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Kaiser medical center recognized as national children's hospital

The hospital opened its pediatric care center in 2017, and now joins more than 220 children's hospitals nationwide.

DOWNEY – Kaiser Permanente Downey Medical Center was accepted for membership into the Children's Hospital Association—the voice for more than 220 children's hospitals nationwide.

As champions for children's health, the association advances public policy enabling hospitals to better serve children and builds awareness of child health issues.

As a children's hospital, Kaiser Permanente Downey's Pediatric Care Center is setting the standard for the highest quality pediatric care to Kaiser Permanente members in the Southeast Los Angeles County area.

In 2017, Kaiser Permanente Downey Medical Center became a Kaiser Permanente Pediatric Care Center, meaning it is a center of expertise (tertiary center), centrally located and designed to allow doctors, specialists, and nurses to work more effectively as a coordinated and specialized pediatric care team, providing the right care in the right setting for hospitalized children.

The Kaiser Permanente

Pediatric Care Center at Downey is also equipped with the most advanced technology related to pediatric care. Combining these specialized professionals with technologically advanced resources enriches the care pediatric inpatients receive and allows for even healthier medical outcomes.

"Participation in the Children's Hospital Association offers us access to a network of institutions and people who understand the unique health care needs of children," said Jim Branchick, senior vice president and area manager, Kaiser Permanente Downey Medical Center. "We look forward to collaborating with our peers and the children's hospital industry and adding our voice to advocate on behalf of all children."

The Children's Hospital Association advances public policy enabling hospitals to better serve children and builds awareness of child health issues. It is the premier resource for pediatric data and analytics driving improved clinical and operational performance among its member hospitals.

"We are pleased to welcome Kaiser Permanente Downey Medical Center and look forward to its active involvement," said Mark Wietecha, Children's



Kaiser Permanente Downey Medical Center

Hospital Association president and CEO. "Our hospital members are the backbone of the nation's pediatric health care infrastructure. With them, we are committed to providing the highest quality care and developing innovative solutions to impact the future of children's health and health care."

Children's hospitals represent five percent of all hospitals and

provide a disproportionately large share of the nation's pediatric acute clinical care. Children's hospitals are also vital centers of primary and specialty pediatric medical education and are leaders in pediatric research.

Kaiser Permanente Downey Medical Center also received a Women's Choice Award for "Best Children's Hospital" in 2018.

At Downey's library, it's the beginning of a new chapter

Customers say goodbye to the Downey City Library (as they know it) as the facility closes 15 months for renovations.

By Lorine Parks
Society Columnist

DOWNEY – Under a bright blue sky, when the trees around the Downey City Library are about to put forth green buds and leaves, a party was going on. The amazing blue ribbon library staff had invited kids and their parents, and had balloons and Spin The Wheel Games of chance with candy and books and puzzles as prizes. Finger painting on hither-to untouchable white walls.

And it almost looked like business as usual. In the Friends' Used Book Room, sales were brisk. Book lover Mitch proudly held up

his catch of the day, Marcella, one of Johnny Gruelle's Raggedy Ann's stories, Volunteer Marcia toted up his purchases while his wife Joy stood by, ready to pay.

But the Library is about to close for 15 months, and this new beginnings party was to celebrate the new phase of life for this beloved Downey institution.

In 1898, seven women residents of Downey met to found a social club – today's Women's Club Downey. One of their purposes was to establish a public library. When the Los Angeles County Library System opened a branch in Downey in September, 1915, the collection was turned over to it. Then in 1958, two years after the city of Downey was incorporated, the City Council voted to withdraw from the county library system and to

accept responsibility for providing Downey with its own library.

The present building has not been renovated since 1979-80. But new funds were made available by Measure S, a sales tax approved by Downey voters in 2015. So far, the tax money has contributed to Parks and Recreation renovations, and street improvements. Now it's the library's turn, and a new internal configuration of the library's services is about to take place.

One of the giveaways that something was different today was in the Computer Lab. All the furniture was gone and only one row of computers stood against the wall, but each screen was glowing, still in use.

In the Cormack Room, named for former Mayor Robert Cormack who just passed away earlier this



Ben Dickow and Claudia Dailey.
Photo by Lorine Parks

month at the age of 99, a sign said "PAINT THE ROOM," and here children were drawing and finger

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Police carts arrive at Downey and Warren to help campus officers

The carts will help school resource officers react quickly to on-campus incidents and can also carry weapons and equipment, officials said.

DOWNEY – Downey's two comprehensive high schools are now equipped with police carts to help school resource officers navigate the campuses quickly.

The carts, which cost \$15,000 each, were delivered to Warren and Downey high schools during winter break.

"As school safety continues to be a major priority to the Board of Education, providing an additional sense of security to our students and staff is something that I firmly believe in and am proud that we now have these carts on our campuses," said school board President Nancy Swenson.

The electric carts were purchased via a financial collaboration between Gangs Out of Downey, Downey Unified, and the Downey Police Department.

Gangs Out of Downey secured the funding through a sponsorship from Financial Partners Credit Union.

"Protecting the students in our community is key to our future," said Financial Partners President and CEO Nader Moghaddam.

Officials said the carts will allow school resource officers to respond to incidents more quickly. The carts will also allow officers to leave their marked police vehicles in front of each school's administration office, making a police presence visible to all.

The police carts will also house equipment and weapons necessary for the officers to help maintain the safety of students and staff.

"Downey police officers provide a positive and impactful presence at our local high schools and added resources such as these motorized carts continue to provide a safe learning environment for students," said Mayor Rick Rodriguez.



Downey police officer Erik Hempe poses in one of the new police carts available at Warren and Downey high schools.

Police Chief Dean Milligan said the police carts give school resource officers "another important tool at their disposal to assist in our efforts to ensure school safety.

"It's safe to say that our collaborative efforts with our community partners have positioned Downey Police Department and Downey Unified at the forefront of campus safety," Milligan said.

Downey restaurant grades

Tacos Don Goyo
8502 Telegraph Rd.
Date Inspected: 3/14/19
Grade: **A**

Royal Food Express
9125 Imperial Hwy #C
Date Inspected: 3/14/19
Grade: **A**

Arthurs
8813 Lakewood Blvd.
Date Inspected: 3/14/19
Grade: **A**

Time Out Burger
9841 Imperial Hwy.
Date Inspected: 3/14/19
Grade: **A**

Milpas Meat Market
8434 Telegraph Rd
Date Inspected: 3/14/19
Grade: **A**

Food 4 Less (Bakery / Deli)
13535 Lakewood Blvd.
Date Inspected: 3/13/19
Grade: **A**

Food 4 Less (Meat)
13535 Lakewood Blvd.
Date Inspected: 3/13/19
Grade: **A**

Restaurant Juice Bar
12121 Paramount Blvd.
Date Inspected: 3/13/19
Grade: **A**

Louisiana Chicken and Chinese Food
8843 Rosecrans Ave.
Date Inspected: 3/13/19
Grade: **A**

Burger King
7957 Imperial Hwy.
Date Inspected: 3/13/19
Grade: **A**

El Taco
7870 E Florence Ave.
Date Inspected: 3/13/19
Grade: **A**

Mod Pizza
8896 Apollo Way
Date Inspected: 3/12/19
Grade: **A**

Tokyo Garden
11946 S Paramount Blvd.
Date Inspected: 3/12/19
Grade: **A**

Chipotle
8890 Apollo Way
Date Inspected: 3/12/19
Grade: **A**

Champ's Liquor
8007 Florence Ave.
Date Inspected: 3/12/19
Grade: **A**

7 Eleven
7371 Florence Ave.
Date Inspected: 3/12/19
Grade: **A**

Movita Juice Bar
8860 Apollo Way
Date Inspected: 3/12/19
Grade: **A**

Tu Farmacia Natural
7408 Florence Ave.
Date Inspected: 3/12/19
Grade: **A**

T & K Water
7444 E Florence Ave Ste. E
Date Inspected: 3/12/19
Grade: **A**

G & M
7360 Florence Ave.
Date Inspected: 3/12/19
Grade: **A**

Cinemark
8840 Apollo Way
Date Inspected: 3/8/19
Grade: **A**

Weekend at a Glance

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Saturday 68°

Sunday 71°

THINGS TO DO



Coffee with the Congresswoman

Saturday - 85C Bakery Cafe in Cerritos, 9-11:30 am

Meet Rep. Linda Sanchez (D-Norwalk) and discuss issues that are important to you.



Classical Side of Cuban Music

Saturday - James Armstrong Theater in Torrance, 8 pm

Cuban pianist Daniel Amat, accompanied by some of Los Angeles' sought-after studio musicians, pays tribute to some of Cuba's most prolific composers. \$25-\$35



Classic Rock Night

Saturday - Grove of Anaheim, 8 pm

Lep Zeppelin and Rolling Stones cover bands will play all your favorites at the special night of classic rock music. \$22



The Inflatable Run

Saturday - Whittier Narrows Recreation Area, 8 am

A 5K run/walk with inflatable obstacles every 500 feet that any age or fitness level can complete. \$15-\$25



Claremont Pie Festival

Saturday - Claremont Village, 10 am to 4 pm

Baking demonstrations, pie baking contest, pie eating contest, food and vendor booths, classic car show, live music, and a pie tasting buffet. Free admission.



The Blasters

Saturday - Coach House Concert Hall in San Juan Capistrano, 8 pm

An all ages show by Downey rock band The Blasters. \$18

Library's long-term closure draws mixed emotions

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painting on the pure white walls. That had to mean that demolition was coming, and the wall was going to be torn down. What can be more fun than a party where you get to break a few rules?

Children's Librarian and Literacy Coordinator Claudia Dailey and Library Director Ben Dickow walked together to greet the arriving guests, Claudia in a flowing coral and white print long skirt and matching coral silk blouse. Ben was in a blue polo shirt with the seal of the City of Downey, and running sneakers, appropriate for a busy man who wears two hats.

Blue and coral are the colors for Downey's ubiquitous newly-branded street signs, and like them, Ben and Claudia were everywhere, Claudia making sure that each child had a balloon, even the ones in a carriage.

Later, Ben would be off to the Columbia Memorial Space Center, a few miles away by the Downey Promenade. "Juggling both the Space Center and Library has been fine," said Ben, "because I have a fantastic staff at each location. They make the job easier. We've been working to stitch both a little closer together, making managing both a little more efficient."

The Children's Book Room was filled with busy families doing crafts. At one table sat Alice and her mother, Desiree, coloring with big crayons. Alice has been coming since she was a baby - she's now four, as she showed me by holding up four fingers.

Also at the table was another fellow volunteer of mine, Eunice, who has worked in the Friend's Book Store. Eunice was filling out a form to become a member of the Santa Fe Springs Library. We Downeyites will be temporary book-orphans, so delegates from nearby libraries staffed tables in the lobby, to make it easy to become a member. Patti, the librarian assistant from SFS, assured me, "plenty of free parking there."

To get there, take Florence east; about a mile after crossing the 605, turn left on Pioneer for

about half a mile, a few jogs and you're there - consult your maps or GPS. Just north of the Clarke Estate, the library is part of the beautifully landscaped SFS Civic Center complex, which fronts on Telegraph Road, and Maggi's Pub is a great place for a casual lunch, Brit style.

City of Commerce had a corresponding table, and was giving out handsome pens with "tutor.com - learn better" written on them.

"That's our online tutoring program, free for any child who signs up," said Scott Gurrola, librarian at City of Commerce. The C of C bookmark listed four locations, the main one, and three branches.

"Downey is bigger than City of Commerce," I said, "and we have only one library."

"One of the branches is for vets," said Scott. The Rosewood Neighborhood Main Library, on Jillson, is only four miles up the 710 freeway, and then one mile east, using the Washington Blvd. exit.

The Patriot article by Eric Pierce on March 14 gave a thorough listing of where Downey Library programs will be conducted while the building is closed. All kinds of city venues and groups are lending a hand. For example, the Teen Mobile VR Unit will be stationed at Furman Park on Tuesday and Thursday, June 4 - July 31, from 12 to 1 p.m.

Back in the Library lobby, Rahee knelt with her daughter, Gianna, age 4. Twin sister Amaya, and their brother, Deven, who is 5, were strolling with dad Bobby, who has been coming to the library for 30 years, said Rahaa.

"We come to the Children's Story Hour. But we're not sure where it will be," she said. When informed that the City Hall had



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Library director Ben Dickow reads to children at Saturday's renovation celebration.

made the Council Chambers available for Pre-school Story Telling Time, 10:30 to 11:30 am on Tuesdays, her eyes brightened. Baby and Toddler Story Time will be Saturdays at 9:15 am inside the nursery at the First Baptist Church.

Many special library programs will continue as usual because the library staff is still functioning. A volunteer recognition lunch is set for Saturday, April 20, at the Rio Hondo Event Center. And National Library Week will be celebrated April 8 at the Space Center, with a children's event and an author's visit.

In an exclusive interview, Ben has explained that he will still be busy.

"I will remain as library director," Ben said, "managing the many tasks that staff will be doing during the renovation. The library will continue to offer a suite of programs at various locations around the city; staff will be retagging and re-cataloging all the 100,000+ items in the collection; we will be implementing an extensive training program to get ready for new services in the renovated library. We'll be very busy. Plus, I'll still lead the Space Center."

"We recognize the very unique and powerful potential for

impact," Ben said, "that having these two organizations - a library and museum - working in concert can have. That keeps me, and all of us, motivated to make it all work smoothly. This tie-in will continue once the library renovation is done." A Summer Reading Camp will be held Wednesdays from June 12 to July 11, at the Space Center.

Claudia took time from her busy schedule to show us how so many Downey organizations will be proxy-hosting for the library. Literacy program tutoring, which is near and dear to Claudia's heart, is every Tuesday and Thursday from 1 to 2 pm at the First Baptist Church. Adult Communication Class will meet Mondays at 11 am at the Downey Women's Club.

The Library's book discussion club, Booked For Lunch, which has 20 or so active members, will meet Thursdays at 10:30 am at the First Baptist Church. Summer reading shows will be scheduled on Mondays in June and July at the Downey Theatre. Impressive.

"The renovation gives library staff an opportunity to pause," Ben said, "and rethink how we work and what we offer. The construction gives us time to develop these programs."

Afterward at home I looked over my "swag" from the morning:

In Memory of

Judith Starbuck

December 13th, 1940 - March 15, 2019



Judith (Judy) Ann Starbuck, a resident of Durant Oklahoma passed from this life to be with her Lord and Savior on Friday March the 15th in Denison Texas at the age of 78. She was born Judith Ann Miller on December 13th, 1940 to William and Virginia (Miles) Miller in Kansas City, Kansas. Judith married Dennis Starbuck on June

the 2nd, 1984.

Judy went through the Kansas City public school system and graduated with the class of 1958. She continued her education at the Kansas Teachers Collage in Emporia Kansas and graduated with her Masters of Science in Education Degree with the class of 1964. She was at her best when teaching a classroom of students. Judy taught classes in High School and Collage, she retired from Downey Unified School District in Downey California, as Principal of Adult School with a student base of over 15000 students. Judy and Dennis retired and moved to Durant, Oklahoma in 1996. She enjoyed R.V. camping, playing bridge with her friends, and the pleasure of spending time with family. She served as a volunteer at the Durant Hospital. She was a Member of the First United Methodist Church in Durant. As a loving Wife, Mother, and Grandmother she will be missed by all her friends and family.

Judy is survived by her beloved husband, Dennis, daughter Alicia Willemstyn and her children Hailee, Wyatt, and Aubree; stepson, D.J. Starbuck, her step daughter Laura Thompson and her children Logan and Leandra; her brother, Bill Miller and his wife Charolette and their children Jeff Miller and his wife Cindy, and Danielle Weiberg and her Husband Tim.

A memorial service in her honor will be at 10:00 AM Saturday March the 23rd at the First Methodist Church in Durant with the Rev. John Breon officiating.

The Family respectfully request that in lieu of flowers donations be made to the First United Methodist Church in Durant.

Services are under the direction of Holms-Coffee-Murray Funeral Home in Durant Oklahoma.

two new library cards, at City of Commerce and SFS; several pens and a bottle of water; a luscious almond-cream topped pastry from Amapola (the Dunkin Donuts were all gone), a bookmark, some glossy brochures and a flyer from the Whittier Library about their

"Pancakes in Paris" themed series of programs, a museum trip and a restaurant visit. Memo to self: get card from the Whittier Library too.

All this forward-looking action points to a busy interim while we wait for our new Downey Library to

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DOWNEY HAPPENINGS

SATURDAY, MARCH 23

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

Jazz Band Fundraiser, 6-9 pm. Help Warren High School's jazz band raise funds to attend the Reno Jazz Festival. Spaghetti, bingo, and live music. \$15 for dinner and first round of bingo. Warren High School library, 8141 De Palma St.

SUNDAY, MARCH 24

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

SUNDAY, MARCH 24

Meet Your Pharmacist, 10 am. Bring your prescribed medications and a pharmacist will review them with you. AppleCare Medical Group, 11525 Brookshire Ave., suite 300

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27

City Affairs Meeting, 12 pm. Attorney Paul Velasco speaks on the topic "What Would Happen to Your Family if Something Happened to You?" Chamber of Commerce, 11131 Brookshire Ave.

THURSDAY, MARCH 28

Women of Distinction Breakfast, 7:30 am. Soroptimist International of Downey presents its Women of Distinction awards. Rio Hondo Event Center, 10627 Old River School Rd.

FRIDAY, MARCH 29

Fernando's Comedy Hour, 7 pm. Live comedy by Jerry Corley, Larry Omaha, Peter Loiza, Luz Pazos, and Anthony Mojica. 562 Ultra Lounge, 7931 Firestone Blvd.

SATURDAY, MARCH 30

Arc Walk for Independence, 8 am. A 1- or 3-mile walk to celebrate people with developmental disabilities. Stonewood Center, 251 Stonewood St.

MONDAY, APRIL 1

Golf Tournament, 10 am. Join LASD's Parks Bureau for their inaugural golf tournament benefiting Downey-based Save the Brave veterans organization.

Pacific Palms Resort, 1 Industry Hills Parkway, City of Industry

TUESDAY, APRIL 2

Coyote Meeting, 6:30 pm. A town hall meeting to discuss plans to deal with coyotes in Downey. City Hall, 11111 Brookshire Ave.

THURSDAY, APRIL 4

Let's Do Lunch, 12 pm. A networking lunch sponsored by the Downey Chamber of Commerce. \$25 at the door. Buffalo Wild Wings, 251 Stonewood St.

FRIDAY, APRIL 5

Food Packing, 5 pm. Join Downey Federal Credit Union as they pack 60,000 meals for those in need. Warren High School gym, 8141 De Palma St.

SATURDAY, APRIL 6

Salute to the Armed Services Breakfast, 8:30 am. A celebration of U.S. military veterans and active service personnel. Breakfast, guest speakers, military vehicle displays, and more. \$5 admission. First Baptist Church of Downey, 8348 3rd St.

Smart Gardening Workshop, 9:30 am. Learn the basics of backyard composting, water-wise gardening, worm composting, and grasscycling. Wilderness Park, 10999 Little Lake Rd.

City of STEM Festival, 10 am. The largest science festival in Greater Los Angeles. Columbia Memorial Space Center, 12400 Columbia Way.

Inner City Show, 7 pm. Rap artists Trippy G, Opina and Santos G perform live. \$15 at the door. Stay Gallery, 11140 Downey Ave.

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.

TUESDAY, APRIL 9

Black Bear Diner Grand Opening, 11 am. A ribbon cutting ceremony to honor a new Downey restaurant. Black

Bear Diner, 7900 Florence Ave.

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.

THURSDAY, APRIL 11

Business Watch Meeting, 9 am. Topic is "Personal Safety, Building Security." City Council chambers, 11111 Brookshire Ave.

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.

Navigating Autism Services, 10 am. A free workshop for parents of children recently diagnosed with autism spectrum disorder. Learn about services and resources available. Autism Learning Partners, 12432 Bellflower Blvd.

First Responders BBQ, 5-7 pm. A community barbecue to show appreciation to police officers, firefighters, and EMTs. Free for first responders, \$15 for everyone else. Temple Ner Tamid, 10629 Lakewood Blvd.

Gala Fundraiser, 7 pm. A black-tie fundraiser put on by Rotary Club of Downey to benefit the Downey YMCA and TLC Family Resource Center. Embassy Suites, 8425 Firestone Blvd.

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

Mulch Giveaway & Paper Shredding, 8 am to 12 pm. Bring your own 32-gallon containers to receive free

mulch. (No bags, no truck beds.) Bring your personal documents for free on-site shredding. City Hall west parking lot, 11111 Brookshire Ave.

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

Easter Car Hop, 10 am to 1 pm. Art walk, crafts, Easter egg hunt, raffle, and worship. First Baptist Church of Downey, 8348 3rd St.

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

TUESDAY, APRIL 23

Police Officer & Firefighter Awards, 11:30 am. Luncheon to honor Downey's police officer and firefighter of the year. Rio Hondo Event Center, 10627 Old River School Rd.

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.

FRIDAY, APRIL 26

Latino Comp Golf Tournament, 10:30 am. Eighth annual golf tournament fundraiser in support of LatinoComp, a non-profit workers compensation organization. Rio Hondo Golf Club, 10627 Old River School Rd.

Kiwanis Kasino Night, 6-10 pm. Casino games, raffles, contests for best Hawaiian costume, and more. Proceeds benefit Downey Kiwanis' community service projects. Azar Event Center, 12215 Slauson Ave., Santa Fe Springs.

SATURDAY, APRIL 27

Downey One Day of Service, 9 am. Join service clubs, churches, non-

profits, local businesses, and residents in a city-wide day of volunteering.

Drug Take-Back, 10 am to 2 pm. Drop off expired, unused or unwanted prescription medication for proper disposal. Downey Police Department west parking lot, 10911 Brookshire Ave.

THURSDAY, MAY 2

25-Year Anniversary, 5-8 pm. Join 24 Hour Real Estate as they celebrate their silver anniversary in Downey. 24 Hour Real Estate, 8635 Florence Ave., Suite 101

SATURDAY, MAY 4

Foster Care and Adoption, 10 am. Have you ever considered being a foster or adoptive parent? Attend this meeting to learn all about the fostering and adoption process. New Seasons Downey, 9001 Paramount Blvd.

Downey Street Faire, 11 am. The Downey Street Faire returns for its 26th year. Featuring food, live music, and dozens of vendors. Brookshire Avenue, between Firestone and 5th Street.

SUNDAY, MAY 5

Burritos & Boutique Fundraiser, 8-11 am. Enjoy a breakfast burrito and shop for jewelry, home goods, handcrafted items, and more \$8 admission with proceeds to benefit Bethel 244 Downey of Job's Daughters. Downey Masonic Temple, 8244 3rd St.

FRIDAY, MAY 10

Roaring '20s Casino Night, 6 pm. A fundraiser for Soroptimist International of Downey. Casino gaming, food, entertainment, silent auction, and raffle opportunities. Rio Hondo Event Center, 10627 Old River School Rd.

SATURDAY, MAY 11

STEAM Festival, 9 am. A community festival celebrating science, technology,

engineering, arts, and math. Downey Federal Credit Union, 8237 3rd St.

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.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 9

State of the City, 12 pm. Mayor Rick Rodriguez delivers Downey's annual State of the City address. Rio Hondo Event Center, 10627 Old River School Rd.

Compiled by Eric Pierce. Some events may charge admission fees. Email calendar listings to eric@thedowneypatriot.com

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Get Your Walking Team Together!
A one or three mile Walk to raise funds for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

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**Acapulco Restaurant Y Cantina
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Children 10 & under are FREE (up to five children per adult)
**ALL WALKERS MUST REGISTER REGARDLESS OF AGE
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on-site registration opens at 7am

The Arc is a private non-profit organization serving hundreds of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities every day in 12 different programs.

Kindergarten registration underway in Downey Unified

Registration packets are available at elementary schools but children must meet enrollment requirements.

DOWNEY – Kindergarten registration has begun for children who plan to enter a Downey Unified school for the 2019-20 school year starting in August.

Registration packets are available in all Downey elementary school offices. These packets will not be accepted for enrollment until all requirements for entry are met. These requirements are listed below.

To be eligible for kindergarten, children must be 5 years of age on or before Sept. 1, 2019. In addition, Downey Unified will be offering a Transitional Kindergarten (TK) program for children who will reach age 5 between Sept. 2 – Dec. 2, 2019.

TK is the first of a two-year kindergarten program. Early TK may also be available for students who will turn five after Dec. 2. Your name can be added to a contact list at your school and you will be notified if space is available for Early TK students.

Proof of age must be presented at the time of kindergarten registration. This may be done with a birth certificate, baptismal certificate or other

legal document. At the time of kindergarten registration, parents/guardians must also bring proof of residence within the Downey Unified School District.

In addition, parents/guardians must bring evidence their child has received a physical examination which must be completed after March 1, 2019. The Report of Health Examination For School Entry form, which is included in the registration packet, should be taken to your private doctor, pediatrician or usual source of medical care. The local County Health Departments also provides school entry physicals; this may be arranged by phoning the Health Department for times and locations. Please contact the school office for a list of providers if you do not have insurance or cannot afford a physical exam for your child(ren).

Lastly, parents/guardians must also bring their child's immunization record and ensure that their child is current on their immunizations which include:

Five (5) DTaP (four doses meet requirement if at least one was given on or after the fourth birthday)

Four (4) Polio (three doses meet requirement if at least one was given on or after the fourth birthday, if not, a fourth dose is required)

Three (3) Hepatitis B

Two (2) MMR (one dose on or after first birthday, if not, a third dose is required)

Parents/guardians must also verify that the child has received the varicella immunization or a statement from a doctor stating that the child had chicken pox. TB screening will be incorporated into existing state physical examination requirements for children entering kindergarten.

During this routine health screening, the health providers will test students for TB only if a risk factor is present. A requirement by the California Department of Education is that parents/guardians must provide proof of an Oral Health Assessment, which must be completed by a licensed dentist or other licensed or registered dental health professional.

Oral Health Assessments that have happened within the 12 months before your child enters school meet this requirement (examination must be completed after Sept. 1, 2018).

For specific information about registration times and other areas of concern, please call (562) 469-6500 and ask for your local school. If you do not know which school your child will attend, call (562) 469-6553.

Thrift shop celebrating 40 years in Downey

The volunteer-run Second Tyme Around Thrift Shop provides funding for several charitable causes in Downey.

DOWNEY – Assistance League of Downey's Second Tyme Around Thrift Shoppe is celebrating 40 years in business.

In the spring of 1979, Marian Curtis spearheaded the Assistance League to open a thrift shop. Lynne Hutchinson was president and oversaw the purchase of the Second Tyme Around Thrift Shoppe building at 11026 Downey Avenue.

The thrift shop has continuously been staffed by volunteers and sells all donated goods. Both Marian Curtis and Lynne Hutchinson are still regular monthly volunteers in the thrift store. They are role models for all volunteers.

Proceeds from the thrift

shop fund the philanthropic programs of the Assistance League. Some of these programs are Operation School Bell which provides school clothing for needy children in the Downey schools; H.O.M.E., Housing of Medical Emergencies, a ten unit building on the grounds of Rancho Los Amigos Medical Center, that provides low cost housing for people with patients in the hospital; Scholarship based on volunteerism; and Glamour Gowns, sponsored by the Assisteens, that gives prom clothing to high school students who would not otherwise get to attend a prom.

During April, which is National Volunteer Month, the Second Tyme Around Thrift Shoppe will display pictures of volunteers and have special sales. The first



celebration will be an extended sales day on Tuesday, April 2.

We will be opened from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m., featuring hourly sales, and serving refreshments.

Contributed by the Assistance League of Downey.

Jeremy Clifton and Kelley Roberts of the Downey Rose Float Association were guest speakers at Wednesday's meeting of Downey Los Amigos Kiwanis at Cafe n Stuff.

Roberts spoke about the organization's extended history in Downey, the float design and construction process, fundraising efforts, and their plans for the 2020 float.

From left: construction chairman Kelley Roberts, Kiwanis president Michael Calvert, and Rose Float president Jeremy Clifton.



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We need a new Green Deal but not the one offered by AOC

BY STEVE RATTNER

Yes, of course, we need a Green New Deal to address the world's most urgent crisis, global warming.

Just, please, not the one that a flotilla of liberal politicians, including seven of the top Democratic presidential hopefuls currently in the Senate, are signing up for in droves, like children following the pied piper in the old legend.

Our modern-day pied piper, Representative Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez, is trying to lure us into a set of policies that might help save the planet but at the cost of severely damaging the global economy.

To be sure, by the time the resolution was introduced into Congress, some of its most ludicrous provisions (like the deadline of 2030 for a full transition to renewable energy and the immediate halt to any investment in fossil fuels) had been eliminated or watered down.

But as important as continuing to prune the absurd or damaging provisions would be to add what is the most effective way to attack climate change: using taxes and market forces rather than government controls to reduce harmful emissions.

That has been a problem for decades, at least since Washington got seriously into the business of improving the environment, back in 1970 with the creation of the Environmental Protection Agency — under President Nixon!

Politicians prefer that approach because using regulation hides the costs of reducing emissions. The decision, for example, to force improvements in automobile mileage by requiring each manufacturer to improve overall fleet efficiency has added thousands of dollars to the cost of cars.

Higher car prices have the countervailing impact of encouraging Americans to hang onto their older, less fuel-efficient cars for a longer time, offsetting at least some of the gains from newer cars. Nor have the regulations, with their many escape hatches, kept consumers from buying even more sport utility vehicles and pickup trucks as gas prices have remained historically low.

Fortunately, there is a better way to address the climate problem at far lower cost to the economy: a tax on greenhouse gas emissions. That can be imposed in any number of ways. The 18.4 cent federal gasoline

tax, for example, hasn't been increased since 1993 even as most other developed countries impose far higher levies.

A particularly thoughtful proposal has come from the Climate Leadership Council, a bipartisan organization that counts more than 3,300 economists among its signatories. Elegant in its simplicity, the key provision would be the imposition of an escalating tax on carbon. At an initial rate of \$43 per ton, the levy would be roughly equivalent to 38.2 cents per gallon of gasoline.

To prevent polluters from fleeing overseas, the tax would be imposed on imports from countries lacking a similar provision while exports to those countries would not be taxed. While difficult to implement, that component is important to work out.

The entire proceeds from the tax would be rebated to consumers. The council suggests an equal amount for each American; my view would be to exclude the wealthy (who hardly need the estimated \$2,000 a year in payments) and disproportionately favor those closer to the bottom.

Why are so many economists, even conservative ones, in favor of a massive new tax? Because markets do not always price in "externalities" like pollution. In addition to cutting consumption, raising the price of carbon would arguably do more to encourage development of alternative power sources than all the massive new government spending programs that advocates of the Green New Deal envision.

Some technical problems would need to be addressed, such as how the higher prices would filter through inflation calculations and create unintended cost of living adjustments to wages and Social Security payments.

But those are details; the key point is that a carbon tax has been judged by climate hawks like Resources for the Future to be far more effective in reaching the goals of the Paris agreement than the well-intended regulations put in place by President Obama and his predecessors.

That's at least part of why the plan enjoys support from an armada of organizations not often on the same page, like Exxon Mobil and Conservation International.

Historically, the politics of even small increases in the gasoline



Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez

tax have been tough. A 2017 proposal in the House to increase tax by just one penny went nowhere. But recent polls suggest that perhaps sentiment is changing; a survey by the Energy Policy Institute at the University of Chicago found that 44 percent of Americans favor a carbon tax while only 29 percent oppose one.

Given how late we are to the climate battle, maintaining some sensible regulation will also be necessary. But a hefty carbon tax would go a long way toward winning the war.

Steven Rattner was a counselor to the Treasury secretary in the Obama administration.

Congress grows a spine

BY JACOB SULLUM

The War Powers Resolution, which Congress passed in 1973, and the National Emergencies Act, which it approved three years later, were both intended to curb presidential power grabs. But until last week, Congress had never used them for that purpose. We can thank Donald Trump for this belated attempt to enforce the Constitution's separation of powers.

Trump is hardly the first president to use the military however he likes without bothering to ask permission from Congress, which has the constitutional power to declare war. U.S. participation in the Saudi campaign against Houthi rebels in Yemen, the target of last week's War Powers Act vote, may be appalling on humanitarian grounds, but it is less direct than the bombs and missiles that Barack Obama deployed against Muammar Gaddafi's regime in Libya.

In that case, Obama claimed the War Powers Act did not apply, because blowing up Libyan targets did not qualify as "hostilities." The argument was so laughable that the Justice Department's Office of Legal Counsel advised against it.

Obama, like Trump, launched missiles into Syria without congressional approval to punish President Bashar al-Assad for using chemical weapons in that country's civil war. The unauthorized U.S. involvement in Syria, which Trump says he wants to end, began under Obama, who as a candidate admitted "the President does not have power under the Constitution to unilaterally authorize a military attack

in a situation that does not involve stopping an actual or imminent threat to the nation."

Trump, like Obama, was a critic of executive overreach until he had the opportunity to engage in it. "Why is @BarackObama constantly issuing executive orders that are major power grabs of authority?" he wondered on Twitter in 2012.

After declaring an emergency he admits does not exist to obtain border wall funding that Congress has repeatedly declined to appropriate, Trump probably has a better idea of why presidents do that sort of thing. But his attempt to steal the spending power from Congress did not break new ground.

During George W. Bush's last few months in office, his administration unsuccessfully urged Congress to approve a bailout of the auto industry. Undeterred by its refusal, the Bush administration swiped the money from the Troubled Asset Relief Program, which was created to shore up financial institutions. Obama expanded this illegal use of TARP money.

In 2012, a few months before Trump's tweet complaining about Obama's abuse of executive power, Andrew Rosenthal, then the editorial page editor at The New York Times, explained why Bush's record on that score was worse. While Bush overstepped his authority gratuitously, Rosenthal said, Obama did it only when Congress, controlled by Republicans bent on blocking his agenda, refused to give him what he wanted.

WeWork needs a new plan to address its business issues

BY ANGEL GUTIERREZ

If your house had no windows, faulty wiring, and a bad foundation, what's the first step you would take to fix it? Would you decide to repaint the house, or would you go to work fixing the essential problems first?

The answer's obvious. But in the business world, many companies face deep foundational issues, yet nonetheless, devote their focus to cosmetics. It's a common mistake that has spelled ruin for many promising businesses.

Could WeWork be next?

If you're unfamiliar, WeWork is perhaps the top co-working company in the country (co-working meaning an office space where companies, usually startups, share common spaces and amenities). They're expanding everywhere, and have recently announced a new Palo Alto location here in California.

The company hit the scene at just the right time when it was founded in 2011 — real estate was cheap due to the economic downturn, and the hip millennial business craze was in full flight across the country.

Over the last eight years, WeWork has matured from a trendy startup into a \$47 billion dollar company, according to Fast Money. But as the company has grown, they've opened themselves up to new problems.

For starters, WeWork has a spending problem — a big one. According to Recode, last year, "[WeWork's] net loss was \$723 million in the first half of the year on about \$764 million of revenue." This wasn't a one-off; the company has a pattern of money going in and out at just about the same rate.

That's probably fine today while the economy is hot. But in the event of another downturn, such a small amount of cash-on-hand could be a real problem.

WeWork's also come into some ethical dilemmas lately that threaten their reputation as a socially-conscious 21st-century company. For instance, it's no secret that WeWork takes heavy investments from Softbank, a Japanese company that's bankrolled by the Saudi government — especially problematic given the kingdom's human rights violations.

Not to mention, WeWork's also taken heat for their poor response to sexual harassment allegations and for firing cleaning staff who asked for a pay raise.

So far, WeWork has not done much to address the problems themselves. Rather, they've embarked on a new expansion and rebranding effort. They now operate under an umbrella brand called "the we company" and are launching new business ventures in the

education and housing spaces.

Launching a new rebrand and expansion isn't a bad thing. But if this is WeWork's only solution to poor financial management and problematic ethical situations, then it's not the right move.

Not to mention, the rebrand itself has raised some eyebrows. By calling itself "we," WeWork is mirroring the name of a well-established Canadian charity called the WE Organization. The WE Organization has been around for over two decades, and in that time has made a mark around the world for their philanthropic efforts. Furthermore, the charity is involved in many of the same sectors as WeWork.

It's one thing to change your company's name, but when you're using a similar brand as a nonprofit that is involved in the same sectors, it's certainly not the most ideal look for the millennial-driven company.

Bottom line: WeWork's effort to rebrand itself and grow as a business is fine. However, it is not the sole path to solving the true problems facing the company. WeWork has a lot of potential as it expands in California. If the company can solve its internal flaws, there is no doubt that WeWork will achieve even greater success.

Angel Gutierrez is the President/CEO of Crescent College.

Anti-Trump letter

Dear Editor:

Garett Bell's statement that President Trump is a traitor and that GOP leaders are collaborators is ridiculous. ("Traitor in the White House," Lettes to the Editor, 3/14/19)

President Trump has never been proven to have been in collusion with Putin. Bell wants to drag the collaborators through the streets, which is what third world countries do.

Bell is inviting other anti Trump followers to engage in violence. I am a supporter of the President. Does he want to drag supporters through the streets? If I was to wear a MAGA hat in public, would Bell be in my face? Would he be able to discuss our differences without shouting or threatening violence?

I certainly would like to discuss our differences person to person over a cup of coffee and not behind a keyboard.

Bob Rodriguez Downey

Dear Editor:

Will somebody please tell my neighbor, Garett Bell, that the 1980's called and want their foreign policy back

Geoffrey Wilkins Downey

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Legion's 100th birthday

Dear Editor:

On Thursday, March 14, the American Legion Post 270 and the City of Downey celebrated the 100th anniversary of the American Legion at city hall.

I want to thank David Niemeyer and his band from Warren High School for playing the National Anthem. I would also like to thank the mayor's veterans sub-committee for their support and input with this celebration.

I would also thank Jason Chacon and the rest of Parks & Recreation staff for their assistance in seeing this come to fruition. And special thanks to Montebello Post 272 Honor Guard for posting the colors. Thanks also to my fellow veterans who attended this celebration.

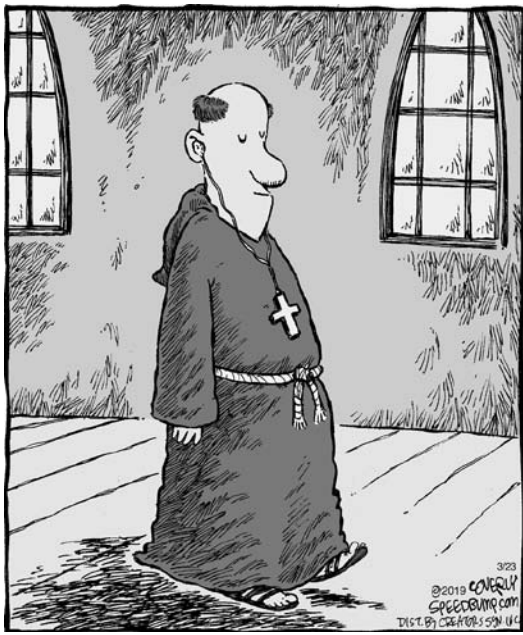
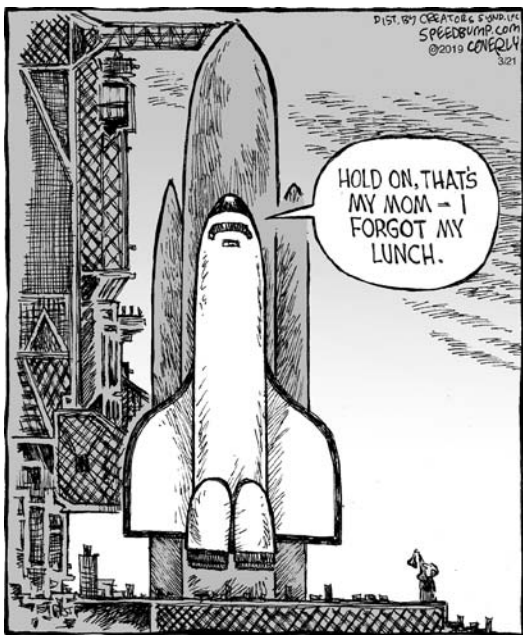
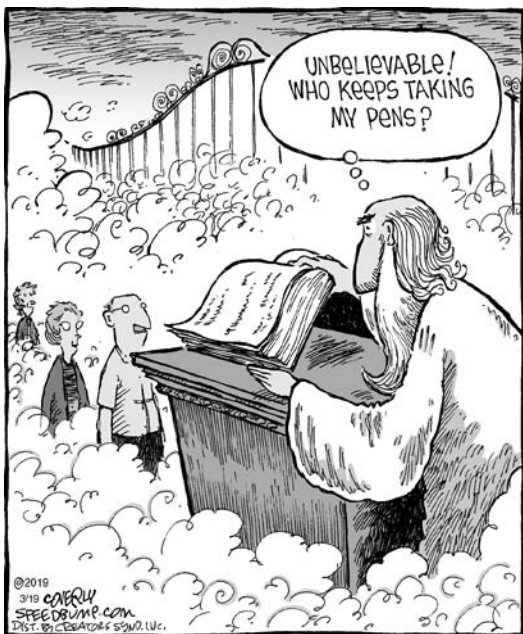
Finally, thanks go to our Mayor Rick Rodriguez and his staff for his support.

Ray Gard
Post Commander
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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 Tue., 11:30 am: Downey Newcomers Club, call Marilyn 928-2623.
 4th Mon., 7:30 pm: Downey Numismatists, at Downey Retirement Center, call 862-6666.

TUESDAYS

9 am: Quilters group, at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, call 803-4459.
 9:30 am: Downey Seniors Club, at Apollo Park, call Irene Vallini at 328-7039.
 10 am: Downey Bocce Club, at 7850 Quill Drive, call John Fiorenza at 652-4399.
 12 pm: Rotary Club, at Rio Hondo Events Center, call Greg Welch 323-816-4532.
 6 pm: Toastmasters Club 587, at First Baptist Church, contact Salvador Cervantes: tmsalcpuede@gmail.com.
 7 pm: Downey Knights of Columbus Bingo, at 11231 Rives Ave., call 923-1932.
 7 pm: Healing Room and Prayer, at Desert Reign Church 11610 Lakewood Blvd, call 861-6011.
 7:30 pm: Downey Master Chorale, at Cornerstone Church, contact info@downeymasterchorale.org.
 1st Tues., 7:30 am: Gangs Out of Downey, at City Hall training room.
 2nd and 4th Tues., 6 pm: Sertoma Club, at Rio Hondo Event Center, call 927-6438.
 2nd Tues., 6 pm: Downey Fly Fishers, at Apollo Park, call 425-7936.
 3rd Tues., 6:30 pm: Community Emergency Response Team meeting, Fire station 1, 12222 Paramount.
 3rd Tues., 6 pm: American Legion #270, at Sizzler Restaurant, call 544-0372.
 Tues., Thurs. & Sat., 10 am: Downey Bocce Club, at 7850 Quill Drive, call John Fiorenza 652-4399

WEDNESDAYS

7 am: Kiwanis Club, at Rio Hondo Events Center, call Steve Roberson at 927-2626.
 1 pm: Women's Bocce Club, at 7850 Quill Drive, call Marie Puch at 869-4366.
 7 pm: Out Post 132 Royal Rangers, at Desert Reign Church, call 928-8000.
 1st Wed., 11 am: Woman's Club of Downey, call Cheryl Olson 833-8954.
 1st Wed., 11:30 am: Downey Coordinating Council, Community Center, call Bobbi Bruce 440-5416.
 1st Wed., 7:30 pm: Downey Stamp Club, at Maude Price School cafeteria, call 928-3028.
 2nd Wed., 11:30 am: Christian Women's Club, call Marilyn 928-2623.
 2nd Wed., 3:30 pm: Keep Downey Beautiful, at City Hall, call 904-7102.
 2nd Wed., 7:30 pm: Downey Model A Club, at Gallatin School Cafeteria, call 928-4132.
 3rd Wed.: Downey Dog Obedience Club, for information please call Gina 869-5213 or Valerie 420-2972.
 3rd Wed., 10 am: Los Angeles County Quilters Guild, at Women's Club, call 860-8821 or 927-3635.
 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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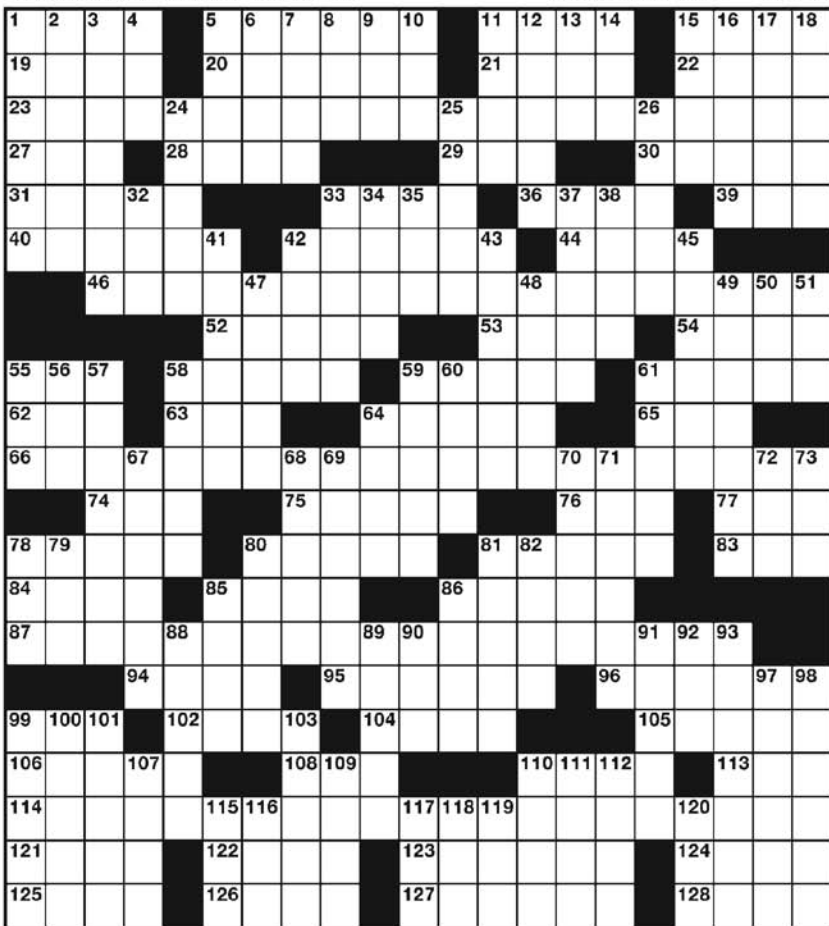
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Delaware's state colors of COLONIAL BLUE AND BUFF (46 Across) were the colors of George Washington's Continental Army uniform. Monty Python member John CLEESE (95 Across) is 6'5", three inches taller than second-place Graham Chapman. LODI, California (11 Down), in the San Joaquin Valley, is known as the "Zinfandel Capital of the World"; winner Robert Mondavi grew up there.



THE DAY DOWNEY NEARLY WENT TO WAR



Two months after the attack on Pearl Harbor, an unidentified flying object prompted the military to scramble anti-aircraft guns in Downey.

Pictured is the Vultee Aircraft airfield circa 1939-40. Photo courtesy Downey Historical Society.

Things You Didn't Know About Downey

By Bobbi Bruce Contributor

The Dec. 6, 1989 Press-Telegram had an article about a wartime "attack" that stirred Downey. This was an article by columnist Milburn Gibbs, a businessman and Downey resident.

As the story starts, Arvin MacCauley was working the graveyard shift at the South Gate Defense factory when he and his mates ran outside when the noise began. Gordon Madru was a kid and it awakened him from a sound sleep; Grace McCarthy was giving her infant son his 2 a.m. feeding when all hell broke loose.

It was Feb. 25, 1942, the day Downey thought armageddon was unfolding. Anti-aircraft guns blazed away at "unidentified flying objects" — presumably Japanese planes. Following is what really happened on the night Los Angeles became the first — and only — mainland U.S. city to be attacked in World War II.

Well, almost attacked.

The Los Angeles Daily News story of Feb. 25 read: "World War II plopped down on Los Angeles' doorstep today with

emplacements is said to have lost much of its virgin nectar to the concrete floor that night.

About 2:30 a.m., a plane or planes of unknown origin were reported sighted and guns from San Pedro to Beverly Hills began to blaze. Thousands of rounds pierced the night sky. Tracers lighted the dark and babies clear to Los Angeles cried.

Air raid wardens and block wardens swung immediately into action. They directed traffic away from the gun emplacements, causing a traffic jam of sorts at Lakewood and Firestone boulevards. They diverted traffic away from the likely target: Vultee Aircraft.

In those days, everyone cooperated. Well, most did, and few who didn't were soon sternly made aware of their patriotic stance and were contrite, the paper said.

News was very much censored during the war. News of great Allied-American victories at Corregidor and Guadalcanal were trumpeted in every paper. The War Department never did admit what really happened the day Downey went to war -- one American weather balloon was mistaken for the armada of zeroes.

One other piece of evidence that came out long after the

war: there was a Japanese submarine — I-17 — operating off our coast that night, which did have the capability of launching a float plane. Later we learned that the I-17 went down in the South Pacific in 1943, her crew and logs lost for all time.

The War Department said later there were probably no enemy aircraft within 5,000 miles of Downey or her besieged neighbors that fateful night.

Around dawn, zone and post wardens were given the all clear and a much shaken group of Downeyites tried to re-group and resume their lives.

For more information on this topic, please visit the Downey History Center.

Downey in 1929: In looking over some old Downey Historical Society newsletters from 1979, there was one titled "50 Years Ago."

The Downey Live-Wire newspaper of Jan. 10, 1929 featured a front-page aerial photo of central Downey: "The Ideal Home Town of the Industrial East Side."

Shown in the photo were major landmarks: Downey High School, Downey Grammar School, Meralta Theater, Ball & Tweedy packing plant,

Southern Pacific Depot, Presbyterian Church, and the Rives home.

Notable in the photo was a vast expanse of "elbow room" and unobstructed sweep of land north to the mountains.

1929 was the year James Hughan sold his 73-acre ranch to E.M. Smith for a new Emsco Aircraft Corporation. Present-day boundaries of the ranch would be Lakewood Boulevard on the west, Woodruff on the east, Imperial Highway on the south and Washburn Road on the north.

Emsco later became Vultee, North American Aviation and Rockwell International.

Also in 1929, the Los Angeles County Fire Department Band, headquartered in Downey with Caesar Mattei as director, made plans for Saturday evening summer concerts to be given in Downey.

Cane sugar sold for the tremendous price of 10 pounds for 53 cents.

Downey voters gave the go-ahead on plans to form a water district: "Extension of the system to land on which homes could be built, eliminating the necessity, as at present, of sinking wells and putting up individual systems, will aid materially in

the encouragement of home building and the growth of the community."

Front page had Downey's receipt of a new automatic rain gauge which was installed on the roof of the First National Bank building by A.L. Darby — president of the bank. He was the official keeper of rain records for this section of the county. The gauge was furnished by the County Flood Control Department and the records kept by Mr. Dary were relayed by that department to the U.S. Weather Bureau as official records.

Judge Rives' property was in the news also on Nov. 7, 1929 as it was being surveyed for subdivision. The ranch extended from 2nd Street to 7th on College, and to Rives Avenue on the west.

The entire acreage was to be included in the subdivision, except about two acres where the Rives home is. This land would be retained by the Rives family as a home.

Building restrictions in this tract would be not less than \$2,500 and up, and all construction must be of Spanish type. Lots were sold for \$1,000 to \$2,500, the latter price being for boulevard lots.

Bobbi Bruce is a docent with the Downey Historical Society.

Downey fashion designers Criseida Serpas and Johana Hernández were featured in a fashion show at St. John's Cathedral in Los Angeles last week.

Serpas kicked off Criseida Couture in 2017, and has steadily been growing her reputation and clientele base. Her line consists of pin-up cocktail dresses, which have been worn by television personalities and news anchors on air.

It was her first time showcasing on a runway.

Hernandez and her company Glaudi Bridal are already found at well-known stores including Macy's, Bloomingdales, and Target. She headlined the fashion show, showcasing several bridesmaid style dresses and wedding gowns.

Photos by Alex Dominguez.



How the Gershwin brothers revolutionized Broadway

George and Ira Gershwin will always be remembered as the songwriting team whose voice was synonymous with the sounds and style of the Jazz Age.

By Mark Keller
Downey Symphony

DOWNEY – In the “Downey Doings” society column that was in last week’s issue of this newspaper, Lorine Parks very nicely wrote about the orchestral and opera compositions of George Gershwin and how they would be presented in the Downey Symphony Orchestra’s “GERSHWIN!” concert that will take place on Saturday, April 6, at the Downey Theatre.

This article is focused on the songs of brothers George and Ira Gershwin that were written for

a Broadway musical show or a Hollywood musical film. There were quite a few!

One of the reasons the concert on April 6th is entitled GERSHWIN! and not BY GEORGE! (for example) is that you can’t do justice to the body of work of George Gershwin without also mentioning his brother, Ira. For most Gershwin songs, George wrote the music and Ira wrote the words. In the case of all song writing teams, at some point they are asked the question: “What gets written first, the music or the words?” Ira’s famous reply: “The contract!”

Prior to the brothers Gershwin working together, George started as “song pluggin’” in Tin Pan alley in 1914 at the young age of 15. His job was to play other song writers’ new works for performers who were looking for new material

to put in their Vaudeville acts or producers looking to find a new song to include in their latest show.

George grew tired of the kinds of songs he was asked to play over and over on a daily basis and after three years he abandoned Tin Pan Alley to pursue his growing interest in writing songs of his own for the stage. He knew he could write better material.

In 1919, it took less than half an hour for lyricist Irving Caesar and composer George Gershwin to write a song for the great Al Jolson to include in his new show SINBAD that became an instant hit, especially after the recording of it in 1920. For all his later successes, “Swanee” became George Gershwin’s greatest commercial triumph and was a milestone in Jolson’s long career as well.

George and Ira actually wrote their first song together in 1918 – “The Real American Folk Song [Is A Rag]” – and their first complete score together in 1921 – A DANGEROUS MAID. The song writing team kept busy in the early 1920’s primarily with Broadway shows. However, it was the premiere performance of George’s first major “classical” composition “Rhapsody In Blue” on February 12, 1924 with Paul Whiteman’s orchestra (George himself playing the piano) that made George a musical celebrity. This writer can not wait to hear “Rhapsody In Blue” performed by the Downey Symphony Orchestra, featuring piano soloist Bernadene Blaha, at the concert on April 6th. It will be a fantastic ending to a great evening of music!

Our GERSHWIN! evening

begins with “Strike Up The Band” from the score of the show of the same name that the brothers wrote in 1927. A satire concerning a war between the USA and Switzerland that erupts over a tariff on imported Swiss cheese, the show was a quick flop and closed during try-outs in Philadelphia. Although performed by the Downey Symphony Orchestra without the lyrics, Ira did write some which he later customized for, and the brothers gifted the song to UCLA after moving to Hollywood in the mid 1930’s.

In 1926, George and Ira brought the show OH, KAY! to Broadway with a score that includes one of their most romantic songs, “Someone to Watch Over Me.” It was introduced by star Gertrude Lawrence, singing it alone onstage to a rag doll she was holding.

Composer George originally wrote the melody as an up-tempo tune but later decided it was much better slowed down to a ballad. A Broadway critic, writing about the show and this song, confessed that the Gershwins had “wrung the withers of even the most hard-hearted of those present.”

Downey-raised singer Rachael Lorenzetti performs this song in the concert on April 6 and commented, “I love the Geshwin songs and was thrilled to be asked to sing some of them. Sharon Lavery, the artistic director, Lars Clutterham, my accompniasnt on piano, and I had to really make some tough decisions to pick what I will be singing, taking in to consideration my soprano vocal range but also wanting to have some variety with the three songs.

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The Paper at my Feet

Short Story

By Michael Chirco
Contributor

I remember sitting in kindergarten class at Our Lady of Perpetual Help School in 1983.

Ms. Frazier had a pretty smile and was very helpful. But I could not sit still. I could not focus nor did anything I was reading interest me, except Ms. Frazier and my coloring book. I drew a lot, mostly doodles, a lot of drawings but I was never focused on my actual homework. Eventually it was decided to hold me back a grade.

So, I repeated kindergarten.

My second time in kindergarten was a little different. The teacher this time was Mrs. Richards. Her son was also in the classroom, but so was Marissa Z., and I couldn't get my mind off of her. She couldn't get her mind off of me.

My cousin Dennis was in the 8th grade at the time and he had a girlfriend named Susan. Susan used to love to come over and pick me up in the playground and play with me. It drove Marissa crazy, and I remember loving it.

All through my years at OLPH, I remember never being able to focus on much other than drawing, writing, reading, art and girls.

But one thing for sure that I was always interested in was the morning paper arriving outside in front of the garage.

On Sundays it was the Press-Telegram or the Los Angeles Times.

I graduated from OLPH in 1992 and went on to St. John Bosco, where much of the lack of interest in school continued. Eventually I found myself in the public school system at Downey High School.

My interests became different at Downey High mostly because there was a lot more to do. I loved my typewriting class, the wood-working class and the architecture class, and there were a lot of girls. But every Friday what I looked forward to the most was the Downey Eagle.

In 1993, the Downey Eagle started showing up at our door. The Downey Eagle was the newspaper that my dad and I enjoyed the most. It featured stories from the local community, high school sports and advertising.

My brother and sister enjoyed the Los Angeles Times.

My brother was really into sports and my sister into the entertainment section. But my dad and I really looked forward to the Eagle. It's too bad that my grades couldn't have been based on the articles of the Downey Eagle.

The Eagle continued to be published from 1993 until 2002. I graduated high school in 1996 and went on to miscellaneous adventures, but never really had a love for the papers that would arrive at our door.

The computer soon became the interest of the home, with random articles, dating sites, MySpace, and the occasional news pop-up or video games like Lemmings or DOOM.

Then one Friday morning in 2002, right before heading to my job, a shady-looking van turned the corner at Dolan Street and zoomed past my parents' house with the passenger window rolled down and a woman in the passenger seat. An arm slingshot out of the window and an object



landed right at my feet. I picked it up and removed the rubber band and opened it up. My eyes opened with excitement.

It was the Downey Patriot!

My life once again was complete.

Michael Chirco is a Downey resident, community volunteer, and owner of the South Downey Facebook page.

Bette Time

Short Story

By Gail Earl
Contributor

My mother's name is Bette. She has always had a thing about being punctual.

Even as a child, I remember being taught never to be late for anything. My mother believed that and lived that. Even though she had four small children to get ready to go out, she always started the process very early, so never to run short of time.

This special allotment of extra time carried right through our adult lives. I'm not sure what she thought would happen, heaven forbid, were we ever late to anything, but I just knew it would never happen. Perhaps it was her "always be prepared for the unexpected" attitude that drove her.

As we children got a little older, we started referring to time as "real time" and "Bette time." "Bette time" meant that you give yourself an extra hour. Being on "Bette time," you never miss a flight, never miss an opening curtain, never miss the start of anything.

Mom always had tables set hours before company would arrive, always had the food prepped and ready to go way before the actual time to cook.

For many years, we kids have kidded about "Bette time" but knew that to mom this was

no joke. It was not optional for us.

Now, to a couple of her children, "Bette time" was a nightmare. Always having to be somewhere early was difficult. We were smart enough to know that this was something that she was unwilling to waver, so we did the best we could.

One of my funniest examples of "Bette time" happened in 1997. My mom, my sister-in-law, my two sisters and myself were traveling through Europe. It was a wonderful trip of five girls giggling their way through six countries. Because "Bette time" never rested, traveling with mom was, well, let's just say an experience.

On our tour, we had to have our luggage outside our hotel room door by 6 a.m. (which meant 4 or 5 to her). Breakfast was at 7, which meant we were dressed and in the restaurant lobby at 6. In any given city, her pacing began before the tour

guide arrived.

We often referred to "Bette time" and soon several of our traveling group began asking, "Is that Bette time or real time?"

While in London, we were having breakfast. We were to meet up with our group in the bus out front of the hotel at 7:30 a.m.

We were eating and everyone was enjoying discussing our day's plan. Mom was getting so anxious about the time, you could just about see her quiver. She was chomping at the bit to get out to that bus, and couldn't sit another minute. She had to get out there and save our seats.

We were only about half way done eating when she got up and said she'd meet us on the bus. About 10 minutes later we went to the bus and found mom was not there. We couldn't imagine what could have happened. We piled off the bus and looked around and saw another bus down the drive way.

We ran to that bus laughing

and thinking, "Oh great, we lost mom." We boarded the other bus and our eyes scanned every seat. Imagine our surprise when we saw about 70 African American women and our one little mother. One of the palest white women in the world, completely surrounded by an entire bus filled with a beautiful Baptist church group. I could be wrong, but I think I'd notice.

The funniest part was that Mom was so proud of being on "Bette time" and being in her seat early and ready to go that it never dawned on her that she might be on the wrong bus.

If we hadn't gone looking for her, I'm not sure how long she would have sat there. Well you can just imagine all the laughs we had about that. We vowed not to let her out of our sight again.

We still smile every time one of us mentions "Bette time."

Gail Earl is a member of the writing class offered through the Cerritos College Adult Education Program. It is held off-campus at the Norwalk Senior Center.

Gaucha Grill announces plans for expansion

DOWNEY — Gaucha Grill, the popular Argentine steakhouse, has announced it is "refreshing" its brand with an updated menu and upscale casual atmosphere, including a dog-friendly patio.

The updates are in anticipation of a "major expansion," according to a press release.

"Gaucha Grill's value-conscious modern concept has consolidated ownership, contemporized the menu, updated the atmosphere, and is preparing for a major expansion with sights of taking on the biggest steakhouse names," the press release said.

Partners Adrian Amosa and Kirk Cartozian opened the Downey restaurant in 2016. A second location in West Covina opened in 2018, and a third location in Buena Park is scheduled to debut this fall.

The menu boasts "bold flavor profiles of Argentine cuisine" including an entraña skirt steak, lamb and chorizo meatball, Mollejas grilled sweetbread served with chimichurri, and a Chilean sea bass sauteed in a hot clay skillet with wine chimichurri and mussel broth.

"The days of the old American steakhouse are becoming a thing of the past," said Cartozian. "You won't be getting unadventurous side dishes like Brussels sprouts, mac 'n cheese, mushrooms and baked potatoes."

Downey Theatre presents:

BILLY OCEAN

Sunday, April 7th, 2019 7:00PM

The million selling American number one single "Caribbean Queen" won Billy a Grammy for best R&B Vocal. It was followed by "Loverboy," and "Suddenly," which became the first of Billy's killer ballads.

More hits were to follow with the now classic "Get Outta My Dreams; Get Into My Car," another US No. 1 hit,

"When the Going Gets Tough,"

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Downey concert pays tribute to the Gershwins

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Ella Fitzgerald's recording of it my whole life."

1928 saw George traveling to Europe where he was honored by several musicians there. Quite the celebrity at this point in his life, he was considered a "double threat" - equally respected in the separate worlds of the Broadway stage and the concert hall. In France he was in great demand by fellow composers such as Sergei Prokofiev and Maurice Ravel. While staying in Paris at the luxurious Majestic Hotel, George worked on the classical composition "An American in Paris" - another selection to be performed by the Downey Symphony Orchestra on April 6.

GIRL CRAZY arrived successfully on Broadway on October 14, 1930 with Ginger Rogers and newcomer, Ethel Merman, in the cast. Many memorable songs that are considered "standards" today were written for GIRL CRAZY. The show was jam-packed with great moments like Ginger Rogers singing "Embraceable

You" and "But Not For Me" to audiences hearing these songs for the first time. Ira won high praise for his fine lyrics.

However, magic took place in the Alvin Theatre on opening night, as the first act came to an end a legendary Broadway career began. Newcomer to Broadway audiences, Ethel Merman, backed by a stage full of chorus girls, stepped downstage to the foot lights and belted out the Gershwin brothers' compelling announcement "I Got Rhythm." Merman made history when, on the second chorus, she just held the 'I' ...one long note...for 16 bars while the orchestra played the tune. The audience just kept clapping and going wild. They shouted for several encores and Merman just kept right on going. To quote her - "It was like electricity!"

GIRL CRAZY was restructured in the early 1990's and came back to Broadway as "The new Gershwin musical comedy" CRAZY FOR YOU. The new title was based on a Gershwin brothers song "K-ra-zy For You" but the show was still set in the 1930's

and retained many of the same songs, plot devices, and main characters from GIRL CRAZY. The first act still ends with "I Got Rhythm" and, in a tribute to Merman, the "I" is held several times during the song as the note gets higher and higher and the high-stepping rhythmic dancing gets more frenzied.

Rachel Lorenzetti will open the second half of the Downey Symphony Orchestra concert singing this up-beat well-known song.

Summoned to Hollywood in 1931, the brothers Gershwin wrote the score for the undistinguished movie musical DELICIOUS which starred Janet Gaynor and Charles Farrell. Despite some very attractive melodies, the film was hardly a hit. The brothers promptly returned to Broadway and the theatre, a territory they knew better and where they were better appreciated.

Upon their return, George and Ira immediately created the score for OF THE I SING, another political satire, which became their longest-running show (441 performances) and became the first musical to win the Pulitzer Prize. However, the prize was only awarded "for the written word" to lyricist Ira and librettists George F. Kaufman and Morrie Ryskind - not to George who had contributed the music. In fact, the score was equally important to the show's success. George called it "the one show that I am more proud of than any I have written."

George jumped back to classical compositions with 'Second Rhapsody' also in 1931 and in 1932 he composed 'Cuban Overture' and completed transcriptions for solo piano of 18 songs, published as "George Gershwins Song Book."

In 1933 the brothers wrote

scores for two commercial and critical failures, LET 'EM EAT CAKE and PARDON MY ENGLISH, which, in Ira's words, was "a headache from start to finish."

1934 saw George and Ira both begin working with author DuBose Heyward on what many view as the greatest opera of the 20th Century: PORGY AND BESS. George's involvement actually began in 1925 after being inspired by Heyward's novel PORGY. The opera was finished on August 23, 1935 and premiered on October 10, 1935 at the Alvin Theatre on Broadway rather than the Metropolitan Opera for which it had initially been intended.

The collaborators feared a full-scale operatic production would limit its appeal to the regular theatre going public. PORGY AND BESS received a mixed critical reaction and only lasted for a meager 124 performances. However, in the years since its initial Broadway run, the artistic merits have been recognized. Fifty years after its creation, the "folk opera" finally played at the Met. Downey Symphony Orchestra will be performing "Catfish Row: Symphonic Suite from PORGY AND BESS" to end the first half of the concert.

George felt that PORGY AND BESS was his most impressive achievement and that the brothers Gershwin had reached their zenith; it was their final theatrical collaboration. In 1936 they made the move back to Hollywood to work again in films. In 1937 they worked closely with Fred Astaire on two film musicals, SHALL WE DANCE and A DAMSEL IN DISTRESS.

Also in 1937, working on the film THE GOLDWYN FOLLIES, George and Ira completed five songs despite the fact that George began to complain about frequent migraine headaches. The last song they worked on together was "Our Love Is Here To Stay" before George died of an inoperable brain tumor on July 11, 1937.

Appropriately, Rachael Lorenzetti's final song she will be performing during the concert will be "Our Love Is Here To Stay" in tribute to the Gershwins' everlasting brotherly love.

Although only 38 years old, George's impressive musical legacy captured the American spirit and is still popular today. "George Gershwin has a place



Rachel Lorenzetti

in music history," said Lars Clutterham, a composer and fellow Downey Symphonic Society board member. "In an extremely short time frame he was able to bridge the gap from popular music to classical music, from Tin Pan Alley to Broadway and Hollywood, with stops along his journey through this world in a few concert halls."

Ira was almost two years older than his brother, George. Together they created dozen of standards but Ira was also proud of his collaborations with other composers including Harold Arlen, Venon Duke, Kurt Weill, Harry Warren, Arthur Schwartz, Burton Lane, and Jerome Kern with whom he created his greatest song hit of any one year, "Long Ago And Far Away." However, in his later years, Ira was somewhat astonished at the durability of the songs that he and his brother wrote. In Ira's words "They are here to stay."

Even though he was officially retired in the early 1980's, Ira occasionally dabbled

in his favorite occupation, even producing new material for the 1983 "New Gershwin Broadway Musical" MY ONE AND ONLY that starred Twiggy and Tommy Tune. Explaining this spurt of activity so late in his life, Ira simply said, "Once a lyric writer, always a lyric writer." Ira died on August 17, 1983, in Beverly Hills.

Tickets for the Downey Symphony Orchestra concert - GERSHWIN! - are still available at the Downey Theatre box office, (562) 861-8211, or at downeysymphony.org. The theatre's lobby doors will open at 6:30 p.m. on April 6 for the Downey Arts Coalition's art exhibit and a pre-concert talk with Sharon Lavery, music director of the Downey Symphony Orchestra, starting at 7:15 p.m.

Free parking is available in the Downey Civic Center and Downey High School parking lots.

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Preparing for his 20th year as Conductor of the Downey Symphony, Thomas Osborn took a trip to the North Pole with his wife. Returning to LAX, he felt ill, and died in the Terminal.

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Mrs. Osborn remembers, symphony archives.
Compiled by Joyce Sherwin

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Snapshots in my Mind

Short Story

By Gail Earl
Contributor

When I think about my life, I see certain snapshots, little glimpses or single-frame photos of different events.

They are like a Rolodex in my mind that I can call up at any moment. That event, frozen in time but there for the recall at any given whim. I have a library of these snapshots.

Some fall into a comedy category that bring brand new giggles to me as I relive

them. Some are dramatic or sad minutes from my past. Some scenes are so accurate in content that they can stir exact memories. If it is a painful moment from my past, just viewing that snapshot in my mind can bring on the exact tears that I shed in the past.

Some scenes are so joyous that just viewing it takes my mind to that happy moment. My reaction to reviewing that scene is the same exact emotion. It is not that I see the photo and think, "Oh, I must have been really happy then." It is more like, I see the photo and I immediately remember and relive how I felt and what I was thinking.

I consider myself very blessed to have this library of feelings. It is a huge library, open at all hours. Those moments that I have already lived are not gone. They are there just waiting to be recalled and enjoyed again. I enjoy thinking about how special this really is.

My life is so full. The moments and the memories I am living today are just new additions to my growing library of life.

My photos take no shelf space and use no film. It is a private library for my use only. It contains everything I have ever

known. These photos are a big part of my life. They remind me of where I came from and keep me grateful. They teach me to be thankful for the life I have been given.

I love living in the present but I truly enjoy celebrating and remembering my past.

Life goes so fast. These snapshots in my mind help me to appreciate each day that I live.

Gail Earl is a member of the writing class offered through the Cerritos College Adult Education Program. It is held off-campus at the Norwalk Senior Center.

Mom & the President

Short Story

By Sharon Benson Smith
Contributor

I was seven years old, and this incident of nearly 75 years ago is as "clear as a bell" in my memory today. The date was April 12, 1945.

School let out. It was raining, so I grabbed my raincoat from the cloak room and ran the half-mile home as fast as I could to get ahead of the coming

downpour. When I arrived home, (and this was before dad's do-it-yourself-remodel), I found mom in the kitchen at the old-fashioned built-in-the-wall ironing board. She was crying as she ironed.

I seldom saw mom cry, and it concerned me, so I asked her what was the matter. She replied: "Honey, President Roosevelt died."

Mom highly respected his leadership qualities that brought the country through two of its greatest crises, the Great Depression and World War II. Sadly, he died just before the

surrender of Germany in World War II.

Simply known as FDR, he was our 32nd president and longest serving in history of the office. He assumed the presidency at a time when Americans were looking for new ideas, leadership, and hope. When war broke out, he coined the phrase, "The only thing we have to fear is fear itself."

In addition to his many

fine qualities and the tough decisions he made, he was the first president since Abraham Lincoln to support black rights.

Rightly so, he remains in the annals of history as one of our greatest presidents and a true American hero.

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I sought my betters: though in each
Fine manners, liberal speech,
Turn hatred into sport,
Nothing said or done can reach
My fanatic heart,
Out of Ireland have we come.
Great hatred, little room,
Maimed us at the start.
I carry from my mother's womb
A fanatic heart.

By William Butler Yeats, *The Winding Staircase*, 1933

Yeats, a champion of the bloody fight for Irish independence, writes of fanatic feelings and the capacity for hatred carried on for so long that it continues to tear at generation after generation. One reason Brexit is stalled is the problem of the border between Northern Ireland and Eire, the Irish Free State, disrupting the 1998 Good Friday Peace Agreement. Poetry Matters is curated by Lorine Parks.

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The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 01/2019
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SYOLANDA ELAINE NEGRETE, OWNER
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on FEBRUARY 27, 2019
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3/7/19, 3/14/19, 3/21/19, 3/28/19

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2019048133
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) FRANCES DAY DESIGN, 12408 CAMILLA ST., WHITTIER CA 90601, LA COUNTY
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The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 01/2019
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S/JESSICA FRANCES RODRIGUEZ, OWNER
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on FEBRUARY 26, 2019
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S/JOSE M MARIN, OWNER
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on MARCH 15, 2019
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Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held before the DOWNEY CITY PLANNING COMMISSION on the 3rd day of April, 2019, at 6:30 p.m., in the Council Chambers of the Downey City Hall, 11111 Brookshire Avenue, Downey, California. At that time and place, consideration will be given to the following:

Conditional Use Permit (PLN-18-00170)
- A request to allow an existing car wash (Unique Auto Spa) to operate with an Alcohol Beverage Control Type 21 (Off-Sale General) license, on property located at 7624 Firestone Boulevard and zoned C-2 (General Commercial).

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

As required by the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), this request has been found to be Categorical Exempt from CEQA, per CEQA Guideline, Section 15301 (Class 1, Existing Facilities).

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

OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF MARICOPA CASE NUMBER JS19871

NOTICE OF INITIAL HEARING ON PETITION FOR TERMINATION OF PARENT-CHILD RELATIONSHIP

IN THE PATTERN OF: HIROYUKI KINSHIP AUTHOR (04/04/2015) A MINOR CHILD(REN)

NOTICE IS HERE BY GIVEN TO DAWN WOODWARD AND ANY OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES THAT THE PETITIONER PATRICIA TAYLOR HAS FILED A Petition for Termination of Parent-Child Relationship with the Juvenile Court in Maricopa County regarding the above name child(ren).

AN INITIAL HEARING HAS BEEN SET TO CONSIDER THE PETITION:
DATE: 04/08/2019
TIME: 10:00AM
JUDGE: Commissioner Harmon
At the Maricopa County Juvenile Court located at:
Durango Juvenile Court, 3131 W. Durango Street, Phoenix, AZ 85009

NOTICE: You have the right to appear as a party in this proceeding. The failure of a parent to appear at the Initial Hearing, the Pretrial Conference, the Status Conference or the Termination Adjudication Hearing may result in an adjudication terminating the parent-child relationship of that parent.

Failure to appear at the Initial Hearing, Pretrial Conference, Status Conference or Termination Adjudication Hearing, without good cause, may result in a finding that the parent, guardian or Indian custodian has waived legal rights and is deemed to have admitted the allegations in the Petition. The hearings may go forward in the absence of the parent, guardian or Indian custodian and may result in the termination of parental rights based upon the record and evidence presented.

Filed February 8, 2019
Chris Deroser, Clerk

The Downey Patriot 3/7/19, 3/14/19, 3/21/19, 3/28/19

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2019055494
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) EUGENE BARBEAU 111, INC., 8455 CLETA ST, DOWNEY CA 90241, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) EUGENE BARBEAU 111, INC., 8455 CLETA ST, DOWNEY CA 90241
State of Incorporation: CA THIS BUSINESS IS ONDUCTED BY: A CORPORATION
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S/EUGENE BARBEAU 111, INC., PRESIDENT, EUGENE BARBEAU 111
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on MARCH 5, 2019
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STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
File Number 2019036224
FILE NO: 2018146274 DATE FILED: JUNE 14, 2018
NAME OF BUSINESS(ES): 3 GGGS TRUCKLINES
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If Corporation or LLC - Print State of Incorporation/Organization: N/A
Business was conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.)
S/GABRIELA NATIVIDAD ROQUE, OWNER
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES on FEBRUARY 12, 2019

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2019047734
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) LIVING LOS ANGELES CONSTRUCTION (2) LIVING REALTY GROUP (2) MAX MARIN REAL ESTATE, 2120 POWERS STREET, POMONA CA 91766, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, P.O.BOX 1916, POMONA CA 91766
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) LIVING LOS ANGELES CONSTRUCTION, INC., 2120 POWER STREET, POMONA CA 91766
State of Incorporation: CA THIS BUSINESS IS ONDUCTED BY: A CORPORATION
The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 12/2012
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S/LIVING LOS ANGELES CONSTRUCTION, INC., PRESIDENT, GUSTAVO BARRERA
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GOVERNMENT

SWINERTON BUILDERS

INVITATION TO BID

Downey USD Sussman Middle School Modernization and New Construction

Bids are due
Thursday, April 18, 2019 at 2:00 PM

DVBE, SBE, WBE, MBE, and local subcontractors and suppliers encouraged.

Swinerton Builders is seeking qualified subcontractors and suppliers to bid on Sussman Middle School in Downey, CA. This is a prevailing wage, lease-leaseback project consisting of the installation of a new 2-story Science (20,000 SF) and Library (4,000 SF) building including science laboratories, classrooms, library / media center and support spaces. New 1-story administration addition (4,000 SF), new 1-story Gymnasium (14,000 SF) building and modernization of existing classroom buildings (65,000 SF). Modernization includes classroom technology upgrades, new fire alarm, electronic door locks, replacement of HVAC units, accessibility upgrades, roofing repair & replacement, and painting throughout the campus. Site work includes parking lot reconfiguration, a new parking lot adjacent to the new Gymnasium, new lunch shelters, new decorative fencing, and landscaping. Detailed scopes of work is fully defined within the contract documents for bid.

A non-mandatory job walk will be held at Sussman Middle School; meet at the school's Administration building at 1:30 PM on the following dates:

- Wednesday, March 20th, 2019 @ 1:30 PM
- Wednesday, March 27th, 2019 @ 1:30 PM

The scheduled construction time frame is: 26 Months with an early June 2019 start date.

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For more information contact Assistant Planner Madalyne Welch at (562) 904-7154, or at mwelch@downeyca.org.

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NOTICES

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
CASE NUMBER: 19NWCPO0048
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner TORI MARINA NINO PAZ filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
Present name (1) TORI MARINA NINO PAZ to Proposed name (1) VICTTORIA MARINA HERNANDEZ NINO
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: APRIL 10, 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 FEBRUARY 13, 2019
Judge Margaret M. Bernal Judge of the Superior Court
Petitioner or Attorney, In Pro Per TORI MARINA NINO PAZ
9631 RICHEON AVE.
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(562) 413-4321

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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
CASE NUMBER: 19NWCPO0072
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner JAIME ALEXANDER GUZMAN BY AND THROUGH GUARDIAN AD LITEM MARIA Y ENCISO AND JAIME GUZMAN ROMANO filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
Present name (1) JAIME ALEXANDER GUZMAN to Proposed name (1) ALEXANDER GUZMAN
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: MAY 1, 2019, Time: 1:30 p.m., Department: B, 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 MARCH 4, 2019
Judge Margaret M. Bernal Judge Of The Superior Court
Petitioner or Attorney, In Pro Per JAIME ALEXANDER GUZMAN BY AND THROUGH GUARDIAN AD LITEM (MARIA Y ENCISO AND JAIME GUZMAN ROMANO)
(323) 333-8531

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PROBATE

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF VIRGIE LEWIS aka VIRGIE LEWIS
Case No. 19STPB0066
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of VIRGIE LEWIS aka VIRGIE LEE LEWIS
A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Maxine Boswell in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.
THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that Maxine Boswell and Rebecca Farthing be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.
THE PETITION requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.
THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.
A HEARING on the petition will be held on March 29, 2019 at 8:30 AM in Dept. No. 5 located at 111 N. Hill St., Los Angeles, CA 90012.
IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.
IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code.
Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.
YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.
Attorney for petitioner: LYNARD C HINOJOSA ESQ
BRENDA DEPEW ESQ
SBN 259510
HINOJOSA & FORER LLP
2215 COLBY AVE
LOS ANGELES CA 90064-1504
CN958257 LEWIS Mar 7, 14, 21, 2019

B. SANTOS, DECEASED
A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by PRITTA SANTOS in the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles.
THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that NIMFA S. TAYLOR be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.
THE PETITION requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.
THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.
A HEARING on the petition will be held on APRIL 8, 2019 at 8:30 a.m. in Dept. 4 Room 217 located at Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles, 111 N. Hill Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012, Central District.
IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.
IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of the mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code.
Other California Statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California Law.
YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.
Attorney for petitioner: NIMFA S. TAYLOR, SELF-REPRESENTED
3570 SUNFLOWER CIRCLE
SEAL BEACH, CA 90740
(415) 740-1852 phone
NIMFA.S.TAYLOR@GMAIL.COM

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TRUSTEE SALES

Trustee Sale No. 18-006123 TSG# DS7300-18003522 APN# 6287-008-003 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 07/25/05, UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDINGS AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On 04/10/19 at 11:00 am, Aztec Foreclosure Corporation as the duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to the power of sale contained in that certain Deed of Trust of Trust created by Miguel Roldan and Maria E Roldan, husband and wife as joint tenants, as Trustor(s), in favor of Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Countrywide Home Loans, Inc. as Beneficiary, Recorded on 08/01/05 in Instrument No. 05 1819918 of official records in the Office of the county recorder of LOS ANGELES, California, and as Trustee in the Petition. THE HEARING AT THE HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH (payable at time of sale in lawful money of the United States, by cash, a cashier's check drawn by a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association or savings bank specified in section 51106 of the California Code and authorized to do business in this state). By the fountain located at 400 Civic Center Plaza, Pomona, CA 91766, all right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County, California described as: 10428 PICCO VISTA ROAD, DOWNEY, CA 90241. The property heretofore described is being sold "AS IS". The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown hereon. Said sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal and interest on the said note(s) or said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon as provided in said note(s), advances, if any, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, estimated fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust, to-wit: \$648,404.54 (Estimated). Accrued interest and additional advances, if any, will increase this figure prior to sale. The undersigned court clerk has said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon as provided in said note(s), advances, if any, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, estimated fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust, to-wit: \$648,404.54 (Estimated). Accrued interest and additional advances, if any, will increase this figure prior to sale. THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.
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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF PRITTA SANTOS aka PRITTA SANTOS
Case No. 19STPB02157
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of PURITA SANTOS, aka PURITA

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A proposal to help Downey's returning veterans and aging residents

By Dennis Billings

A new nonprofit is launching in Downey over the next several weeks specifically to provide services for returning veterans, senior citizens on fixed incomes, disabled seniors or those seniors experiencing daily life as a shut-in.

Assistance is in the form of services and limited funding as described below and is provided by prequalified homeless program participants and returning vets, both of which are looking to stabilize their environment before deciding on a permanent service career or other career option.

Simply stated the project functions as follows: Without using any funding from any governmental source, donated funds are used to rent 3- or 4-bedroom homes in the community. A qualified homeless individual or returning veteran that we refer to as a "house and home captain" is selected to supervise the maintenance of the property as well as the qualified residents.

All residents, including the house and home captain, are paid a weekly salary based on their individual qualifications ranging from a service trainee, service specialist or house and home captain.

The name of the non-profit is Homeless & Senior Hero's, Inc. The reason "senior" is in the name is because some seniors may wish to rent their property to the non-profit for rental income and become house and home captains to also earn a salary. Professional social workers will provide guidance for all of the house and home captains.

As of the 2010 census, Downey has 2,211 households with a person age 65 or older living alone. For the seniors who avail themselves of our services, the non-profit will provide up to \$50 a month to offset the cost of meds and food. All Homeless Hero's services are free to seniors.

The financial model for Homeless Hero's is very similar to the Public Broadcasting Service's (PBS) financial model

whereby donations and grants drive financial support to struggling seniors and those homeless and returning vets looking to gain a new foothold on life as grants and donations drive content for PBS stations.

Once our business model is perfected in Downey it will be expanded on a county by county basis as funds become available. Donations are not limited to the residents of Downey and are accepted from all states, the District of Columbia and all possessions.

We clearly understand not all of the homeless are capable or interested in supporting our rapidly growing senior population nor will all seniors be interested in our services and/or financial assistance. That said, all of our Homeless Hero's and returning vets are eager to provide assistance and have had a background check and are bonded.

Our immediate and focused goal is to demonstrate proof of concept here in Downey so that all of our nation's citizens can clearly see and provide the help to begin to solve three rapidly growing social issues (homelessness, aging seniors in need of assistance and returning vets needing a stable environment to establish or reestablish themselves)

Fifty-five point seven per cent (55.7%) of the US population are over the age 18 and under the age of 65 per the census bureau as of 2018. That leaves about 183 million adults of which about fifty one per cent (51%) or about 92 million (according to the Pew Research Center) are in the middle to upper middle income brackets. If ten percent (10%) would be willing to donate \$10 a month,

we could have the potential to raise \$1.1 billion which of course is not likely in the near term. But we come to this project with a long term view and will set goals based on our performance in Downey.

We have begun to accept donations via the internet and the GoFundMe app. Utilizing the app on your smart phone or gofundme.com on your computer. Simply look for the search window and type in zip code 90242 once on the Downey scroll down until you find "see more" and click on that title and then scroll down until you find the Homeless & Senior Hero's title with a picture of a man standing beside a light pole at Apollo Park.

That man is long time Downey resident William (Bill or Billy) Hayes who grew up in Downey and graduated from Warren High School in 1980. After graduation Bill became interested in the tool and die business where he worked his way up to supervising a small group of workers. During grammar and high school, Bill lived in a house directly adjacent to Apollo Park allowing him to play basketball daily after school and make many friends over the years. Bill has been homeless for a number of years now and

has been providing handyman services to all who ask including seniors who have come to know him. Bill is extremely well respected and liked by the homeless and non-homeless. Bill will be our first house and home captain once adequate funds are available.

Each month we'll produce an announcement of a new member joining the team. Next month you'll be introduced to Jeremy Ferguson, a 28-year-old from Downey. We believe his story will be quite inspiring to many.

The following are the initial services we'll be providing: house cleaning, laundry service, fluff and fold, dry cleaning, carpet cleaning, trash removal, lawn care, Meals On Wheels delivery as volunteers, transportation, home maintenance (i.e. installation and maintenance of smoke and carbon monoxide alarms, leaky faucets, changing light bulbs, etc.), referrals to other social services, to name a few of our services.

The preamble to our nation's Constitution begins with, "We the People" and Homeless & Senior Hero's believe with the support of "The People," this ambitious project will be successful.

We plan to launch in April and at that time we'll publish the different methods of contacting us, including social media. Until then you can talk to us at (714) 342-8769 if you have questions or comments.

Thank you in advance for any and all of your most kind considerations.

Watch us perform!

Dennis Billings is a senior citizen living in Downey, and president and CEO of Homeless & Senior Hero's Inc.



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