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Downey band New American playing final performance Saturday

With two EPs under their belt, the young but popular band built a growing fanbase. Band members say they will continue to perform together.

By William Odis Martin
Contributor

DOWNEY - Downey's own three-piece garageband revivalists, New American, will return to perform its last performance ever this Saturday at Stay Gallery.

Although the band says it will be the last time they jam together live as New American, there is a lot to look forward to as far as new music from the trio as they embark on a fresh start under a new name.

The founding members of New American united in the halls of Downey High and have been playing together since 2016 with Jonny Strang on vocals and guitar, alongside bassist Karim Badran and drummer Alex Mendez.

"We haven't played in Downey in about a year and a half. I used to be the music curator at Stay Gallery when I was in college so I've been putting on shows and going to the gallery for years," says lead singer and guitarist Jonny Strang. "So I talked to Gabe at Stay and we just booked the date."

This Saturday's event, "Into the Chaos Gate", is projected to be "an immersive art experience" that will intermingle the sonic ambience of New American and Thot Chamber with the psychedelic visions and ethereal free dance of multimedia artist The Contaminator.

"The artist, The Contaminator, has had the idea for her event 'Into the Chaos Gate' and she decided that we would be the musical accompaniment," says Strang. "She hand picked our songs and put them in a set for us. While we



PHOTO BY WILLIAM ODIS MARTIN

New American will play its final gig Saturday at Stay Gallery. They are pictured above performing in Fullerton.

perform, the Contaminator will be doing live painting and interpretive dancing as well as interacting with the crowd."

The event promises to be a cerebral glimpse behind the veil, into the mind of a true artist and visionary who welcomes all to come heal in a baptism by pigment, dance, sound and light.

The Contaminator oozes creativity and ceases to amaze and shock the world with her expressive collection of work. She is a living and breathing piece of art. It is liberating to witness a fully actualized creator relentlessly push the envelope and make, paint, dance their way into our hearts and psyches.

Presale tickets are on sale now for \$5 and \$10 at the door. The doors will open at 8pm and UV cosmic clothing highly encouraged by The Contaminator.

For more information, please visit staygallery.org/chaosgate.

Downey hospital awards \$50,000 grant to Lynwood school district

Kaiser Permanente Downey Medical Center said the money will help Lynwood students graduate from college.

DOWNEY - Lynwood Unified received a \$50,000 grant from Kaiser Permanente Downey Medical Center that will allow the district to increase college readiness through new programs, award scholarships to students and provide additional financial support to inspire success in higher education.

The grant is a part of the Healthcare Scholarships & College Completion Initiative, which provides support for students pursuing college. The program allows the District to combat barriers to higher education success, such as affordability, lack of access and limited learning tools.

"We believe that all students and their families deserve the same opportunity to pursue the highest level of education and achieve the life they dream of," LUSD Superintendent Gudiel R. Crosthwaite said. "As a District, we continue to work to even the playing field, and Kaiser Permanente is partnering with us to help empower young people to achieve their goals."

As a part of the program, Lynwood Unified will award scholarships to 10 students this spring: Five students pursuing an allied health, medical or public health degree will be awarded \$5,000; five more scholars attending community college will receive \$1,000.

An additional \$5,000 will

be set aside to provide small grants to college students facing challenges related to housing, food, transportation, books, tuition and technology.

Lastly, the grant will fund college preparation through summer bridge programs and a new annual community college CTE fair. This year's inaugural event will be held Feb. 22 at Firebaugh High School.

Also, Kaiser Permanente partners with the District through a Biomedical Science & Nursing program, a Career Technical Education Pathway program at Lynwood and Firebaugh high schools.

The collaboration serves elementary and middle school students through the Early Individualized Mental Health Project, which provides occupational therapy and assessments to a select group of students and their families.

The Lynwood Partners Educational Foundation helped the District secure the partnership with Kaiser Permanente which has led to both grants.

"Communities with strong educational opportunities are healthier and we are proud to partner with the District," said Jim Branchick, senior vice president and area manager for Kaiser Permanente Downey Medical Center. "We know it's more impactful when Kaiser Permanente partners with organizations that share our vision of community health."

Lynwood Unified has continued to focus on student success in college and future



PHOTO COURTESY LYNWOOD UNIFIED

Lynwood Unified will award scholarships to 10 students this spring after receiving a \$50,000 grant from Kaiser Permanente Downey Medical Center.

careers, and recently increased its District graduation rate by more than 6 percentage points to 90.8 percent, according to recently released California data.

"Our students continue to reach new heights, and it's our responsibility as leaders to keep growing their opportunities for

advancement," LUSD Board President Gary Hardie Jr. said.

"The Healthcare Scholarships & College Completion Initiative is an exciting new program that adds to the culture of success in Lynwood Unified."

Downey YMCA taking sign-ups for Easter Caravan

DOWNEY - Registration is open for the Downey Family YMCA's Easter Caravan, taking place April 12-18 at Lake Mohave.

The camp is for boys ages 11-14. They will take part in jet skiing, parasailing, hiking, and more.

To sign up, or for more information, contact Juan Alcala at juanalcala@ymcala.org or visit eastercaravan.com/parentinfo

Downey restaurant grades

Jim's Burgers
7322 Firestone Blvd.
Date Inspected: 1/16/20
Grade: **A**

Prinkipia Coffee and Tea Room
251 Stonewood St.
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Grade: **A**

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7931 Firestone Blvd.
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Grade: **A**

Tacos n Miches
7404 Florence Ave.
Date Inspected: 1/16/20
Grade: **A**

Red Iron Mongolian BBQ
106 Stonewood St.
Date Inspected: 1/16/20
Grade: **A**

Fatima Grill
7840 Firestone Blvd.
Date Inspected: 1/16/20
Grade: **A**

Ralph's Grocery (Bakery)
9200 Lakewood Blvd.
Date Inspected: 1/15/20
Grade: **A**

McDonalds
10207 Lakewood Blvd.
Date Inspected: 1/15/20
Grade: **A**

Downey Pizza Co.
9026 Florence Ave.
Date Inspected: 1/15/20
Grade: **A**

Stater Bro's Meat
7814 Firestone Blvd.
Date Inspected: 1/14/20
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8767 Firestone Blvd.
Date Inspected: 1/14/20
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8800 Apollo Way
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Grade: **A**

Pastgloria 3 Luceros
12943 Paramount Blvd.
Date Inspected: 1/9/20
Grade: **A**

Weekend at a Glance

Friday 73°

Saturday 73°

Sunday 67°

THINGS TO DO



Japanese Food Expo

Saturday - Loews Hollywood Hotel, 1-9pm

Endeavor the local tastes and travel destinations of Japan, with food tastings, origami workshops, chopstick competition, and demonstrations by sushi robots. \$40



The Doors Tribute

Friday - Sage Lounge in Whittier, 7 pm

Highly-regarded tribute band Peace Frog pays tribute to Jim Morrison and The Doors. \$25



The Godfather Part II

Sunday - Palace Theatre, 4 pm

A special 35mm screening of the Francis Coppola classic. \$20



Urban Foodie Experience

Saturday - Carson Civic Center, 11 am to 5 pm

The Urban Foodie Experience highlights amazing minority owned businesses, especially those that sell delicious, unique food. Free, family-friendly.



Donut Fest LA

Sunday - Indie Brewing Company, 3-5 pm

Sample a wide array of donuts while also enjoying beer and coffee. \$35 admission includes one sample from each donut station, one beer and option to participate in a donut eating competition.

TWEET OF THE WEEK

Lowkey it would be amazing if Downey put a roller skating rink in the promenade. Just sayin @Steven_Lora_





Former mayor David Gafin and realtor Dorothy Pemberton at a Century 21 Peak blood drive in 2019.

Photo by Brenda Vaca (@iambrendavaca on Instagram)

With Red Cross facing shortage, Century 21 hosts blood drive

DOWNEY - Century 21 Peak is hosting a community blood drive Feb. 4 to benefit the American Red Cross, which currently has a critical shortage of blood supply.

The blood drive is from 12-6 p.m. at Century 21 Peak's office, located at 7825 Florence Ave.

Currently, the Red Cross has less than a three-day supply of type O blood available for patient emergencies and medical treatments. Type O positive blood is the most transfused blood type and can be given to Rh-positive patients of any blood type.

While just 7% of the U.S. population has type O negative blood, it can be transfused to patients with any blood type and is what hospital staff reach for during emergencies when there isn't time to determine a patient's blood type.

Every day, the Red Cross must collect nearly 13,000 blood donations and more than 2,600 platelet donations for patients who rely on blood to survive.

Donors of all blood types - especially types O positive and O negative - are urged to make an appointment to give blood or platelets.

To schedule an appointment, call Rowena at (562) 927-2626 or go online to redcrossblood.org and use sponsor code CENT21.



Tammy Ashton speaks at Downey Sister Cities' winter party at Pina Pizza on Jan. 15.

Photo courtesy Downey Sister Cities.

Downey Sister Cities doubles its membership

DOWNEY - Downey Sister Cities hosted its winter party Jan. 15 at Pina Pizza with "record-breaking" attendance.

Downey Sister Cities is reporting a renewed interest in its organization, doubling its membership the past two years.

New member Juan Bosco Robleto is taking the lead in reviving a dormant sister city in Costa Rica, and Carrie Uva is helping to organize a future sister city in Italy.

The group is also planning a trip to Efrat, Israel, in June.

Downey Sister Cities meets the third Wednesday of each month from 6-7 p.m. in the Crawford Room at the Barbara J. Riley Center.

12-week course offers help with family mental illness

DOWNEY - The Barbara J. Riley Center will be hosting a free 12-session education program for family, partners, friends and significant others of adults living with mental illness.

The course is offered by NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) Family-to-Family and is designed to help family members understand and support their loved one living with mental illness while maintaining their own well-being.

The course includes information on illnesses such as schizophrenia, bipolar disorder, major depression and other mental health conditions.

The program is taught by trained teachers who are also family members and know what it is like to have a loved one living with mental illness.

The course starts Wednesday, Jan. 29, from 6-8:30 p.m. and will be held weekly at the same time.

For more details, contact Ana Gonzalez at (562) 413-3636.

Two men sentenced for deadly home invasion

DOWNEY - Two men were sentenced to 15 years to life in prison last week for their role in a home invasion robbery in Downey in which the victim died of a heart attack.

Paul Arvis Misikei, 22, and Sakaopo Atanasio Folau, 21, both pleaded guilty in October to one count of second-degree murder.

Their two co-defendants, Henry Willie Sao, 61, and Michael Anthony Harrod, 28, both pleaded no contest last October to one count of first-degree home invasion robbery and were immediately sentenced to six years in prison.

On Jan. 17, 2016, the defendants went to the Downey home of Jim Rudometkin, 59.

While at the residence, Misikei and Folau forced their way into Rudometkin's home, struck him and tied him up, according to evidence presented in court.

As this was occurring, a neighbor saw the attack and called police. When police arrived, the defendants fled but were located and arrested later.

When police entered Rudometkin's home, they found him bound and unresponsive. He was subsequently pronounced dead at the scene.

Theology professor leading bible study class

DOWNEY - Downey Memorial Christian Church invites the public to a bilingual bible study class presented by Rev. Dr. Jose Morales, assistant professor of historical and comparative theology at Claremont School of Theology.

The reverend will speak on the Gospel of St. Matthew on Sundays from 12:30-1:45 p.m., starting Jan. 26 and through Feb. 23.

"His energy and passion for theological education in service of the church and the world are unstoppable and inspiring," Jon Berquist, president of Disciples Seminary Foundation, said of Morales. "I've watched as he developed his scholarly capacities and received excellent reviews among his students as a superb teacher."

The class will take place in Robinson Hall at Downey Memorial Christian Church, 8441 Florence Ave.

Arc Walk registration now open

DOWNEY - Team and individual registration is now being accepted for the 24th annual Arc Walk for Independence, taking place Saturday, March 21, at Stonewood Center.

The walk raises money for The Arc - Los Angeles and Orange Counties, which provides social services to people with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

Registration is \$25 per person before Feb. 21, \$30 between Feb. 22 and March 20, and \$35 on the day of the walk.

To sign up, visit ArcWalk.org or call (562) 803-4606 ext. 223.

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Councilman Rick Rodriguez will be the featured speaker at the Downey Chamber of Commerce's City Affairs meeting Wednesday, Jan. 29, at 12 p.m.

The meeting will take place in the chamber's board room.

Photo by Claudia Gomez.



Paging Dr. Frischer...

By Dr. Alan Frischer

When you find yourself depressed, upset, or overwhelmed, do you choose to go shopping as a way to improve your mood? This is known as Retail Therapy, and while shopping hardly qualifies as therapy in the medical or psychotherapeutic sense, it may indeed have some therapeutic benefits.

A study published in the Journal of Psychology and Marketing revealed that 62% of shoppers had purchased something to cheer themselves up. But is retail therapy really effective? It may be that in small, manageable, and affordable doses it can be, and not be a problem when done in moderation.

While material possessions rarely bring happiness, here are some possible benefits:

Easing major life transitions: It's no surprise that for many Americans, the two most shopping-intensive times coincide with two of our greatest transitions: getting married and having a baby. Or, how about outfitting a dorm room for your teenager? Shopping and visualizing the future is a means of preparing for these enormous transitions, and helps us to feel more control and less anxiety about what lies ahead. We visualize how we might use the items, and then visualize a new life with them. Great athletes attest that visualization is a performance booster and an anxiety reducer. The act of browsing and purchasing can help us anticipate, imagine, and mentally prepare.

Dress for success: Those interviewing for a new job, starting a new job or relationship, or moving to a new town all want to put their best foot forward. It is clear that dressing appropriately

not only increases our confidence, but also helps us to perform better. A study published in the Journal of Experimental Psychology had some participants wear white doctor's coats. This group had far more accurate scores on tests of attention and concentration than did those wearing only street clothes.

Entertainment and rejuvenation: Shopping, whether online or at a store, may represent a type of mini mental vacation - a relatively mindless, relaxing activity. When faced with a difficult task, short breaks like these can actually improve performance and decision-making.

Connection with others: Virtually every culture has long used the marketplace as a place to relate with others in the community.

However, overdoing any behavior can lead to serious problems. The warning signs for habitual shopping or compulsive buying disorder look very similar to warning signs for other abuses and addictions, such

as those for alcohol. A person abusing shopping may hide purchases from loved ones, feel guilt or shame, miss work or other obligations, and feel that shopping is no longer fun but necessary. Many have gone into debt as a result. This condition may require psychological help.

Here are some first steps for those of you with concerns about habitual shopping:

- Shop only for items you already planned to purchase.
- Bring only a small amount of money with you.
- Window-shop, or put items onto an online wish list rather than in your cart. Try on clothing, but put items back or on hold. Evaluate the potential purchases another day, and make a less impulsive decision.

Retail therapy may or may not be a bad thing. Controlled spending has been shown to help with mood and stress, however overspending and shopping addiction are terrible coping mechanisms. If you feel that your shopping is out of control, seek help.

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



Assemblymember Cristina Garcia is accepting nominations for Woman of the Year. Nominations are due by Feb. 1.

Nominations sought for Woman of the Year

DOWNEY - State Assemblymember Cristina Garcia is accepting nominations for her 2020 Woman of the Year award.

Every March, in celebration of Women's History Month, the state legislature honors women of all ages from across California for their contributions to their community, workplace and families.

Garcia will honor one recipient from each of the nine cities within the 58th Assembly district, in addition to the 58th District Woman of the Year who will be recognized in Sacramento.

For eligibility, nominees must live in the cities of Montebello, Pico Rivera, Commerce, Bell Gardens, Downey, Norwalk, Bellflower, Cerritos or Artesia.

"I am counting on you to take the time to nominate your favorite woman who has volunteered her time and efforts for the betterment of our community," Garcia said.

Nominations are due by Feb. 1. Nomination forms are available on Garcia's website.

POETRY MATTERS

New Year's Day

The New Year is coming amid the sound of firecrackers, the spring breeze has wafted the warm breath with Tusu wine, while the rising sun shines on thousands of houses. New peach wood charms replace the old ones.

Wang Anshi, North Song Dynasty, 1021-1086 CE

The peach stands for longevity, and for the Lunar New Year in China people hung peach wood charms on the gate to ward off evil. Wang believed his political reforms would bring a promising new world. Gun powder was invented in this dynasty. Poetry Matters is curated by Lorine Parks.

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In Memory of



Donald Hogue McCollim
May 5, 1929 - December 29, 2019

Donald Hogue McCollim, long-time Downey resident and avid reader of The Downey Patriot, passed away at age 90 in his home surrounded by family. For many years he valiantly struggled with congestive heart failure, but on December 29, 2019, it was his lungs that failed him.

Donald was born in Oxnard, CA, on May 5, 1929, the third of four siblings. During the Great Depression, his family lived at his grandmother's ranch outside Ventura, CA, where as a young boy he loved playing in the open fields and eating the fresh fruit, corn and nuts on the ranch. His family eventually moved to Huntington Park, and he graduated from South Gate High School in 1947. After graduating, he worked as a filter operator at West End Chemical Company in Death Valley. He met his first love, a 1947 Indian Chief motorcycle, which he often rode out to the desert. The relationship was short-lived when he was drafted into the U.S. Army in 1950 and had to sell the motorcycle (which he often lamented what it could be worth now). His younger brother, Lawrence McCollim, was already stationed in Korea during the war so Donald was sent to serve and protect in England and Germany. He was honorably discharged from the army in 1956 and returned home, where he began constructing roads, bridges and buildings as an ironworker. Over his long career, he built the frames of several skyscrapers and prominent buildings from San Diego to San Francisco, including the U.S. Bank Tower in downtown Los Angeles – at the time, the tallest skyscraper west of the Mississippi River and one of his last projects before retiring. He was a member of the Reinforcing Ironworker's Local Union #416 through retirement.

In his mid-20s, he met his second love: Mexico. Inspired by his older brother, Richard McCollim, he enjoyed countless road trips through Baja California and mainland Mexico, often spending months at a time living in Guadalajara. While in Mazatlan for his brother's wedding, he met his wife-to-be, Nelly Guerrero of Guadalajara. They discovered that Donald had rented a room blocks away from Nelly's family's home and had been buying milk and eggs from Nelly's mother's store. Donald and Nelly were married in 1965 in Guadalajara, where they started their family. In 1969, they moved to Downey and raised their 4 daughters, all of whom attended Our Lady of Perpetual Help school.

Donald is survived by his sister, Jeanne Talbert, his wife, Nelly, his 4 daughters, Patricia McCollim, Suzan Etheridge, Janice Olea and Marlene McCollim, and 2 granddaughters, Madelyn and Kaitlyn. He is remembered for his gentle strength, genuine kindness, countless acts of selflessness and devotion to his family.



At rest in the church that Harold built

Friends remember civic leader Harold Tseklenis at St. George Greek Orthodox Church, a sanctuary he was instrumental in building.

By Lorine Parks
Society Writer

Hundreds of friends came to the church that Harold Tseklenis had been the driving force to build. Father John Constantine had said during the service, "Harold was unassuming, not the sort to say, 'I built that.'" But he did.

And before this church? Worship services were originally conducted in a renovated vacant store on the present property, and the iconostasis, or rood screen that separates the congregation from the altar, was actually made by Harold in his wood-finishing workshop.

"When it was done," Harold said then, "I drove in the middle of the night the one-mile distance from my garage to the church, with the screen balanced on top of my car. It was the scariest thing I have ever done in my life."

"Were there many Greek families in Downey," I asked Harold, "when you and Anna came to live here in the 50's?"

"No," said Harold, "there was only one Greek family here. We came to Downey because it was freeway-convenient, and had excellent schools. And gradually so did other Greeks."

Those "other Greeks" were the parishioners who nearly filled St. George's Greek Orthodox Church for the services. The G. in Harold's first name stood for George, St. George, the beloved patron saint of Greece. Harold once confided that most male Greeks are named George. That's why Harold went by his middle name.

"It's impossible to write about Harold Tseklenis, who died on December 29, without writing about the city of Downey as well," Lawrence Christon wrote in his tribute in The Downey Patriot. The proof of that statement was in the variety of attendees. Dr. John Garcia, superintendent of the Downey Unified School District was there, with Martha Sodevani, member of the school board.

Don Marshall, president of the Downey Symphonic Society was present, as was Sharon Lavery, music director of the Downey Symphony. "I loved Harold," Sharon said.

Mark Keller and Joyce Sherwin were there from the Symphonic Society Board, as was Ryan Keene and long-time supporter Lea Fratello. Said Joyce, "Such a decent man, effective, gallant, sheer pleasure to be with."

Harold was practically a founding board member and promoting classical music in Downey community was his passion for over 50 years.

People Harold had worked with in the community sat next to neighbors on Eighth Street, like Annie Rojas, whose Model A Christmas party Harold and Anna had walked across the street to attend less than a month ago. Downey Police Department Officer Rick Tuttle (retired), who also attended that party, lamented, "I was Harold's neighbor for 30 years."

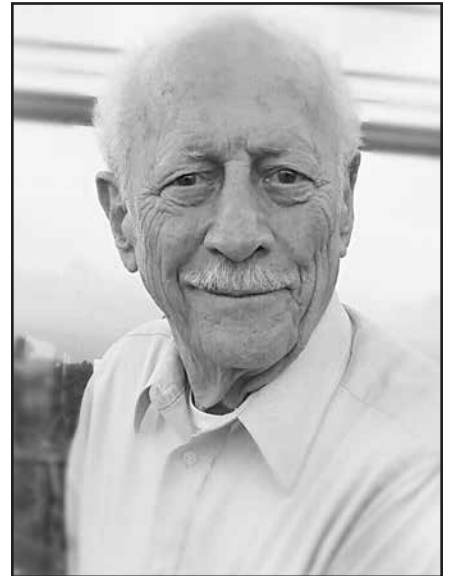
Members of Harold's Rotary Club of Downey came. Barbara Lamberth, Bill Kirkwood, John Lacey, Jorge and Maru Montero, as well as Ray Mesler, Greg Welch, and Ray Andazola. Chuck Hutchinson had sponsored Harold in Rotary and his widow Lynn came too.

As Rotary President Nathan Mahoney said, "We have lost a great humanitarian and an even more amazing Rotarian." Shirley Johnson echoed those sentiments.

Former Mayor Rick Rodriguez was busy preparing to give his State of the City address at the Rio Hondo Event Center, but he had sent word, "Rest In Peace old friend. A huge volunteer of our city!!"

Also seen: Marian Curtis and Adele Alexander from the Assistance League, Priscilla Winslow came from Berkeley, and Dick and Barbara Sterling, Mary Coates came back to the Downey.

"He was such a great spirit, said Priscilla, "not only in recent years but from my



teenage memories. He seemed timeless."

Also remembering Harold from 50 years ago were Carrie Parks Wylie who drove up from Laguna Niguel, and Jeff Parks from Bellflower, and David's childhood chum Alan.

Marian Curtis, Adele Alexander Abruzzo and Judy Faust were there from the Assistance League. So many more faces that I did not know, but you can be sure Harold had touched their lives.

Pat Gil represented the Downey Arts Coalition, which Harold had helped found in 2011, according to Andrew Walquist, the first president.

"Harold said to me that Downey could really benefit from all of its arts organizations and advocates joining forces, in what could be an arts coalition, to encourage the city to start an official arts commission to support the arts in Downey," said Andrew.

Harold was a tireless voice urging city support for the Downey Museum of Art, the Downey Symphony Orchestra, the Downey Civic Light Opera, and the Downey Theatre. As Andrew's wife Lana Joy, said, "He never stopped being a vocal and optimistic advocate for the arts in Downey. Your work is done now, Mr. Tseklenis, and you did well. Rest in Peace."

Continued on page 11

In Memory of



Helen Marie Kindergan Higgins
September 15, 1921 - December 26, 2019

Helen Marie Kindergan Higgins was born in River Edge, New Jersey, on September 15, 1921. The second of two children of Maria Arias Kindergan and Joseph Francis Kindergan who was a bricklayer and contractor. She grew up in New Jersey and started school at the age of 4 because according to her mother, "She was a smart little thing." She graduated from Hackensack High School, New Jersey at the age of 16 and entered Skidmore College in Saratoga Springs, New York.

She graduated from college at the age of 20 and entered the work force as a secretary on Wall Street in New York City.

On April 30, 1943, she went on a blind date and met the love of her life, Navy Lt. Milton Higgins, while he was on liberty in New York. They were married on March 12, 1944 and honeymooned at the historic Chateau Frontenac in Quebec, Canada. Immediately following their honeymoon, Milton was shipped out on the battleship Arkansas and participated in D-Day.

Following the end of the war, they moved to Chicago where Milton earned his MBA/CPA at Northwestern University and Helen worked as a legal secretary. Following the completion of Milton's degree, they headed west in the first car either had ever owned with all their worldly possessions in the back seat.

They arrived in southern California and eventually settled in Downey, where they lived for 65 years and raised their three children: Sharron, Linda, and Keith. When the children were young, Helen was a stay-at-home mom. When the youngest child entered school full time, Helen returned to college earning and earned her teaching credential and master's degree. She taught business education at John Glenn High School for 29 years.

In retirement, Helen and Milton, married for 71 wonderful years, traveled throughout the world and managed to visit exotic places on every continent. She was always impeccably dressed, the epitome of social graces, and a gracious hostess. Her planning and organizational skills were legendary! She was able to organize any event or activity, even if it was only cleaning out a closet.

On December 26, 2019, with family gathered around, she joined Milton who passed December 27, 2015. She is survived by her three children, seven grandchildren, and eight great grandchildren who will miss her very much.

We wish to thank and recognize the loving, professional care provided for her by the staff of Palomino Residential Care Home as well as the support and comfort from Premium Hospice.

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Opinion

The gas tax bait and switch

By Jon Coupal

Cassandra of Greek mythology was blessed with the gift of prophecy and doomed by the curse that no one would ever believe her.

Conservatives in California know just how she felt.

California's modern day Cassandras have repeatedly warned about the misuse and diversion of public funds for roads and highways. In no other area have California voters been lied to more frequently and more brazenly than with transportation spending.

Nearly 30 years ago, voters were told that California's roads, freeways and bridges were crumbling and that spending on transportation was so seriously inadequate that a gas tax increase and other taxes were desperately needed to save California from ruin.

Based on the promises from special interests — in a very well-funded political campaign — in 1990 voters approved in Proposition 111, a 9-cents-a-gallon tax increase combined with a 55 percent increase in truck weight fees.

Demonstrating that not much has changed in three decades, promoters of Prop. 111 trotted out long lists of projects that would be completed with the billions of dollars in new revenue. Advertising focused on the benefits of Proposition 111, without ever mentioning taxes.

Sound familiar?

Fast forward to 2017 with the infamous passage of Senate Bill 1, a massive tax increase of another 12 cents per gallon on gasoline, an additional 20 cents per gallon on diesel fuel and a sharp increase in the cost of vehicle registration.

In defense of Iowa

By Mark Shields

We have reached that time in every presidential nominating year when distinguished, national opinion leaders beat up on Iowa and that admirable state's influential role in determining the two major parties' eventual presidential nominees and, therefore, the next president.

The USA Today editorial board indicts Iowa for being "one of the least ethnically diverse states in the country" and its status as the first-in-the-nation presidential test every four years as "un-American," while Paul Waldman writes in The Washington Post that the Iowa caucuses "are a crime against democracy."

It is time someone stood up for Iowa and Iowans. It's true that Iowa is neither very representative of the entire nation nor very average. Scholarly studies have ranked Iowa as tied for first place in percentage of the adult population who are high school graduates. Iowans are fourth highest in access to health care (more "representative" Florida and Texas rank 46th and 47th respectively in citizens' access to health care); first in broadband access; and third highest in public libraries per capita.

True, the Hawkeye State leads the nation in production of corn,

Passage was secured in the Legislature through a toxic mix of threats and pork.

There was far more political blowback from the 2017 tax hike than politicians were anticipating.

Nervous legislators responded by swearing up and down that, unlike all the broken promises before, this time the money would actually go to roads and highways.

To show they meant it, the Legislature put Proposition 69 on the June 2018 statewide ballot and claimed it would protect those dollars against the type of diversion that had occurred in the past. But it soon became clear that Prop. 69, mythically named the "Transportation Taxes and Fees Lockbox," was just another smokescreen.

An initiative that would have repealed the gas and vehicle tax hikes, Proposition 6, was defeated in 2018 following a massive political campaign that claimed that without the extra tax money, bridges would be unsafe and people would be killed by poorly maintained infrastructure.

Again, the advertising in opposition to the repeal was highly sophisticated and targeted. Voters in Los Angeles were told that all road projects in the Southland would stop dead in their tracks if Prop. 6 passed. Similar scare tactics were used in San Francisco, Sacramento and the Central Valley.

Once again, a promise in writing to dedicate gas tax dollars for road construction and maintenance was written in disappearing ink.

In September, Gov. Gavin Newsom signed an executive order that has redirected gas tax money to fund railway systems and other projects, rather than repairing and upgrading the state's broken highways and roads. The governor and Caltrans claim that

the diversion of funds is justified by the need to do something about climate change.

Upon hearing of the cancellation of projects to widen bottlenecks on Highway 99, Fresno Assemblyman Jim Patterson, one of California's responsible legislators, said angrily, "Instead of building capacity on our highways to move people and freight, Gov. Newsom is funding his pet rail projects throughout the state."

Patterson called it a "theft of funds meant to improve our roadways" and warned that it is "a glimpse into the future."

Cassandra couldn't have said it better.

"The Central Valley is just the beginning," Patterson predicted. "Other road projects will likely be next" to be canceled.

Conservative observers in California have, over the last two decades, implored voters not to trust the current political establishment.

Sadly, warnings about corruption, incompetence and misuse of public funds have too often gone unheeded as voters keep electing the same irresponsible politicians. Citizens are now paying the price for their disbelief.

Under the current political regime, Californians are suffering with the worst roads and yet pay the highest transportation taxes.

Cassandra warned of the downfall of Troy. Of course, that's just a myth, unlike the U-haul trucks you see on the road as Californians flee the state. Those are entirely real.

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soybeans and pork, but Iowans are at the top of the nation in literacy, and the state has the U.S.'s 14th lowest murder rate.

But Iowa remains a small, rural state in the middle of the country. How representative can its voters be of the nation at large? The answer: amazingly so. In 1992, Democrat Bill Clinton won 43% of the national vote and the White House; in Iowa, Clinton won 43% of the vote. In 1996, winner Clinton carried 49% of the national vote and 50% of the Iowa vote. In 2000, Democrat Al Gore won the national vote by one-half of 1% and Iowa by one-third of 1%. Republican George W. Bush won reelection in 2004 with 51% of the national vote and 50% in Iowa. Democrat Barack Obama, in 2008, got 53% of the national vote and 54% of Iowans. In 2012, Obama was reelected nationally by a margin of 4% and in Iowa by 5%. In 2016, the exception: Donald Trump, who lost the national vote by 2% to Hillary Clinton, carried Iowa by a solid 10%.

Yes, Iowa's 2008 Democratic caucuses were 93% white, and those mid-American Caucasians made history by giving legitimacy and momentum to a freshman senator from Illinois, Barack Obama. In Iowa, the African American underdog won an upset victory over the heavily favored former Secretary of State Hillary Clinton and was propelled to the top of the national polls.

Bernie Sanders' false advertising

By Froma Harrop

It needs pointing out that Bernie Sanders' Medicare for All plan bears little resemblance to Medicare. The Vermont senator undoubtedly exploits the word "Medicare" to obscure the radicalness of his single-payer proposal. Medicare, after all, is very popular.

Those who admire single-payer systems — which do have their virtues — should own up to it and not hide their plans under misleading labels. Medicare isn't single-payer.

Even Canada's single-payer system doesn't offer the range of free services Sanders proposes. For example, it doesn't cover vision and dental. Sanders' plan does, and with no copayments for them or anything else. Many single-payer systems also require that people fish a small bill out of their wallet for certain doctors' visits, a reminder that it's costing somebody.

The cost of the Sanders plan would be a fantastical number of trillions. He evidently thinks it beneath him to talk about money. (Elizabeth Warren did and paid the political price.)

Before we go on, a few good words for single-payer. It easily cuts costs, is simple to administer and guarantees universal coverage. Canadians very much like their system.

But multipayer setups in France, the Netherlands and elsewhere — which, like Medicare, combine government and highly regulated private coverage — do much the same. And they deliver excellent outcomes.

Politically, a single-payer system could not happen in today's United States. Canada's health system forbids people from going elsewhere and paying for a service that's covered by the government. Americans would rebel against that prohibition. It's true that some

Canadians go to the States for certain medical services, but they're very much the exception.

By contrast, some Americans are willing to pay full freight to go to fancy doctors who don't accept the insurance they have, not even Medicare.

Medicare is a wonderful deal for the elderly, but it is not free. Medicare beneficiaries pay on average over \$5,000 a year on health care expenses. For starters, they must often pay deductibles, copays and extra for certain products and services.

Medicare does pick up hospital bills, but beneficiaries have to pay a premium (for Part B) if they want coverage for doctors' visits. And Part B covers only 80 percent of the bill. So a patient with \$100,000 in outpatient charges must come up with \$20,000. That person can buy more insurance, the Medigap policy, to cover that. And, of course, there are extra charges for drug benefits.

Over a third of Medicare beneficiaries have signed up for Medicare Advantage plans sold by private insurers. Medicare Advantage may offer more services and charge less than traditional Medicare, but the insurers usually limit patients to providers within their networks.

Three points in closing:

First, rather than push a Medicare for All plan that bears little resemblance to Medicare, wouldn't it make more sense to advocate letting Americans, say, ages 55 to 64, buy into the existing Medicare program? This would be an uncomplicated and popular first step for expanding Medicare.

Second, it's nuts to think that any president could wave his magic hands and radically transform America's health care system. Recall that President Obama couldn't even get all Democrats on board for a public option, a government-run plan competing with the private insurers.

Thirdly, a public option advocated by other Democratic candidates is the way to go. If it were available to everyone, even for employer-sponsored coverage, it could become a basis for all negotiation. Translation: Boeing could tell Blue Cross that it would go to the public plan if Blue Cross wouldn't offer a better deal.

In the meantime, everyone, kindly stop applying the name Medicare to Sanders' health proposal. It's false advertising, and it hurts the Medicare brand.

Climate change is undeniable

Dear Editor:

This is in response to the letter titled "The Time to Fight Climate Change is Now" (1/16/19).

People write about this issue often coming from polar opposite ends of the spectrum. Either you have the information, you know what's happening now, and what needs to be done or you still think it's something that will happen to another country and never affect you.

Sadly, climate change is too often treated like cancer: "As long as I don't get it, it doesn't affect me."

If there are adults who feel this way, I fear for your children because they emulate what you say and do. Climate change is happening now. It's time.

Lucy Rivero Downey

Questions about H.R. 763

Dear Editor:

I read with interest the two letters regarding H.R. 763 (Energy Innovation and Carbon Dividend Act of 2019). I'm not challenging it, I'm just wondering what is in the bill that would make prudent use of taxpayers' funds regarding pollution.

What funds? Who pays the steadily rising price on carbon? I must say I'm skeptical of government returning money to the people.

What are the border tariffs to protect American businesses and workers from unfair foreign competition? How will it increase jobs? Also, what is the administrative cost? Will there be another office set up to do this? What is required in the transition period? What will be required to reduce fossil fuels?

Another question: will the U.S. do this while China, India and other countries are the ones who produce the most air pollution?

Both letters mention Rep. Lucille Roybal-Allard supporting H.R. 763. It would be good if she would come to Downey and explain it. Frankly, I'd be surprised if she could. When I met with her a few years ago and brought up the NAFTA super highway, she didn't know what it was. After I explained it to her, she said "write that down Hector." Then I asked about SPP (Security and Prosperity Partnership). That was where we would build a big building in Mexico City and they would mail out our Social Security checks from there. Her answer was the same: "write that down, Hector."

The only thing she could come up with was, "I am for DACA." It only took me five calls to her office (two to DC and three to her L.A. office) to find out she didn't want a border wall.

Now, regarding our state officials: if you wonder why they are so quick to tax gasoline, it is probably because it is a tax they don't have to pay. Their cars are provided; they don't pay for gasoline and the taxpayers also pay for their car insurance; I assume the same would apply for repairs.

The last increase in gas tax was supposed to repair roads but Gov. Newsom wants to use a lot of it for light rail. There are very few politicians that I trust.

If our elected officials are so concerned about pollution, why don't they take commercial airlines and not their private airplanes to go to work for the three days a week they work?

Lastly, what happened to Gov. Brown's fast track from L.A. to San Francisco? Was it not because there was so much overrun in funds that it may never be completed -- even after tearing out two miles of a freeway for it to go there?

So I definitely want a very detailed explanation of HR 763 and I'm sure other taxpayers do too.

Elsa Van Leuven Downey

Praise for Lorine Parks

Dear Editor:

I have enjoyed Lorine Parks writing in the Hub Bub, Downey Rotary's weekly newsletter, and in Rotary District 5280 monthly newsletter.

Additionally, I am privileged to read her curated Poetry Matters column and society columns in The Downey Patriot. If a good example of Lorine's writing is needed, her obituary about our fellow Rotarian Harold Tseklenis would suffice.

Good writers can recognize good writing very well. I am not surprised that Lorine has been selected as a judge by Spitball Magazine. They will certainly benefit from her writing talents.

Jorge Montero Downey

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 1st Tue., 4:00pm.: Recreation and Community Services Commission, Council Chamber, City Hall.
 2nd & 4th Tue., 6:30pm: City Council, Council Chamber.
 3rd Tue., 6:30pm: Library Advisory Board, at Downey City Library.
 3rd Thurs., 6:30pm: CERT, at Downey City Council Chamber at City Hall, for more info call 299-5462.
 4th Mon., 5 pm: Green Task Force, at City Hall.

Regularly Scheduled Meetings

MONDAYS

7 pm: Boy Scout Troop 2, at Downey United Methodist Church, call 869-6478.
 4:30 pm: Courage Forward Meeting, at 10829 New St, 2nd Floor, call 213-545-6810.
 2nd Mon., 11 am: American Legion Auxiliary #270, at United Methodist Church, call 304-3439.
 3rd Mon., 11:30 am: Downey Newcomers Club, call Marilyn 928-2623.
 4th Mon., 7:30 pm: Downey Numismatists, at Downey Retirement Center, call 862-6666.

TUESDAYS

9 am: Quilters group, at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, call 803-4459.
 9:30 am: Downey Seniors Club, at Apollo Park, call Irene Vallini at 328-7039.
 10 am: Downey Bocce Club, at 7850 Quill Drive, call John Fiorenza at 652-4399.
 12 pm: Rotary Club, at Rio Hondo Events Center, call Nate Mahoney 416-1826.
 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 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., 6:30 pm: Sister Cities of Downey, at Barabara Riley Senior Center, 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

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7:30 am: Connections Networking, at Bob's Big Boy, for info., call Nick Smith, 861-5222.
 7:30 am.: Seroptimist 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.
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 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.

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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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1845: The U.S. Congress decided all national elections would be held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November.
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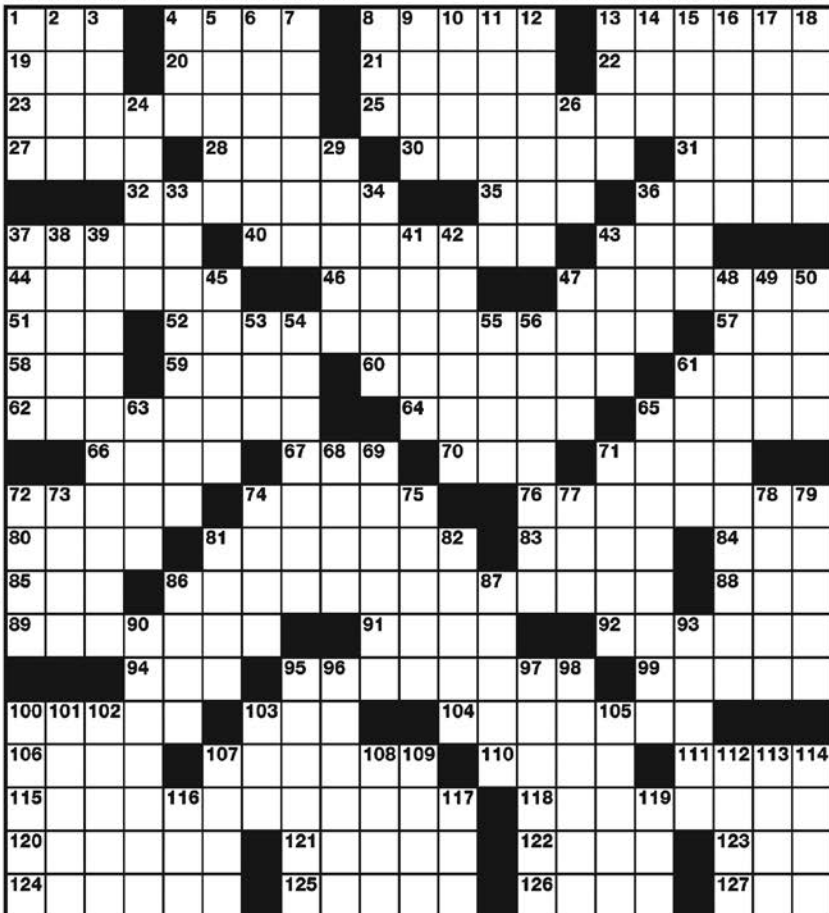
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SPORTS: Warren tops Downey in rivalry showdown

By Mark Fetter
Sportswriter

DOWNEY - The Downey/Warren wrestling match took place last Thursday night at Warren High School and the Bears defeated the Vikings, 33-27.

The match started at 106 pounds and Warren raced out to an early 13-0 lead. Warren earned six team points for a pin by Lopez at 106 pounds, earned another four team points by Herrera at 113 pounds for a 13-3 win and earned another three team points by Iniguez at 120 pounds for a 6-2 win.

Downey earned their first win and three team points by Mendoza at 126 pounds in a 10-4 win. Warren answered back with four more team points from Cortez at 132 pounds after a 9-1 win.

The Bears then earned another three team points by Gutierrez at 138 pounds for a 2-1 win and at this point, had won five of the first six matches to take a 20-3 lead.

Downey recorded their second win and first pin of the night by Vega at 145 pounds to make the score 20-9. Warren earned an 11-3 win and four team points by Garza at 152 pounds to extend their lead to 24-9.

Downey won the next match 10-6 and earned three team points at 160 pounds to bring the score to 24-12.

The Vikings earned a pin and six more team points at 170 pounds when Guerra defeated his opponent. Guerra's win brought the match to 24-18. Things were heating up.

At this point, both teams were fired up as only four matches remained and the outcome was still in question. Warren's Gonzalez earned a narrow 5-4 win at 180 pounds and extended the Bears' lead to

27-18. This match turned out to be the key for the Bears. A win for Downey in this 180-pound match would have made the score 24-21 but it was not to be.

Warren's McIntyre earned a pin and six team points at 195 pounds and clinched the match for the Bears at 33-18. Downey pinned at 220 pounds and earned six team points by Montesenos and won by a 1-0 decision and three team points by Moreno at 285 pounds to pull Downey to within 33-27.

That was the last match, however, and Warren came away with this year's win. The Bears earned city bragging rights for the next year.

WARREN BOYS SOCCER:

The Warren High School boys' soccer team currently has an overall record of 3-7-3 and is 2-3 in San Gabriel Valley League play.

Warren defeated Dominguez at Dominguez 5-0 on Jan. 7, defeated Lynwood at Warren 1-0 on Jan. 9 and were defeated by Paramount at Warren 3-1 on Jan. 14.

The Bears were defeated by Gahr at Gahr 2-1 on Jan. 16 and were defeated by cross-town rival Downey at Downey 1-0 on Tuesday. The game against Downey marked the end of the first round of league play. As it stands at the mid-way point, Paramount is 5-0, Downey is 4-1, Gahr is 2-3, Warren is 2-3, Lynwood is 1-3 and Dominguez is 0-4.

Warren hosted Dominguez at Warren yesterday (score unavailable at press time) and will travel to Lynwood next Tuesday. The Bears will travel to Paramount next Thursday, host Gahr on February 3 and host Downey on February 5 in their rematch.

The game against Downey

marks the end of league and regular season play.

Coach Pena, his staff and players are all looking forward to finishing league play on a strong note and qualifying for postseason play.

A .500 record in league play should get the Bears on a C.I.F. Division One playoff bracket line. Warren will need to beat either Downey, Gahr or Paramount in their rematches to make this happen.

WARREN GIRLS SOCCER:

The Warren High School girls' soccer team currently has an overall record of 6-3-3 and is 5-0 in San Gabriel Valley League play.

The Lady Bears defeated Dominguez at Warren 7-0 on January 7, defeated Lynwood at Lynwood 3-0 on January 9 and defeated Paramount at Paramount 4-0 on January 14.

The Lady Bears defeated Gahr at Warren 5-0 on January 16 and defeated cross-town rival Downey at Downey on Tuesday 2-1. The game against Downey marked the end of the first round of league play.

At this point, Warren has outscored their league opponents 21-1. As it stands at the mid-way point, Warren is 5-0, Downey is 4-1, Gahr is 3-2, Paramount is 2-3, Lynwood is 0-4 and Dominguez is 0-4.

The Lady Bears traveled to Dominguez on January 23, host Lynwood on January 28 and host Paramount on January 30.

Warren will travel to Gahr on February 3 and will host Downey on February 5 in their much anticipated rematch. The game against Downey marks the end of league and regular season play.

Coach Dussan, her staff and



Warren players celebrate a goal in their game against Downey on Tuesday. Warren High came out victorious, 2-1. Photo by Alex Dominguez

players are all looking forward to finishing league play on a strong note and qualifying for postseason play. Warren is the defending 2019 S.G.V.L. champion.

DOWNEY BOYS SOCCER:

The Downey High School boys' soccer team currently has an overall record of 6-7-4 and are 4-1 in San Gabriel Valley League play.

The Vikings defeated Gahr at Gahr 4-1 on January 7, were defeated by Paramount 4-3 on January 9 and defeated Dominguez at Dominguez 5-1 on January 14.

Downey defeated Lynwood at Downey 2-0 on January 16th and defeated cross-town rival Warren at Downey 1-0 on Tuesday. The game against Warren marked the end of the

first round of league play.

The second round of league play begins when Downey hosts Gahr at Downey on January 23. The Vikings will then travel to Paramount on January 28, host Dominguez on January 30, travel to Lynwood on February 3 and will travel to Warren on February 5 for their league and regular season finale.

Coach Mires, his staff and players are all looking forward to the second round of league play and competing for a league title.

DOWNEY GIRLS SOCCER:

The Downey High School girls' soccer team currently has an overall record 9-5-6 and are 4-1 in San Gabriel Valley League play.

The Lady Vikings defeated

Gahr at Downey 2-0 on January 7, defeated Paramount at Paramount 5-0 on January 9, defeated Dominguez at Downey 8-1 on January 14, defeated Lynwood at Lynwood 4-0 on January 16 and were defeated by Warren at Downey 2-1 on Tuesday. The game against Warren marked the end of the first round of league play.

The second round of league play will begin when Downey travels to Gahr on January 23.

The Lady Vikings will then host Paramount on January 28, travel to Dominguez on January 30, host Lynwood on February 3 and will travel to Warren to play the Lady Bears on February 5 in their league and regular season finale.

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DOWNEY HAPPENINGS

FRIDAY, JANUARY 24

Downey Democrats Installation, 6 pm. Downey Democrats holds its installation mixer with special guest Assemblymember Cristina Garcia. Columbia Memorial Space Center, 12400 Columbia Way

SATURDAY, JANUARY 25

Inside the Chaos Gate, 8 pm. Into the Chaos Gate is an immersive experience featuring a live performance and artwork installation by multimedia creator The Contaminator, with musical accompaniment by New American and special guest Thot Chamber. Stay Gallery, 11140 Downey Ave.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 29

City Affairs Meeting, 12 pm. Councilman Rick Rodriguez will be the featured speaker at the Downey Chamber of Commerce's City Affairs meeting. Chamber of Commerce, 1131 Brookshire Ave.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 30

Beauty and the Beast, 7 pm. Downey High School's Musical Theatre Department will present Disney's "Beauty and the Beast" at the Downey Theatre. Tickets are available to purchase through the Downey Theatre box office. Downey theatre, 8435 Firestone Blvd.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 31

Beauty and the Beast, 7 pm. Downey High School's Musical Theatre Department will present Disney's "Beauty and the Beast" at the Downey Theatre. Tickets are available to purchase through the Downey Theatre box office. Downey theatre, 8435 Firestone Blvd.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 1

Cheer and Dance Showcase, 10 am to 2 pm. Cheer, song, dance, pep-flag teams and mascots of all ages are welcome. Free to perform with verbal feedback given after each performance. Hosted by Downey High's cheerleading program. Downey High School, 11040 Brookshire Ave.

Beauty and the Beast, 2 pm. Downey High School's Musical Theatre

Department will present Disney's "Beauty and the Beast" at the Downey Theatre. Tickets are available to purchase through the Downey Theatre box office. Downey theatre, 8435 Firestone Blvd.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4

Blood Drive, 12-6 pm. A community blood drive to benefit the American Red Cross. To schedule an appointment, call Rowena at (562) 927-2626 or go online to redcrossblood.org and use sponsor code CENT21. Century 21 Peak, 7825 Florence Ave.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 5

Daddy Daughter Dance, 6:30-8:30 pm. Dads, join your daughters for a night of dinner, dancing and activities. RSVP required at 2020datenight1.splashthat.com. Chick-fil-A, 8613 Firestone Blvd.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 6

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Whitty Bishop, 9 pm. Whittier rapper Whitty Bishop performs live. Epic Lounge, 8239 2nd St.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8

Dennis the Menace Park Re-Grand Opening, 9 am. Celebrate the grand re-opening of the recently renovated Dennis the Menace Park. 9125 Arrington Ave.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9

Sue Phillips Memorial Fundraiser, 1-4 pm. Quartermania, luncheon and boutique fundraiser to benefit Relay for Life. \$10 in advance, \$15 at the door. Downey Masonic Lodge, 8244 3rd St.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10

Residential Design Standards Workshop, 7 pm. Share your thoughts on residential single-family design standards in Downey. Barbara J. Riley Center, 7810 Quill Dr.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13

Benefit Concert, 7 pm. Join the Downey High School dance team as they perform a benefit concert for the TLC Family Resource Center. Downey Theatre, 8435 Firestone Blvd.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14

Gothic Fest, 8 pm. Live death rock and post punk music, go go dancers, sub-culture artwork, body art, vendors, DJs, and more. Stardust Club, 7643 Firestone Blvd.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15

Keep Downey Beautiful Clean-Up, 9 am. Join other volunteers in helping clean up the neighborhood. Meet in front of Western Pacific Pulp Paper, 9400 Hall Rd.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22

Jungle Jive Boogie, 9 pm to 1:30 am. Live music by Bebo and the Good Time Boys, plus bands, DJs, cars, and more. Stardust Club, 7643 Firestone Blvd.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 29

Downey TLC 5K, 9 am. A 5K run/walk to benefit the TLC Family Resource Center. Apollo Park, 12544 Rives Ave.

OuteRimCon, 10 am. A oneday mini con presented by the Aerospace Legacy Foundation's speakers bureau. Columbia Memorial Space Center, 12400 Columbia Way

THURSDAY, MARCH 5

The Buddy Holly Story, 8 pm. This production features the classic songs, "That'll Be the Day," "Not Fade Away," "Oh Boy," along with Ritchie Valens' "La Bamba" and The Big Bopper's "Chantilly Lace," plus more. Downey Theatre, 8435 Firestone Blvd.

SATURDAY, MARCH 7

Walk for Water, 9 am to 1 pm. Join Downey High School's Thirst Project Club as they raise money and awareness regarding the global water crisis. Downey High football stadium, 11040 Brookshire Ave.

SATURDAY, MARCH 21

Arc Walk for Independence, 8 am. Choose from a short or long walk and help raise money for The Arc - Los Angeles and Orange Counties, which provides social services to people with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Stonewood Center, 251 Stonewood St.

SUNDAY, MARCH 22

Beauty & the Beast Sing-Along, 2 pm. An interactive presentation of the Disney classic, with on-screen lyrics so the audience can sing along. Buy your tickets at the Downey Theatre box office. Downey Theatre, 8435 Firestone Blvd.

FRIDAY, APRIL 3

DFCU Annual Meeting, TBA. Downey Federal Credit Union's annual meeting, where members can hear an overview of what's ahead in the coming year. Warren High School Library, 8141 De Palma St.

SATURDAY, APRIL 4

Willy Chirino in Concert, 8 pm. Cuban-born vocalist and bandleader Willy Chirino helped create the "Miami sound" of salsa music. He's performing live in Downey. Downey Theatre, 8435 Firestone Blvd.

SUNDAY, APRIL 5

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SATURDAY, APRIL 11

One Day of Service, 9 am. Join other volunteers in a day dedicated to community service in Downey. Kick-off celebration at Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center, 7601 Imperial Hwy.

Downey Symphony Concert, 8 pm. Titled "Sounds of America," this concert features a solo by percussionist Eric Guinivan. Downey Theatre, 8435 Firestone Blvd.

SATURDAY, APRIL 18

Downey Theatre 50th Anniversary Party, 3 pm. A celebratory event



Cuban bandleader Willy Chirino, credited with helping create the "Miami sound" of salsa music, has added a second show at the Downey Theatre after the first concert sold out.

The added concert is Sunday, April 5, at 5 p.m. A limited number of tickets starting at \$45 can be purchased at the Downey Theatre box office or on the theater's website.

The composer of more than 100 songs, Chirino's material has been covered by a lengthy list of artists.

and grand re-opening to mark the theater's 50th anniversary. Downey Civic Theatre, 8435 Firestone Blvd.

SATURDAY, MAY 9

Relay for Life, 10 am. Downey Relay for Life celebrates the 20th anniversary of its fight against cancer. This 24-hour event raises money for the American Cancer Society. Warren High School, 8141 De Palma St.

Touch a Truck, 10 am. Downey fire engines, ladder trucks and ambulance vehicles will be on display for kids to jump on, ride on and honk horns. Independence Park, 12334 Bellflower Blvd.

SUNDAY, MAY 10

Mariachi Los Camperos, 3 pm. The two-time Grammy Award winning mariachi performs a special Mother's Day concert. Downey Theatre, 8435 Firestone Blvd.

SUNDAY, MAY 17

Downey Ride & Stride, 10 am to 4 pm. An open-street event held in conjunction with the Downey Street Faire, featuring live music, vendors, food, and family activities. Downey Avenue, between Firestone Boulevard and Stewart & Gray Road.

SUNDAY, JUNE 14

'Grease' Sing-Along, 7 pm. Fall in love with Olivia Newton-John and John Travolta all over again while singing along to all of the film's big hits. Downey Theatre, 8435 Firestone Blvd.

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January 30th - February 1st
Downey High School Theatre Department Presents: "Beauty & The Beast"

February 7th - February 8th
"Energy" National Dance Competition

February 9th - 7:00 PM
Varsity Vocals Presents: "ICCA West Quarterfinal" A Capella Competition

February 13th - 7:00 PM
Downey HS Dance Team Presents: "TLC Benefit Dance Concert"

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Art Valencia and orchids from Downey's 2020 Rose Parade float. Photo by Lorine Parks

By Lorine Parks
Society Writer

Two days after the Rose Parade I went to see our awesome prize-winning Rose Parade float. It had been towed back home to Downey and was on display on a sunny Friday noontime in the parking lot at the Embassy Suites.

As always the Downey Rose Float Association was selling pins, t-shirts and flowers fresh from the float as souvenirs. I bought an orange rose, and a saffron one, for my two hair-styling geniuses, Marina and Yolanda at Young Again, and then I thought I would take an orchid spray to some people I'd interviewed, who

have been in business in Downey since forever. Little did I expect the flowers would become a trail of Aloha.

As I drove past Exotic Hawaiian Apparel, their windows in Firestone Boulevard were empty and when I turned into the back lot, the door was locked. Peering inside I could see the store was completely empty. No ruffled Island floral frocks, no colorful outfits for little keikis, no authentic vintage outrigger canoe hanging for the ceiling.

When I had talked with owner Martin Orloff for this paper (June, 2019), he and his wife had said there was a new owner for the building. Their lease was up for renewal and they anticipated a possible move, if prices were too high. The showrooms that day were filled - stuffed - with so many items that Martin's parents, who founded the business in the 1960's, had brought back from Hawaii.

Where did all those good things go?

I drove into the back parking lot of Art's Camera, the western bookend of the same row of shops, which covers a half-block on the south side of Firestone, between Paramount and Myrtle.

The door was open, customers were browsing, and as always owner Art Valencia was standing behind the counter. Art has been here since he opened in the 90's, offering advice to gifted amateurs and helping seniors cope with new mechanisms.

I gave him a spray of purple cymbidium. "Lovely," said Art, "I'll give them to my wife."

I said I noticed that the Hawaiian shop was closed.

"Yes, it's too bad," said Art.

"But you're staying," I said.

"No," said Art, "I'm going

too. Probably this month."

Art had chosen my camera for me, a used model because the new ones were too expensive. That's why I had brought him the flowers, as a thank-you.

"Where will you go?" I asked.

"Maybe I'll retire," said Art. "But I have a deal going that might work out. I know I'll stay in Downey. I was born here."

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"The Daily Show" host Trevor Noah is returning to the OC Fair this summer.

Trevor Noah returns to OC Fair

COSTA MESA - Comedian and TV host Trevor Noah will perform at the OC Fair this summer, organizers announced.

Noah will take the Pacific Amphitheatre stage on Friday, July 17, as part of his "Loud & Clear" tour.

Noah is known for his insightful takes on politics and current events. He has written, produced and starred in eight comedy specials, including "Son of Patricia" on Netflix.

Noah's first appearance at the OC Fair was a sold-out show in 2018.

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Hahn urges more funding to treat students' mental health

LOS ANGELES - LA County Supervisors are raising concerns about the insufficiency of mental health funding for LA County students as provided by California's Mental Health Student Services Act (MHSSA).

The MHSSA, passed in 2019, established a statewide grant program allowing county mental health departments to

partner with local schools to create campus-based mental health services with the goal of reaching and treating students before their mental health issues become debilitating.

On December 12, California's Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission announced \$75 million in grant funds would be made available

for counties under the MHSSA over a four-year period on the basis of population size - small, medium, or large.

However, the minimum population size required to qualify a county as large was set at 750,000 individuals -- meaning the maximum grant funding available to each large county, including LA County, is limited to \$6 million per county over four years.

"When you do the math you realize LA County is only being offered one dollar per student per year to meet the mental health needs of a large and diverse student body with everything from campus counselors to suicide prevention training for teachers," said Supervisor Hahn.

"That is absolutely not enough. We have more than three times the students than the next largest county in California

and our funding allocation needs to reflect that difference."

On Tuesday, the Board of Supervisors passed a motion authored by Supervisor Janice Hahn and co-authored by Supervisor Kathryn Barger to send a letter to state leaders expressing concerns about the MHSSA funding allocation on behalf of the Board.

"We must continue to advocate for the mental health needs of the most vulnerable, and often under-represented among us, and that is our youth," said Supervisor Barger.

"Mental health needs have been recognized as a key component of childhood development and additional funding from the State of California will be critical to best serve the youth throughout Los Angeles County."

"Aside from the fact that \$75M is wholly inadequate to even dent the ongoing mental health needs in our schools across the state, it is truly unfathomable that Los Angeles County is only permitted to apply for \$6M as a "large" county," said Dr. Johnathan Sherin, Director of the Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health.

"We are a massive county with massive needs that must be met with requisite resource to have real impact. Further, a grant such as this one which compels a one off program will ultimately create administrative burdens to deliver proper design, development, implementation, data collection and analysis.

"And whether it comes in the form of hiring, contracting, training, licensing or some other type of infrastructural demand, these associated departmental

burdens are likely to outweigh the added value brought about by the resource itself because they pull staff capacity that is desperately needed for other projects".

Los Angeles County is home to 80 school districts, approximately 2,200 schools, and 1.5 million students. A \$1.5 million annual allocation breaks down to \$18,750 per district, \$682 per school, and one single dollar per student. The LA County Department of Mental Health alone has already invested roughly \$100 million annually in schools through their legal entity network and partnerships across districts.

"I continually hear from school district leaders across the county that addressing students' mental health issues is their greatest challenge to creating productive learning environments," said Debra Duardo, Los Angeles County Superintendent of Schools.

"We're making progress with our Mental Health Department partners to provide needed resources, but it is truly disappointing to see a cap of \$6 million from the state for our 80 districts serving 1.5 million youth - 70 percent of whom are socioeconomically disadvantaged. We will be fighting for our students' fair share of this critical funding."

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Cerritos may raise its sales tax

CERRITOS - The city of Cerritos is asking residents to increase the local sales tax to fund public safety programs and to improve the city's infrastructure.

Voters will decide on the proposed tax increase on March 3. If approved, the sales tax would be raised by 3/4 cent.

Officials predict the tax increase would raise about \$11.4 million annually.

"The City of Cerritos is committed to maintaining the essential services that protect local quality of life and property values," the city said in a statement. "Top priorities include neighborhood safety patrols; keeping roads, parks and drinking water systems in good condition; and supporting youth and senior programs. These services ensure the community continues to be a great place to live, conduct business and raise a family.

"Providing these services and programs is becoming more difficult due to financial challenges."

Cerritos bans sales of e-cigarettes

CERRITOS - The Cerritos City Council recently amended the Cerritos Municipal Code to prohibit the sale of electronic cigarettes citywide.

The move is in response to health advisories recently issued by the Federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the State of California regarding deadly lung illnesses related to vaping.

The city's current law prohibits standalone establishments whose primary use is to sell or distribute electronic cigarettes or associated paraphernalia. Previous regulations did not extend to retailers - such as grocery stores, gas stations, markets and liquor stores - which sell e-cigarettes and related paraphernalia as an ancillary use.

The amendment now bans the sale of electronic cigarettes city-wide, both as a primary and ancillary use, and will take effect July 1, 2020.

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Mourners fill Greek church to mourn Harold Tseklenis

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Friends, neighbors, colleagues, they all came in respect for the many contributions Harold had made to the community.

Anna and Harold’s son, David, who lives in Seattle was there beside his mother with wife Carol. David had delivered the eulogy the evening, before at the memorial service, and now he greeted the well-wishers and mourners. Harold and Anna’s god-son Jonathon Otis also from Seattle and his wife Steffanie were in the family pews.

Big floral wreaths were placed against the white stone wall at the entrance to the church, and wreaths of evergreens were hung at the entrance to the pews. The colors of the flowers were repeated in the paintings on the white walls, gilded saints and icons of the church, all created by a husband and wife team who come from Athens every few years to add to their work.

But the church wasn’t always this splendid. In 1982 it was determined there was enough of a congregation to warrant a church here, and a drive was started to raise the funds, and this is where Harold was instrumental. As Father John said, “It was also Harold who steered us with the city, and saved us when we might have made big mistakes.”

By 2002, a door-opening ceremony was conducted by the Metropolitan Anthony from San Francisco. The church was complete but the floor was bare. The wooden pews that the worshippers used had been bought when “retired” from other churches, and supplemented by folding chairs.

It was the job of the church members to make it beautiful. As funds became available, the floor was carpeted, the beautifully carved iconostasis acquired; more paintings and vestments. The carpet now covers the architect’s chalk marks that were still fresh when the church held its first services. And the huge dome that now has frescoes of Christ Pantocrator was once a steel skeleton that swayed in the wind on a morning in 2001, when the church was being built, and a huge crane lifted it up into position.

John Adams, editor of the Downey Eagle, covered that event with his own dramatic photographs, and I wrote a poem that with Harold’s encouragement I sent to the paper. It was published, and that marked the beginning of my return to writing poetry seriously. One more assist to Harold.

Seeing that everyone made their entrance and exits comfortably was Sasha Vitoulkas, president of the Parish Council of the church. I had met her in June at the annual Greek Festival, when the Greek community in Downey shares its cultural and ethnic heritage. I covered that event for this paper (June, 2019).

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 20200053
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) SHYAMAL & BHUMIKA, 18644 PIONEER BLVD SUITE C, ARTESIA CA 90701, LA COUNTY
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A
REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) S N B FASHIONS INC, 16192 COASTAL HIGHWAY, LEWES DE 19958
State of Incorporation: DE
THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: a Corporation

The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 01/2020

I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
S/ S N B FASHIONS INC, SECRETARY, RAJENDRA RADIA
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on JANUARY 10, 2020
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The Downey Patriot 1/23/20, 1/30/20, 2/6/20, 2/13/20

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2020007720
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) MERCADO LOGISTICS, 430 E. ANAHEIM ST., WILMINGTON CA 90744, LA COUNTY, 207 N. CATALINA ST., LOS ANGELES CA 90004
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A
REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) CARLOS V. MERCADO HERNANDEZ, 207 N CATALINA ST, LOS ANGELES CA 90004
State of Incorporation: N/A
THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: an Individual

The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 01/2020

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S/ CARLOS V. MERCADO HERNANDEZ, OWNER
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The Downey Patriot 1/16/20, 1/23/20, 1/30/20, 2/6/20

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2020012013
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) HONEY BEEZ BEAUTY, 4237 EAST 4TH STREET #6, LONG BEACH CA 90814, LA COUNTY
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A
REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) DANIELLE L PRESTON, 4237 EAST 4TH STREET #6, LONG BEACH CA 90814
State of Incorporation: N/A
THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: an Individual

The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 01/2020

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S/ DANIELLE L. PRESTON, OWNER
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on JANUARY 15, 2020
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The Downey Patriot 1/23/20, 1/30/20, 2/6/20, 2/13/20

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2019321787
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) EXCELLENCE PREMIER REAL ESTATE, 3517 TWEEDEY BLVD. #A, SOUTH GATE CA 90280, LA COUNTY
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A
REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) RAMONS REAL ESTATE, INC., 13302 FLATBUSH AVE., NORWALK CA 90650
State of Incorporation: CA
THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: a Corporation

The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: N/A
I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
S/ RAMONS REAL ESTATE, INC., SECRETARY, ANA RAMON
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on DECEMBER 16, 2019
Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.

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The Downey Patriot 1/2/20, 1/9/20, 1/16/20, 1/23/20

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2019330103
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) MORAN'S INSPECTION SERVICE, 13570 MEYER RD, WHITTIER CA 90605, LA COUNTY
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A
REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) DANIEL MORAN JR, 13570 MEYER RD, WHITTIER CA 90605
State of Incorporation: N/A
THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: an Individual

The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: N/A
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S/ DANIEL MORAN JR, OWNER
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on DECEMBER 27, 2019
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The Downey Patriot 1/16/20, 1/23/20, 1/30/20, 2/6/20

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2020008723
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) BIANCA NOELLE BLOOMS, 1415 S. 2ND ST., ALHAMBRA CA 91801, LA COUNTY
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A
REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) SOFIA L. TORRES, 1415 S. 2ND ST., ALHAMBRA CA 91801
State of Incorporation: N/A
THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: an Individual
The date registrant started to transact

business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 01/2020

I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
S/ SOFIA L. TORRES, OWNER
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on JANUARY 13, 2020
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The Downey Patriot 1/16/20, 1/23/20, 1/30/20, 2/6/20

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2019329473
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) MAZARIEGO'S WELDING SERVICES, 1500 W PACIFIC COAST HWY APT 129, WILMINGTON CA 90744, LA COUNTY
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A
REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) MARVIN A MAZARIEGO, 1500 W PACIFIC COAST HWY APT # 129, WILMINGTON CA 90744
State of Incorporation: N/A
THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: an Individual

The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: N/A
I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
S/ MARVIN A MAZARIEGO, OWNER
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on DECEMBER 30, 2019
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The Downey Patriot 1/9/20, 1/16/20, 1/23/20, 1/30/20

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2020005752
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) ARTISTRY LOUNGE (2) ARTISTRY POINT (3) ARTISTRY CLOTHING (4) ARTISTRY GALLERY (5) ARTISTRY JEWELRY (6) ARTISTRY PRINTS (7) ARTISTRY WINE, 600 S. PACIFIC AVE. SUITE 103, SAN PEDRO CA 90731, LA COUNTY
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A
REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) ALAN SALVADOR PADILLA, 255 W. 5TH STREET 121, SAN PEDRO CA 90731
State of Incorporation: CA
THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: an Individual

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

I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
S/ ALAN SALVADOR PADILLA, OWNER
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on JANUARY 8, 2020
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The Downey Patriot 1/16/20, 1/23/20, 1/30/20, 2/6/20

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2020004430
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) WEST COAST INN, 1129 W PACIFIC COAST HWY, WILMINGTON CA 90744, LA COUNTY
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: 201936510090
REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) N2 LODGING LLC, 1129 W PACIFIC COAST HWY, WILMINGTON CA 90744
State of Incorporation: CA
THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: a Limited Liability Company

The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 01/2020

I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
S/ N2 LODGING LLC, MANAGING MEMBER, NILESH BHAKTA
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on JANUARY 7, 2020
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The Downey Patriot 1/9/20, 1/16/20, 1/23/20, 1/30/20

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2019329446
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) KONA ICE OF MONTEBELLO (2) KONA ICE OF DOWNEY, 8329 TRUE AVENUE, PICO RIVERA CA 90660, LA COUNTY
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A
REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) RADCO ICE, LLC, 8329 TRUE AVENUE, PICO RIVERA CA 90660
State of Incorporation: CA
THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: a Limited Liability Company

The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 08/2017

I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
S/ RADCO ICE, LLC, PRESIDENT, RAUL DUARTE
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on DECEMBER 26, 2019
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The Downey Patriot 1/2/20, 1/9/20, 1/16/20, 1/23/20

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2020002374
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) RAUL'S MEAT & PRODUCE MARKET, 1939 NADEAU ST., LOS ANGELES CA 90001, LA COUNTY
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A
REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) RENE MOJICA, 1941 NADEAU ST., LOS ANGELES CA 90001
State of Incorporation: N/A
THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: an Individual

The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 07/1997

I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
S/ RENE MOJICA, OWNER
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on JANUARY 6, 2020
Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of

On that day, Harold had taken me around behind the scenes to meet the people who really ran the show. Sasha was in the food tent, inside, where the workers were packaging the orders, seeing that the boxes of lamb dinners were ready to go. To meet Sasha is to remember her, sparkling black eyes and vivacious manner.

After the interment at Rose Hills, friends were welcomed into the church hospitality hall. A room that at the spring Greek Festival hold treasures on display, today was decked with white cloth-covered tables with richly hued roses and white hydrangeas in a center bowl.

A picture of Harold, actually a photo-montage from the family’s art collection, stood on a table at the entry, showing Harold in full-face and then from several angles, like Odysseus, “the man of many turns” in Homer’s Odyssey. In the hospitality nook was a table with soft drinks and bottled water, and also a tray with wine – a California chardonnay – as well as Metaxa, the Greek brandy, and another tray with shots of whiskey, Harold’s favorite sipping drink.

Here I found Sasha again, supervising the hospitality and the serving of Harold’s favorite salmon with tomato salsa and quarters of lemon. Greek salad with feta cheese, spanakopita the Greek spinach pie wrapped in flaky phyllo dough, a fruit tray and pastries completed the meal.

Everything spoke of the simple yet cosmopolitan tastes of the man who was born in Pyrgos, Greece, came to Downey, California and changed for the better our perception of the good things in life.

Yamas, Harold. We shall not look upon your like again.

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

The Downey Patriot 1/9/20, 1/16/20, 1/23/20, 1/30/20

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2020007199
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) CMC REPORTING, 7633 FOSTORIA STREET, DOWNEY CA 90241, LA COUNTY
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A
REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) CHRISTIE M. CABRAJAC, 7633 FOSTORIA STREET, DOWNEY CA 90241
State of Incorporation: N/A
THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: an Individual

The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 01/2020

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S/ CHRISTIE M. CABRAJAC, OWNER
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The Downey Patriot 1/16/20, 1/23/20, 1/30/20, 2/6/20

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2020011193
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) NUTRI TAX, 1410 W ALHAMBRA RD, ALHAMBRA CA 91801, LA COUNTY
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A
REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) RIGOBERTO TREJO VIDAL, 1410 W ALHAMBRA RD, ALHAMBRA CA 91801 (2) LUZ CUYUN, 1410 W ALHAMBRA RD, ALHAMBRA CA 91801
State of Incorporation: N/A
THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: a Married Couple

The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 01/2020

I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
S/ RIGOBERTO TREJO VIDAL, OWNER
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on JANUARY 15, 2020
Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.

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

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2019331005
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Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A
REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) SAM PHINSEE, 4350 CARFAX AVE, LAKEWOOD CA 90713
State of Incorporation: N/A
THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: an Individual

The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 06/2019

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S/ SAM PHINSEE, OWNER
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on DECEMBER 30, 2019
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Community Planning & Development, 300 N. Los Angeles Street, Suite 4054, Los Angeles, CA 90012 or via phone of (213) 894-8000. Potential objectors should contact HUD to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

January 23, 2020
Gilbert A. Livas
City Manager
City of Downey

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1/23/20

CASE NUMBER: 20NWCP00007
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner JOSE LUIZ DIAZ RAMIREZ filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
Present name (1) JOSE LUIZ DIAZ RAMIREZ to Proposed name (1) JOSE LUIS DIAZ
THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
NOTICE OF HEARING
Date: MARCH 11, 2020, Time: 1:30 p.m., Department: C, Room: 312
The address of the court is 12720 Norwalk Blvd, Norwalk, CA 90650
A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in the county, Downey Patriot JANUARY 03, 2020
Judge Margaret M. Bernal
Judge Of The Superior Court
Petitioner or Attorney, In Pro Per
JOSE LUIZ DIAZ RAMIREZ
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be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in the county, The Downey Patriot JANUARY 02, 2020
Judge Margaret M. Bernal
Judge Of The Superior Court
Petitioner or Attorney, In Pro Per
Francisco Joseph Gonzalez
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Downey, CA, 90241
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STEVEN MICHAEL POTTER
THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
NOTICE OF HEARING
Date: MARCH 4, 2020, Time: 1:30 p.m., Department: C, Room: 312
The address of the court is 12720 Norwalk Blvd, Norwalk, CA 90650
A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in the county, The Downey Patriot December 31, 2019
Judge Margaret M. Bernal

Judge Of The Superior Court
Petitioner or Attorney, In Pro Per
Steven Michael Turnbull Jr.
In Pro Per
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Petitioner Steven Michael Turnbull Jr.

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CITY OF DOWNEY
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR A MUNICIPAL CODE AMENDMENT TO REFLECT ADOPTION OF NEW 2019 CALIFORNIA CODES, ALONG WITH A NEW ADMINISTRATIVE BUILDING AND HOUSING CODE

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held before the DOWNEY CITY COUNCIL on the 11th day of February, 2020, 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:

A request to amend various sections of Article VIII of the Downey Municipal Code to reflect adoption of the new 2019 California Codes, along with a new Administrative Building and Housing Code. These changes are proposed to comply with the State of California's requirements to reflect 2019 building, residential, electrical, mechanical, plumbing, energy, historical building, existing building, referenced standards, Green Building Standards Code update and new administration Building and Housing Code.

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

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 City Council at, or prior to, the public hearing.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance to participate in this meeting, contact the City Clerk's Department at 562-904-7280 or the California Relay Service at 711. Notification at least 48 hours prior to the meeting will enable the City to make arrangements to assure accessibility. The City of Downey does not discriminate on the basis of disability in admission to, access to, or operations of its programs, services or activities. Questions, concerns, complaints or requests for additional information regarding the Americans with Disabilities Act may be forwarded to the City's ADA/Section 504 Coordinator at 11111 Brookshire Avenue, Downey, CA 90241, ADACoordinator@downeyca.org, Phone: 562-299-6619, Fax: 562-923-6388, and California Relay 711.

For more information contact the Building Official, Richard Hicks, at 562-904-7142, or at rhicks@downeyca.org.

Maria Alicia Duarte, CMC
Published 01/23/2020

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NOTICE OF BID

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Education for the DOWNEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT, Downey, CA (Los Angeles County), will receive Bid Number 19/20-07 for the procurement of the following:

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Sealed bids must be delivered to the Downey Unified School District, Purchasing Department, 11627 Brookshire Avenue, Room 169, Downey, CA 90241 no later than 1:00 PM on February 21, 2020.

Companies interested in bidding should request appropriate bid documents from the Purchasing Department, (562) 469-6535.

The Board of Education reserves the right to reject any and all bids. No bidder may withdraw their bid for a period of ninety (90) days after the date set for the opening of bids. Refer to the formal bid documents and specifications for additional information, terms, and conditions.

PLEASE NOTE that the Project is funded in part by the Schools and Libraries Division (SLD) of the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) as part of "E-Rate" Universal Service Fund (USF) (the "E-Rate Program"). Therefore, all Proposers must be knowledgeable of, and comply with, all E-Rate requirements including those applicable to Technology Equipment and work provided by service providers including any and all reporting requirements and compliance with all applicable federal laws. Proposers must provide a permanent SLD Service Provider Identification Number (SPIN) and FCC Registration Number with their proposal.

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

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NOTICE OF HEARING

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
CASE NUMBER: 20NWCP00005
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner FRANCISCO JOSEPH GONZALEZ filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
Present name (1) FRANCISCO JOSEPH GONZALEZ to Proposed name (1) FRANKIE JOSEPH GRIFFITHS
THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
NOTICE OF HEARING
Date: MARCH 11, 2020, Time: 1:30 p.m., Department: C, Room: 312
The address of the court is 12720 Norwalk Blvd., Norwalk, CA 90650
A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall

NOTICE OF HEARING

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
CASE NUMBER: 20BCCP00022
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner RAUL ARYSTAN AKTANOV-DOMINGO filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
Present name (1) RAUL ARYSTAN AKTANOV-DOMINGO to Proposed name (1) RAUL ARYSTAN AKTAN DOMINGO
THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
NOTICE OF HEARING
Date: FEBRUARY 28, 2020, Time: 8:30 a.m., Department: B, Room: 401 S. Glenoaks Blvd., #205 Burbank, CA 91502 (818) 754-6370

NOTICE OF HEARING

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
CASE NUMBER: 19NWCP00493
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner STEVEN MICHAEL TURNBULL JR. filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
Present name (1) STEVEN MICHAEL TURNBULL JR. to Proposed name (1)

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Governor sends 30 trailers to house homeless families in South L.A.



The trailers are intended to be interim housing for families living on the streets.

LOS ANGELES - The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors on Tuesday ordered the development of a road map for implementing a comprehensive crisis response strategy in Los Angeles County that would rapidly provide housing or shelter for people currently living on the streets who are ready and willing to come indoors.

Supervisor Mark Ridley-Thomas immediately followed up with a separate motion, also approved by the board, identifying specific locations for 30 trailers that Governor Gavin Newsom has committed to deploying to Los Angeles County as part of his executive order, issued on Jan. 8.

The motion calls for deploying the trailers in public and privately owned parking lots in South LA within days to serve as interim housing for families.

"The Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority tells us that

right now, there are 30,000 people across Los Angeles County who have been assessed and are ready and willing to be housed," Ridley-Thomas said. "We need a framework that makes sure each of them has a safe place to go -- and soon. This means getting rid of any red tape and other unnecessary impediments so that we can expedite housing and services."

The Comprehensive Crisis Response motion complements Gov. Newsom's executive order, his proposal to invest \$1.4 billion next year to address homelessness, and the recommendations of the governor's Council of Regional Homeless Advisors, co-chaired by Ridley-Thomas and Sacramento Mayor Darrell Steinberg. Elements of the governor's plan had been inspired by programs in Los Angeles County.

U.S. Senator Dianne Feinstein, in a letter to the Board of Supervisors, expressed "strong support" for the motion, saying it "would provide Los Angeles County with the framework it needs to effectively implement priority elements of the Council's recommendations

and create greater capacity to ensure housing or shelter for people ready and willing to move indoors."

Senator Feinstein added, "I pledge to continue working for additional federal resources to help provide housing and additional services for those experiencing homelessness. As Californians, we must continue to work together and invest in solutions that ensure we have the resources to fight this epidemic."

"We have to treat the homeless crisis with the urgency that it demands," said Supervisor Janice Hahn. "I don't want to continue to rely on the same old policies and practices that are working too slowly. We need our own Marshall Plan here in LA County so that we can provide shelter and housing to anyone and everyone who is willing to come inside, and we need the flexibility to do it as quickly and as efficiently as possible."

"As a member of the Governor's Council of Regional Homeless Advisors, I support Supervisor Ridley-Thomas' and Supervisor Hahn's motion to act on the Council's recommendations," said Sharon Rapport, associate director of the Corporation for Supportive Housing. "The Council's recommendations would put California on a path to become a national leader in solving homelessness. It would treat the over 151,000 Californians experiencing homelessness as if their lives are at risk, because they are. This motion signals to our State leaders and to other jurisdictions that Los Angeles County continues to lead on this issue and to be accountable for results. I appreciate the

Board's strong action to promote local and state commitment and investment toward ending homelessness."

"As a board member of A Community of Friends, a nonprofit organization that builds affordable housing, we applaud the Supervisors' effort to end homelessness," said Philip Feder, partner at Paul Hastings law firm. "More needs to be done to provide for the right of all individuals to permanent housing and the obligation of the state and federal governments to provide the funding and to end bureaucratic hurdles to building that housing."

"This is the right approach: creativity and flexibility in approach, but focus and accountability on the bottom line -- helping all our friends outside have a place to call home," said Chris Ko, managing director for homelessness and strategic initiatives at the nonprofit United Way of Greater Los Angeles.

The Comprehensive Crisis Response motion:

Instructs County departments, led by the County CEO's Homeless Initiative and Office of Emergency Management, to study the Governor's Council

recommendations to create a framework for prioritizing and implementing strategies that would build greater capacity and accountability to ensure housing and services for Los Angeles County's homeless population who are ready and willing to move indoors.

Asks for 60-day report-back on an accountability framework related to a legal mandate for Los Angeles County to increase its capacity to provide housing and services;

Supports the governor's executive order and his \$1.4-billion budget proposal for addressing homelessness, and explores additional legislation.

More than 1,000 homeless people died on Los Angeles

County streets last year, a trend that is likely to continue unless solutions for more immediate shelter and housing can be found. In their recommendations, the 13-member Governor's Council emphasized that "urgency should drive our response" and that homelessness must be viewed as "a humanitarian crisis tantamount to any sustained natural disaster." Council members also endorsed many recommendations to guide specific budget and policy actions for the beginning of the 2020 legislative session and called for appointing a "single point of authority for homelessness in state government."



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