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Wishing Downey a healthy and prosperous New Year.  
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-The Downey Patriot staff

## Trujillo criticized for plea bargain

■ The Downey council member and deputy district attorney is accused of offering a murder suspect 7 years in prison as part of a plea deal.

By Eric Pierce  
Editor

**DOWNEY** – Mario Trujillo, Downey's newest-elected city council member who works as a deputy district attorney, is being criticized for allegedly offering a plea deal of seven years in prison to a gang member accused of helping to kill another man in a case of mistaken identity.

Rudy Dominguez, 24, was charged with murder for the fatal shooting of 26-year-old Fernando Rojo in South Los Angeles in 2016. Although he did not pull the trigger, authorities said Dominguez drove the vehicle in a drive-by shooting that killed Rojo, who was mistaken for another gang member.

Dominguez faced a maximum sentence of life in prison without parole. FOX-11 obtained transcripts from a Dec. 15 court proceeding in which it's alleged that Trujillo offered Dominguez a plea deal that consisted of seven years in prison.

The offer was later declared invalid at a subsequent hearing.

Rojo's family members, however, were outraged that such a plea deal was offered in the first place.

"We were blindsided by it first of all, we never even heard of anything," the victim's sister-in-law, Amy Rojo, told FOX-11 of Trujillo's plea offer. "From what we knew, it was a preliminary hearing, them trying to get everything together, then all of a sudden, it's kind of like, 'Oh, there's a 7-year plea on the table.' Nobody even spoke to us. How is it that our loved one is worth seven years?"

Trujillo, who was elected to the Downey City Council last month, delayed retirement to work alongside new L.A. County district attorney George Gascón who also was elected last month.

A spokesperson for Gascón told the L.A. Times that no plea deal was offered.

In a statement to The Downey Patriot, Trujillo said he couldn't comment on the specifics of the case.

"Thank you for this opportunity to address the rumors and accusations circulating in the media regarding an alleged 'backdoor' plea deal in an open case currently being prosecuted by the Hardcore Gang Division of my employer the District Attorney's office of Los Angeles County," Trujillo's statement read. "I am not able to comment about the specifics of any case with pending criminal and legal investigations.

"These attacks against my professionalism, ethics and integrity are reminiscent of the various false narratives that were made against me during my campaign for Downey City Council.

"I recognize that public scrutiny comes with the territory of being a public servant and an elected official. Still I continue to be steadfast in my oath and obligation to the residents of Downey to make sure all families are safe and healthy, our community is protected and our small business owners are supported. Simultaneously I will continue to represent the People of the State of California in pursuing Justice for ALL."

## Mayor pleads with residents to stay home

■ With hospitals stretched beyond their limits, Downey Mayor Claudia M. Frometa is pleading for residents to shelter at home.

**DOWNEY** – Downey Mayor Claudia M. Frometa is urging residents to help stop the spread of Covid-19 by spending the New Year's Day holiday at home.

On Wednesday, Mayor Frometa invited physicians Dr. James T. Lee of Kaiser Permanente Downey Medical Center and Dr. Yasmeen Shaw of PIH Health Hospital Downey, along with incoming Fire Chief Dan Hurlock, to a video taping at the city's Emergency Operations Center.

The short video will be released in time for New Year's Eve as a call to Downey's 113,000 residents to rethink their holiday weekend plans.

With a background in emergency management and disaster response, Mayor Frometa, who has worked in healthcare for the last 15 years, is pleading with Downey residents to stay home and avoid gatherings to help stop the unrelenting spike in infection and hospitalizations crippling area hospitals, including Downey.

From Dec. 9 to Dec. 26, daily hospitalizations increased by 67%.

In LA County, there is one death every 10 minutes due to Covid-19.

Fire Chief Hurlock indicated in the weeks following Thanksgiving, there was an increase in 911 ambulance calls of over 110%; and these were for Covid-19 related patients.

Dr. Shaw, from PIH Downey, wants the community to know this virus is affecting young and old. She has had patients as young as 30 years of age and in relatively good health succumb to the virus.

"Please do your part and stay home," she said.

Dr. Lee, a vascular surgeon, indicated the medical and nursing staff is exhausted and they need the community's help to stop the continuing spike that is pushing all medical centers to the brink.

Dr. Lee's advice to Downey



Dr. James T. Lee of Kaiser Permanente, Downey Mayor Claudia M. Frometa, incoming Downey Fire Chief Dan Hurlock, and Dr. Yasmeen Shaw of PIH Health Hospital Downey tape a video message pleading with residents to celebrate New Year's at home.

residents is to only celebrate with members of your immediate family this New Year's Eve "if you want to celebrate with your extended family and friends in the years to come."

"Downey, this year without a doubt has been the most trying year for all," Mayor Frometa said. "There will be better days ahead, I promise you. With the vaccine here and vaccinations underway, we will be turning the corner soon.

"In the meantime, each one of us holds the key to helping our healthcare heroes. Our hospitals are the lighthouses in our communities and here in Downey, we are fortunate to have three hospitals, two of which are 911 receiving hospitals with emergency departments. We count on them and our physicians and nursing staff to help us heal our bodies when we have broken bones, or cancer, strokes or heart attacks.

"But now they are on the brink, overwhelmed with Covid-19 patients. Let's not contribute to this crisis and the continued surge. Please avoid gatherings and crowds this holiday weekend. We will see better days in 2021."

### Downey Stats

Los Angeles County surpassed a grim milestone Wednesday,



Downey police officers began receiving Covid-19 vaccinations this week. From left: Sgt. Raul Salazar, Sgt. Maria Villegas and Sgt. Ed Kelly. (Photo courtesy PIH Health)

surpassing 10,000 Covid-19 deaths.

As of Wednesday, the virus has killed 116 Downey residents and infected 11,343.

At PIH Downey, 126 people are currently hospitalized with Covid-19. Another 238 are hospitalized at PIH's Whittier campus.

Kaiser Permanente Downey Medical Center does not release the number of people it is treating for Covid-19 but did say its hospital is at capacity.

Downey police officers began receiving Covid-19 vaccinations

Wednesday.

As of Tuesday, a total of 78,022 frontline healthcare workers at acute care hospitals have received their first doses of the vaccine. About 57% of the Pfizer allocation, (not including the doses received this week), has been used.

With the Moderna vaccine, which arrived on Dec. 21, a total of 1,398 EMTs and paramedics were already vaccinated, and by the end of the weekend, 3,189 doses had been administered to staff and residents at skilled nursing facilities.

## Downey's Rachel Spinosa will play basketball at LPU

By Mark Fetter  
Contributor

**DOWNEY** – Downey High School standout basketball player Rachel Spinosa has signed a letter of intent to play at Life Pacific University in San Dimas.

LPU is an NAIA school and competes in the Golden State Athletic Conference against such schools as Hope International University and Vanguard.

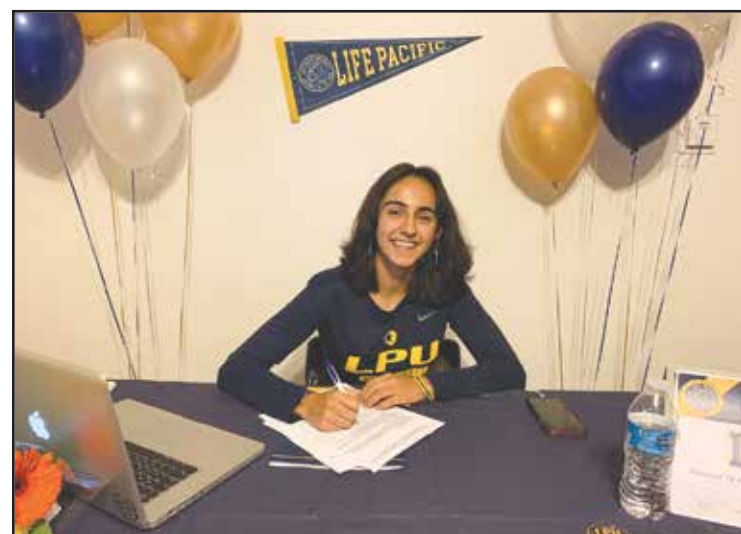
Coach Harris said Spinosa is "an exceptional all-around basketball player with no weaknesses." She started every game for Downey as a freshman and helped lead the Lady Vikings to the C.I.F. Division 2 A Finals before missing her sophomore year due to a serious knee injury.

Spinosa returned for her junior season and was selected to the All-San Gabriel Valley League Team.

"Life Pacific is not just getting a great basketball player, they are getting an amazing young woman who is a leader on and off the court," said Coach Harris. Spinosa is involved in ASB leadership at Downey and holds a 4.3 Grade Point Average.

LPU head basketball coach Richard Salgado said he is happy to have Spinosa join the Warrior family. Salgado's passion is "to build leaders out of his student-athletes so that they are prepared for their careers and lives after basketball."

Further, Salgado "hopes to use basketball and coaching as a way to inspire the next generation of athletes to not only achieve their



dreams but to also motivate them to make an impact once they graduate from Life Pacific."

Interestingly, former Lady Viking standout Surie Camacho signed to play at Hope International University two years ago. It would be awesome to watch these two former Doty Knights play against each other in collegiate league play.

## Weekend at a Glance

Friday 69°

Saturday 66°

Sunday 65°

### ON THIS DAY DECEMBER 31

**1857:**  
Britain's Queen Victoria decided to make Ottawa the capital of Canada.

**1862:**  
President Abraham Lincoln signed an act admitting West Virginia to the Union.

**1907:**  
The first New Year's Eve celebration was held in New York's Times Square.

**1944:**  
Hungary declared war on Nazi Germany.

**1946:**  
President Harry S. Truman officially proclaimed the end of hostilities in World War II.

**1955:**  
General Motors became the first U.S. corporation to make more than \$1 billion in a single year.

**1974:**  
Private U.S. citizens were allowed to buy and own gold for the first time in more than 40 years.

**1993:**  
Entertainer Barbra Streisand performed her first paid concert in 22 years, singing to a sellout crowd at the MGM Grand Garden in Las Vegas.

**1999:**  
Russian president Boris Yeltsin resigned from office, leaving Prime Minister Vladimir Putin as acting president.

**2006:**  
The death toll for Americans killed in the Iraq war reached 3,000.

**2019:**  
The World Health Organization was informed of cases of pneumonia with an unknown cause, detected in Wuhan, China. This later turned out to be COVID-19.

### Birthdays

Prolific actor **Anthony Hopkins** (83), actor **Ben Kingsley** (77), "Batman Forever" actor **Val Kilmer** (61), novelist **Nicholas Sparks** (55), New Kids on the Block singer **Joey McIntyre** (48), pop singer **Psy** (43) and Olympic gymnast **Gabby Douglas** (25).

### Deaths

**James Avery**, the actor best known for portraying Uncle Phil in "The Fresh Prince of Bel-Air," died on this day in 2012 following complications from open heart surgery. He was 68.

Rock and roll star **Rickey Nelson** was killed on this day in 1985 in an airplane crash. Nelson was flying to a New Year's Eve performance when the Douglas DC-3 went down outside De Kalb, Texas. Nelson was 45.

Baseball hall of famer **Roberto Clemente** died in an airplane crash on this day in 1972. Clemente was traveling to Nicaragua to help the victims of an earthquake when the cargo plane he was riding in crashed into the ocean. He was 38.

### Holidays

Today is **National Make Up Your Mind Day**, a day "for all those people who have a hard time making up their minds." It urges participants to "make a decision today and follow through with it."

Also celebrated today, not coincidentally, is **National Champagne Day**.

# A Look Back at 2020

By Alex Dominguez  
Staff Writer

## January

Community members remember and mourn Harold Tsekenis, an outspoken advocate for art and culture in Downey.

Downey Rose Float Association's 2020 Tournament of Roses entry "On the Wings of Hope" is awarded the founders trophy, which is presented to "most outstanding float built and decorated by volunteers from a community or organization."

Tyler D'Shaun Martin Brand, 23, is arrested and charged with the murder of his 6-year-old godson.

Logan Chidester popped the question to longtime girlfriend and pizza-dieheart Couple Bonnie Shilling with a surprise marriage proposal at Downey Pizza Company.

Four months after a controversial decision for a coffee shop to be built on the property, the Rives Mansion once again was listed on the market for \$2.9 million.

Price, Ward, and Williams Elementary Schools were named California Distinguished Schools.

Downey resident Barbara Norbut and her women's 55-plus volleyball team, Yadayada, took home the gold medal in the top division of the 2019 Huntsman World Senior Games in St. George, Utah, competing amongst 35 teams over a span of four days. Yadayada also competed in the top division of the 50-plus age bracket, taking silver.

The Downey Symphonic Society celebrates Beethoven's 250th birthday with a concert and festivities.

Downey High School's varsity cheerleading team

won its second straight CIF championship.

Downey firefighters treated 7 people at a preschool after Delta Flight 89 dumped fuel over parts of southeast L.A. County on its approach to LAX during an emergency landing. None of the injuries were serious.

City Council votes to crack down on abandoned shopping carts with the Cart Containment Plan, aimed at deterring cart theft while also adding additional repercussions for store owners who do not monitor their carts.

Downey High School's Musical Theatre Department presented Beauty and the Beast at the Downey Theatre.

Rockview Family Farms unveiled a new logo.

Downey band New American take a final bow, performing their last show ever at the Stay Gallery.

Kaiser Permanente Downey Medical Center awards \$50,000 grant to Lynwood School District to help students graduate from college.

Paul Arvis Misikei, 22, and Sakaopo Atanasio Folau, 21, were sentenced to 15 years to life in prison for their role in a home invasion robbery in Downey in which the victim, Jim

Rudometkin, 59, died of a heart attack.

Warren tops Downey 2-1 in a rivalry girls' soccer showdown.

In a controversial move, Downey voted to roll back public speaking time at their meetings from five minutes, to three. While never explicitly said, the changes are widely believed to be in direct reaction to Armando Herman who frequents the dais with boisterous and often explicit outbursts.

Downey is given a failing grade by the American Lung Association for its efforts -- or lack thereof -- to curb tobacco use in the community.

Frederick Lopez Jr., 28 of Downey, was sentenced to 120 months in federal prison for committing four armed robberies of GameStop video game stores in Los Angeles and Orange counties that resulted in the theft of more than \$132,000 in merchandise and cash.

## February

Steven Gomez, 11, is featured in Snickers commercial which aired during Super Bowl Sunday.

Downey Unified School District is named a Character Counts exemplary school district.

- Four Los Angeles County probation officers - LaCour Harrison, Claudette Reynolds, Maria Asuzena Guerrero and Karnesha Marshall - are found not guilty on charges that they unlawfully used pepper spray against teenage girls housed at Los Padrinos Juvenile Hall.

Six single mothers were chosen by Downey Soroptimist to receive financial scholarships to help them make college graduation a reality. The award covered costs of books, tuition, transportation to classes, and child care.

A Shared Scooter program got its first test run in Downtown Downey.

Lewis Elementary School was featured in an episode of Nickelodeon's "The Substitute."

Stay Gallery presented "\_\_\_\_\_ by women", an interactive group exhibition featuring the works of Melissa Arevalo, Luna Esparza, Marianna Flores and Josie Marlyn. The exhibit represented the infinite possibilities women can achieve.

The Downey High School girls' wrestling team won their second consecutive San Gabriel Valley League Wrestling Championship. Carpenter Elementary School's Global Language Academies of Downey (G.L.A.D.) held a

ribbon cutting to unveil its new kindergarten playground.

State Sen. Bob Archuleta - who represents Downey in the State Senate - is named to the "Hall of Shame" by Courage California for a voting record "most closely aligned with the corporate lobbyists and campaign contributors that exploit Californians."

A fire destroyed the former Imperial Fitness gym. The fire was knocked down by Downey firefighters with assistance from L.A. County and Santa Fe Springs firefighters.

Two benches honoring the contributions of North American Aviation workers were dedicated outside the Columbia Memorial Space Center.

The campaign of presidential candidate Tom Steyer held a tree planting event in the city.

Risher Mortuary's Greg and Barbara Welch were honored with the Unsung Hero Award by Cristina Garcia at a #Pride58 Assembly District Gala. Resident Daniel Koeppel, 16, was also recognized for his efforts in helping the homeless.

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## Paging Dr. Frischer...

By Dr. Alan Frischer

2020 has been far from a "normal" year. We have been faced with a once-in-a-century pandemic, devastating fires, earthquakes, recession, and a particularly



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divisive presidential election. And yet...here we are. We are resilient. We adapt to circumstances, find ways to cope, and move forward. However, these are indeed times that require plenty of inspiration, so perhaps some of my favorite quotes will strike a chord!

Maya Angelou: "If you don't like something, change it. If you can't change it, change your attitude."

Vince Lombardi: "It's not whether you get knocked down, it's whether you get up."

Misattributed to Winston Churchill: "The pessimist sees difficulty in every opportunity. The optimist sees opportunity in every difficulty."

Misattributed to Confucius: "Our greatest glory is not in never falling, but in rising every time

we fall."

Mark Twain: "The secret of getting ahead is getting started."

Rob Siltanen: "The people who are crazy enough to think they can change the world are the ones who actually do."

John Wooden: "Things work out best for those who make the best of how things work out."

Misattributed to Socrates: "The secret of change is to focus all of your energy, not on fighting the old, but on building the new."

Albert Einstein: "Try not to become a man of success, but rather a man of value."

Misattributed to Aristotle: "We are what we repeatedly do. Excellence, then, is not an act, but a habit."

Napoleon Hill: "If you cannot do great things, do small things in a great way."

Attributed to Eleanor Roosevelt: "No one can make you feel inferior without your consent."

Ralph Waldo Emerson: "The only person you are destined to

become is the person you decide to be."

Attributed to Oscar Wilde: "Be yourself. Everyone else is already taken."

Unknown: "A bad attitude is like a flat tire; you can't go anywhere until you change it."

Stephen Covey: "I am not a product of my circumstances. I am a product of my decisions."

Roy T. Bennett: "Believe in yourself. You are braver than you think, more talented than you know, and capable of more than you imagine."

Dr. Seuss (Theodor Seuss Geisel): "Be who you are and say what you feel, because those who mind don't matter and those who matter don't mind."

I wish for all of us a year of health, love, happiness, inspiration, and an abundance of growth!

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After nearly eight years, a jury found Jade Harris guilty of killing two women and a man at a Downey business.

Downey mixed martial artist Jonathan O'Neill brought home the IFS Welterweight Championship Belt in Anaheim in the most decisive and

technically sound victory of his young career.

The Downey City Council revised and amended cost estimates for Measure S, addressing a \$2 million shortfall. Several projects under Measure S had been expanded, which the city said would be covered using the proceeds from a future unspecified real estate

transaction as part of the 2020-21 budget.

During a DUSD Board meeting, Board member Martha Sodetani made comments against the Houston Astros Baseball club. "Our Victory with Honor [program] for our sports fields, it just teaches our children from the beginning about Character Counts... "When it comes to cheating... if our students were involved in something like that, it just wouldn't fly on our fields." The Astros were disciplined by Major League Baseball for stealing pitchers' signs, including in 2017 when they won the World Series.

Dr. Sammy Saab of Downey was named Chief of Transplant Hepatology at UCLA's Ronald Reagan Medical Center.

Assemblymember Cristina Garcia (D-Bell Gardens) proposed two legislative ideas which came from Downey. The first bill idea came from Amado Castillo and his cohort of student advocates attending UCLA, which would require every UC, CSU, and private university to have access to rape kits on or very near campus. The second, by Downey High student Sade Neri, would provide support to high school students by increasing mental health and peer support services on high school campuses. Both concepts were submitted via Garcia's There Ought to Be A Law Contest, which she runs every year.

Downey Fire Department launched new, hands-free Autopulse CPR equipment. The technology allows first responders to free up more hands to administer other life-saving treatment, while also making transport easier.

Downey Fire Department Captain Robert Grounds retired after 32 years of service to the city.

The "FLEW Empower Hour" - held at Los Amigos Golf Course Event Center - honored several women including Judge Lucy Armendáriz, Blanca Pacheco, and three time Emmy Award

winning journalist Fabiola Kramsky. The networking event was designed for professional women of all ages who are looking to advance their careers while helping other women advance theirs.

Downey Sister Cities enjoyed a fun night with a group of visitors from Ensenada, Mexico. Efrain Kantel, director of international affairs for Baja, California, treated everyone to sweets from Mexico.

More than 1,300 runners and walkers participated in the Downey TLC 5K, raising money for the TLC Family Resource Center in Downey.

## March

Downey saw no change in its representation in Sacramento and Washington, D.C. Congresswoman Lucille Roybal-Allard, Assemblymember Cristina Garcia and L.A. County Supervisor Janice Hahn were all easily re-elected.

Los Angeles County called a state of emergency over the coronavirus. Downey Mayor Blanca Pacheco urged residents to remain vigilant and protect themselves from potential scams taking advantage of the heightened fear over COVID-19.

State Sen. Bob Archuleta was named Legislator of the Year for 2019 by the California State Commanders Veterans Council. The award is given in recognition for leadership and efforts on behalf of California's veterans, active duty military, reserves, and the California National Guard.

Downey Unified and the U.S Army partnered for Military Career Week, letting students explore and discuss potential careers in the military after high school.

A team from St. Pius X - St. Matthias Academy comprised of faculty, parents and alumni, and led by Principal Veronica Zozaya ran the L.A. Marathon in support of the Los Angeles Catholic Education Foundation.

After several reports of inappropriate behavior at events sponsored by the California Contract Cities Association, Assemblymember Cristina Garcia introduced legislation that will "provide accountability and transparency of taxpayer dollars that flow to associations of local agencies or districts." Contract Cities came under scrutiny in May 2019 after a fist-fight between two city officials left one person unconscious.

Downey real estate broker Steve Roberson was awarded Century 21's Quality Service Pinnacle Producer Award in recognition of his ongoing commitment to service.

The Downey High School Thirst Project Club, a student-led organization whose aim is to bring safe drinking water to communities around the world where it is not available, hosted a "Walk for Water" event on campus. The organization asked residents to walk around the stadium track, simulating the miles that individuals have to walk to get water in resource-scarce areas. The event hoped to raise funds to install fresh water wells in impoverished communities around the world.

Wilfrido Rodriguez of Downey and Ruben Gutierrez of Huntington Beach were each sentenced to a year in county jail and placed on formal probation for five years for falsifying documents and providing fraudulent engineering services for more than seven years.

Tensions heightened in Downey after a decontamination tent was spotted outside of Kaiser Permanente Medical Center. The hospital said that the tents had been deployed as part of a drill, and reiterated that they were prepared to protect patients and staff should COVID-19 testing be warranted.

Gov. Gavin Newsom announced that California public health officials had determined that gatherings of more than 250 people should be postponed or canceled across the state until at least the end of March due to the spread of COVID-19. Many

of Downey's annual fundraisers and community events are put into question.

LA County Department of Public Health declares a stay at home order to help curb the spread of COVID-19.

Kaiser Permanente contributed \$1 million to 10 leading public health organizations and collaborated with the CDC Foundation to strengthen the United States' public health infrastructure and response systems to stop the spread of COVID-19.

Downey Unified announces that school campuses will close for at least two weeks in response to concerns over the spread of COVID-19. The District establishes a pick-up lunch program for meals to be consumed off-site by students.

Government buildings begin to close and / or operate by appointment only with safety measures. Downey Theatre cancels or postpones its calendar up until May 11. Youth Sports also begin to suspend games and practices. Meanwhile, the city urged residents to stop hoarding food and toilet paper.

Steven Knott and Jeremy Anthony Alvarez, both of Montebello, pleaded guilty to the murder of Downey Police Officer and Marine veteran Ricky Galvez and multiple charges arising from a seven-victim crime spree between September 17 and November 18, 2015 in the cities of South Gate, Montebello, Bellflower, Paramount and Downey.

Downey's two animal shelters asked pet owners to stop surrendering their pets as operations were scaled back due to the coronavirus.

Downey's first handful of COVID-19 cases are confirmed. Downey Unified School District announced that campuses will be closed through May 5.

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## In Memory of

### Stanley C. Fuller Sr.

December 22, 1927 - December 2, 2020



December 2nd marked the passing of Stanley C. Fuller Sr. at 92 years of age. Stan had and enjoyed a full life, and we celebrate his passing with renewed confidence that he went to be with his family and friends in heaven.

Stan was born on a farm in Bakersfield, CA, and he and his family moved to Bell, CA when he was seven. He lived in Downey, CA at the same residence since 1954. He is the last living member of his seven siblings. He is survived by his five children, three of which still live in Downey. Stanley Fuller II, Cheryl Wilson, Terry Rigby, Ted Fuller and Michelle Fuller. He had 9 Grandchildren and 11 Great Grandchildren and 1 Great, Great Grandchild. He is also survived by many Nephews and Nieces.

Stan was in the United States Navy for eight years. During his later years, he enjoyed talking about his experiences while in the Navy during the Korean War and the Philippine Conflict.

Stan was a long-time member of the Long Beach Model T Club. He was regularly active with the club, enjoying comradery of fellow members and still owns a 1927 Model T 2-door. He really enjoyed his days at the clubs' monthly meetings and the monthly "Model T Garage". In his younger years, he enjoyed fishing, and camping in the High Sierras. He and part of his family-built dune buggies and loved going to Pismo Beach and Glamis.

He loved his retirement life since he retired at 62 from Clark Forklift after 25 years.

Stan, in his full life never met a stranger and could out-talk just about anybody he met.

His body was cremated. His ashes will rest at his son's residence until hopefully, next spring, his children will host a memorial service at sea. His ashes will be scattered at sea when the virus hopefully has subsided, which will allow more friends and family to attend his memorial service.





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# Opinion

## Beware George Gascón

By **Chandra Bozelko**

At his swearing in ceremony, Los Angeles District Attorney George Gascón announced he would eliminate cash bail for certain offenses, not seek the death penalty and not charge children as adults. He also promised to undo sentencing enhancements retroactively.

Beware the progressive prosecutor like Gascón. He's not the answer to all of mass incarceration's problems. The hope for reform lies in reducing the power he used for these changes, not celebrating it when it's used in agreeable ways.

Just recently progressive prosecutors have banded together throughout California to create the policies that only they can implement. The movement to elect more of them has taken hold in a number of jurisdictions, moreso during the pandemic when public health interests favored smart decarceration. It's motivated by the recognition that prosecutors control the process; they have more power than judges. Their decisions to proceed with charges aren't reviewable and disciplinary forces rarely act on them when they engage in misconduct.

There's a difference between discretion and power. Power is the ability to do something and discretion is the choice to do it.

Indeed, the accountability for sworn law enforcement agents who kill civilians depends on prosecutorial discretion. From 2005 to June 2019, 122 agents have been arrested for murder or manslaughter for deaths they caused from an on-duty shooting. That's for about 1,000 officer-involved shootings per year. The Breonna Taylor case exemplified one way of using that discretion: keeping evidence from grand jurors so as to keep Louisville police officers from being charged with homicide. The Attorney General exercised his discretion in not presenting evidence. Alternatively, San Francisco District Attorney Chesa Boudin's choice to charge the officer who killed Keita O'Neill in 2017 with manslaughter is an exercise of the same discretion. Discretion is the direction but power is the hinge. It can swing where it likes.

The problem with Gascón's actions is that they only reinforce the prosecutor as the most powerful person in the system. His are called "reformist reforms" meaning they "subordinate its objectives to the

criteria of rationality and practicality of a given system." All carceral complications flow from the fact that the entire system is flawed, not just the man or woman who gets elected.

Because the public is so used to a system that advertises itself as adversarial but is, in truth, overbalanced in favor of one side, it's hard to imagine what a world with disempowered prosecutors looks like. It includes jury instructions that openly offer the option of jury nullification: fact-finders return a not guilty verdict even when a finding of guilt is supported by the evidence if the acquittal would better serve interests of justice; right now courts don't have to disclose the option but they can. Serious consequences for professional malfeasance would work too, including removing sovereign immunity for prosecutors so they're civilly liable for their misdeeds.

The best and most complete way to level the playing field is to eliminate plea bargaining thus requiring prosecutors to prove every case they bring. The trial penalty — the probability that a defendant will receive a longer sentence if he tests the state's case with a trial — provides prosecutors with much of their power. In 2013, Human Rights Watch reported that federal prosecutors leveraged mandatory minimum sentences over federal drug defendants to extract guilty pleas from them.

Jettisoning the plea bargain is an extreme solution — 90% of defendants accept these agreements and plead guilty. Bronx County, New York, tried it at the height of penal populism in the 1990's with the expectation that judges would dole out longer sentences. Instead, judges became more lenient, plea bargaining dropped only 11%, and the dismissal rate — and the backlog — both increased by more than 20%. Any vacation from these agreements likely wouldn't last. Indeed, in the few jurisdictions that experimented with removing plea bargaining as an option to resolve a case, all reversed their bans.

Gascón can't undo sovereign immunity — even though it's entirely a judicial construct. Besides, making these lawyers answerable in civil court assumes that harmful tactics by prosecutors are all actionable; they're not — that's the problem. He can't rewrite jury instructions; that duty belongs to the Judicial Council.

The new District Attorney can institute one change that would change the trial dynamic. LA County District Attorneys could inform sentencing bodies of what the proposed plea bargain was. Knowing exactly how much of a discount a defendant deserved in the state's eyes may cause sentence lengths to drop. Right now, sentencing judges can't know the proposed plea, a practice that must benefit the government otherwise prosecutors would have stopped it.

It's disingenuous to seek between five and 20 years when a defendant's initial offer was just probation. That's what happened to me. I don't know if the judge would have sentenced me to an effective sentence of nine years if he knew the state's attorney demonstrated that probation was appropriate through his plea offer.

Of course, drawing down prosecutorial power would end up preventing the good use of discretion. But evening out the power in the adversarial system would create a bigger, more wholesale change where defendants and constituents alike wouldn't look to the grace of one person to get justice. That's the problem of the progressive prosecutor. Benevolent or not, he's still king of the system.

It's essential to remember that these changes might not even realize; Gascón's revolution is a bit of a mirage. Dozens of "line prosecutors" who may not share his values and vision do most of the work. They're the ones who made the calls on most of the 303,363 cases that appeared in Los Angeles County in 2019; they'll resist losing that autonomy.

When a similar elimination of cash bail was headed to New York state in 2020, one assistant district attorney trained lower tier prosecutors on how to circumvent the new rules. The pandemic's effect on court proceedings prevents us from knowing how many even tried this, much less how many succeeded. They may try the same in Los Angeles. Sabotage lurks in the offices of many progressive prosecutors.

Gascón's goals are laudable and he has the cojones to implement them, but the imbalance and rot in the system remains the same after his announcement. In fact, it might even be stronger.

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## My 2021 wish list

By **Eric Pierce**

*"Optimism is a strategy for making a better future. Because unless you believe that the future can be better, you are unlikely to step up and take responsibility for making it so."*

These words from Noam Chomsky, the American linguist and philosopher, are a perfect encapsulation of Downey, a perfectly fine community already but a city that holds potential to do so much better.

The year 2020 was a punch to the gut, knocking us to the ground in March and whooping on us all spring and summer. And just as we started to regain our composure in the fall, here came 2020 again, knocking us to the canvas with a mean left hook. If 2020 was a boxing match, the referee would be flailing his arms to stop the fight.

It's not a surprise Downey is one of Los Angeles County's leaders in coronavirus cases. Firestone Boulevard is a parking lot. Malls and shopping centers are packed, restaurants continue to accommodate customers who refuse to eat at home, and Downey Calvary Christian Church -- a small city unto itself -- pretends the virus doesn't exist, thumbing its nose at health experts and extending a middle finger to the rest of us.

It's hard to blame the restaurants and small businesses. Those owners and their employees have families to feed and rent to pay, and who's going to help them? Certainly not our exalted leaders in

Washington, D.C., who think \$600 is enough to pacify us regular folk.

Life stands still for no one, so we trudge forward into 2021, perhaps not with the same level of gumption and optimism than in years past, but instead longing for the monotony of normalcy.

Below is my wish list for 2021; it's shorter than usual because, really, who are we to demand frivolous things in the middle of a pandemic.

**An end to street sweeping citations.** More people than ever are working from home and L.A. County this week just extended its stay-at-home order. It's counterproductive and insensitive to issue citations to residents, who have enough to worry about without the added stress of a street sweeping ticket.

Not everyone has the luxury of circular driveways and multi-car garages. Housing in Downey is becoming more dense and vertical; many of us live in apartments, condominiums and townhomes, where street parking is our only viable option.

**Less political ambition.** If it seems like our City Council is more politicized than ever, it's because it is. A record amount of cash was raised in Downey's last election, and more clear than ever which of our council members are Democrats and which are Republicans.

Local office is meant to be non-partisan. We've seen what partisan politics accomplishes on a national level and it's disappointing to see

it creep onto the city council.

**A reinvented transit system.** Here's a pop quiz: if you wanted to ride the DowneyLink, do you know where your nearest bus stop is? Do you know the route you'd need to take to reach your destination? Do you know its hours of operation? What does it cost to ride?

According to the DowneyLink website, bus service is offered via the north and south routes from 9 am to 2 pm, while the northwest, northeast, southwest and southeast routes are available from 6-9 am and again from 2-6:30 pm.

Got it?

It would be great if DowneyLink had a mobile app with a real-time map of routes and stops, along with a mobile payment option.

**Al-fresco dining.** Let's face it, we live in Southern California and tolerate ridiculously high taxes and real estate prices for one reason: the weather. Sixty-nine degrees here feels cold.

The pandemic forced restaurants to adopt outdoor dining, and while the circumstances were terrible, it's actually a pleasant experience to eat under the sun (or the stars). I hope al-fresco dining becomes a permanent part of Southern California culture even after the pandemic goes away, and I hope Downey can relax its rules enough to facilitate this for willing restaurants.

**More dog parks.** I've written about this before but Downey sorely needs more open space for our canine companions to play.

Above all else, I hope 2021 brings us peace and healing. Happy New Year.

## Office pool 2021

By **Judge Andrew Napolitano**

**1) One year from now, the president of the United States will be**

- a. Joseph R. Biden, Jr.
- b. Kamala Harris.
- c. Nancy Pelosi.
- d. Donald Trump.

**2) In February 2021, Donald Trump will**

- a. Be indicted for tax and bank fraud in New York.
- b. Have announced that he will remain in the White House until Jan. 20, 2025.
- c. Be living in Saudi Arabia and avoiding American warrants and subpoenas.
- d. Be reorganizing the Department of Justice.

**3) By June 2021, Donald Trump will**

- a. Have lost his Twitter and Facebook accounts.
- b. Be divorced from Melania.
- c. Be reconciled with his former lawyer turned snitch Michael Cohen.
- d. Be negotiating with Vladimir Putin to build Trump Tower Moscow.

**4) In 2021, the Super Bowl will be won by**

- a. The New York Giants, in football history's greatest comeback.

- b. The Tampa Bay Bucs, after Tom Brady is ejected for cheating and a substitute quarterback leads the team.
- c. The Kansas City Chiefs.
- d. The New Orleans Saints.

**5) In 2021, the World Series will be won by**

- a. The New York Yankees when DJ LeMahieu bats .500 in the postseason.
- b. The Boston Red Sox.
- c. The Houston Astros, but the title will be revoked after another cheating scandal.
- d. The Los Angeles Dodgers.

**6) In 2021, all NFL teams will**

- a. Condone players kneeling during the National Anthem.
- b. Lose popularity over the league's efforts to address political and cultural issues.
- c. Again play before empty stadiums.
- d. Play in packed stadiums.

**7) By the end of 2021, COVID-19 will be**

- a. Eradicated.
- b. Exposed as a hoax.
- c. Take more lives than it did in 2020.
- d. No longer on the government's radar.

**8) By the end of 2021**

- a. The roaring economy will have returned.
- b. A great depression will have ensued due to the national debt and insane borrowing.
- c. Unemployment will be above 10%.
- d. Taxes will be higher than they were in 2020.

**9) By the end of 2021**

- a. President Biden will have retired.
- b. Former President Trump will be incarcerated.
- c. Israeli Prime Minister Netanyahu will be incarcerated.
- d. The U.S. will have more troops abroad than in 2020.

**10) In 2021, President Biden will**

- a. Rejoin the Paris climate accords.
- b. Rejoin the Iran nuclear deal.
- c. Open America's borders to all who wish to come here and cease building Trump's wall.
- d. All of the above.

**11) In 2021, the Supreme Court will**

- a. Reverse Roe v. Wade.
- b. Rule that the right to carry arms outside the home is a fundamental liberty.
- c. Permit those injured by police to sue the police.
- d. Do none of the above.

**12) In 2021, Donald Trump will**

- a. Host "Saturday Night Live."
- b. Form a partnership with Kanye West to buy a major Hollywood studio.
- c. Go bankrupt, again.
- d. Compete with Fox News.

**13) In 2021, global warming will be**

- a. Exposed as a hoax.
- b. Embraced by the Biden administration.
- c. Known as "global cooling," after the coldest, darkest winter on record.
- d. Used as an excuse by congressional Democrats to raise taxes.

**14) One year from today**

- a. Pope Francis will be retired and living in a slum in Buenos Aires.
- b. Roman Catholic cardinals will have deposed Francis for heresy.
- c. Divorced and remarried Catholics will be permitted to receive the Holy Eucharist.
- d. The Latin Mass will be offered in all churches in the west.

**15) One year from today**

- a. The debt of the federal government will have exceeded \$33 trillion.
- b. The Federal Reserve will have caused another bubble due to artificially low interest rates.
- c. The federal government will renege on all its debts.
- d. All Americans will be required to carry an ID card containing medical information and proving a COVID vaccination.

**16) In 2021, President Biden will**

- a. Start a war.
- b. Push for higher taxes.
- c. Push for carbon footprint monitoring.
- d. Advocate for increasing the size of the Supreme Court.

**17) One year from today**

- a. We will finally know how wealthy Donald Trump is, or isn't.
- b. President Biden will have publicly forgotten his own name.
- c. Al Gore will have announced that he will challenge Biden in 2024.
- d. The U.S. and the Islamic State group will have signed a peace treaty.

**18) One year from today**

- a. The U.S. will have socialized medicine.
- b. Obamacare will be the norm for low-income and middle-class health insurance needs.
- c. COVID will have been forgotten.
- d. Roger Clemens will be in the baseball Hall of Fame.

**19) One year from today**

- a. More Americans will be working from home than were in 2019.
- b. Bill and Hillary Clinton will finally get a divorce.
- c. Biden will have removed all of Trump's tariffs.
- d. Chris Christie will have announced he is seeking the 2024 Republican presidential nomination.

**20) In the long run**

- a. Everything the government has it has stolen.
- b. Everything the government says is a lie.
- c. That government is best which governs least.
- d. All of the above are true.

My choices are 1a, 2a, 3d, 4c, 5d, 6b, 7d, 8b, 9c, 10d, 11b, 12a, 13d, 14d, 15d, 16 all, 17a, 18d, 19a, 20d.  
Happy New Year.

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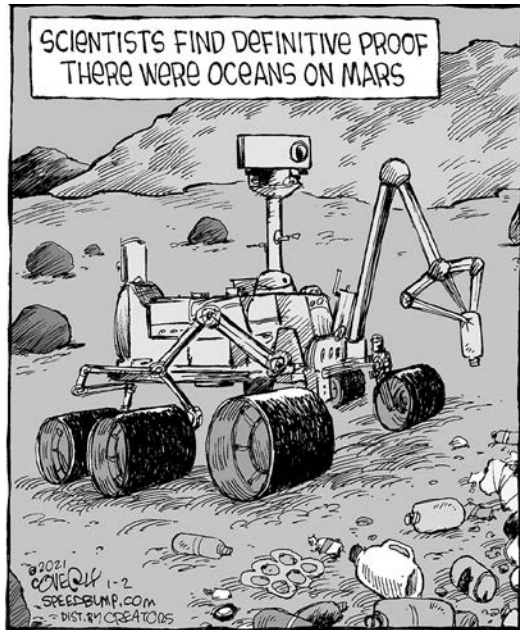
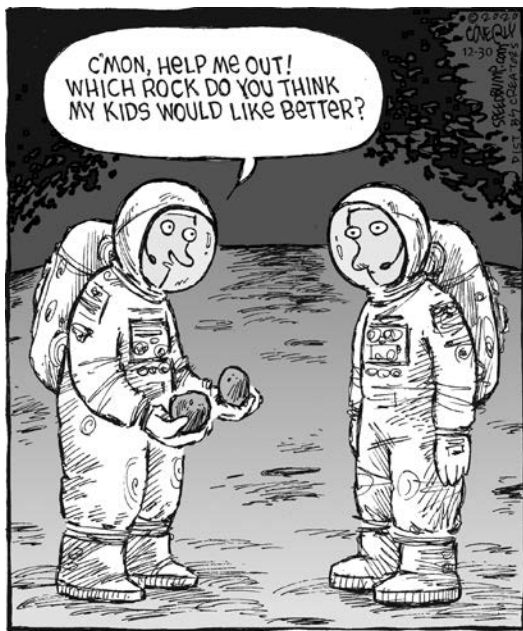
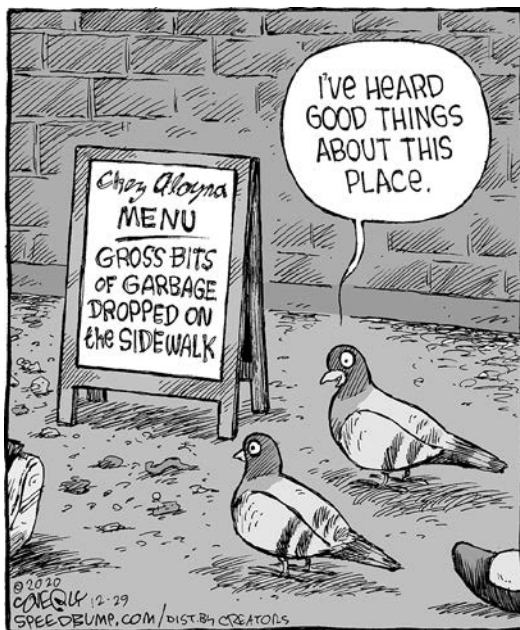
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# Downey Community Calendar

### CITY MEETINGS

1st & 3rd Wednesday, 6:30pm: Planning Commission, Council Chamber at City Hall.  
 1st Tue., 4:00pm.: Recreation and Community Services Commission, Council Chamber, City Hall.  
 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 310-386-8112.  
 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 William Medina 413-3447.  
 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., 6:00 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

#### THURSDAYS

7:30 am: Connections Networking, at Bob's Big Boy, for info., call Nick Smith, 861-5222.  
 7:30 am.: Soroptimist Int'l of Downey, for information, call Mia Vasquez, 806-3217.  
 9 am: Crafters group, at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, call 803-4459.  
 9:30 am: Take off Pounds Sensibly, at Barabara Riley Senior Center, call (800) 932-8677.  
 12 pm: Kiwanis Club of Downey, at Rio Hondo Events Center, call Roy Jimenez 923-0971.  
 12 pm: Optimist Club of Downey, at Rio Hondo Events Center.  
 6:30 pm: Downey United Masonic Lodge # 220, 8244 3rd St., call 862-4176.  
 7 pm: Troop 351, Boy Scouts of America, will resume meeting online in January, call 562-500-5093.  
 7:30 pm: Downey Elks Lodge #2020, call 803-3557.  
 1st Thurs.: People of Faith Ministries, Schroder Piano, call John Veiga 562-412-7192.  
 1st Thurs., 7:30 pm.: The Downey Amateur Radio Club, at First Baptist Church room 120.  
 2nd Thurs., 7:30 pm: Beaming Rebel Foxes Collectors Club, call Carl D. Jones at 923-2400.  
 2nd & 4th Thurs., 6:30 pm: Downey Lions Club, at Mimi's, call Lenora (310) 283-9825.  
 3rd Thurs., 4 pm: Public Works Committee, at City Hall Training Room.  
 3rd Thurs., 6 pm: Downey CIPAC, at Sizzler's Restaurant, call Rich Tuttle 413-6045.  
 4th Thurs., 10 am: Assistance League, at Casa De Parley Johnson, call 869-0232.  
 4th Thurs., 7:30 pm: Downey Historical Society programs, at Community Center, call 862-2777.

#### FRIDAYS

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

#### SATURDAYS

9 am: Farmers Market, Downey Avenue at 3rd Street, call 904-7246.

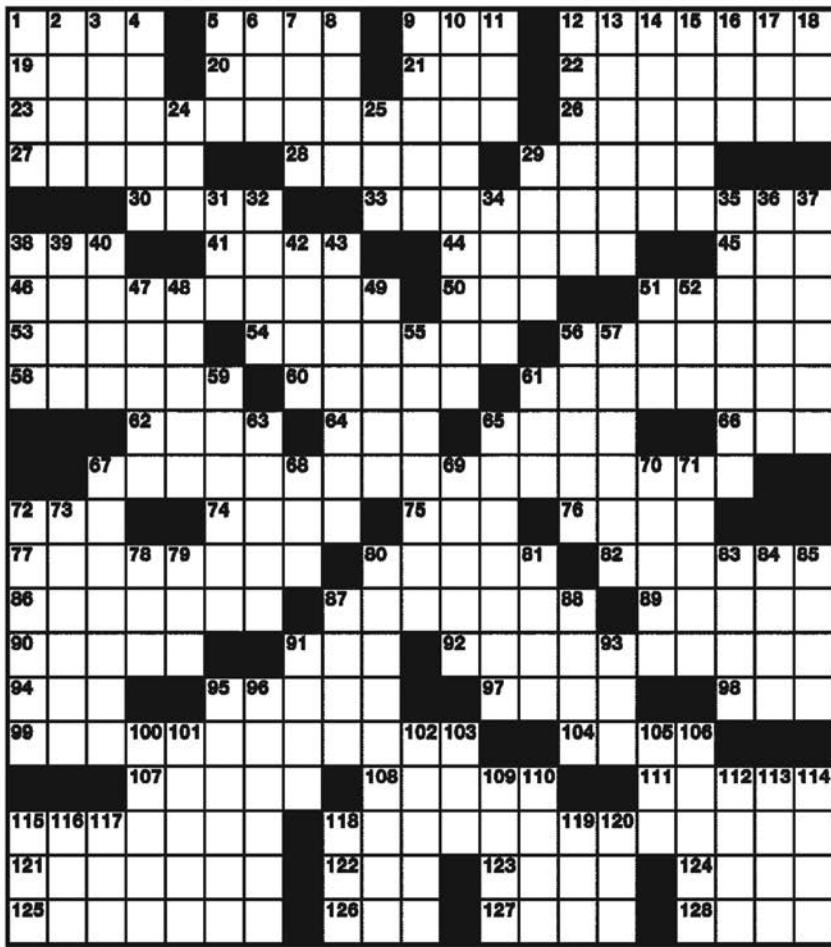
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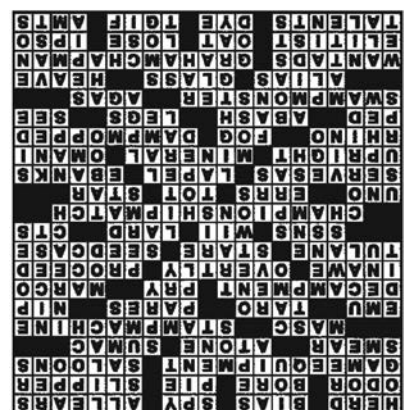
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Members of Downey Girl Scout Troop #01173 that attend Our Lady of Perpetual Help School earn their Silver Award (the highest award a Girl Scout can achieve as a Cadette). They came up with a project they called "SEW 'n LOVE," where they made handmade sewn pillowcases. Each pillowcase contained personal notes of hope for local orphans at Niños Latinos Unidos in Bellflower. The girls also made their project sustainable, with other local troops volunteering to continue making pillowcases for the orphanage.

City Council begins discussions on a temporary moratorium on tenant evictions in response to the financial impact many were feeling due to COVID-19. The idea garners pushback from property owners who feared that such action would be taken advantage of by renters.

Restaurants are forced to adapt to take-out service only. The Chamber of Commerce encourages residents to support local businesses who may be struggling during the pandemic.

Downey City Council reluctantly approves a new Verizon cell tower to be placed at the city's public works maintenance yard. Verizon received a fair amount of criticism from Council - notably Alex Saab - who felt the company had not been a good partner to the city concerning its previous towers.

Desert Reign Church pastor Alex Bernard dies one week after testing positive for COVID-19. He is Downey's first publicly identified coronavirus death.

## April

Downey residents - including notable fashion designer Johana Hernández - begin making masks for healthcare workers on the frontlines of the fight against COVID-19.

Downey receives an \$18,000 grant from Los Angeles County Supervisor Janice Hahn to purchase senior meals for seniors unable or unwilling to leave their homes during the pandemic.

DUSD officially announces that campuses will remain closed, and that students would finish out the school year learning remotely at home.

Downey City Council voted to provide extra breathing room to commercial tenants affected by Covid-19, while also setting an expiration date for residential rent flexibility. Council decided to allow renters up to three months after the termination of the local emergency to satisfy any outstanding rent. Tenants would have to notify their landlords in writing that they were unable to pay the rent due to the effects of Covid-19. Commercial renters were eligible if the financial impact was a result of compliance with local, state or federal health guidelines.

Downey High School robotics students launched a fundraising campaign to manufacture 1,500 face shields for local healthcare workers.

CalMet put a temporary pause on recycling, with green waste and recyclables temporarily disposed of at the landfill after the coronavirus pandemic shut down recycling centers.

All parks are closed on Easter Sunday to discourage large gatherings in wake of the coronavirus.

With job losses mounting, Downey's food banks see a surge in new families trying to obtain groceries.

Downey's first responders took to PIH to honor frontline medical workers with a drive-by siren salute.

By mid month, Downey surpasses 100 deaths related to COVID-19.

California Gov. Gavin Newsom outlined six indicators that he said will lead to the reopening of society and the economy in California. The indicators include: The ability to monitor and protect communities through testing, contact tracing, isolating, and supporting those who are positive or exposed; The ability to prevent infection in people who are at risk for

more severe COVID-19; The ability of the hospital and health systems to handle surges; The ability to develop therapeutics to meet the demand; The ability for businesses, schools, and childcare facilities to support physical distancing; and The ability to determine when to reinstate certain measures, such as the stay-at-home orders, if necessary.

A drive-up Covid-19 testing site opened in Bellflower, the closest testing site to Downey at that time.

Residents Kandy, David, and John Grzebyk decorated their van and cruised the Easter Bunny around town to help spread some Easter fun during quarantine.

Kaiser Permanente comes to an agreement with its unionized workers to ease some of the major burdens they face on the frontlines of the coronavirus pandemic, including assistance with child care and temporary shelter, and extra leave for workers who are tested or diagnosed with COVID-19. The measures provide support for 80,000 workers who are members of the Coalition of Kaiser Permanente Unions, including full-time, part-time and per-diem employees.

Brookfield Healthcare Center is listed as one of the over 250 skilled nursing facilities in California to have been impacted by COVID-19. More than half of the facilities listed are within LA County.

Downey attorney Ricardo Perez purchased and coordinated with local businesses to have delivered 200 lunches to Downey first responders. As a way to contribute to the local economy, all lunch purchases were made at local small business restaurants.

PIH Health Hospital in Whittier begins offering drive-up COVID-19 testing.

Downey and Warren high schools are named among the nation's best high schools, according to U.S. News & World Report.

The Downey City Council approved an agreement with Kanopy, Inc., opening up over 30,000 independent and documentary films, specializing in content of unique social and cultural value to library cardholders.

Downey resident and civic leader Lois Buchanan is named Woman of the Year. She is chosen by Assemblymember Cristina Garcia to represent the state's 58th Assembly District.

Downey's City Council approved plans for a traffic signal to be installed outside of Warren High School at the intersection of Paramount Boulevard and De Palma Street.

Gov. Gavin Newsom announces the closure of all beaches.

By month's end, Downey has surpassed 200 cases of coronavirus.

## May

Eric Pierce, community volunteer and longtime editor of the Downey Patriot, officially kicked off campaign season by being the first to announce his intent for city council.

PIH urges residents not to put

off their regularly scheduled medical appointments and operations due to COVID-19.

Downey crosses 250 cases as the state prepares for a slow reopening.

St. Raymond Catholic Church starts offering drive-thru blessings, communion, and confessions.

Three-hundred families took part in the Downey YMCA's Healthy Kids Day drive-thru event.

Kaiser Permanente Downey Medical Center was awarded an 'A' in the spring 2020 Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grade, a national distinction recognizing Kaiser Permanente Downey Medical Center's achievements providing safer health care.

As a precaution against the coronavirus, Downey closes its parks for Mother's Day.

After having been closed for a month, Rose Hills Memorial Park in Whittier reopens with limited hours.

Warren High School junior Alyssa Talavera baked 200 cookies for first responders and healthcare workers, personally delivering the cookies to four facilities across Los Angeles.

Protesters take to Council members' private homes over frustrations with renters' protections during the pandemic. City Council floats an idea to take action against such demonstrations, however it gains no traction.

City Council approved the sale of nearly nine acres of city-owned land, clearing the way for a potential new hotel in Downey. The deal also infuses the city with a lump sum cash payment at a time when sales tax revenues are expected to decline sharply.

Baby Evilio, only six weeks old, is discharged from Kaiser Permanente Downey Medical Center after being treated for COVID-19. He was the hospital's youngest COVID-19 patient treated at the time.

A report from Self Financial estimates that 5,766 adults live alone in Downey, accounting for 6.6% of all adults in the city.

Downey Council approved a 15-year extension of the services of the Southeast Area Animal Control Authority (SEAACA).

DUSD's Dr. John Garcia is named the Superintendent of the Year for Region 14 of the Association of California School Administrators (ACSA).

Robert Olvera, a volunteer coach with the Downey Razorbacks youth football league, dies after contracting COVID-19.

California state Sen. Steven Bradford (D-Gardena) introduced legislation authorizing the Water Replenishment District of Southern California (WRD) to take control of the Central Basin Municipal Water District (Central Basin), which would dissolve Central Basin's board of directors and put the distressed

agency in receivership because "(t) he problems at the district . . . cannot be resolved by the district board as currently constituted."

A three-year pay raise for Downey Police Department was given the go ahead by City Council. Under the new three-year agreement with the Downey Police Officers' Association (DPOA) - which represents the sworn classifications of Police Officer and Police Sergeant, the across-the-board pay raise would see a 2% pay increase effective in July this year, followed by another 2% raise in July next year, and another 1% raise in July the following year.

A deadly hit-and-run crash at the Paramount exit on the 5 Freeway is caught on dashcam. A white Fiat appeared to clip a red sedan and sent it spiraling off the freeway and slamming into a tree. The man and woman who were traveling in the red vehicle were killed and the Fiat took off from the scene. The suspect was arrested after independent news photographer Hector Gerardo witnessed the crash and followed him, while calling 911. Police caught up to the suspect near Florence Avenue and Studebaker Road, about three miles from the crash scene.

The Annenberg Foundation donated 300 iPads to Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center to be used by COVID-19 patients and their families.

The class of 2020 graduates without a traditional in-person ceremony. Instead, the District presents two separate fireworks displays for all high schools.

GRL Collective, a clothing brand that empowers women created by Kristine Rodriguez, goes viral.

## June

Closed since March, Downey City Hall reopens to the public with safety measures - including required masks - in place.

The killing of unarmed Black man George Floyd at the

hands of Minneapolis police officers sparked a torrent of protests across the nation with demonstrators demanding an end to racist police departments and greater respect for Black lives. In Downey, a demonstration on Brookshire Avenue attracted more than 100 protestors, many of whom appeared to be high school and college-aged. The access road to City Hall was closed and police officers clad in riot gear monitored the protest from a distance. Police officers eventually closed Brookshire and escorted the group as they marched on city streets. Although the demonstration was peaceful, nervous store owners boarded up windows in advance of the protest.

A first look at a potential budget for fiscal year 2020-21 reflects a decrease of \$19,317,616, or 7.39% from the previous fiscal year.

L.A. County Supervisor Janice Hahn begins pushing for local police departments to adopt new use-of-force policies that she said would reduce violent interactions between police officers and the public.

After a Twitter storm of alleged bullying, sexual misconduct, racism, and other inappropriate behavior at DUSD high schools causes Downey to trend, the District promises to "Do better." Downey establishes the Human Relations Council, made up of representatives from within the District to determine the steps that need to be taken to better

provide a learning environment that is safer, more equitable and more inclusive.

After a 30-year teaching career, Warren High School teacher Guy Weeks retires.

Downey approved a temporary outdoor dining program, allowing restaurants to utilize adjacent outdoor areas for food and drink service.

Downey begins requiring masks and non-contact temperature checks to enter city buildings.

Hector Sosa was installed as president of Gangs Out of Downey.

Downey's Dia de los Muertos Art Festival, originally slated for Nov. 1, is officially canceled due to COVID-19.

Downey surpasses 1,000 cases of COVID-19.

Deputy district attorney Mario Trujillo officially enters the city council race.

Linda Salomon Saldana, a civic leader and nonprofit director, announced her candidacy for Downey School Board.

Downey High School football coach Jack Williams announced in an Instagram post that football practices would resume the following Monday, June 22

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Rep. Lucille Roybal-Allard releases a statement celebrating the Supreme Court's decision to preserve DACA. "Today is a happy and historic day for America and our Dreamers. With the Supreme Court upholding DACA, thousands of Dreamers can breathe a temporary sigh of relief."

Progressive Candidate Alexandria Contreras announces her bid to the council seat held by Mayor Blanca Pacheco.

Robert Cauley wins the first ever Rancho Foundation Art Contest. The foundation held an art contest for artists from Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center, asking them to submit a new work of art inspired by recent events and the COVID-19 pandemic. Ten staff members from various Rancho departments voted on the submissions.

LaShawn Anderson, 50, pleaded guilty to money laundering charges stemming from a drug trafficking scheme inside a California state prison. The Downey woman was a civilian employee with the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department when she agreed to help a convicted murderer hide income made from selling drugs inside Centinela State Prison in 2017.

David Gafin, civic leader and former mayor, dies at 65 after a battle with cancer.

Students and alumni gather outside of the DUSD office to demand end to sexual harassment at Downey schools.

DUSD proposes two scenarios for the 2020-21 school year: a hybrid model and full-distance learning. Meanwhile, it is made clear that a five-day school week will not happen when school resumes.

Rio San Gabriel (RSG) Elementary School held a fundraiser by hosting a family dine out night at Jimmy Johns to support Downey TLC and raised \$2,000 through the efforts of the RSG parent community and the RSG PTA.

Downey Symphony's Board of Directors elected Ryan Keene as President and Anthony Crespo as Vice President for the 2020-21 year.

Steve Roberson was inducted into the YMCA of Metropolitan Los Angeles' Golden Book of Distinguished Service. prestigious recognition is given to a rare group of special volunteers to commemorate their extraordinary service to

the YMCA of Metropolitan Los Angeles.

The Viking's Boys' Soccer program started practicing on the field, although their season remained uncertain.

## July

After 31 years of answering calls, Fire Communications Operator Lee Lindquist retired. Lee has been a 911 dispatcher for the cities of Downey, Compton, La Habra Heights, Lynwood, Montebello, Santa Fe Springs and Vernon since 1989.

Hundreds of residents lined up and paraded in front of the Downey Police Station in a show of support to officers. The parade was coordinated by Kandy Grzebyk and the Positively Downey Facebook group.

Downey Firefighters responded to nine fires between the hours of 6 pm and 3 am during the Independence Day holiday.

Homegrown resident and longtime realtor Carrie Uva announced her intent to run for the city's District 5 seat.

Robert Thome, a renowned artist who founded the Art of Rancho Exhibit at Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center, passed away at the age of 65.

Longtime Downey resident Jose Rodriguez announces that he will be running for Downey's School Board. He is given the endorsement of Tod Corrin, who announced that he would not be seeking reelection.

Veteran school board member D. Mark Morris announced his bid for reelection.

Rep. Lucille Roybal-Allard included language about aviation fuel dumps in the fiscal year 2021 Transportation-HUD Appropriations bill and report. The provision requires the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) to be more transparent about the details of recent fuel dumps, and about the FAA's fuel dump review process.

The Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts announces it will not present a 2020-21 season, citing uncertainty over the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Cerritos College Foundation announced Rachelle Elhessen and Tran Pham as the recipients of the SoCalGas Scholarship, with both students receiving \$5,000 to support the continuation of their higher education.

The Downey Unified School District Board of Education unanimously voted to change Griffith's Middle School mascot name from the Indians to the Thunderbirds during a nationwide discussion on racism and cultural misappropriation.

Downey Unified School District officially announces that the

2020-21 school year will begin with full-distance learning.

The Rose Parade is officially canceled for the first time since WWII. It's a disappointing cap on an already tough year for the Downey Rose Float Association, which has had to cancel most of its major fundraisers.

William Medina took over the leadership of Rotary Club for a second time.

Lifelong Downey resident and Cerritos College alumnus and chairperson of the Cerritos College Foundation Mazen Nabulsi announced his candidacy for the Cerritos College Board of Trustees seat (Area 1).

Kaiser Permanente Downey Medical Center was one of 22 Kaiser Permanente hospitals recognized among the "Best Maternity Care Hospitals 2020" by Newsweek magazine.

Hoping to give local businesses an added advantage during the pandemic, Downey City Council votes to close down one block of Downey Avenue within the downtown area, opening it up for outside dining opportunities.

Republican attorney C. Antonio Delgado announces a longshot bid at unseating incumbent Lucille Roybal-Allard.

Downey's Assisteens, an auxiliary unit of the Assistance League of Downey, completed nearly 300 cards saluting the frontline healthcare workers at PIH Health Hospital, thanking them for their bravery and dedication. The Assisteens are comprised of high school students and work throughout the year on community service projects.

Downey's Marcela Arrieta was featured on Telemundo for her new line of products that promote wellbeing. Arrieta is a holistic and alternative medicine practitioner and owner of Majestic Bliss Soaps, a company that creates vegan-friendly and holistic self-care products.

Mayor Blanca Pacheco participated in a multi-city motorcade to promote the 2020 census. State Sen. Bob Archuleta also stopped by, taking the opportunity to wave to cars as they passed by.

## August

The parks portion of Measure S is completed, concluding with Wilderness Park. Wilderness remains closed, however, as work on the ponds - which is separate to Measure S - is not finished.

Former PTA president Angie Rademaker joins the race for School Board.

Carlos Avalos makes his second run at School Board, challenging incumbent Giggy Perez-Saab.

Carrie Rios Estrada is installed as Soroptimist president.

Warren High School student Dulce Vilchis is accepted into The National Society of High School Scholars. The Society recognizes top scholars who have demonstrated outstanding leadership, scholarship and community involvement.

Councilman Rick Rodriguez officially announces that he will not seek reelection, instead opting to tend to his health.

The filing deadline for Council candidates expires, revealing nine candidates running for three seats. They are: District 1 - Mayor Blanca Pacheco and Alexandria Contreras, District 3 - Eric Pierce, Dalejuan Jackson-Peevy, and Catherine Alvarez, and District 5 - Mario Trujillo, Carrie Uva, Juan Martinez, and Arturo Gonzalez.

Cathy BallonGodinez, a community volunteer and lifetime Downey resident, announces her candidacy for School Board.

Downey Mayor Blanca Pacheco makes history, installed as president of the L.A. County Division of League of California Cities, representing 86 cities in Los Angeles County. She is the first Downey official to lead the League of California Cities.

The Columbia Memorial Space Center hosts its annual Rocket Fever event virtually. The always popular rocket launches are still included, with over 700 rocket kits being sent to kids all around Southern California, a fraction of which were able to be sent back to the museum for launch.

Local leaders ask Congress to invest at least \$200 billion in the K-12 public school system.

Former Downey Mayor Mario Guerra was appointed to the Downey Cemetery Commission, filling the vacancy left by the death of David Gafin.

Downey City Council agreed to a five-year extension of the I-5 Consortium Cities Joint Powers Authority (I-JPA) Agreement on Tuesday. Established in 1990, the I-JPA - consisting of Downey, La Mirada, Commerce, Buena Park, Norwalk, and Santa Fe Springs - works in partnership with Caltrans, Metro, and the Federal Highway Administration in pursuit of capacity enhancement options for the I-5 freeway while avoiding at-grade widening that would have negative adverse impacts on corridor communities.

While students, parents, and teachers alike hope for a return to campus sooner rather than later, Downey Unified Superintendent Dr. John Garcia says that students are more likely to return in the next year.

While speaking to Downey Rotary, Police Chief Dean Milligan says that "mental health calls are best dealt with by mental health professionals."

Downey Mayor Pro Tem Claudia Frometa is unanimously approved by the NALEO (National Association of Latino Elected Officials) Board of Directors to serve on the NALEO Board.

The Kaiser Permanente Bernard J. Tyson School of Medicine, in partnership with six federally qualified health centers (FQHCs), launches the first part of the school's singular service-learning program. The course places students at one of six Southern California-based community health centers - each representing

diverse patient populations and clinical specialties - to address community needs under the mentorship of a service learning preceptor.

Downey suspends all fare collection for DowneyLink and Dial-a-Ride users. The move comes in hopes that it will assist riders who may have been affected by the financial impacts of COVID-19.

Marianna Pacheco, director of nursing at Downey Adult School, announces her campaign for Cerritos College board.

Philanthropist and community advocate Dr. Mary Stauffer turned 103 years old.

22 women accuse former coach Randy Headley of assault. Headley owned and operated a silk screen printing business that did business as Logos Two, LA Clothing Company and Downey Sporting Goods.

Downtown adopts new name: District @ Downey.

Elizabeth "Bette" Heckert celebrated her 90th birthday with a car parade, including members of Downey Fire Department.

The Downey Dolphins swim team supported the Long Beach COVID-19 Virtual Swim, Paddle or Row to Hawaii this past August. With the outdoor pool at Downey High still closed, this challenge was swam in the Los Alamitos Bay and Seal Beach. The distance between Long Beach and Honolulu is 2,558 miles. Together as a group with master swim teams across the nation, the Downey Dolphins completed this three times.

GreenPal - an uber-esque lawn care service, launches in Downey.

## September

Longtime Downey residents Bill and Katie Hare celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary. Both Bill and Katie are active civic leaders in Downey.

After-school music and sports classes offered by the Downey Foundation see a drop of 95%.

Rapper Travis Scott caused a stir at the Speedee McDonalds location to take promotional photos for his collab with the chain restaurant. A large crowd of fans - many seemingly school aged kids and teenagers - formed around Florence Ave. and Lakewood Blvd. to try to get a glimpse of the celebrity. Downey PD responded to help control traffic. Later, the department tweeted that Scott's appearance had not been permitted or approved by the city. Both he and the location were later fined.

OG Collectibles opens in the former Art's Camera on Firestone Blvd, filling a gaming void in the city.

The Downey Tenants Union hosted a virtual City Council candidates forum on primarily housing issues. Of the nine individuals running for office, four - Alexandria Contreras, Catherine Alvarez, Juan "Joey" Martinez and Arturo Gonzalez - take part.

After a two month delay due to COVID-19, city officials say that construction on the updated library should be complete this month, with move-in slotted for October.

Resident Bonnie Bowater celebrated her 98th birthday with a special car parade put together by her family, friends and neighbors.

PIH Health Hospital Downey marked its 100th anniversary with a time capsule burial and drive-thru parade featuring first responders.

Downey Councilman Sean Ashton was sworn in as President of Independent Cities Association.

17-year-old game designer Lily Jane Nguyen shares her experience with Iskonsko Studio, the team currently behind the creation of upcoming point-and-click adventure game "Trouble Hunter Chronicles: The Stolen Creed." She and her team are hoping for a release sometime next year.

Downey City Council voted to reopen Downey Avenue between 2nd and 3rd Streets, after previously closing the roadway for the benefit of businesses struggling with COVID-19 health mandates.

First Christian Church held a groundbreaking ceremony for an expansion of its FoodHelp food bank.

More than 400 cases of water were collected by a group of Downey High School students and alumni, which were subsequently donated to first responders fighting the wildfires in the state. The drive was spearheaded by 19-year-old alumnus Andrew Carrieri.

Regular Patriot contributor Helen Hampton celebrated her 96th birthday.

Downey Soroptimists, with help from Kaiser, award \$5,000 in medical scholarships to five recipients.

Mandated financial disclosures forms for council candidates reveal that Mario Trujillo raised \$135,526 in his campaign, outperforming all other candidates by nearly \$100,000.

School board candidates mostly agree on issues during a virtual forum presented by the Downey Patriot and the Chamber of Commerce.

Steven Knott, 23, was sentenced to 50 years to life in state prison, while Jeremy Anthony Alvarez, 26, was sentenced to 30 years to life in prison for the killing of Downey Police Officer Ricardo Galvez in the police station parking lot in 2015.

Sarah Barrios, a student at Downey High School, placed second place in Rep. Lucille RoybalAllard's 27th annual Student Art Competition with a watercolor painting entitled "Hands of Hope." The People's Choice Award winner was recent Downey High School graduate Carrie Breault, who received 487 votes from the community at-large for her art piece, "Float To Your Dreams."

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In honor of September's Literacy Month, The Rotary Club of Downey presented the library with the club's annual check to support Children's Literacy.

## October

Downey students Joseph Awada, Hanna Choi, Joshua Choi, Leony Concepcion, Christopher Garcia, Lydia Kim, Kailynne Lopez, Alexandra Rapalo, Anali Rodriguez, Jamie Sanchez, and Stephanie Sifuentesj were named to the Biola University Dean's List in spring 2020.

Housing, policing, and Downey's growing downtown were hot topics in a virtual candidates forum hosted by the Downey Patriot and the Chamber of Commerce.

Victoria (Vicki) Arosteguy, an educator at Doty Middle School, was honored as the Downey Unified School District's Teacher of the Year for her "exceptional work with students.

The Columbia Memorial Space Center hosts a virtual City of Stem.

Construction Coverage releases a report saying that nearly half of all homeowners in Downey are Baby Boomers.

The U.S. Department of Education recognized Ward Elementary School, along with 366 other schools across the nation, as National Blue Ribbon Schools for 2020.

Kaiser Permanente Downey Medical Center was recognized as "high performing" in gastroenterology and GI surgery, abdominal aortic aneurysm repair; and knee replacement in the U.S. News & World Report's 2020-2021 "Best Hospitals" rankings.

PIH Health, Inc. announced its fiscal year 2020-21 board of directors. The board of officers includes: Jeffrey Hamar will serve as chair; Patrick Monroe as vice chair; Charlotte Weaver, RN, Ph.D. as secretary; and Alex Alvarez as treasurer.

PIH Health Downey Hospital

presented Downey Unified School District's TLC Family Resource Center with a \$20,000 gift.

The City of Downey released a statement expressing its opposition to a preliminary plan by Metro and Caltrans to expand the 5 and 605 freeways, which would potentially result in the demolition of hundreds of Downey homes. City officials said they supported improvements to local freeways but not at the expense of local homes.

The Downey Police Department is awarded a \$338,000 grant to reduce deaths and injuries on Downey roads by the California Office of Traffic Safety through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

Downey receives \$1.5M in Covid relief funds, most of which will go to small businesses and Microenterprise grants.

Illegal ballot boxes begin popping up across LA.

The Mary R. Stauffer Foundation awards \$175K in Teacher,

Principal and District grants.

Governor Gavin Newsom signs Senate Bill 480, Senate Bill 588, Senate Bill 895, Senate Bill 905, and Senate Bill 907, which were authored by Senator Bob Archuleta. The legislation regards veterans, the environment and public safety.

An illegal gambling ring operating out of a Downey liquor store was shut down by Downey Police Department. Police said they found cash, two gambling machines, and "a large quantity" of pre-paid credit cards at Vikum's 2 am Liquor and in a neighboring vacant business. The owner of the liquor store was arrested and booked for operating an illegal gambling establishment.

The annual Dia De Los Muertos festival goes virtual in response to COVID-19.

The PART paranormal team conducts its second investigation of the Dismukes house.

Downey's free film festival, Glennfest, is postponed.

L.A. County Assessor releases numbers showing that the total assessed value of all Downey properties increased by 5.3% this past year to a total value of approximately \$13.18 billion.

Los Angeles County Supervisor Janice Hahn approved plans to purchase four motels in her district -- including a Motel 6 in Norwalk -- and convert them to supportive housing units for formerly homeless residents.

Researchers at Rancho Los Amigos developed new technology that integrates sensory information (e.g., pressure sensors) with biofeedback (e.g., visual or audio cues) to help people confined to a wheelchair.

Rosalie Sciortino, an author, painter, and longtime champion of the arts in Downey, dies at the age of 97.

Shirley Johnson, traveler and civic leader, passes away.

## November

On election night, Blanca

Pacheco, Catherine Alvarez, and Mario Trujillo all jump out to early leads, which they ultimately maintain on their way to victorious elections. D. Mark Morris, Giggy Perez-Saab, Jose Rodriguez and Linda Salomon-Saldana also secure School Board seats.

The Mary R. Stauffer Foundation continued its tradition of awarding scholar-athlete \$100 merit awards to the Warren High students who maintained at least a 3.5 GPA and lettered in a sport as a 9th, 10th, or 11th grader during the 2019-20 school year. After receiving the list of qualified students from Warren, the foundation sent off 121 award checks valued at \$100 each to the school for distribution to the students

After previously showing signs of decreasing, Covid cases spike in LA County.

As the Downey Unified School District continues to plan for an eventual return to campus, they ask families to commit to either full-distance or hybrid models.

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THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) **BIG HIKE 365 TRUCKING, 22850 LUKENS LANE, PERRIS CA 92570, RIVERSIDE COUNTY** Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: 202023710530 REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) OCTAVIO&SSAC LLC, 22850 LUKENS LANE, PERRIS CA 92570 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: 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/OCTAVIO&SSAC LLC, MANAGING MEMBER, COLLEEN ORTIZ This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on NOVEMBER 24, 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).

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/PARTIDA OHANA ENTERPRISES LLC, MANAGER, AMANDA PARTIDA This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on DECEMBER 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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**The Downey Patriot 12/10/20, 12/17/20, 12/24/20, 12/31/20**  
**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
**File Number 2020202523**  
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) **MCKINNEY TRAILER RENTALS (2) MCKINNEY, 13130 CROSSROADS PKWY S, CITY OF INDUSTRY CA 91746, LA COUNTY, 2601 SATURN ST. #110, BREA CA 92821** Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) J. T. MCKINNEY CO., INC., 2601 SATURN ST. STE 110, BREA CA 92821 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: 05/1989 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/J. T. MCKINNEY CO., INC./MARK BEDARD, MARK BEDARD This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on DECEMBER 01, 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).

**The Downey Patriot 12/17/20, 12/24/20, 12/31/20, 1/7/21**  
**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
**File Number 2020211087**  
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) **GENERAL PARTNER, 5400 CLARK AVE. #224, LAKEWOOD CA 90712, LA COUNTY, P.O. 483, LAKEWOOD CA 90714** Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) JOHNNY VELASQUEZ MAGALLON, 5400 CLARK AVE. #224, LAKEWOOD CA 90712 (2) BRUCE DAVID WEXLER, 4956 CASTANA AVE. #27, LAKEWOOD CA 90712 State of Incorporation: N/A THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: a General Partnership The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: N/A I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). S/JOHNNY VELASQUEZ MAGALLON, GENERAL PARTNER This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on DECEMBER 09, 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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**The Downey Patriot 12/24/20, 12/31/20, 1/7/21, 1/14/21**  
**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
**File Number 2020214445**  
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) **VERSA TECH ENTERPRISES, 4956 CASTANA AVE. #27, LAKEWOOD CA 90712, LA COUNTY** Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) BRUCE WEXLER, 4956 CASTANA AVE. #27, LAKEWOOD CA 90712 State of Incorporation: N/A THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: an Individual The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: N/A I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). S/BRUCE WEXLER, OWNER This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on DECEMBER 14, 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).

punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). S/FRANCISCO JAVIER SR ZAMORA LEGASPI, OWNER This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on DECEMBER 07, 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).

**The Downey Patriot 12/31/20, 1/7/21, 1/14/21, 1/21/21**  
**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
**File Number 2020223074**  
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) **DOWNEY ELECTRONICS (2) DOWNEY AUDIO ELECTRONICS (3) DOWNEY ELECTRONICS RESTORATION, 7420 BUELL ST, DOWNEY CA 90241, LA COUNTY** Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) FRANCISCO PELAYO JR., 7420 BUELL ST, 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: 02/2020 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/FRANCISCO PELAYO JR., OWNER This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on DECEMBER 22, 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).

**The Downey Patriot 12/10/20, 12/17/20, 12/24/20, 12/31/20**  
**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
**File Number 2020213077**  
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) **OPPORTUNITY GROUP, 9556 FLOWER ST # 7, BELLFLOWER CA 90706, LA COUNTY** Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) CESAR HERMEN, 9556 FLOWER ST # 7, BELLFLOWER CA 90706 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/CESAR HERMEN, OWNER, CESAR HERMEN This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on DECEMBER 10, 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).

**The Downey Patriot 12/10/20, 12/17/20, 12/24/20, 12/31/20**  
**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
**File Number 2020223055**  
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) **GIZZO WOODCRAFTS, 9341 PARROT AVE, DOWNEY CA 90240, LA COUNTY** Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) ADRIAN ROSITAS, 9341 PARROT AVE, DOWNEY CA 90240 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/ADRIAN ROSITAS, OWNER This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on DECEMBER 09, 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).

**The Downey Patriot 12/17/20, 12/24/20, 12/31/20, 1/7/21**  
**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
**File Number 2020208329**  
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) **SOCAL REALTY SERVICES (2) SOCIAL LOANS, 9964 DU PAGE AVE, WHITTIER CA 90605, LA COUNTY** Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) CATALINA ORTIZ, 9964 DU PAGE AVE, 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: 02/2012 I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). S/CATALINA ORTIZ, OWNER This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on NOVEMBER 24, 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).

**The Downey Patriot 12/31/20, 1/7/21, 1/14/21, 1/21/21**  
**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
**File Number 20202197073**  
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) **LOCK'S TRUCKING, 9248 PALM STREET #2, BELLFLOWER CA 90706, LA COUNTY** Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) JERRY LOCKHART, 9248 PALM STREET #2, BELLFLOWER CA 90706 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: 01/2001 I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). S/JERRY LOCKHART, OWNER, JERRY LOCKHART This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on NOVEMBER 24, 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).

**The Downey Patriot 12/31/20, 1/7/21, 1/14/21, 1/21/21**  
**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
**File Number 2020214357**  
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) **WHITTIER LIONS (2) WHITTIER HOST LIONS, 7604 GREENLEAF AVE, WHITTIER CA 90602, LA COUNTY, P.O. BOX 245, WHITTIER CA 90608** Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: 1958101 REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) WHITTIER HOST LIONS CLUB FOUNDATION, 15309 JUPITER STREET, WHITTIER CA 90603 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/WHITTIER HOST LIONS CLUB FOUNDATION, PRESIDENT, RUBEN ARMIENTA This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on DECEMBER 14, 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 2020216571**  
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) **FISH WINDOW CLEANING, 3236 9047 FLORENCE AVE SUITE G, DOWNEY CA 90240, LA COUNTY** Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: 202021710293 REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) PARTIDA OHANA ENTERPRISES LLC, 9047 FLORENCE AVE SUITE G, DOWNEY CA 90240 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: 09/2020 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

**The Downey Patriot 12/31/20, 1/7/21, 1/14/21, 1/21/21**  
**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
**File Number 2020201452**  
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) **TACOS DON CHENTE DOWNEY (2) PROTEIN SPOT, 8339 FIRESTONE BLVD, DOWNEY CA 90241, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES** Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) HACEVES, CORP., 8339 FIRESTONE BLVD, DOWNEY CA 90241 State of Incorporation: CA THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: a Corporation The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 01/2016 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/HACEVES, CORP., PRESIDENT, SUSANA ORTIZ This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on DECEMBER 01, 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).

**The Downey Patriot 12/17/20, 12/24/20, 12/31/20, 1/7/21**  
**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
**File Number 2020208818**  
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) **BIG BEAR CABIN, 7420 BUELL ST, DOWNEY CA 90241, LA COUNTY** Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) GISELA V ROJAS, 7420 BUELL ST, 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: 04/2020 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/CATALINA ORTIZ, OWNER This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on DECEMBER 07, 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 2020208653**  
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) **ZAMORA & SON CONSTRUCTIONS, 3531 BALDWIN AVE, EL MONTE CA 91731, LA COUNTY** Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) FRANCISCO JAVIER SR ZAMORA LEGASPI, 3531 BALDWIN AVE, EL MONTE CA 91731 State of Incorporation: N/A THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: an Individual The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 11/2020 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/FRANCISCO JAVIER SR ZAMORA LEGASPI, OWNER This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on DECEMBER 14, 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).

**The Downey Patriot 12/17/20, 12/24/20, 12/31/20, 1/7/21**  
**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
**File Number 2020208653**  
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) **ZAMORA & SON CONSTRUCTIONS, 3531 BALDWIN AVE, EL MONTE CA 91731, LA COUNTY** Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) FRANCISCO JAVIER SR ZAMORA LEGASPI, 3531 BALDWIN AVE, EL MONTE CA 91731 State of Incorporation: N/A THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: an Individual The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 11/2020 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/FRANCISCO JAVIER SR ZAMORA LEGASPI, OWNER This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on DECEMBER 14, 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 2020208653**  
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) **ZAMORA & SON CONSTRUCTIONS, 3531 BALDWIN AVE, EL MONTE CA 91731, LA COUNTY** Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) FRANCISCO JAVIER SR ZAMORA LEGASPI, 3531 BALDWIN AVE, EL MONTE CA 91731 State of Incorporation: N/A THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: an Individual The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 11/2020 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/FRANCISCO JAVIER SR ZAMORA LEGASPI, OWNER This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on DECEMBER 14, 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

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**GOVERNMENT**

**CITY OF DOWNEY**  
**Notice of Public Hearing**

Establishment of Residential Preferential Parking District on Newville Avenue

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE City of Downey will be conducting a public hearing for the purpose of answering questions and accepting comments on the findings and recommendations of the city regarding the establishment of a preferential parking district on both sides of the 10800-10900 block of Newville Avenue between Ardine Street and La Villa Street in accordance with Section 22507(a) of the California Vehicle Code (CVC) and Ordinance No. 18-1402 adopted by the City Council of the City of Downey on November 13, 2018.

On-street parking conditions along the aforementioned portion of Newville Avenue have become more impacted recently due to overflow parking from nearby uses, hence resulting in nuisances for the residents along the aforementioned limits of the street. Subsequently, a request for the establishment of a residential preferential parking district and full time parking prohibition was received from residents. An investigation by city staff was conducted and verified that the criteria as defined by City Ordinance No. 18-1402 have been met for the establishment of said residential preferential parking district and accompanying parking prohibition. In addition, a petition was received from the residents of the proposed preferential parking district on Newville Avenue showing the necessary contact rate and level of support for the establishment of the district and parking prohibition. Staff has also verified that the boundaries of the proposed residential preferential parking district represent a reasonably self-contained area and that the district and parking prohibition will be effective in addressing the on-street overflow parking issue on Newville Avenue.

Upon the conclusion of the public hearing and adoption of a resolution by the City Council establishing the proposed residential preferential parking district and accompanying parking prohibition and verification that a minimum of 50% of the residents apply for parking permits within 60 days of the passage of the resolution, signs establishing the residential preferential parking district and parking prohibition will be posted along the aforementioned portion of Newville Avenue. Up to two residential permits and one guest permit per household may then be purchased by residents residing within the district. If fewer than 50% of residents obtain permits, or if the number of permit holders falls below 50%, however, the City Council may repeal the residential preferential parking permit district during a public hearing noticed at least 10 days in advance.

In addition, the preferential parking district may be terminated by resolution of the City Council through a noticed public hearing upon receipt and verification of a petition signed by a majority (50% plus one) of the property owners within the district. Such determination shall be based upon a finding that the conditions set forth in the establishing resolution no longer exist or have diminished to such extent that the continuation of the district is unnecessary.

A public hearing of the City Council of the City of Downey to consider the establishment of a residential preferential parking district on both sides of the 10800-10900 block of Newville Avenue between Ardine Street and La Villa Street will be held at the City of Downey Council Chambers, located at 1111 Brookshire Avenue, Downey, CA 90241, on Tuesday, January 12, 2021 at 6:30 P.M. All evidence and testimony for or against the establishment of said residential preferential parking district will be considered. All persons desiring to comment on, or having objections to, said residential preferential parking district may appear and be heard before the City Council of the City of Downey at the time and place of the hearing. Additionally, the City has created an email address, [ccpubliccomment@downeyca.org](mailto:ccpubliccomment@downeyca.org), where the public can submit public comment to be read into the record at a City Council meeting. The email address is posted on the City Clerk's and video streaming webpages.

Pursuant to Paragraph 3 of Executive Order N-29-20, executed by the Governor of California on March 17, 2020, and the County of Los Angeles Department of Public Health Order of the Health Officer Revised Order Issued May 26, 2020 as a response to mitigating the spread of Coronavirus known as COVID-19 and providing direction for moving the County through Stage 2 of California's Pandemic Resilience Roadmap, the Regular City Council Meeting scheduled for Tuesday November 10, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. will allow members of the public to participate and address the City Council during the open session of the meeting via teleconference as well as a limited number of in-person attendees within the City Hall Council Chambers on a first come, first serve basis.

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 1111 Brookshire Avenue, Downey, CA 90241, [ADACoordinator@downeyca.org](mailto:ADACoordinator@downeyca.org), Phone: 562-299-6619, Fax: 562-923-6388, and California Relay 711.

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.

Please contact the City of Downey Engineering Division at (562) 904-7110 with any questions regarding this proposal.

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**LIEN SALES**

**NOTICE OF LIEN SALE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned intends to sell the personal property described below to enforce a lien imposed on said property pursuant to Sections 21700-21716 of the CA Business and Professions Code, Section 2328 of CA Commercial Code, Sections 1812.600-1812.609, Section 1988 of CA Civil Code and Section 535 of the CA Penal Code.

The undersigned will be sold at public auction conducted on [www.storageandtreasures.com](http://www.storageandtreasures.com) on January 20, 2021 ending at 10:00am. The personal property including: general household goods, tools, electronics, and personal effects, have been stored and which are located at: Paramount Self Storage, 8160 E. Rosecrans Ave, Paramount, CA 90723, County of Los Angeles, State of California, the following:

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Carolina Buenrostro	2272
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Mary Horton	2316
Lakeisha Parker	1405
Laura T Sanchez	1055
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Laura Q. Sherman	1059
Rita Soto	2333
Shenetha Washington	1303

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**NOTICES**

**NOTICE OF PRIVATE SALE**  
The following property will be sold by written bid by 9:00 a.m. MST on 1/4/2021. 2019 CIMCR R8000B 527SR5325KL015161 To inquire about this item please call Bret Swenson at 801-624-5864. Transportation Alliance Bank 4185 Harrison Blvd Ogden, UT 84403

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**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME**

**CASE NUMBER: 20NWCP00317**  
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner EDUARDO BUCIO SOTELO filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

Present name (1) EDUARDO BUCIO SOTELO to Proposed name (1) EDUARDO BUCCIO  
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 22, 2021, Time: 10:30 a.m., Department: C, Room: 312  
The address of the court is 12720 NORWALK BOULEVARD, NORWALK CA 90650  
A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in the county, THE DOWNEY PATRIOT DECEMBER 23, 2020  
Judge Margaret M. Bernal  
Judge Of The Superior Court  
Petitioner or Attorney for Petitioner  
**EDUARDO BUCIO SOTELO**  
5505 LOVELAND ST #4  
BELL GARDENS, CA 90201  
(323) 773-6744  
[busoelu@gmail.com](mailto:busoelu@gmail.com)

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**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME**

**CASE NUMBER: 20NWCP00292**  
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner BRIAN ERIBERTO INIGUEZ filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:  
Present name (1) BRIAN ERIBERTO INIGUEZ to Proposed name (1) BRIAN WILLIS  
THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.

**NOTICE OF HEARING**  
Date: JANUARY 13, 2021, Time: 10:30

a.m., Department: C, Room: N/A  
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 DECEMBER 02, 2020  
Judge Margaret M. Bernal  
Judge Of The Superior Court  
Petitioner or Attorney, In Pro Per  
**BRIAN ERIBERTO INIGUEZ**  
8903 Calmosa Ave  
Whittier, CA, 90665  
(909) 703-1246  
[Brianiiguez77@gmail.com](mailto:Brianiiguez77@gmail.com)

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**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME**

**CASE NUMBER: 20NWCP00297**  
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner DEE DEE ALVARADO filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:  
Present name (1) DEE DEE ALVARADO to Proposed name (1) JULIE ANN AREVALO  
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 10, 2021, Time: 10:30 a.m., Department: C, Room: 312  
The address of the court is 12720 NORWALK BOULEVARD, NORWALK CA 90650  
A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in the county, THE DOWNEY PATRIOT DECEMBER 8, 2020  
Judge Margaret M. Bernal  
Judge Of The Superior Court  
Petitioner or Attorney for Petitioner  
**TANGELA D. TERRY, SBN 224117**  
5777 W. CENTURY BLVD., SUITE 750  
LOS ANGELES, CA 90045  
PHONE (310) 641-7800  
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ATTORNEY FOR DEE DEE ALVARADO

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**PROBATE**

**NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF JAMES WILLIAM OWENS**  
Case No. 20STPB08989

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both,  
A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by: ANDREW LILLY in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.  
THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that ANDREW LILLY be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

A HEARING on the petition will be held on JANUARY 29, 2021 at 8:30am. in Dept. 2D Room N/A located at SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, 111 NORTH HILL STREET, LOS ANGELES, 90012, CENTRAL - STANLEY MOSK COURTHOUSE  
IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.  
IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California Statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California Law.

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.  
Attorney for petitioner:  
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49 cadets graduate from the Rio Hondo Police Academy, including Downey Police Department recruits Kimberly Izaguirre and Jacob Gil.

The Los Angeles Times newspaper published an article highlighting Downey High School boy's varsity soccer coach Marvin Mires. The article focused on Coach Mires' academic standards for his players and how that has benefited their athletic futures.

Police issued a warning to council member-elect Catherine Alvarez after her victory party drew complaints from neighbors.

Tyrone Conde, vice president of marketing at Downey Federal Credit Union (DFCU), was among those honored at the California and Nevada Credit Union Leagues' REACH 2020 Conference. Conde received the Leagues' Tomorrow's Star Award, which recognizes the achievements by young credit union professionals age 35 and under.

Downey High School standout softball player Hailey Harris officially signed her National Letter of Intent with the University of Utah.

Donovan Taylor, clinical director of Emergency and Hospitalist Services at Kaiser Permanente Downey Medical Center, was awarded the inaugural Daisy Nurse Leader Award, which honors nurse managers, directors and others "who create an environment where compassionate care thrives."

The Downey City Council voted to voice the city's opposition to Los Angeles County's move to close in-person dining for the following three weeks.

The City of Downey unveiled a new Firefighters memorial outside of City Hall.

The city says that they will be enforcing stay at home orders, despite previous statements that indicated that they would not.

Joseph Sapia, a World War II veteran from Downey, was presented with a special proclamation in celebration of his 100th birthday.

CIF cancels fall championships as COVID cases surge.

Eight middle school students were selected as winners of the Stauffer Foundation's prestigious 2020 Scholar of the Year award. In addition to receiving a \$500 College Savings check, winners will receive a "Stauffer 2020 Scholar of the Year" t-shirt and will have their names added to their school's plaque that has recognized these winners for over 15 years. Recipients include - Doty Middle School: Kenya Stewart 7th Grade and Brissa Alvarez 8th Grade Griffiths Middle School: Paulina Urena 7th Grade and Melissa Canchola 8th Grade Stauffer Middle School: Lauren Santana 7th Grade and Alexis Delgado 8th Grade Sussman Middle

School: Isaac Cervantes 7th Grade and Amaya Villescas 8th Grade.

The East Side Riders received two truckloads full of non-perishable food and a \$5,000 donation from employees and physicians of Kaiser Permanente Downey Medical Center to support the organization that provides thousands of hot meals to children and families in the Watts community.

## December

Claudia Frometa is selected as Mayor, with Blanca Pacheco as her Pro Tem. Catherine Alvarez and Mario Trujillo are sworn in as Rick Rodriguez and Alex Saab say goodbye.

The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors voted to support a motion by Supervisor Janice Hahn calling on Congress to pass the latest COVID-19 federal relief package.

Facing an uncertain future, long-established restaurant Stox asks the community for help to pay its workers.

The Columbia Memorial Space Center rings in the holidays with a virtual Apollo Capsule lighting.

Road repairs begin on Old River School Rd. Construction is anticipated to last through March.

Downey Fire Chief Mark Gillaspie announces that he will retire at the end of the year. Battalion Chief Dan Hurlock is announced as his successor.

D. Mark Morris, fresh off of being resworn in, is voted as the next President of the School Board. Giggy Perez-Saab, Jose Rodriguez and Linda Salomon-Saldana are also sworn in. Donald La Plante and Tod Corin say goodbye.

Information disclosed by LA County shows that Calvary Chapel has been cited nearly a dozen times for health code violations since the beginning of the pandemic.



Lt. Kathleen Mendoza and Cpl. Adriana Tscharyan are retiring from the Downey Police Department.

Downey High School topped Warren High to win the third annual Overwatch Downey Unified Esports High School Championship presented by PacificWest.

Downey Symphony is awarded a \$44K COVID relief grant; the biggest grant in its 60-year history.

Hospitals exceed capacity as hospital workers receive COVID-19 vaccinations

Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center and the Rancho Los Amigos Foundation partnered with Bank of America for their annual holiday Adopt-A-Family donation and celebration. More than 25 families - 83 adults and 43 children - were adopted by Bank of America and participated in Rancho's first socially distanced drive through Adopt-A-Family event.

Operation Happy Child provides holiday gifts for nearly 200 foster and in-need children.

Warren High School standout wide receiver and defensive back Xamarion Gordon signed his national letter of intent to play football at the University of Southern California.

Marianna Pacheco is sworn in to

her seat on the Cerritos College Board.

Los Angeles County Supervisor Janice Hahn's office dedicated \$330,000 to a program designed to support struggling restaurants and families in need.

Downey police officers received Covid-19 vaccinations

Downey Police Lt. Kathleen Mendoza (29 years) and Cpl. Adriana Tscharyan (25 years) retired.

Downey Police detective Tim McCarthy was promoted to corporal.

## POETRY MATTERS

### Auld Lang Syne

We twa hae run about the braes  
And pu'd the gowans fine  
But we've wander'd mony a weary fit  
Sin days of auld lang syne

Should auld acquaintance be forgot  
And never brought to mind?  
Should auld acquaintance be forgot  
And days of auld lang syne?

We twa hae paid'd i' the burn  
Frae morning sun till dine  
But seas between us braid hae roar'd  
Sin days of auld lang syne.

And there's a hand, my trusty fiere  
And gie's a hand o' thine  
And we'll tak a right gude-willy waught  
For auld lang syne

For auld lang syne, my dear  
For auld lang syne  
We'll tak a cup o' kindness yet  
For days of auld lang syne

### Robert Burns

The refrain may be a traditional Scots phrase, but the verses are pure Burns. Gowans are daisies. This song of friendship is traditionally sung to bid farewell to the old year on New Year's Eve, or Hogmanay. Here's to absent friends. Slàinte Mhath! Poetry Matters is curated by Lorine Parks

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Beautiful single-story home that features 3 bedrooms and 2 baths on a 2,500 sq. ft. lot. The kitchen has plenty of storage and appliances are included, also open to the family room. There is a fireplace in the family room with granite counter. There master bedroom with newer flooring, a walk-in closet, and a beautiful bathroom with double sink and custom-made marble flooring. The other rooms have newer laminate flooring. This move in ready home has an inside laundry area, 1 car garage attached, and up to 10 parking spaces. CALL TODAY!!!

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WISHING YOU A **Happy New Year!**

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WE LOOK FORWARD TO CONTINUING TO SERVE ALL YOUR REAL ESTATE NEEDS IN 2021!

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**2020 YEAR-END MARKET UPDATE**  
LOWER INVENTORY & HIGHER PRICES!

**Toilet Paper Wasn't The Only Scarce Commodity in 2020**

**DOWNEY INVENTORY 2019-2020**

**Home Prices Increased During This Pandemic Year**

**MEDIAN HOME PRICES IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA**

BY COUNTY			LOCAL CITIES				
	2019	2020	% INC.		2019	2020	% INC.
Entire MLS	\$560,000	\$642,500	+14.7%	Downey	\$615,000	\$667,500	+8.5%
LA	\$680,000	\$800,000	+17.3%	Norwalk	\$513,000	\$552,500	+7.7%
Orange	\$815,000	\$920,000	+12.8%	Bellflower	\$561,000	\$570,000	+1.6%
San Diego	\$660,000	\$750,000	+13.6%	SFS	\$545,500	\$616,000	+12.9%
Ventura	\$665,200	\$764,500	+14.9%	Pico Rivera	\$500,250	\$555,000	+10.9%
Riverside	\$409,000	\$475,000	+16.1%	Paramount	\$475,000	\$501,300	+5.53%
SB	\$340,000	\$410,000	+20.3%	Whittier	\$560,000	\$630,000	+12.5%
				South Gate	\$460,000	\$525,000	+14.1%

**Here's What Our Clients Are Saying About Us...**  
(A Few Of Our Recent 100+ 5-Star Zillow Reviews)

"Michael listed my home in the middle of the pandemic. It was challenging as normal open houses couldn't be done. He was professional throughout the process, he advised me on which repairs to make before putting the house up for sale, & his referrals of contractors were spot on. I compared multiple realtors & Michael was clearly the best for my situation. He and his competent team of professionals are a very cohesive unit. Accessibility and responsiveness were key. He's a true professional!" - D. Sherwald

"Michael was very sincere and patient throughout the process. Communication with him and his team were all clear and respectful. I highly appreciate his service." - R. Salgado

"Michael was overall great to work with. He was able to get our home sold at our asking price and put us in our forever home at the same time. Definitely recommend using Michael and his team. Armando was amazing to work with and provided excellent service." - R. Lemos

"The Michael Berdelis team are true professionals. I have used Michael for both buying & selling my homes. Just let him know what you want. He doesn't show you other homes that you don't want. If you find a house on your own, he will make the contracts for you to view it." - K.J. Patton

"Very friendly & professional agent. We saw a good amount of houses tailored to our wishes and found our dream house thanks to his expertise and contacts. Overall a great experience." - M. Teichmann

"Michael and his team were very responsive and helpful throughout the process. Michael quickly set up showings & found houses that might interest me, some before they were listed. He listened to me and was more interested in helping me find the right house than making a sale. I highly recommend Michael Berdelis and 24 Hour Real Estate!" - G. Fabian

**NEW LISTINGS FOR THE NEW YEAR**

**A Grand Estate with a Huge Lot**

- 6 Bedrooms | 5 Bathrooms
- 4,480 sq. ft. | 8,617 sq. ft. lot
- Newer remodeled kitchen
- Dual staircases
- Oversized master bedroom & bathroom

LIST PRICE: \$1,495,000

**Newly Rebuilt Home in NE Downey**

- 3 Bedrooms | 3 Bathrooms
- Approx. 2,400 sq. ft. | 10,201 sq. ft. lot
- Formal living room & family room
- Large master bedroom
- \$400,000 in upgrades!!!

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**2 Houses On A Large Lot!**

- Front Home: 5 BD, 2 BA, 3,112 sq. ft.
- Back Home: 2 BD, 2 BA, 1,152 sq. ft.
- 12,012 sq. ft. lot
- Property built in 1988
- Each unit has a 2 car garage

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**So Much For So Little**

- 4 Bedrooms | 2 Bathrooms
- 2,315 sq. ft. | 6,036 sq. ft. lot
- 2 story home
- Remodeled kitchen
- 2 car attached backyard

LIST PRICE: \$725,000