners' Exemption Application form and filing information, please call (213) 974-3415.

Home invasion strikes north Downey

DOWNEY - Two homeowners were involved in a home-invasion robbery in Downey early Tuesday morning.

Authorities said a call came in around 2 a.m. from a home in the 9600 block of Clancey Avenue, near Raviller Drive.

The homeowners were OK and did not suffer any injuries, authorities said, but it was unclear what was stolen.

Authorities said the suspect or suspects have not been caught and did not provide a description at this time.



Civil rights activist Dolores Huerta will swear-in Cristina Garcia

DOWNEY - Labor leader and civil rights activist Dolores Huerta will swear-in Assembly member Cristina Garcia when she takes a public oath of office Saturday, Feb. 2, at Downey Adult School.

The public ceremony begins at 11 a.m.

According to her official biography, Huerta "found her calling as an organizer while serving in the leadership of the Stockton Community Service Organization (CSO). During this time she founded the Agricultural Workers Association, set up voter registration drives and pressed local governments for barrio improvements."

Garcia was re-elected to the state Assembly last November. The Feb. 2 ceremony will feature live cultural entertainment, food trucks, and special guests.

Guests are asked to bring boxed tampons, pads, packaged underwear, socks and toiletries, which will be donated to groups who work with the homeless population in the 58th Assembly district.

RSVP by contacting Rida Hamida at (562) 861-5803 or rida.hamida@asm.ca.gov.



Downey resident Katie Lopez traveled to New York City to ring in 2019.

"We went to Times Square for the countdown and took the Downey Patriot with us," she said. "We stood in the rain for almost six hours, was painful but fun as well. Behind in the smoke is the countdown ball."



Warren High School hit a milestone achievement last month when it donated 23,969 cans of food to the PTA HELPS food pantry, along with nearly \$20,000 in monetary donations.

The food drive was spearheaded by Coach Waldron as he challenges his classes, along with staff and teachers. Each week for four weeks, a winner was chosen who brought in the most contributions for the week. They received recognition along with a special t-shirt.

The drive ended with their delivery of five pallets of food. The money will be used to purchase food during the summer when the pantry typically receives no donations.

"Thanks to all those who brought in food or donations to continue to help the 300-plus families we serve in Downey," said Dorothy Pemberton, PTA HELPS director.

Quarter auction at Temple Ner Tamid

DOWNEY - The Sisterhood of Temple Ner Tamid is hosting a "Quartermania" fundraiser Sunday, March 24, at 5 p.m.

Cost is \$20 and includes dinner, auction, raffle ticket, and shopping. Early bird cost is \$15 if registered by March 11.

Quarter auctions are similar to regular auctions but bids are placed using quarters. No bid is over four quarters, and most items are auctioned for 1-2 quarters.

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