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## Roberson gives promising update on YMCA

■ Fundraising is underway to build a new, contemporary YMCA facility.

By Lorine Parks  
Society Editor

**DOWNEY** – “There is no doubt in my mind,” said Steve Roberson, “that we will raise the money and build the new Downey YMCA.”

Where will the money come from? Assemblywoman Cristina Garcia has provided a shot in the arm by securing a \$3 million grant for building funds. State Senator Bob Archuleta voted for the bill too.

Steve spoke to the Rotary Club of Downey, and began by saying that even though he hasn't lived in Downey for several years and has sold his Century 21 business, he has always cared about Downey and remains committed to the idea of a Y right here.

“There is always a need,” said Steve. “Just last week at my grandkids' pool party at my house, there were 12-year-olds sitting by the poolside afraid to go in, because they didn't know how to swim. The Y can teach them.”

Not only swimming lessons, but the Y offers a myriad of activities and support for seniors and youth and family values. A swimming pool and a lap pool. An open basketball court and a pickleball court on the rooftop. Dance classes and yoga, exercise classes and machines for fitness; a quiet space for kids to do their homework. “Family” is the Downey Family YMCA's middle name.

But how to finance a new building, and why not just remodel the old 60,000 square foot one that is still standing on Downey Avenue?

“First of all, the walls are concrete,” said Steve. “You can't knock them down to rearrange the space. And a 60,000 square foot building is much more expensive to maintain than a 20,000 one.”

Plans to partner with the Downey Unified School District to build on 2 acres of the Sussman Middle school campus proved to be too costly. Stricter requirements for any construction on school grounds raised cost estimates by almost 40%.

The master plan now calls for tearing down the old Y and building a 20,000 square foot Y on the same land, but with the space better arranged and the rooms multipurpose. Smaller space, but the new Y expects to serve almost double the number of clients.

A major issue has always been having enough parking space and the original plans called for selling the existing parking lot to help finance the new 20,000 square foot Y. But only 98 spaces were planned on the lot. Problem remains.

The good news is that because the market for selling the lot has dwindled, the old lot with its 148 spaces will be retained plus the new space carved from around the smaller facility's lot. Easy and adequate parking is a major plus for patrons.

Bottom line for the finished product: \$14 million, but that is expandable the longer the project is delayed, as anyone who has ever done home repairs knows.

“The community needs to be made aware of the opportunity to support the project,” said Steve. “There's a million in the bank, and there will be several million in tax credits. Three million from the State.”

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# Downey's Adelaida Ruiz expects to return home with title

■ Flyweight contender Adelaida Ruiz was scheduled to fight for her first title Thursday night.

By Eric Pierce  
Editor

**DOWNEY** – Adelaida Ruiz isn't afraid to admit she's looking ahead.

The undefeated professional boxer from Downey has several titles in her sights – the IBF, WBO and WBC – but first she needs to get past Sonia Osorio.

The fight is for Osorio's WBC interim world female super flyweight title and serves as the co-main event of a Golden Boy Fight Night card airing live Thursday night (Sept. 8) from Costa Rica. DAZN will stream the card live.

Results were not available before this newspaper went to press.

It was a rematch after the first bout between Ruiz (11-0-1) and Osorio (15-7-2) ended in a no contest due to an accidental headbutt in the first round. Osorio lasted one more round then was unable to continue.

“It was very frustrating because for that fight we trained really hard just like any other fight, but it was my first title fight,” said Ruiz. “It was like teasing a kid with candy and then saying, ‘Oh, never mind.’”

This time around, Ruiz plans to carefully handle Osorio early and take her into later rounds.

“She's a fighter that leads a lot with her head,” said Ruiz, nicknamed La Cobra for her fast striking ability. “This time we're going to try to keep her on the outside, not allowing her to come in much with her head. And after the fourth round we're going to go ahead and work with what we need to do.”

Ruiz, 33, is a heavy-handed puncher whose amateur fights often ended in the first or second round. That power carried over to the professional ranks: of her 11 professional wins, six have come by way of knockout.

“I tell people, I don't have to work for my power, it just comes naturally,” said Ruiz.



Photos by Brandon Rivas, courtesy MarvNation Promotions



Ruiz grew up in Lynwood with 10 brothers and sisters. Each of them spent time in a boxing ring but it was Ruiz who took the sport most seriously, especially as women's boxing increased in popularity. She made her professional debut in 2017 at the

Quiet Cannon in Montebello.

Today she juggles boxing with being a mother to three children. She also has a daytime job in the healthcare industry.

“It's not impossible,” Ruiz said of balancing boxing and family life.

“When I debuted as a professional boxer, I had to let go of a lot of things and prioritize what was important in my life. Basically that was my work, my family and my gym. It's hard but not impossible.”

Ruiz and her family moved to Downey in 2017, settling into an apartment on Imperial Highway. They later moved to another home, still in Downey.

“I really liked everything about Downey,” Ruiz said. “It's very different from Lynwood. I do my morning runs here, I do my late night runs here, and I don't really have to worry about anything. The neighbors are great, everybody has a dog, everybody walks.”

When Ruiz returns home from Costa Rica, she's confident it will be with new hardware.

“I'm winning this belt, I'm bringing it back home,” Ruiz said. “My promoter [MarvNation] is already working on my next fight, we're just looking to get all these belts.”

## State of the Schools breakfast returns after hiatus

■ The breakfast event returns Oct. 7 and will highlight the school district's achievements and challenges.

**DOWNEY** – After a two-year hiatus, the Downey Unified Board of Education and Superintendent Dr. John Garcia will hold the eighth annual State of the Schools breakfast on Friday, Oct. 7.

This event, presented by the Downey Foundation for Educational Opportunities with proceeds benefiting True Lasting Connections (TLC), will be held at the Los Angeles County Office of Education's West Conference Center, 12830 Columbia Way, Downey, at 7 a.m. and will end at approximately 9 a.m.

Breakfast will be served by Warren High School's Culinary Arts students while attendees listen to keynote speakers share the district's achievements and

strategic direction.

It will also enlighten guests about the major programs being implemented throughout the district, while serving as an opportunity to interact with students and meet the school district's Board of Education members and staff.

Downey Unified invites the community to attend this year's informative event. Tickets will be available via presale only and are \$35 per person. Tables of eight and sponsorships are also available for organizations or individuals.

To reserve your seat or to inquire about sponsorship opportunities, contact Ashley Greaney at (562) 469-6513 or email agreaney@dusd.net.

The final day to reserve your seat or secure a sponsorship for this event is Friday, Sept. 30.

## Queen Elizabeth II 1926-2022



Feb. 28, 1983: Queen Elizabeth visits Rockwell International in Downey, where she views an Apollo space capsule, a mock-up of the Space Shuttle, and the Apollo 14 command module.

Photo courtesy LA Times.

## Weekend at a Glance

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## ON THIS DAY

**1504:** Michelangelo's David was unveiled in Piazza della Signoria in Florence.

**1892:** The Pledge of Allegiance was first recited.

**1921:** Margaret Gorman, a 16-year-old, won the Atlantic City Pageant's Golden Mermaid trophy; pageant officials later dubbed her the first Miss America.



**1930:** 3M began marketing Scotch transparent tape.

**1935:** US Senator Huey Long was fatally shot in the Louisiana State Capitol building.

**1945:** The division of Korea began when United States troops arrived to partition the southern part of Korea in response to Soviet troops occupying the northern part of the peninsula a month earlier.

**1966:** The landmark American science fiction television series Star Trek premiered with its first-aired episode, “The Man Trap”.

**1974:** President Gerald Ford pardoned former president Richard Nixon for any crimes he may have committed while in office.

**1975:** US Air Force Tech Sergeant Leonard Matlovich, a decorated veteran of the Vietnam War, appeared in his Air Force uniform on the cover of Time magazine with the headline “I Am A Homosexual”. He was given a general discharge, later upgraded to honorable.

**1988:** Yellowstone National Park was closed for the first time in U.S. history due to ongoing fires.

## Birthdays

U.S. Senator **Bernie Sanders** (81), civil rights leader **Ruby Bridges** (68), radio personality **Big Boy** (53), actor **David Arquette** (51), actor **Larenz Tate** (47), pop singer **Pink** (43), “Home Improvement” star **Jonathan Taylor Thomas** (41), rapper **Wiz Khalifa** (35), and “Stranger Things” star **Gaten Matarazzo** (20).

# Smaller, more efficient YMCA planned

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Several patrons have plans for major gifts. There will be naming rights, like donating to name the pool. One hundred percent of the Y board members are pledging their support.”

“Kiwanis Foundation will pledge \$200,000,” said Steve, “and there will be matching funds from other sources.”

Foundations and corporations. Smaller contributions that add up too.

“Rotary’s pancake breakfast on the DUSD high school campuses has always been a big help,” said Steve. “And the community loves to come, for those trademark Mickey-Mouse-ear griddle cakes and sausages.”

Future events include a Sept. 9 thank-you party for Assemblywoman Garcia.

Timetable is 18-24 months’ campaign to raise the funds, maybe less time according to some determined benefactors. Then two years from the time of groundbreaking to build the new phoenix on the ashes of the old.

# When the Ku Klux Klan roamed Downey

■ The KKK held public recruitment drives in Downey, and as recently as 1982 lobbied the City Council for official recognition.

By Bobbi Bruce  
Downey Historical Society

**DOWNEY** – The following story was written by John Adams and appeared in the Downey Eagle on Dec. 3, 1993.

A chapter of local history that many would like to forget concerns repeated appearances in past decades by the Ku Klux Klan.

The Bedsheet Boys, as they are popularly referred to in song, have made a habit of burning crosses and ghosting about in the local night, even claiming they represented the return of the Bible to local schools in the 1920s.

The Darwinian theory of evolution was commonly thought to be a challenge to the Bible’s story of The Creation. This religious furor led to the famous Scopes May 1 “Monkey Trial” and any number of other odd flights of fancy.

The Livewire newspaper reported in 1924 that Dr. Bruce Brown, pastor of South Park Christian Church of Los Angeles, spoke at Downey High School in May of that year on behalf of the Klan, relating the group’s philosophy to Bible texts and affirming his belief in the group.

The same month, another Livewire story reported the organization of a United Church Brotherhood in Downey’s Baptist Church, which Rev. James Robertson assured the congregation “was not to combat the Ku Klux Klan, an organization of which is being perfected in Downey.”

Four Downey churches were filled with Klansmen in May of 1924 during a large rally. More than 2,000 Klansmen arrived



and filled the Christian, Baptist, Presbyterian and Methodist churches.

In 1925, local newspapers reported a huge gathering of Klan members had conducted services at Miller Funeral Home for a man who had been mistakenly shot in a confrontation with two sheriff’s deputies.

One of the most popular admonishments the Klan used in these years was the return of the Bible to public schools.

The history of the First Baptist Church mentions a visit by the Klan in 1929. It refers to their occupancy of the church as “rather startling,” and relates how on a Sunday morning the ushers of the church were asked to clear one side of the sanctuary and the Klansmen then marched in wearing full Klans regalia. The plate was passed and each Klansman contributed a dollar, amounting to one of the largest contributions the church received in decades.

The congregation was then asked to remain seated as the Klansmen filed out. The robbed men then burned a cross on the front lawn of the church.

As recently as 1982 the Klan formally requested approval from the City Council to move to Downey. But representatives of the Kiwanis Club and the Downey Ministerial Alliance went on record as opposing such recognition or approval.

The mayor, Milton Mackaig, told the Hearst Community Newspapers he had not heard of nor seen the Klan letter to the city council and could not comment on whether it would ever make it to the public agenda.

The ministerial fellowship said it expected the council to take a

public stand “in opposition to what the KKK represents.”

The alliance noted that in November 1981, members of the KKK based in Norwalk took positions along two major Downey highways - Imperial Highway and Firestone Boulevard – and distributed Klan fliers while expecting that a Klavern would soon be formed in Downey.

Later, the Klan even staged public recruiting drives in front of Stonewood Plaza, to the consternation of many residents who complained to the local police.

Rev. Rhoda Lee of Emmanuel Gospel Temple was quoted in local newspapers as calling Downey “an island of bigotry and racism in need of spiritual awakening,” and she called on fellow church members and leaders to join her in dealing with the blight.”

## Cemetery Vandalism

There are many ways the young outrage their elders but bouncing golf balls off the headstones of Downey’s historic cemetery proved to be one of the most bizarre.

It happened in October 1991, and the results was the passage of a special law to deal with the young linksmen who couldn’t seem to limit their activity to the golf courses of the area.

A special law was necessary after complaints were brought before the city council by a widower who discovered the youngsters slamming golf balls off his wife’s headstone one evening. It required a new law because, as Councilwoman Diane Boggs put it, “No one had ever thought of (golfing at the cemetery) before.”

The law was passed and if you are weird enough to consider it,

don’t. You’ll end up in the custody of the Downey Police.

Downey Cemetery at Lakewood Boulevard and Gardendale Avenue has served as the final resting place for some of Downey’s most notable residents since its founding in 1868.

W.A. Spurlock buried his daughter there and then donated an acre of land where his neighbors could bury their kin as well.

William H. Pendleton later purchased the cemetery and added to the size.

In the late 1870s, the Downey Masonic Lodge located its own graveyard on the eastern boundary of the cemetery. And in 1889 the Downey Cemetery Association was incorporated.

In 1928, the two parcels were officially combined as a single Los Angeles County cemetery.

Prominent persons buried there include Mason D. Crawford, secretary of the Downey Land Improvement Association which subdivided and sold Downtown Downey, and Lucille Belmont, a Downey woman who was one of the “Early Birds” woman fliers who soloed before 1916.

The cemetery has withstood a trial of another nature recently following the Cemetery Board’s decision to increase taxes. Several critics suggested “concreting over” the graves and skipping the tax hike.

That wave has apparently passed and hopefully Downey’s historic dead may now rest in peace.

This story appeared in the Downey Eagle on Dec. 10, 1993.

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# Do the candidates support raising the minimum wage for healthcare workers?

■ A controversial proposal would give eligible healthcare workers in Downey a \$25 minimum wage.

Where do the City Council candidates stand on the issue?

By Alex Dominguez  
Staff Writer

**DOWNEY** – Most of Downey’s six city council candidates support a proposed minimum wage increase for healthcare workers that is likely headed for November’s ballot.

The city council voted 4-0 in July to approve a \$25 minimum wage for eligible workers in Downey’s private hospitals and healthcare facilities and clinics outright, opting to bypass voters.

Critics of the move responded, however, filing a referendum petition in August and effectively stopping the ordinance until the council decides to either repeal it or submit it to voters.

Though that official decision has not been made yet, councilmen

Donald LaPlante and Mario Trujillo have both already indicated that they intend to let voters decide.

**District 2 (southwest Downey)**

In District 2, both **Anthony Felix** and **Art Montoya** voiced support for the potential ballot item.

“Personally speaking, I’ve got family in the healthcare industry,” said Montoya. “These past few years of the pandemic, everyone has kind of seen – whether you have a family member, or loved one or not – we’ve seen how crunched the healthcare system and the industry has been; people overworked, people burning out, people leaving the industry so those who are staying are definitely feeling the stress.”

“Regardless of all that, I believe that healthcare workers should be paid a respectable living wage, and I’m supportive of it.”

Felix described the council’s initial vote to approve the minimum wage as “progressive and a good thing,” but said that it did not do enough to “address the need for

minimum wage across the board.”

“The measure as it stands is good faith, again, but it is not equitable,” said Felix. “It impacts a lot of folks who work in the industry and will not gain this benefit.”

“I do believe that this policy needs to be furthered to allow for inclusivity for all service-level hospital workers at this point.”

**Hector Sosa** stopped short of saying whether he supported a minimum wage increase for healthcare workers, suggesting that he’d want to see a financial impact report first.

“I think we all want people to earn a fair wage, however I don’t think that’s something that should be decided by a local city government,” Sosa said. “I think it should be put on the ballot, and let the voters decide. If the voters decide that, the voters have spoken.”

“But again, it shouldn’t be decided by local city council.”

**District 4 (northeast Downey)**

Incumbent Councilwoman

**Claudia M. Frometa**, of District 4, was critical of the measure.

“I believe every American worker deserves to earn a fair living wage. Certainly, the last two and a half years have been exceptionally taxing for the healthcare workforce,” Frometa said. “Having said that, I believe the issue of wages and wage increases must be left to the bargaining unions and their employers.”

“The moment local governments and councils start interfering and/or meddling with the bargaining process by passing ordinances dictating a certain wage, we are circumventing a process in place for decades. That is not our place.”

“I respect and admire the work that labor unions have done and continue to do on behalf of every labor worker; it is not my place as a council member to dictate the minimum wage of our Downey’s workforce. I will leave it to the bargaining unions and their respective employer. Furthermore, in this case for Downey, the voters will decide, keeping in mind this minimum wage for healthcare

workers does not apply to all.”

Frometa was forced to recuse herself from the city council’s original vote on the matter due to her employment with Kaiser Permanente.

Her opponents, **Joaquin Beltran** and **Juan Martinez**, both support the wage minimum.

“Setting a minimum wage demonstrates that we value all healthcare workers for their sacrifices and contributions caring for our families during the COVID-19 pandemic, and for their importance in keeping our healthcare system strong,” said Martinez. “My hopes are that we can help raise wages for all healthcare workers by incentivizing non-private sector hospitals to raise wages to be competitive against unlikely lower-risk competitors who pay comparable wages such as Target, Amazon and Verizon which have been operating without closing any facilities.”

“These low-risk environments from disease and stress have been excellent sources for depleting the

healthcare workforce of healthcare workers when they see that working at Target or Amazon can meet their financial and health risk needs better than the healthcare industries can. With an already impacted and understaffed and overworked healthcare labor force, we cannot afford to continue to lose healthcare workers; such a continuing trend would only devastate the well-being of our community and the overall health of our city.”

Beltran said that “so many in our community are struggling tremendously.”

“During the pandemic, many healthcare workers have tragically died, many are experiencing long-Covid from actually being on the front lines,” said Beltran.

“I think \$25 as a minimum wage is something we should all get behind for our healthcare workers, and make sure that they have the resources in order to live well and continue doing the important work that the community needs in the healthcare system.”

# Bus driver who was fired for refusing vaccination sues Montebello

■ Fernando Ramirez said he declined the Covid vaccination on religious grounds.

By City News Service

**MONTEBELLO** – A judge has pared a lawsuit filed by a former bus driver for the city of Montebello who alleges his ex-employer discriminated against him and wrongfully fired him in 2021 after he refused to get a coronavirus vaccination because of his faith.

Los Angeles Superior Court Judge Michael L. Stern said plaintiff Fernando Ramirez will have to shore up his religious discrimination claim for it to move forward. The judge also said Ramirez can move forward with his claim the city was in violation of a memo of understanding with its mid-management employees because he did not receive a full hearing.

However, the judge dismissed Ramirez’s claims for intentional and negligent infliction of emotional distress and invasion of privacy. Stern ordered Ramirez to file an amended complaint by Sept. 26. The judge heard arguments in the case on Friday, then took the case under submission and ruled

Tuesday.

“With an iron boot, the city destroyed Ramirez’s 17-year career and the sanctity of his personal life,” the suit states.

However, in her court papers, Nancy Doumanian, an attorney for the city, argued that Ramirez’s case should have been dismissed.

Ramirez was hired by the city as a part-time bus driver in 2004 and was later promoted to a full-time driver and eventually a supervisor, according to his suit filed May 19, which also named as defendants

City Manager Rene Bobadilla and Human Resources Director Nicholas Razo in the now-dismissed causes of action.

In March 2020, the city designated Ramirez an essential worker, so he worked through the pandemic, the suit states.

In August 2021, the city announced a plan to enact a vaccine mandate for its employees that was implemented by Bobadilla, the suit states. The city distributed its written vaccine policy and its process for claiming a religious

exemption and Ramirez filed the appropriate written application, the suit states.

“Ramirez said that he objected to the vaccines due to his sincere religious beliefs and specifically his interpretation of the bible,” the suit states. “He also objected on the grounds that the vaccines were developed with the assistance

of stem cells taken from aborted fetuses.”

Before an interview with Razo, the human resources head told Ramirez that only 1% of requested religious objections to the vaccine mandate would be granted, the suit states.

When Ramirez reported to work

last Dec. 16, he was escorted out of the building by security for failing to comply with the city’s vaccine mandate and then fired Dec. 30, according to the suit, which further states the plaintiff moved to Texas in the aftermath of what happened to his job in California.

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## Paging Dr. Frischer...

By Dr. Alan Frischer



Menopause: you don't know whether to laugh or cry, so sometimes you do both! It is the permanent end of menstruation and fertility, officially beginning 12 months after the last menstrual period. It's a natural biological process, and certainly not a medical disease. Nonetheless, it may take a significant physical and emotional toll. I have told my patients that almost any symptom is possible as a result of the chemical and hormonal changes that occur in their body at this time.

This transition most often happens between the age of 45 and 55, and typically lasts about seven years. The actual duration is affected by several things, including one's age at which it starts, race, ethnicity,

and lifestyle factors (like smoking). The months or years leading up to it are known as perimenopause; note that pregnancy is still possible during perimenopause.

Signs and symptoms of menopause and perimenopause can range from extremely mild, to severe and disruptive. They may include:

- Irregular cycles which may be shorter, longer, or heavier, or skipped altogether.

- Hot flashes, which can last for years. These are described as a sudden feeling of heat in the upper body. The face and neck can become flushed. Red blotches may appear on the chest, back and arms, accompanied by heavy sweating followed by cold shivers. They range in severity, and last between 30 seconds to 10 minutes. They can occur several times an hour, or once or twice per week.

- Night sweats and other

menopausal symptoms leading to insomnia (both trouble falling asleep, as well as waking too early).

- Vaginal dryness, which can make sexual intercourse uncomfortable.

- Incontinence, the sudden urge to urinate, or the leaking of urine when exercising, sneezing, or laughing. (Lower estrogen levels can cause pelvic muscles to weaken, leading to some loss of bladder control.)

- Changes in feelings about sex, ranging from loss of interest to feeling freer and sexier due to pregnancy being less likely. (Of course, the risk of contracting an STD continues to make protection important.)

- Moodiness and irritability may be more common. Causes may include changing hormones, family stress, growing children, aging parents, or fatigue.

- Other body changes, related to menopause and aging, may include a widening waist, loss of muscle tone, thinner and more fragile skin, loss of breast fullness, stiff and achy muscles and joints, hair

loss, and palpitations.

Your doctor will usually make the diagnosis by taking a simple health history. If you are the appropriate age, menstrual cycles have stopped, and some symptoms are present, the diagnosis will likely be menopause. Blood tests, looking for increased levels of follicle-stimulating hormone (FSH) and decreased levels of estrogen (estradiol), can be ordered to confirm it. (Occasionally, other conditions can have symptoms that mimic menopause, such as hypothyroidism.) Menopause can also be triggered by a hysterectomy, or by surgical removal of the ovaries. Unless hormones are taken, the symptoms of menopause will begin immediately after those surgeries.

Due to hormones and other changes, post-menopausal women may become more vulnerable to heart disease and osteoporosis, vaginal atrophy, and some mental health issues. Should the symptoms of menopause be treated? The answer must take into account a number of issues, including any family history of cancer and heart disease, the severity of symptoms,

and one's individual medical history. Data from well-controlled studies on hormone replacement therapy (HRT) show that it can carry significant risks. Today, HRT is used only for those with the most severe symptoms.

Other treatments for menopausal symptoms include:

- For hot flashes, many use botanical products that naturally contain or act like estrogen. These include soybeans, chickpeas, other legumes, whole grains, some fruits and vegetables; and herbs, such as black cohosh. Research is limited. Low dose antidepressants have provided some relief, as well as Neurontin, a seizure drug that is also used for chronic pain.

- To help prevent osteoporosis, foods and supplements that are rich in calcium and vitamin D are recommended. Moderate exposure to sunlight also helps the body produce vitamin D. An active lifestyle, including regular weight-bearing exercise, helps to stop bone loss. Medication includes bisphosphonates such as Fosamax, as well as a newer

class of medications, selective estrogen receptor modulators (SERMs), such as Evista. Note that it is also important to limit alcohol consumption, in order to reduce the risk of falls, and to avoid smoking, which prevents calcium absorption, leading to lower bone density and weaker bones.

- To reduce the risk of heart disease, follow a heart-healthy lifestyle: not smoking, limiting consumption of saturated fat and cholesterol, salt, and alcohol; maintaining a healthy weight; and being physically active. Medications may be helpful for the control of high blood pressure, high blood cholesterol, or diabetes.

Menopause can be a complex physical and emotional process. I urge you to discuss it with your loved ones and with your physician.

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

## Norwalk approves \$3.7M in street repairs

**NORWALK** – On Tuesday, Aug. 16, the Norwalk City Council approved the contracts for concrete work in Zones 3, 8, and 19 as part of the Local Streets Rehabilitation Project.

The project areas are as follows: Zone 3 is in the northern part of the city, Zone 8 is in the northwestern part of the city, and Zone 19 is in the eastern part of the city.

This project continues to implement the Streets Master Plan.

The project will consist of concrete repairs of curbs and gutters, cross gutters with slots

being updated to meet current standards, updates to sidewalks, and accessibility ramps at intersection corners will be upgraded to meet current American with Disabilities (ADA) standards. In Zone 8, the neighborhood alley along Downey-Norwalk Road will also be reconstructed with concrete paving.

"Residents have voiced their concerns regarding the need for road repairs and the City Council has prioritized the Local Streets Rehabilitation Project to expand efforts for infrastructure

improvements in our city. We have earmarked resources to ensure that our roads are up to current standards and safe for residents to drive on," stated Mayor Rick Ramirez. Zones 3 and 19 are being funded by Measure M funds, which was passed by voters in 2016, and Zone 8 is being funded by Measure R funds, which was passed by voters in 2008.

The estimated cost for these three zones is over \$3.7 million. No General Fund monies are being used for this project. Previous zones completed as part of the Local Streets Rehabilitation Project

include Zones 24, 27, 28, and 32, which are in the southern end of the city and the eastern part of the city.

"We have much more work to do. Last year we completed concrete and asphalt repairs on three different zones and this year we are taking on four additional separate zones. In fact, one zone was completed earlier this year. The City Council has set these infrastructure improvements as a priority – safety is important to us all," stated Mayor Ramirez.

The concrete work is estimated to be completed by the end of December 2022, with the asphalt resurfacing following soon thereafter. The contracts for the asphalt repaving will be awarded at a future City Council meeting.

### Playgrounds

At the same meeting, the Norwalk City Council unanimously approved a contract with Miracle Playground Sales, Inc. for the installation of new playground equipment and demolition of outdated equipment at five parks.

The parks that will receive new playground equipment include Bob White Park, Holifield Park, New River Park, Norwalk Park, and Vista Verde Park.

The total project cost is estimated to be \$1,727,500.

Each new playground will include climbing equipment, activity areas, and slides for both 2–5-year-olds and 5–12-year-olds.

Each of the playgrounds will be installed within the existing playground footprints, with the exception of Norwalk Park, which will have the new playground situated at a new location within the park.

## Vacant library turned into housing for young people

**SOUTH WHITTIER** – Los Angeles County Supervisor Janice Hahn joined Linc Housing, Jovenes, and county officials last week for a ribbon cutting for The Nook, a new supportive housing development with 26 apartments for young adults ages 18-24 who have struggled with homelessness.

The project is located on the site of the formerly vacant South Whittier Library at 14433 Leffingwell Road.

"When I came into office, I set out to find pieces of vacant county property that we could transform into housing," said Supervisor Janice Hahn, who spearheaded the project. "This site used to be the South Whittier Library but stood vacant after we opened the beautiful new library nearby on Colima road.

"Now, with the help of Linc Housing and Jovenes, the county has taken this site and turned it into 26 apartments for young people who really need them."

In 2020, there were 4,600 young adults who were homeless in Los Angeles County. The Nook is one of the few supportive housing communities in Los Angeles County specifically for this population.

The new community has 26 one-bedroom homes and one two-bedroom manager's unit. The modern complex features a computer lab, community room, patio, second floor roof deck, a dog run for residents' pets, a community kitchen, and easy access to the new library.

"Homelessness is devastating for a young person and too often prevents them from pursuing an education or working to build the future they want and deserve," said Hahn. "Every young person who moves into these apartments isn't just getting a roof over their head, they are getting a support system, access to mental healthcare, and a community of peers that understands what they have gone through.

"Everyone who moves in here will be able to finally take a breath, focus less on where they will find to sleep tonight, and more on what they need to do to build the future they want for themselves."

So far, over half of the 26 units are already filled. Residents at The Nook receive personalized case management from Jovenes. Jovenes is also providing referrals and support for issues related to mental and physical health as well as substance abuse and legal needs.

The services aim to help them find jobs, further their education, manage their finances, develop personal relationships, and boost their self-esteem.

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## How Michigan resisted political extremism

By **Barbara McQuade**

A brutal plot to abduct the governor. An armed protest in the galleries of the State Capitol. A candidate for governor who stormed the halls of Congress — only to see his popularity rise.

In Michigan, you can feel extremism creeping into civic life.

Michigan is far from the only state in the grip of politicians who peddle disinformation and demonize their opponents. But it may also be the one best positioned to beat back the threat of political violence.

Unlike, say, Arizona and Pennsylvania, two purple states where Republicans have also embraced a toxic brew of political violence and denialism, Michigan is home to voters who, to date, have avoided succumbing to the new conservative dogma, thanks in large part to its Democratic politicians, who have remained relentlessly focused on kitchen table issues. In that sense, Michigan may hold lessons for residents of other states looking to withstand the tide of authoritarianism and violence, restoring faith in the American institutions under siege from the right.

Certainly, recent history is concerning. Although a jury last month convicted two men who plotted to kidnap Gov. Gretchen Whitmer over her Covid shutdown orders, that verdict came only after a jury in an earlier trial could not reach a unanimous verdict on the charges against them and acquitted two other co-defendants, despite chilling evidence that members of a militia group known as the Wolverine Watchmen had been building homemade bombs, photographing the underside of a bridge to determine how best to destroy it to slow a police pursuit and using night-vision goggles to surveil Ms. Whitmer’s vacation home.

In that first trial, the defense argued that the F.B.I.’s informants had egged on the men, and it was persuasive enough to deadlock the jury. But I doubt the jurors would have been so receptive to that line of argument without Donald Trump persistently blasting government employees as “the deep state” and calling the conduct of the F.B.I. “a disgrace.”

For the upcoming November elections, the G.O.P. nominees for attorney general and secretary of state are election deniers, and the candidate for governor has also cast doubt on the results of the 2020 vote for president. And not only are Republican candidates consumed with signaling an allegiance to Mr. Trump, but we are also seeing an alarming rise in political extremism in Michigan.

In spring 2020, armed protesters demonstrated against Covid shutdown orders by occupying the galleries over the Senate chamber in the State Capitol while brandishing assault rifles. After the 2020 election, Secretary of State Jocelyn Benson faced a deluge of threats and harassment from election deniers, including an armed protest at her home, where a mob chanted “stop the steal” while she was inside with her 4-year-old son. Ryan Kelley, who sought the Republican nomination for governor, was charged with four misdemeanor offenses for his alleged role in the Jan. 6 attack on the U.S. Capitol. After his involvement in the attack became well

known, his polling numbers actually went up.

Still, there is reason for some cautious optimism. In the Republican primary, voters rejected Mr. Kelley. An independent citizens redistricting commission has been created by a voter initiative to end the gerrymandering that has led to a Republican-controlled State Legislature. Recent polling shows Ms. Whitmer, Ms. Benson and Attorney General Dana Nessel, who are all Democrats, with comfortable leads as the general election approaches, and their resilience in the face of threats has only strengthened their political stock. And the convictions in the Whitmer kidnapping case show that 12 random people can still be found who will set aside their biases and decide a case based on the law and the facts they hear in court. My hunch is that there are more fair-minded people out there who will go to the polls in November.

Pragmatic problem-solving still seems to appeal to Michigan voters. Many families’ fortunes are tied inextricably to the auto industry, the health of which can swing sharply with every economic trend. Ms. Whitmer has championed economic development legislation that has helped create 25,000 auto jobs during her administration. She recently made a pitch to leverage federal legislation to lure companies to manufacture semiconductors in Michigan.

In a state sometimes referred to as the birthplace of the middle class, labor unions carry more influence with working-class voters than the MAGA movement. From the rebirth of Detroit to the expansion of tourism Up North, Michigan is also a place that has long welcomed newcomers. Whether they be laborers on the assembly lines of Henry Ford or engineers for autonomous vehicles, workers from all over the world have always been needed and accepted as part of the work force, making it more difficult to demonize outsiders as “other.” As a result, voters tend to be less susceptible to the politics of fear that are driving the culture wars. Indeed, Ms. Whitmer was elected with a slogan to “Fix the Damn Roads.”

Maybe it is a Midwestern sensibility, but Michiganders seem more interested in candidates who will help advance their financial bottom lines than those who traffic in conspiracy theories. And, four years later, Ms. Whitmer has fixed a lot of the damn roads.

By focusing on economic outcomes of working families, Democrats in Michigan have managed to clinch not only the top state offices, but also the state’s two U.S. Senate seats.

And while every state is different, politicians in other states could learn from Michigan to ignore the bait Republicans use to demonize them and focus on the bottom line issues that matter to voters.

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## The U.S. war on drugs failed here and abroad

By **Christy Thornton**

Colombia, one of the world’s top producers of cocaine, has long been a key partner in Washington’s failed war on drugs. But Gustavo Petro, the country’s newly sworn-in president, has made good on a campaign pledge to take the country in a different direction. Last month, he said he would end forced eradication of coca, and support legislation to decriminalize and regulate cocaine sales in an effort to undercut illicit markets and the profit motive that drives them.

Here at home, the Biden administration has also signaled an important shift. In April, Dr. Rahul Gupta, the director of the Office of National Drug Control Policy, introduced a new strategy that directs federal resources to harm-reduction services. The aim is to prevent deaths from opioid overdose by increasing access to medical treatment and addiction recovery programs, and promoting alternatives to incarceration for minor drug-related offenses.

This new strategy recognizes that the way we have approached the drug problem here at home hasn’t worked. But U.S.-led international drug control efforts have also been a staggering failure, contributing to violence, degradation and displacement in places like Colombia, which largely export cocaine. It has also fueled the move toward synthetic opioids like fentanyl, driving overdose deaths here at home. The Biden administration’s new forward-thinking national policies are a step in the right direction, but the president must go further and end the global drug war.

In the 1980s, the United States began working closely with the Colombian National Police to reduce illegal drug production and trafficking, including by eradicating coca fields and intercepting smugglers. Then in 1999, President Bill Clinton signed into law Plan Colombia as violence and drug trafficking escalated and a concern about guerrilla influence grew. The plan sought to stabilize the nation and undermine drug production, among other things. But the militarized crackdown failed to stamp out cocaine production.

Plan Colombia has also taken a staggering human toll. The Truth Commission created in 2016 as part of that country’s peace deal between the government and the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia recently found that the war on drug trafficking left more than nine million victims, a vast majority of whom were civilians. More than 450,000 people died, 121,768 went missing, thousands were kidnapped, raped or tortured, and millions were displaced. The panel called on Colombia and the United States to move toward the legal regulation of drugs.

In the meantime, the drug overdose crisis in the United States killed more than 107,000 people last year alone, a significant acceleration of a deadly trend that has claimed nearly a million lives in the past two decades. Dr. Gupta — the first medical doctor to hold the position of drug czar — knows the impact of this crisis firsthand, having served as health commissioner in West Virginia, the state with the highest overdose mortality rate.

Though a place like West Virginia may seem removed from the jungles of Colombia or the mountains of Mexico, they are connected by U.S. drug control policy. Prohibition measures abroad not only have failed to stop the flow of drugs but also have been a key driver of the deadly innovations in the drug supply here at home.

While forced eradication can temporarily decrease the supply of drug crops in a particular location, studies have shown that these reductions are always temporary. In fact, experts have long recognized that crackdowns in one place merely create a “balloon effect” in which production and trafficking shift to another place. Cultivators move production to locations under less scrutiny, and traffickers move to new territory — as we have seen in the shift in recent years from Colombia to Mexico and Central America.

Further, going after high-profile kingpins merely splinters drug trafficking organizations into new factions, increasing competition and violence in source countries. As a result, traffickers are pushed into ever more remote and often ecologically fragile areas — with devastating environmental effects that contribute to displacement.

And perhaps most important, militarized source-control measures and increased border security efforts actually create incentives for traffickers to find new profit sources that are easier to manufacture and transport, as we’ve seen over the decades — from cannabis to cocaine and heroin, to methamphetamines, and now to synthetic opioids like fentanyl. Combined with a well-documented crackdown on overprescribed prescription painkillers here in the United States, this has led to an explosion in the supply of the fentanyl that is driving our overdose crisis.

Ultimately, more than four decades of the U.S.-led war on drugs abroad has not only failed to reduce the supply of illicit substances — it has actually made them more dangerous. A recent U.N. report found that global drug use is up 26 percent from a decade ago. Another survey by the Drug Enforcement Administration confirmed that despite decades of these source control measures, drug prices remain steady, purity and potency remain high, drugs remain widely available, and overdoses are skyrocketing.

“It is time for a new international convention that accepts that the war on drugs has failed,” President Petro said during his inauguration speech, echoing an argument that has been made by other Latin American leaders in recent years. Promoting policies that foster violence overseas will do nothing to reverse the trend toward an increasingly unsafe drug supply here at home.

The Biden administration has taken key steps to address our failures here at home — but to find lasting success, it must end our drug war abroad, as well.

**Christy Thornton is an assistant professor of sociology and Latin American studies at Johns Hopkins University.**

## City workers deserve more credit

Dear Editor:

I do not know, maybe it’s just me, but I would think claiming that the City of Downey could fall apart simply because someone at the top, be it the city manager or a council member, left is a tad disrespectful to the city staff.

In my experience, the staff behind the figure is always the real MVP behind the success, and I think they’re all extremely under appreciated.

I make it a point to tell the Public Works staff exactly how great of a job they’re doing, despite all the criticism they receive. There are no standouts.

Making this city great is a team effort.

**Kevin Ezeh  
Downey**

## Be a responsible pet owner

Dear Editor:

There is no doubt in my mind that having a pet at home can bring a lot of happiness to a family, some people actually regard their pets as their “children.” This being said, it seems like the norm nowadays in pet ownership is to have them indoors part-time and for the rest of the day, let them loose to do as they will.

The problem with this concept is that these owners’ “children” are running around and either damaging property or that they seem to be running an orphanage and disrupting the quality of life for their neighbors.

I personally have neighbors who raise pigeons and have a multitude of cats that they let loose during the day and night. It is totally disheartening when you take your car to the carwash, pay good money to have it detailed, and then find either a cat resting on the roof of the car or paw prints trailing from one end of the car to the other.

An example of the quality of life that I mentioned is the number of fleas that they leave behind (both pigeons and cats) in your yard, the feces they leave behind, or the carcasses of dead animals they kill and leave in your yard.

Once again, I really believe that having a pet is a great thing, but come on people, be responsible and only keep those animals you can actually care for, and be respectful and considerate to your neighbors.

**Edward Ramos  
Downey**

## Proof is in the pudding

Dear Editor:

What happened to the “feel-good” words of unity, fight for the soul of the nation, respect for others, and etc. uttered by President Biden during his inaugural speech of January 2021?

With polarization of Americans greater than ever, wide open borders allowing fentanyl to enter our country in bigger quantities than ever before and having killed over 100,000 Americans in the past year, inflation at a record high as well as the price of gasoline, fuel oil availability in the northeast of the United States at a record low, a devastating war in Ukraine and a threat of war in Taiwan, elimination of oil drilling in our country, unstoppable crime due to soft on criminals — to name a few happenings since the new administration took leadership, tells me the “pudding” is not of the consistency it should be and is totally flat and tasteless.

Fluffy words without “heart” and good results are simply a bunch of hyperbolic, meaningless rhetoric lacking in robust flavoring for our great nation.

Under Trump’s leadership, we were energy independent, there were no new wars, the economy was booming, the price of gasoline was affordable, an accord was brokered between Israel and some Muslim countries, there were no deaths in Afghanistan during the last 18 months of Trump’s presidency, the southern border was secured, our country was respected, and food was plentiful and affordable.

Trump’s “pudding” was by far more palatable and digestible than Biden’s irresponsible and failed attempt to produce a satisfying recipe.

**Martha Morrissy  
Downey**

Dear Editor:

I’m hoping the Downey Patriot will print my reply to Greta Campbell’s letter regarding President Trump and Russia.

It is obvious that her information is coming from MSNBC’s Rachel Maddow. It is the lowest rated news on TV.

First, Trump did comply. Does it seem strange that after all the crooked things Bill and Hillary Clinton did (she destroyed emails and he lied to congress) that the FBI did nothing until the statute of limitations passed: no investigation of Obama. President Trump has been out of office close to two years and on the opinion page during that period of time and while in office, there has been almost nothing but letters of hate.

Here are some things Trump did that I liked:

- 1) He raised billions to stop the COVID crisis.
- 2) He did not take us to war with North Korea. Instead he visited North Korea and when they threatened to bomb the West Coast, he told them if they did that they would be toast. No more testing their bombs until Joe came in.
- 3) We became energy independent and an exporter of oil.
- 4) I liked the border wall he was building to keep criminals, drug dealers and sex traffickers out.
- 5) I liked the Save our Seas Act which funds \$10 million a year to clean tons of plastic and garbage from the ocean.
- 6) He signed the biggest wilderness protection and conservation bill in a decade, designated 375,000 acres as protected land.
- 7) He worked for free, donating his salary to charities.
- 8) I am very glad he recognized Jerusalem as the capital of Israel and relocated the U.S. Embassy there from Tel Aviv and negotiated for peace accords between Israel and Arab Nations.
- 9) He was totally committed to ending wars and bringing our troops home
- 10) He spoke to NATO to step up and pay their commitments to defense.

I think Ms. Campbell has listened to Racheel Maddow and MSNBC too long. Does the very poor performance of President Biden seem ok with you? Does it bother you that so many of our young people have died from using fentanyl? We can’t blame Russia or Trump for that.

The best two presidents we have had are Trump and Ronald Reagan because they hadn’t been in public office and weren’t contaminated.

**Elsa Van Leuven  
Downey**

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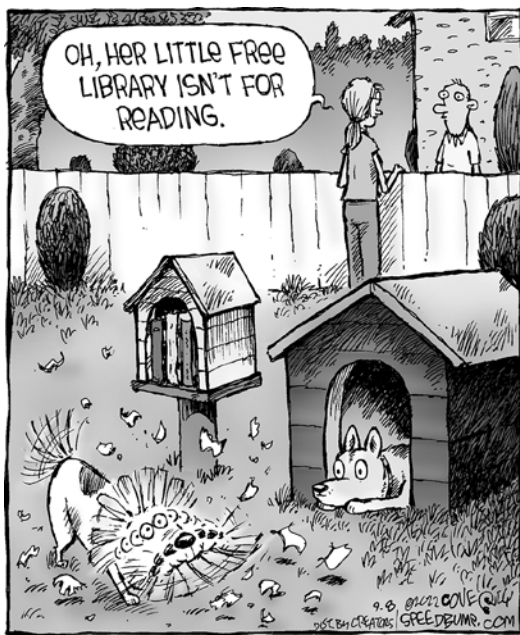
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# Downey Community Calendar

### 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., 6:00pm: 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.  
 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: Boy Scout Troop 351, at Furman Park, contact 562-500-5093 for more information.  
 7 pm: Boy Scout Troop 441, at Apollo Park, email scoutmaster@downeyboyscouts.com.  
 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., 12 pm: Downey Newcomers Club, call Marilyn 928-2623.  
 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.  
 10:30 am: Ballroom dance class, at Downey Community Center, call 776 7270.  
 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, 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 pm: Downey Model A Club, at Gallatin School Cafeteria, call 484-8415.  
 3rd Wed., 11:30 am: 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., 6:00 pm: Sister Cities of Downey, at Barbara 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.  
 9:30 am: Take off Pounds Sensibly, at Barbara Riley Senior Center, call (800) 932-8677.  
 12 pm: Bingo, at Woman's Club of Downey - Proceeds benefit Rancho.  
 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.  
 7:30 pm: Downey Elks Lodge #2020, call 803-3557.  
 1st Thurs., 6 pm, All other Thurs. 12 pm: Kiwanis Club of Downey, at Frantone's Downey, call Roy Jimenez 283-2335.  
 1st Thurs., 7:30 pm: Downey Amateur Radio Club, EOC room Downey Fire Station #1, 12222 Paramount Blvd.  
 2nd Thurs., 12 pm: Creative Purposes, call Bill Wallace 923-2311.  
 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.  
 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.

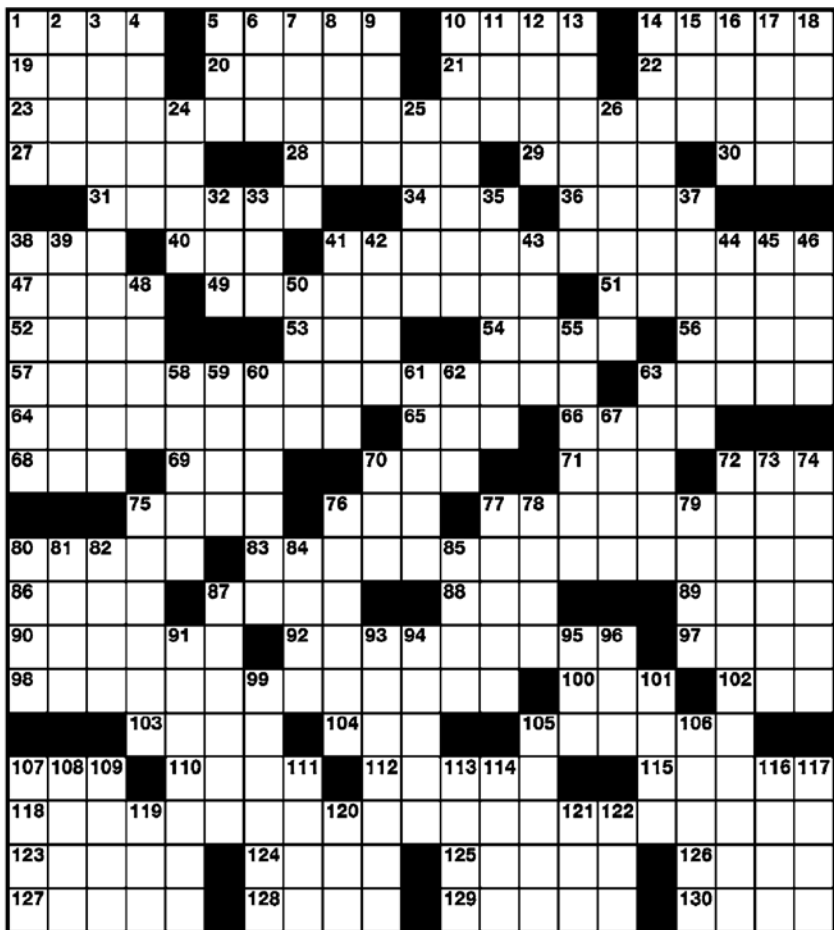
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 by Richard Shlakman & Howard Barkin

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| <b>ACROSS</b>  | <b>DOWN</b>                   |
| 1 Weakens, as the tide                               | 1 Narrow advantage            |
| 5 Game for little batters                            | 2 Cookbook verb               |
| 10 Rooster topper                                    | 3 Many a fast-food restaurant |
| 14 Raucous   | 4 Spread awkwardly            |
| 19 Arrange, as hair                                  | 5 Texter's "Enough details"   |
| 20 Tyler Perry film persona                          | 6 Mammalian flier             |
| 21 Bring up the ___ (trail)                          | 7 Committee adjective         |
| 22 Broadcast portion                                 |                               |
| 23 The Hague's Mauritshuis (Vermeer)                 |                               |
| 27 "Pomp and Circumstance" composer                  |                               |
| 28 "Much to my surprise . . ."                       |                               |
| 29 Prefix meaning "bull"                             |                               |
| 30 Antidrug agcy.                                    |                               |
| 31 Ophthalmologist, familiarly                       |                               |
| 34 Housecleaning tool                                |                               |
| 36 General ___ chicken                               |                               |
| 38 Sound of a snarl                                  |                               |
| 40 GPS reading                                       |                               |
| 41 Amsterdam's Rijksmuseum (Rembrandt)               |                               |
| 47 Erstwhile prince of India                         |                               |
| 49 Is supervised by                                  |                               |
| 51 Frequent upper-left PC hit                        |                               |
| 52 Spanish bears                                     |                               |
| 53 Frying medium                                     |                               |
| 54 Juice-name starter                                |                               |
| 56 Church's large crucifix                           |                               |
| 57 Paris' Musée d'Orsay (artist redacted)            |                               |
| 63 Reverend Jackson                                  |                               |
| 64 French Open barrier                               |                               |
| 65 Your choice of                                    |                               |
| 66 Common trivia quiz choices                        |                               |
| 68 FDR's third VP                                    |                               |
| 69 Certain square dancer                             |                               |
| 70 Repair shop fig.                                  |                               |
| 71 Brewery client                                    |                               |
| 72 Sound heard by Bo Peep                            |                               |
| 75 Software testing phase                            |                               |
| 76 Baba  |                               |
| 77 Cause much mayhem                                 |                               |
| 80 Make happy  |                               |
| 83 New York City's MOMA (Andrew Wyeth)               |                               |
| 86 Not quite a majority                              |                               |
| 87 Smile big   |                               |
| 88 QVC rival   |                               |
| 89 Ready to eat, in a way                            |                               |
| 90 Italian cheese                                    |                               |
| 92 Disneyland souvenir                               |                               |
| 97 Taj Mahal city                                    |                               |
| 98 Milan's Santa Maria delle Grazie (da Vinci)       |                               |
| 100 Apt. coolers                                     |                               |
| 102 Term of endearment                               |                               |
| 103 Guitar ancestor                                  |                               |
| 104 Color TV pioneer                                 |                               |
| 105 "That describes me, right?"                      |                               |
| 107 NBA tiebreakers                                  |                               |
| 110 Zodiac beast                                     |                               |
| 112 Defamatory writing                               |                               |
| 115 "Great" ancient emperor of India                 |                               |
| 118 Paris' Musée d'Orsay (Manet)                     |                               |
| 123 Oscar actress Marisa                             |                               |
| 124 WWW addresses                                    |                               |
| 125 Kumquat-shaped                                   |                               |
| 126 Last part of Hamlet                              |                               |
| 127 Heavenly hunter                                  |                               |
| 128 Finger jab                                       |                               |
| 129 Aligns, for short                                |                               |
| 130 Do without                                       |                               |
| 8 Starring role                                      |                               |
| 9 Southern Cal cops                                  |                               |
| 10 Sticks for coloring                               |                               |
| 11 'Neath opposite                                   |                               |
| 12 Brewer's grain                                    |                               |
| 13 Inhalation  |                               |
| 14 Reduces in width                                  |                               |
| 15 Last Declaration pronoun                          |                               |
| 16 Terse confession                                  |                               |
| 17 ___ qua non (essential thing)                     |                               |
| 18 Meditative exercise                               |                               |
| 24 Tiny songbird                                     |                               |
| 25 Bugs Bunny's pursuer                              |                               |
| 26 Sir Walter Scott contemporary                     |                               |
| 32 Forensic evidence                                 |                               |
| 33 Have and hold                                     |                               |
| 35 Black as tar                                      |                               |
| 37 Hallowed  |                               |
| 38 Investor's objective                              |                               |
| 39 Multitudes of instances                           |                               |
| 41 Literary surprise                                 |                               |
| 42 Captain's wheel                                   |                               |
| 43 Quayle successor                                  |                               |
| 44 Bout enders, in brief                             |                               |
| 45 Bosses of boards                                  |                               |
| 46 London's ___ Park                                 |                               |
| 48 Special interest grp.                             |                               |
| 50 Carrying a grudge                                 |                               |
| 55 World's largest peninsula                         |                               |
| 58 Striped roarer                                    |                               |
| 59 Exam for would-be attys.                          |                               |
| 60 Intertwine  |                               |
| 61 Desert haven                                      |                               |
| 62 Blaster's buy                                     |                               |
| 63 LL Bean rival                                     |                               |
| 67 Glee club voice                                   |                               |
| 70 Connecticut collegian                             |                               |
| 72 Promise for a quick return                        |                               |
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| 74 Country music star Jason                          |                               |
| 75 Happen to   |                               |
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| 78 Novelist Quindlen                                 |                               |
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| 81 Breakfast order                                   |                               |
| 82 Peace Nobelist Wiesel                             |                               |
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| 85 "With this ring I ___ wed"                        |                               |
| 87 Ben Franklin's birthplace                         |                               |
| 91 His At the Pond is in Amsterdam's Van Gogh Museum |                               |
| 93 Face-to-face                                      |                               |
| 94 Most of Iberia                                    |                               |
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| 99 Piece of china                                    |                               |
| 101 Minor obstacle                                   |                               |
| 105 TV chef Brown                                    |                               |
| 106 Gumbo ingredients                                |                               |
| 107 Simpsons bus driver                              |                               |
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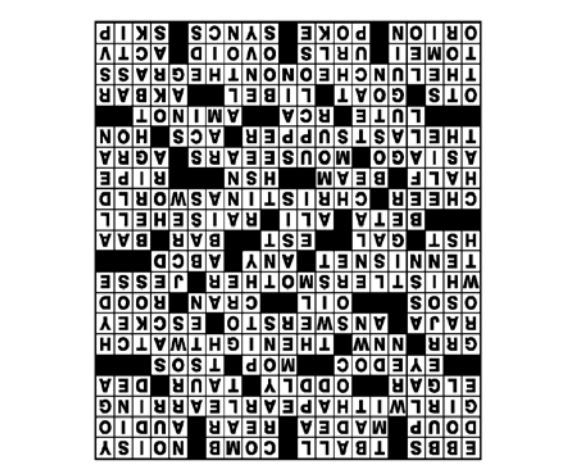


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# DOWNEY HAPPENINGS

## FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

**Cheaper than Therapy Comedy Show,** 8 pm. Join Stay Gallery for a live stand-up comedy night, featuring 10 comedians from LA County. Hosted by Mason Le Compte and produced by Downey-based comedian Pierre Caron. Tickets are \$10 online and \$15 at the door. Stay Gallery, 11140 Downey Ave.

## SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

**International Food & Music Festival,** 4-10 pm. Check out the best food from local restaurants along with popular food trucks. Plus six live bands, a craft beer and wine garden, festival attractions, face painters, caricature artists, photo booth, and more. Free admission. Downtown Downey

## TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

**Sussman Open House,** 6-7 pm. Tour the recently-renovated campus, including the school's new locker rooms, gymnasiums, libraries and two-story classroom buildings. Coffee and desserts available while supplies last. Sussman Middle School, 12500 Birchdale Ave.

## WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

**Doty Open House,** 6-7 pm. Tour the recently-renovated campus, including the school's new locker rooms, gymnasiums, libraries and two-story classroom buildings. Coffee and desserts available while supplies last. Doty Middle School, 10301 Woodruff Ave.

## THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

**Ambassador Lunch,** 12 pm. The Downey Chamber of Commerce is recruiting volunteer ambassadors. Attend this lunch to learn more. \$20 (includes entree, salad and fountain drink). Must RSVP with Sarah Sellers at (562) 923-2191, ext. 1. No walk-ins. Frantone's Pizza and Spaghetti Villa, 9148 Telegraph Rd.

**10-20 Club Celebration,** 6:30-10:30 pm. Join the non-profit 10-20 Club as it celebrates 30 years of service, collaboration and transformation in the Downey community. RSVP with Ronnie Fernandez at (562) 294-3315. Embassy Suites, 8425 Firestone Blvd.

## SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

**Beyond the Book Festival,** 10 am. An annual celebration that highlights artists, makers, crafters, writers, musicians and performers from Downey and the greater Los Angeles region. Featuring baby races, outdoor playground, VR games, ballet folklorico, author discussion panels, food vendors, and more. Downey City Library, 11121 Brookshire Ave.

**Computer & Internet Safety,** 10:30 am to 12:30 pm. Learn the fundamentals of safe internet browsing and how to better safeguard yourself both on and offline. Free but registration required by calling (562) 904-7366. Downey City Library, 11121 Brookshire Ave.

**Paint Pots, Paint & Sip,** 11 am. Paint your own planter pot and sip on locally made, vegan coffee in this guided

workshop. Hosted by Ecumex, Dearly Beloved Creations and Semperviva Succulents. Tickets are \$60 per person, all inclusive. Stay Gallery, 11140 Downey Ave.

**Small Business Pop-Up,** 4-7 pm. A pop-up event featuring food vendors and small businesses. 9102 Firestone Blvd., unit R (next to Big 5)

## MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

**Kiwanis Golf Tournament,** 12 pm. The 24th annual L'Abri Golf Classic benefiting Downey Los Amigos Kiwanis and the Downey Family YMCA.RSVP to jfitz@labrimanagement.com. Rio Hondo Golf Club, 10627 Old River School Rd.

**Ribbon Cutting,** 1:30 pm. Join the Downey Chamber of Commerce for a ribbon cutting ceremony at Code 4 Private Security, a veteran-owned business that provides a variety of guard and protection services. 10907 Downey Ave., suite 202

## TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

**Stauffer Open House,** 6-7 pm. Tour the recently-renovated campus, including the school's new locker rooms, gymnasiums, libraries and two-story classroom buildings. Coffee and desserts available while supplies last. Stauffer Middle School, 11985 Old River School Rd.

**Political Fundraiser,** 6-8 pm. Fundraiser benefiting Blanca Pacheco for state Assembly. Featured speaker is Assembly speaker Anthony Rendon. Ola Restobar, 11040 Downey Ave.

## WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

**City Affairs Meeting,** 12 pm. Interim city manager Mark Scott is the guest speaker at the Downey Chamber of Commerce's City Affairs meeting. Downey Chamber of Commerce, 11131 Brookshire Ave.

**Griffiths Open House,** 6-7 pm. Tour the recently-renovated campus, including the school's new locker rooms, gymnasiums, libraries and two-story classroom buildings. Coffee and desserts available while supplies last. Griffiths Middle School, 9633 Tweedy Lane

## FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

**"The Local Group Show IV" Closing Reception,** 7 pm. Join Stay Gallery for the closing reception of its fourth annual installation of The Local Group Show, featuring 52 LA County artists. This will be the final opportunity to view the exhibition in person. Free admission. Stay Gallery, 11140 Downey Ave.

## SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

**16th Annual Senior Follies,** 1 pm and 5 pm. A talent show by Downey's most talented senior citizens. Barbara J. Riley Community & Senior Center, 7810 Quill Dr.

## SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1

**A Black Light Affair,** 7 pm. A one night, pop-up art exhibition by Angel Acordagoitia, featuring a collection

of paintings that undergo live transformation through black light with VDR application. Free admission. Stay Gallery, 11140 Downey Ave.

## MONDAY, OCTOBER 3

**Ricky Galvez Memorial Golf Tournament,** 12 pm. A golf tournament fundraiser hosted by Gangs Out of Downey. More details to follow. Rio Hondo Golf Course, 10627 Old River School Rd.

## THURSDAY, OCTOBER 6

**Havana Nights,** 6-9:30 pm. Downey's annual Havana Nights party returns to Downtown Downey with live entertainment, food vendors, a beer and wine garden, and arts and crafts for kids. For more information, call (562) 904-7238. Downtown Downey

## FRIDAY, OCTOBER 7

**DUSD State of the Schools.** Save the date. After a two-year hiatus, Downey Unified School District plans to host its State of the Schools breakfast. More details to follow.

## THURSDAY, OCTOBER 13

**Pink Patch Fundraiser,** 5-9 pm. Downey police officers will be working as servers in support of the Pink Patch Project, which raises money and awareness for breast cancer research. Any tips the officers receive will be donated to a local cancer research organization. Shirts, a pink version of the Downey Police patch, and keychains will be available for purchase. Lazy Dog Restaurant, 8800 Apollo Way

## SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15

**Downey Symphony Concert,** 8 pm. Titled "Somewhere in Time," the concert features The Polovtsian Dances by Alexander Borodin; Rhapsody on a Theme of Paganini by Sergei Rachmaninoff; Adventures on Earth from E.T. The Extra-Terrestrial by John Williams; Firebird Suite (1919 Version) by Igor Stravinsky; and a piano solo by Man-Ling Bai. Downey Theatre, 8435 Firestone Blvd.

## MONDAY, OCTOBER 17

**Rancho Golf Classic,** 10 am. The 32nd annual Rancho Golf Classic with proceeds benefiting the programs and services at Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center in Downey. Friendly Hills Country Club in Whittier

## SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29

**Downey Dia de los Muertos Festival,** 11 am to 8 pm. Save the date! Downey's annual Dia de los Muertos Festival returns to the Downey Civic Theatre. Stay tuned for details.

## MONDAY, OCTOBER 31

**Pumpkin Patch,** 5-8:30 pm. A free, family-friendly event with games, activities, candy, costume contests, and



# Northwest Downey Little League wins All-Star tournament

**DOWNEY** – The Northwest Downey Little League 8U All-Star team won the California District 29 Little League Championship on July 30, going 6-1 in the tournament and defeated La Mirada in the championship game by a score of 11-3.

The team was coached by Jared Robinson, Pete Reyes, and Don Hurtikant.

The roster consists of Adrian Orozco, Izzy Torres, Lucas Hurtikant, Andrew Cepeida, Esteban López, Brody Lowe, Cruz Lira, Jackson Rivera, Salvador Chávez, Matthew Gunn, Paul Sanchez, Dontay Kidd, Antonio Reyes, Mason Robinson

District 29 is composed of 8 Little Leagues, including Northwest Downey, La Mirada, Crescent, West Downey, Metro, Norwalk, Little Lake, and Buena Park National.

more. Downey Adult School, 12340 Woodruff Ave.

## FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 4

**Rotary Golf Tournament,** 11 am. Rotary Club of Downey's annual golf tournament, with proceeds benefiting The Arc Los Angeles & Orange Counties. California Country Club in Whittier

**Toys for Tecate,** 6 pm. Live comedy from professional comedians. Proceeds will be used to purchase Christmas gifts for children in Tecate, Mexico. For info, call Monica Sanchez at (562) 644-6514. Embassy Suites, 8425 Firestone Blvd.

## SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4

**Christmas Parade,** 1 pm. Downey's annual Christmas Parade presented by the Downey Chamber of Commerce, featuring bands, floats, classic cars, dance troupes, and Santa Claus. Downey Avenue

## MONDAY, DECEMBER 5

**Tree Lighting Ceremony,** 6-8:30 pm. Downey's annual tree lighting ceremony returns with entertainment from local schools, a snow play area, arts & crafts,

photos with Santa Claus, and more. The actual tree lighting will occur at approximately 6:30 pm. Downey Civic Center, 11111 Brookshire Ave.

## SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18

**An Irish Christmas,** 2:30 pm. Experience the joy of An Irish Christmas as seen on PBS! Enjoy all the holiday carols you know and love plus a spectacular high-energy display of Irish dancing at its very best. Downey Civic Theatre, 8435 Firestone Blvd.

## SATURDAY, JANUARY 21

**Downey Symphony Concert,** 8 pm. Titled "With a Song in My Heart," the concert features Concerto in G major "alla rustica" for strings, RV 151 by Vivaldi; "Irish Tune from County Derry" and "Molly on the Shore" by Grainger; Serenade for Strings in C Major, Op. 48 by Tchaikovsky; and a clarinet solo by

Kelli O'Connor. Downey Theatre, 8435 Firestone Blvd.

## SATURDAY, APRIL 8

**Downey Symphony Concert,** 8 pm. Titled "¡Danzón!", the concert features Ritual Fire Dance from El Amor Brujo by De Falla; Marichitlán by Juan Pablo Contreras; Danzón No.2 by Arturo Marquez; "Fanfare for Earth" (world premiere) by Giovanni Santos; Capriccio espagnol, Op. 34 by Rimsky-Korsakov; and a solo by baritone Anthony Moreno. Downey Theatre, 8435 Firestone Blvd.

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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/ THERAPY FOR THE SOUL, LLC, MANAGER, MAURO HERNANDEZ ANDRADE

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on AUGUST 12, 2022 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 202218782

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) ACK MACAL PAINT STRIPES AND DECAL, 7414 FOSTORIA ST, DOWNEY CA 90241, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) MARIA ABIGAIL GORDILLO, 7414 FOSTORIA 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: 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/ MARIA ABIGAIL GORDILLO, OWNER

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on AUGUST 19, 2022 Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.

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### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2022181592

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) BEAST SIGNS, 630 S MAPLE AVE #38, MONTEBELLO CA 90640, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) JORGE MEDA, 630 S MAPLE AVE #38, MONTEBELLO CA 90640

State of Incorporation: N/A THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: an Individual

The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 08/2022 I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).

S/ JORGE MEDA, OWNER

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on AUGUST 16, 2022 Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name

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The Downey Patriot 8/18/22, 8/25/22, 9/1/22, 9/8/22

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2022183467

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS AND SUITES SAN DIMAS, 485 WEST ARROW HIGHWAY, SAN DIMAS CA 91773, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, 44 SKYWARD, IRVINE CA 92620

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) JAYBEE HUNTINGTON LLC, 44 SKYWARD, IRVINE CA 92620

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/ JAYBEE HUNTINGTON LLC, MANAGING MEMBER, KIRAN PATEL

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on AUGUST 18, 2022 Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.

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

The Downey Patriot 8/25/22, 9/1/22, 9/8/22, 9/15/22

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2022163439

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) GG HOME REPAIR SERVICES, 8504 FIRESTONE BLVD #352, DOWNEY CA 90242, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) GILMER GONZALEZ, 8504 FIRESTONE BLVD 352, DOWNEY CA 90242

State of Incorporation: N/A THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: an Individual

The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 07/2022 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/ GILMER GONZALEZ, OWNER

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on JULY 21, 2022 Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.

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

The Downey Patriot 8/18/22, 8/25/22, 9/1/22, 9/8/22

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2022172614

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) HERRERA

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) ERICK GUSTAVO GONZALEZ HERRERA, 672 N KENMORE AVE # 308, LOS ANGELES CA 90004

State of Incorporation: N/A THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: an Individual

The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 07/2022 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/ ERICK GUSTAVO GONZALEZ HERRERA, OWNER

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on AUGUST 3, 2022 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).

## PAINTING SOLUTION, 672 N KENMORE AVE # 308, LOS ANGELES CA 90004, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) ERICK GUSTAVO GONZALEZ HERRERA, 672 N KENMORE AVE # 308, LOS ANGELES CA 90004

State of Incorporation: N/A THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: an Individual

The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 07/2022 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/ ERICK GUSTAVO GONZALEZ HERRERA, OWNER

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on AUGUST 3, 2022 Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.

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The Downey Patriot 8/18/22, 8/25/22, 9/1/22, 9/8/22

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2022127821

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) CTR TRAILER REPAIR, CO, 1940 FULLERTON RD, ROWLAND HEIGHTS CA 91748, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) CTR TRAILER REPAIR, CO, 1940 FULLERTON RD, 13, ROWLAND HEIGHTS CA 91748

State of Incorporation: CALIFORNIA THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: a Corporation

The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 05/2022

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/ CTR TRAILER REPAIR, CO, SECRETARY, JACQUELINE JOHNSON

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on JUNE 13, 2022 Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.

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

The Downey Patriot 8/25/22, 9/1/22, 9/8/22, 9/15/22

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2022179502

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) SUR CITY ARCO, 21700 S VERMONT AVE, TORRANCE CA 90502, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: 5183718 REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) SUR CITY INC, 21700 S VERMONT AVE, TORRANCE CA 90502

State of Incorporation: CA THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: a Corporation

The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 08/2022 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/ SUR CITY INC, PRESIDENT, HUMBERTO FLORES JR

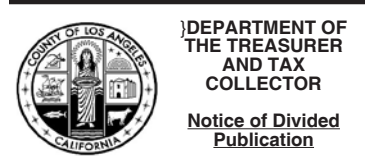
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on AUGUST 11, 2022

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

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

The Downey Patriot 9/1/22, 9/8/22, 9/15/22, 9/22/22

## GOVERNMENT



DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURER AND TAX COLLECTOR

Notice of Divided Publication

NOTICE OF DIVIDED PUBLICATION OF THE PROPERTY TAX-DEFAULT LIST (DELINQUENT LIST)

Made pursuant to Section 3371, Revenue and Taxation Code

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

I, Keith Knox, County of Los Angeles Treasurer and Tax Collector, State of California, certify that:

Notice is given that by operation of law at 12:01 a.m. Pacific Time, on July 1, 2020, the Tax Collector declared the real properties listed below tax defaulted. The declaration of default was due to non-payment of the total amount due for the taxes, assessments, and other charges levied in tax year 2019-20 that were a lien on the listed real property. Non-residential commercial property and property upon which there is a recorded nuisance abatement lien shall be subject to the tax collector's power to sell after three years of defaulted taxes. Therefore, if the 2019-20 taxes remain defaulted after June 30, 2023, the property will become subject to the tax collector's power to sell and eligible for sale at the County's online auction in 2024. All other property that has defaulted taxes after June 30, 2025, will become subject to the tax collector's power to sell and eligible for sale at the County's online auction in 2026. The list contains the name of the assessee and the total tax, which was due on June 30, 2020, for tax year 2019-20, opposite the parcel number. Payments to redeem amounts of delinquent property shall include all taxes for unpaid taxes and assessments, together with the additional penalties and fees as prescribed by law, or paid under an installment plan of redemption if initiated prior to the property becoming subject to the tax collector's power to sell.

The Treasurer and Tax Collector's Office will furnish, upon request, information concerning the payment in full or initiating an installment plan of redemption. Requests must be made at 225 North Hill Street, First Floor Lobby, Los Angeles, California 90012. For more information, please visit our website at [tca.lacounty.gov](http://tca.lacounty.gov) or contact us at (213) 974-2111.

I certify under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed at Los Angeles, California, on August 4, 2022

KEITH KNOX, TREASURER AND TAX COLLECTOR, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Assessee's/taxpayers, who have disposed of real property after January 1, 2019, may find their names listed because the Office of the Assessor has not yet updated the assessment roll to reflect the change in ownership.

### ASSESSOR'S IDENTIFICATION NUMBERING SYSTEM EXPLANATION

The Assessor's Identification Number, when used to describe property in this list, refers to the Assessor's map book, the map page, the block on the map (if applicable), and the individual parcel on the map page or in the block. The Assessor's maps and further explanation of the parcel numbering system are available at the Office of the Assessor. The following property tax defaulted on July 1, 2020, for the taxes, assessments, and other charges for the Tax Year 2019-20:

- LISTED BELOW ARE PROPERTIES THAT DEFAULTED IN 2020 FOR TAXES, ASSESSMENTS AND OTHER CHARGES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2019-2020. AMOUNT OF DELINQUENCY AS OF THIS PUBLICATION IS LISTED BELOW.
ALONSO, RICARDO ET AL ALONSO, DIANA C. S. 10326 WILEY BURKE AVE DOWNEY CA 90241-2151 6249-004-012/ S2019-010 \$8,631.32
ALTA LOMA GROUP LLC S. 11516 DOWNEY AVE DOWNEY CA 90241-4937 6255-010-043/S2019-010 \$2,502.59
ALVAREZ, JOHN C AND ROSA M S. 7830 ALLENGROVE ST DOWNEY CA 90240-2615 6365-011-005 823,279.05
ARCHILA, DAVID A AND SANDRA TRS ARCHILA FAMILY TRUST S. 11639 ADENMOOR AVE DOWNEY CA 90241-5404 6284-014-010 \$1,719.91
BANDY, ERICK S. 2413 EVEREST ST DOWNEY CA 90242-3622 6261-006-025/S2018-010 \$1,322.19
BLANCO, RAMON R AND MARTHA L TRS BLANCO FAMILY TRUST S. 10700 GARFIELD AVE SOUTH GATE CA 90280-7328 6233-021-023 \$674.96
BUCHHOLZ, CHESTER G TR BUCHHOLZ FAMILY TRUST S. 7515 CALMCREST DR DOWNEY CA 90240-2602 6366-026-020 \$1,941.93
BUENO, ELIA S. 9114 BIRDVALE DR DOWNEY CA 90242-4608 6262-013-028 264.79
BURGOS, CARMINIA AND BURGOS, FELICITA S. 7320 IRWINGROVE DR DOWNEY CA 90241-2131 6229-003-009/S2017-010 \$535.40
CAMARENA, RODRIGO S. 10617 CASANES AVE DOWNEY CA 90241-2914 6286-011-003/S2019-010 \$1,100.21
CANO, OTONIEL M S. 1035 8434 4TH ST DOWNEY CA 90241-3605 6251-037-017/S2018-010/S2019-010 \$9,874.19
CARA, TEDDY D AND AIDA E S. 15150 RANCHO POLERMO RD PARAMOUNT CA 90723-4566 6268-042-064 \$2,722.42
CARRILLO, LORENA S. 12625 DUNROBIN AVE DOWNEY CA 90242-4933 6283-014-008 \$7,425.97
CASTELLANOS, ERIKA J AND PEREZ, RENE S. 7117 DINWIDDIE ST DOWNEY CA 90241-2004 6229-017-016 \$13,003.45
CAZARES, BERTHA E AND S. 9311 CLANCEY AVE DOWNEY CA 90240-2925 6389-003-003 \$10,395.38
CESENA, PABLO M AND GLORIA O AND PALOMARES, ANTONIO S. 7652 COOLGROVE DR DOWNEY CA 90240-2626 6365-031-002/S2017-010/S2018-010 \$6,650.40
COLLIN, IBONNIE AND JIMENEZ, MIGUEL A S. 6634 GAGE AVE BELL GARDENS CA 90201-1906 6357-029-032/S2019-010 \$2,219.18
CONTRERAS, CLAUDIA M S. 7326

- QUILL DR UNIT 129 DOWNEY CA 90242-2024 6233-034-132 \$200.73
DE LA SABA, J, JAVIER AND MARTHA SITUS. 9007 ARRINGTON AVE DOWNEY CA 90240-2405 6388-003-007 \$4,578.96
DOLANOTTO LLC S. 10033 PARAMOUNT BLVD DOWNEY CA 90240-3866 6360-010-021 \$55,546.04
EL SERMON DEL MONTE DE LAS ASAMBLEAS DE DIOS SITUS. 7349 VIA AMORITA DOWNEY CA 90241-2046 6229-003-019/S2017-010 \$47,250.78
ESTRADA, AMANDA SITUS. 7951 2ND STREET DOWNEY CA 90241-3209 6251-019-048/S2018-010 \$1,212.80
F AND B LALEHZARI KHAN TRUST AND LALEZARI, COUROSH SITUS. 7206 GARFIELD AVE BELL GARDENS CA 90201-4812 6358-037-002 \$10,724.24
FERNANDEZ, CESAR T AND TERESA SITUS. 10568 CHANEY AVE DOWNEY CA 90241-2828 6285-018-005/S2019-010 \$602.46
FLORES, ADRIAN E AND TERESA SITUS. 8720 PARKCLIFF ST DOWNEY CA 90242-5232 626-032-062 \$6,022.53
GARCIA, FABIAN E AND LEON, YASAIRA B AND ALVAREZ, MARIA G SITUS. 6501 FOSTER BRIDGE BLVD BELL GARDENS CA 90201-1923 6357-031-031/S2018-010 \$1,495.98
GARCIA, MIGUEL SITUS. 12346 DOWNEY AVE DOWNEY CA 90242-3556 6261-003-054 \$5,632.33
GOMEZ, JOSE L SITUS. 8827 MEL DAR AVE DOWNEY CA 90240-2315 6367-029-019 \$14,730.17
GRACE, DARLENE SITUS. 11835 HORTON AVE DOWNEY CA 90241-4606 6248-026-006 \$6,422.05
GRACE, DARLENE P SITUS. 11841 HORTON AVE DOWNEY CA 90241-4606 6248-026-005 \$14,562.70
HAVEN, DAVID TR DAVID HAVEN TRUST AND HAVEN, FLEURETT SITUS. 7522 FINEVALE DR DOWNEY CA 90240-2640 6386-022-033 \$3,343.87
HEAVEN, HAZEL V TR HAZEL V HERNANDEZ TRUST SITUS. 11829 JULIUS AVE DOWNEY CA 90241-4611 6248-027-018 \$7,895.83
JOZA, TEREZIA AND JOZA, PETER SITUS. 8270 QUOIT ST DOWNEY CA 90242-3532 6259-015-024 \$15,447.41
KIM, BRIAN AND YUN, LINDA SITUS. 8000 7TH ST DOWNEY CA 90241-3302 6251-042-007/S2018-010 \$242.63
LEAL, ELIZABETH SITUS. 9484 BROADWAY DR DOWNEY CA 90240-2487 6388-032-019/S2018-010/S2019-010 \$51.85
LINDSEY, REBECCA SITUS. 10610 PARROT AVE DOWNEY CA 90241-3318 6251-035-034 \$18,946.04
LOPEZ, DENISE R SITUS. 7704 ALLENGROVE ST DOWNEY CA 90240-2613 6365-012-008/S2019-010 \$3,614.60
LOPEZ, MARTHA A SITUS. 9814 WILEY BURKE AVE DOWNEY CA 90240-3714 6358-021-010 \$4,055.64
MERCER STONEWOOD LLC SITUS. 103 STONEWOOD ST DOWNEY CA 90241-3904 6285-031-089 \$5,015.35
SITUS. 9046 STONEWOOD ST DOWNEY CA 90241 6285-031-091 \$3,141.94
MADRID, MIGUEL S. SITUS. 13909 DOWNEY AVE PARAMOUNT CA 90723-2805 6265-020-065 \$4,003.78
MARIN, RAUDEL SITUS. 9930 NORLAIN AVE DOWNEY CA 90240-3616 6359-021-014 \$11,999.49
MARLOND, CAROLYN R SITUS. 13320 MERKEL AVE PARAMOUNT CA 90723-2433 6264-008-025/S2018-010 \$364.72
MEDINA, HERMINA M TR MEDINA TRUST SITUS. 8424 ALBIA ST DOWNEY CA 90242-2541 6258-005-019 \$8,380.82
MEJIA, SANTOS A SITUS. 8528 11TH ST DOWNEY CA 90241-2602 6252-011-008/S2018-010 \$732.84
MELENDEZ, CARLOS SITUS. 8324 BROADBENT RD DOWNEY CA 90240-2218 6367-023-010/S2018-010/S2019-010 \$1,262.68
MILLER, JOHN R TR JOHN R MILLER TRUST SITUS. 9652 KARMONT AVE SOUTH GATE CA 90280-5409 6232-032-060 \$6,420.31
MOCHIZUKI, ARTHUR S AND JEAN F SITUS. 13223 COLDBROOK AVE DOWNEY CA 90242-4910 6281-007-006 \$12,836.98
MORENO, ESTELA AND MELENDEZ, ROSA M SITUS. 8440 ALAMED

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Downtown Downey, walking distance to everything, Private room & bath, W/D onsite, huge private patio & bbq area. Female only, 30+, No Pets. \$1,000/mo + utilities (562) 371-7023

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Roof Repair & Leaks  
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copia del informe preliminar estará disponible para su revisión el viernes, 9 de Septiembre durante el horario laboral habitual en:

**Avuntamiento de la Ciudad de Downey**  
**Oficina de la Secretaria de la Ciudad (City Clerk's Office)**  
11111 Brookshire Avenue  
Downey, CA 90241

Los avisos públicos y los borradores de documentos también se publicarán en el sitio web de la ciudad en: [www.downeyca.org](http://www.downeyca.org)

La Ciudad fomenta la participación ciudadana en el desarrollo de la CAPER. El borrador de CAPER estará disponible para revisión pública por un periodo de 15 días (que finaliza el Viernes, 23 de Septiembre del 2022). El Gerente de la División de Vivienda y Desarrollo Económico aceptará comentarios escritos durante el periodo de revisión pública.

Para obtener más información, llame a Marlon Ramirez al (562) 904-7161.

**The Downey Patriot 9/8/22**

**CITY OF DOWNEY NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING SITE PLAN REVIEW, CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT, AND ZONE CHANGE PLN-22-00044**

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held before the DOWNEY CITY PLANNING COMMISSION on the 21st day of September, 2022, at 6:30 p.m., in the Council Chambers of the Downey City Hall, 11111 Brookshire Avenue, Downey, California. At that time and place, consideration will be given to the following:

**Site Plan Review, Conditional Use Permit, and Zone Change (PLN-22-00044):** A request to modify the exterior of an existing Burger King restaurant. The project includes the renovation of exterior materials and will not include any expansions to the existing square footage. The application will also involve a Conditional Use Permit to bring the existing drive-thru into conformance, and a zone change is being processed to eliminate the Parking Buffer zoning and designate the entire site as General Commercial zoning. The property is located at 10014 Paramount Blvd., on property zoned C-2 and P-B.

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

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

**NOTE: STATE GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 65009 NOTICE:** If you challenge the proposed actions in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the Planning Division at, or prior to, the public hearing.

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

For more information contact Senior Planner Alfonso Hernandez, at 562-904-7154 or at [ahernandez@downeyca.org](mailto:ahernandez@downeyca.org).

**The Downey Patriot 9/8/22**

**CITY OF DOWNEY NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON A PROPOSED SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT PLN-22-00115**

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held before the DOWNEY CITY PLANNING COMMISSION on the 21st day of September, 2022, at 6:30 p.m., in the Council Chamber of the Downey City Hall, 11111 Brookshire Avenue, Downey, California. At that time and place, consideration will be given to the following:

**Special Event Permit (PLN-22-00115)** - A request to hold the annual Warren High School fundraising carnival from September 23, 2022 through September 25, 2022. The event will include carnival rides, food sales and games, on property located at 8141 De Palma St.

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

As required by the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), this request has been found to be Categorical Exempt from CEQA, per CEQA Guideline, Section 15304 (Class 4, Minor Alterations to Land).

**NOTE: STATE GOVERNMENT CODE**

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For more information contact Principal Planner Guillermo Arreola at 562-904-7154, or at [garreola@downeyca.org](mailto:garreola@downeyca.org).

**The Downey Patriot 9/8/22**

**CITY OF DOWNEY NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT PLN-22-00046**

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held before the DOWNEY CITY PLANNING COMMISSION on the 21st day of September, 2022, at 6:30 p.m., in the Council Chambers of the Downey City Hall, 11111 Brookshire Avenue, Downey, California. At that time and place, consideration will be given to the following:

**CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT (PLN-22-00046):** A request to request to allow a full body massage establishment in a 1,165 square foot tenant space located at 7444 Florence Avenue, Suite C, in a commercial area zoned C-2 (General Commercial).

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

As required by the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), this request has been found to be Categorical Exempt from CEQA, per CEQA Guideline Section No. 15301 (Class 1, Existing Facilities).

**NOTE: STATE GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 65009 NOTICE:** If you challenge the proposed actions in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the Planning Division at, or prior to, the public hearing.

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

For more information contact Assistant Planner Abraham Luna, at 562-904-7154 or at [aluna@downeyca.org](mailto:aluna@downeyca.org).

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**NOTICES**

**NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE VELASQUEZ, NADINE VS JACOBO/PRO 1 HOLDINGS CASE NO: 9STPB08047**

Under a writ of Execution issued on 03/09/22. Out of the L.A. SUPERIOR COURT STANLEY MOSK, of the CENTRAL DISTRICT, County of Los Angeles, State of California, on a judgment entered on 01/26/22.

In favor of NADINE VELASQUEZ and against PRO 1 HOLDINGS, INC. showing a net balance of \$1,858,420.53 actually due on said judgment. (Amount subject to revision) I have levied upon all the right, title and interest of said judgment debtor(s) in the property in the County of Los Angeles, State of California, described as follows:  
THE LAND REFERRED TO HEREIN BELOW IS SITUATED IN THE CITY OF DOWNEY, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AND IS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:  
LOT 20 OF TRACT NO. 16327, IN THE CITY OF DOWNEY, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AS PER MAP RECORDED IN BOOK 417 PAGE(S) 27 AND 28 OF MAPS, IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY.  
EXCEPT THEREFROM THE SOUTHWEST 6 FEET OF SAID LOT.  
EXCEPT THEREFROM ALL OIL, GAS, MINERALS AND OTHER HYDROCARBON SUBSTANCES, LYING BELOW A DEPTH OF 500 FEET FROM THE SURFACE OF SAID PROPERTY, BUT WITH NO RIGHT OF SURFACE ENTRY, WHERE THEY HAVE BEEN PREVIOUSLY RESERVED IN INSTRUMENTS OF RECORD.  
APN: 6286-005-009  
Commonly known as: 10260 CASANES AVENUE, DOWNEY, CA 90241  
Public notice is hereby given that I will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash in lawful money of the United States all the

right, title and interest of the debtor(s) in the above described property or so much as will be sufficient to satisfy said writ or warrant with interest and all costs on 10/05/22, 10:00 AM at the following location:  
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LOS ANGELES, CA 90012

( ) This sale is subject to a minimum bid in the amount of \$0.00 (Subject to revision) Prospective bidders should refer to sections 701.510 to 701.680, inclusive, of the Code of Civil Procedure for provisions governing the terms, conditions and effect of the sale and the liability of defaulting bidders.  
Creditor's Attorney  
LAW OFFICES OF MICHAEL P. RIBONS, APC  
5959 TOPANGA CANYON BLVD. STE 220  
WOODLAND HILLS, CA 91367  
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By: PATRICE R STEPHEN, Deputy  
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CN990199 9STPB08047 Sep 8,15,22, 2022

**CN990199**  
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**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE NUMBER: 22NWCP00369**

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner JOVANI STEVEN MORENO filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

Present name (1) JOVANI STEVEN MORENO to Proposed name (1) JOVANI STEVEN VIRGEN  
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: NOVEMBER 7, 2022, Time: 10:30 a.m., Department: C, Room: 312**

**The address of the court is 12720 NORWALK BLVD, NORWALK CA 90650**

A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in the county, **THE DOWNEY PATRIOT** SEPTEMBER 7, 2022  
JUDGE MARGARET M. BERNAL  
Judge of the Superior Court  
Petitioner or Attorney for Petitioner  
**KAVER ABDALAN, ATTORNEY AT LAW**  
SBN 1897  
2100 N BROADWAY SUITE 200  
SANTA ANA CA 92706  
(714) 273-2526  
(714) 242-2037

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**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE NUMBER: 22NWCP00354**

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner MARIA SOCORRO PAREDEZ DE CONTRERAS filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:  
Present name (1) MARIA SOCORRO PAREDEZ DE CONTRERAS to Proposed name (1) SOCORRO CONTRERAS  
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: OCTOBER 24, 2022, Time: 10:30 a.m., Department: C, Room: 312**

**The address of the court is 12720 NORWALK BLVD., NORWALK, CA 90650**

A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in the county, **THE DOWNEY PATRIOT** AUGUST 29, 2022  
JUDGE MARGARET M. BERNAL  
Judge of the Superior Court  
Petitioner or Attorney for Petitioner  
**MARIA SOCORRO PAREDEZ DE CONTRERAS**  
9129 MAPLESIDE STREET  
BELLFLOWER, CA 90706  
562-299-4977  
GCONTRERAS49@ROCKETMAIL.COM

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**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE NUMBER: 22NWCP00364**

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner ELISA CAZARES DE FLORES filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:  
Present name (1) ELISA CAZARES DE FLORES to Proposed name (1) ELISA FLORES  
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: NOVEMBER 2, 2022, Time: 10:30 a.m., Department: C, Room: 312**  
**The address of the court is 12720 NORWALK BLVD., NORWALK, 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** 8301 E. FLORENCE AVE. SUITE 100 DOWNEY, CA 90240  
SEPTEMBER 1, 2022  
JUDGE MARGARET M. BERNAL  
Judge of the Superior Court  
Petitioner or Attorney for Petitioner  
**ELISA CAZARES DE FLORES**  
7561 SUVA ST. DOWNEY, CA. 90240  
(562) 991-8935

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**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE NUMBER: 22NWCP00346**

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner SHAREKIA LAKESHA DIXON filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

Present name (1) SHAREKIA LAKESHA DIXON to Proposed name (1) HANA KESHA DIXON  
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: OCTOBER 24, 2022, Time: 10:30 a.m., Department: C, Room: 312**

**The address of the court is 12720 NORWALK BLVD., ROOM 101, 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** AUGUST 25, 2022  
JUDGE MARGARET M. BERNAL  
Judge of the Superior Court  
Petitioner or Attorney for Petitioner  
**SHAREKIA LAKESHA DIXON**  
12852 LAKEWOOD BLVD APT 10  
DOWNEY, CA, 90242  
(562) 405-7728  
[Hanadixon84@gmail.com](mailto:Hanadixon84@gmail.com)

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**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE NUMBER: 22NWCP00368**

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner MARIA ARACELI RONQUILLO filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:  
Present name (1) MARIA ARACELI RONQUILLO to Proposed name (1) MARIA ARACELI CASELIN  
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: NOVEMBER 4, 2022, Time: 10:30 a.m., Department: C, Room: 312**

**The address of the court is 12720 NORWALK BLVD., NORWALK, 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** SEPTEMBER 6, 2022  
JUDGE MARGARET M. BERNAL  
Judge of the Superior Court  
Petitioner or Attorney for Petitioner  
**MARIA ARACELI RONQUILLO**  
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BELL GARDENS, CA 90201  
323-598-3987  
[RONQUICHELYS@GMAIL.COM](mailto:RONQUICHELYS@GMAIL.COM)

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**RELIGIOUS RECORD**  
**New family member sacred trust PROCLAMATION**

Private American, Californian, Mother who goes by **Gabriela: Bellini** and private American, Italian, Father who goes by **Marlon: Bellini** are obliged to declare and exercise sacred rights to ALL worlds that their male offspring (property, interest, "res") was birthed 4 minutes before 2 o'clock in the afternoon onto this earthly plane on this 13th day of August, 2022. This religious record of our offspring arrival has been handwritten, autographed, (Deuteronomy

11:24) sealed and registered privately in the family Bible which has now been established as a sacred trust. The offspring confirmed weight was 9.2 pounds and 22.5 inches in length, having brown eyes & black hair. Our flesh and blood was homeborn in the sovereign California Republic, delivered by his father and mother/natural guardians, witnessed by three (Matthew 18:13) (Proverbs 11:14) and named **Giuseppe - Hector: Bellini**. The family domiciles in a non-military occupied estate, not subject to the jurisdiction of the "United States." Family nationalities are Italian, Mexican, Nicaraguan -Autochthonous Beings. All other confidential medical files and personal information are stored within the family Bible. No volunteer (public or private organizations) can breach this trust and/or cause suffering without remedy. It is the intent and purpose to protect the use, enjoyment, and the pursuit of happiness of **Giuseppe - Hector: Bellini**. Equity warrants the intention to fulfill an obligation. This proclamation, oath is under God. (Philippians 1:8, 1982 -Year of the Bible, King James 1611 Version, Job 13:17-18), Special, Private, Priority. All rights reserved, without recourse.

Trust property of Familia Bellini Chavez /s/ Mother, Gabriela: Bellini /s/ Father, Marlon: Bellini

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**PROBATE**

**NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF ERIC ALLEN CHRISTIANSON**  
**Case No. 22STPB08016**

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

THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A HEARING on the petition will be held on Sept. 22, 2022 at 8:30 AM in Dept. No. 79 located at 111 N. Hill St., Los Angeles, CA 90012.

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.  
IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

**Attorney for petitioner:**  
**STANLEY E WADE JR ESQ**  
SBN 219688  
WADE LAW GROUP-SOUTHERN CA  
1001 W WHITTIER BLVD  
LA HABRA CA 90631  
CN989745 CHRISTIANSON Aug 25, Sep 1,8, 2022

**CN989745**  
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**SUMMONS**

**SUMMONS AMENDEO (CITACION JUDICIAL)**  
**CASE NUMBER: (Numero del Caso): 30-2021-01231622-CU-FR-CJC**  
**NOTICE TO DEFENDANT (AVISO AL DEMANDADO):** HECTOR NOEL IRIBE, AN INDIVIDUAL; CONCEPCION LOPEZ, AN INDIVIDUAL; SULAIMAN HAROONI, AN INDIVIDUAL; HNI INNOVATIONS, LLC, A CALIFORNIA LIMITED LIABILITY

**Date (Fecha): 5/12/2022**  
**DAVID H. YAMASAKI, CLERK OF THE COURT, BY ARLENE GILL, DEPUTY**

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# Women's Equality Day marked with speech, art contests

Women's Equality Day (WED) was celebrated this year in Cerritos with an inaugural Women's Equality Youth Speech and Art Contest on August 27 and sponsored by the Cerritos based Hubert H. Humphrey Democratic Club.

WED marks the 102nd anniversary of the certification by Congress of the 19th amendment that granted women the right to vote and culminated 72 years, from 1848 to 1920, of intense struggles: when American women suffragists rallied, protested, wrote newspaper editorials and more to obtain their democratic right to the voting polls.

Program expenses as well as the \$1,000 in prize money awarded to student contestants were donated from the following generous sponsors: Ali Taj, Artesia



City Councilmember, Ernie Nishii and Dr. Olga Rios, ABCUSD Board Members, Diana Needham, 3x Cerritos Mayor, Dr. Tina Cho, former Cerritos College Trustee, Linda Hernández, WED Committee Member, Richard Hathaway, retired ABCUSD teacher, Lorelei Lachman, Jay Chen Campaign Manager, Emily Chen Darnell, Community Member, Catherine Pascual, ABCUSD school teacher,

Leo Perez, Physician Assistant, Susan Philipsen Zabel, Community Member, Katherine George Chu, Community Member and Pam Crawley, Community Member.

Women's Equality Day Hubert H. Humphrey Democratic Club committee members consisted of: WED Committee Chair/Membership Chair Norma Williamson, Member Pamela

Crawley, Board Member Linda Hernandez, Co-Vice President Paula Mejia, Member Karen Wilson, Member Katherine George Chu, Co-President Larry Caballero, Treasurer Chris Duvali, Board Member Ernie Nishii, Co-Vice President Leo Perez, Program Chair Mary Ann Tipton, Board Member Susan Philipsen Zabel and Member Danny Hom.

# Merriam-Webster adds 'yeet,' 'sus,' to dictionary

"My pumpkin spice latte tasted sus, so I yeeted it across the room."

Confused by that sentence?

Look the words up in Merriam-Webster.

"Pumpkin spice," "sus," and "yeet" are among 370 words newly added to the iconic dictionary. While pumpkin spice is self-explanatory, "sus" and "yeet" may need some context.

"Sus" is short for suspicious or suspect, and "yeet" is slang for throw.

Slang terms make up a large part of the new entries, and words associated with the business and technological world ("shrinkflation" and "metaverse") and healthcare ("subvariant" and "booster dose") were also included.

Merriam-Webster says its criteria for adding words is their sustained and widespread use.

Some of the latest terms are

widely seen across social media, including "virtue signaling," which means to publicly show support for social and political issues without taking any effective actions.

You've also likely seen "sponcon" while scrolling through social media. That's when an influencer is paid to advertise a product or service in a post.

"Pumpkin spice" was not the only food term to make the cut. Sushi lovers might recognize "omakase," which refers to a series of sushi selections according to the chef's choice.

Another new entry, "mojo," is defined as a sauce, marinade or seasoning that is usually composed

primarily of olive oil, garlic, citrus juice, and spices (such as black pepper and cumin).

A word you may remember from your childhood is also being welcomed into the dictionary.

A "cootie catcher" is "a child's toy that consists of paper folded into four pyramid-shaped parts that are manipulated by the fingers to open and close with each part having a flap that can be unfolded to reveal an answer to one's question about the future."

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<p><b>SOLD</b></p>  <p>12618 EASTBROOK, DOWNEY</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 3 bedrooms</li> <li>• 2 bathrooms</li> <li>• 1,356 sq. ft</li> <li>• 7,163 sq. ft. lot</li> </ul> <p><b>LISTED FOR \$775,000</b> <b>SOLD FOR \$790,000</b></p>	<p><b>FOR SALE</b></p>  <p>CORONA POOL HOME!</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 3 bedrooms</li> <li>• Office</li> <li>• Family room</li> <li>• Pristine condition!</li> <li>• Call now!</li> </ul> <p><b>LIST PRICE \$799,000</b></p>	<p><b>OPEN HOUSE</b></p>  <p>NE DOWNEY CHARMER</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 3 beds   2 baths</li> <li>• 1,403 sq. ft.   8,488 sq. ft. lot</li> <li>• Living with room fireplace</li> <li>• Huge backyard</li> <li>• 2 car detached garage</li> </ul> <p><b>LIST PRICE \$875,000</b></p>	<p><b>FOR SALE</b></p>  <p>ELEGANT FULLY FURNISHED HOME IN DOWNEY</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 5 beds   3.5 baths</li> <li>• 4,000 sq. ft.</li> <li>• Closed to 17,000 sq. ft. lot</li> <li>• Large backyard</li> <li>• Quiet cul-de-sac</li> </ul> <p><b>CALL FOR PRICE!</b></p>	<p><b>IN ESCROW</b></p>  <p>5562 CALIFORNIA AVE, LONG BEACH</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 3 bedrooms   2 bathrooms</li> <li>• 1,120 sq. ft.</li> <li>• 4,810 sq. ft. lot</li> <li>• Upgraded bathrooms</li> <li>• Long driveway</li> <li>• Detached 2 car garage</li> </ul> <p><b>MARIO DID IT AGAIN!!!</b></p>
<p><b>NEW LISTING</b></p>  <p>HOME OF DISTINCTION!</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Charming 3 Bed   2 bath in North Downey</li> <li>• 2,036 sq. ft. of living space</li> <li>• 9,296 sq. ft. lot</li> </ul> <p><b>LISTED FOR \$995,000</b></p>	<p><b>IN ESCROW</b></p>  <p>DOWNEY STARTER HOME!</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 3 bedrooms</li> <li>• 1.5 baths</li> <li>• Dining room</li> <li>• Upgraded kitchen</li> <li>• Call now!</li> </ul> <p><b>LISTED FOR \$739,900</b></p>	<p><b>FOR SALE</b></p>  <p>NORTH DOWNEY TOWNHOME</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2 beds   2.5 baths</li> <li>• 1,440 sq. ft.</li> <li>• Main suite with walk-in closet</li> <li>• Association pool &amp; spa</li> <li>• 2 car garage</li> </ul> <p><b>LISTED FOR \$599,950</b></p>	<p><b>VICKI SPEARMAN</b> REALTOR® 562-367-9520 VCARE4DOW@AOL.COM DRE #00542721</p> <p><b>YOUR HOME CAN BE ADVERTISED HERE</b></p>  <p><b>CALL VICKI TODAY FOR A FREE MARKET EVALUATION OF YOUR HOME</b></p>	
<p><b>PREPARE YOUR LIVING TRUST!</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NEW CLIENTS ONLY</li> <li>• EXPIRES 9-30-2022</li> <li>• ONE COUPON PER FAMILY</li> </ul> <p><b>\$50 DISCOUNT</b></p>  <p>Package Includes: Will, Trust, Advance health directive, Financial power of Attorney and One grant deed</p>	<p><b>SOLD</b></p>  <p>8614 LUBEC, DOWNEY</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 3 beds</li> <li>• 1.75 baths</li> <li>• Family room</li> <li>• Manicured backyard</li> </ul> <p><b>LISTED FOR \$929,000</b></p>	<p><b>FOR SALE</b></p>  <p>NEAR GALLATIN ELEMENTARY</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 3 beds   2.5 baths</li> <li>• 2,911 sf   9,053 sf lot</li> <li>• Large office / bonus room</li> <li>• 2 car garage with workshop</li> </ul> <p><b>LIST PRICE \$1,199,950</b></p>	<p><b>PAM LEE</b> REALTOR® 562-537-1134 PAMLEEREALTOR@GMAIL.COM DRE #01750256</p> <p><b>SOLD</b></p>  <p>4318 DEEBOYAR, LAKEWOOD</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2 bedrooms</li> <li>• 1 bathroom</li> <li>• 939 sq. ft.</li> <li>• 5,100 sq. ft. lot</li> </ul> <p><b>SOLD FOR \$652,500</b></p> <p><b>PAMLEEREALTOR@GMAIL.COM</b></p>	
<p><b>CARMELA "CARRIE" UVA</b> Downey Born, Raised &amp; Educated! Selling Downey Homes for 27 years!</p>	<p><b>Zillow PREMIER AGENT</b></p> <p>"MARIE WAS AMAZING AND HELPFUL. SHE WAS ALWAYS PROFESSIONAL AND PROACTIVE! USE MARIE IF YOU WANT THE JOB DONE RIGHT! MY WHOLE FAMILY HAS USED HER FOR MANY YEARS AND ALL HAVE HAD A GREAT EXPERIENCE WORKING WITH HER." -RAMING</p>	<p><b>FOR SALE</b></p>  <p>LARGE SINGLE LEVEL HOME IN NORTHEAST DOWNEY</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 4 bedrooms   3 Baths</li> <li>• 3,078 sq ft   9,453 sq ft lot</li> <li>• Formal living rooms</li> <li>• Bonus room behind garage</li> </ul> <p><b>LIST PRICE \$1,399,950</b></p>	<p><b>MARIO DID IT AGAIN!!! LET MARIO DO IT FOR YOU TOO!</b></p> <p><b>MARIO PERSICO</b> BORN   EDUCATED   LIVES   WORSHIPS IN DOWNEY 562-533-7433 -REALTOR® SINCE 2002 - MARIO@MARIOPERSICO.COM</p>	

# You are invited!



Downey Unified School District's

## OPEN HOUSE

★EVENTS★  
September 2022

**Sussman Middle School**  
12500 Birchdale Avenue  
Tuesday, September 13

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**Doty Middle School**  
10301 Woodruff Avenue  
Wednesday, September 14

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**Stauffer Middle School**  
11985 Old River School Road  
Tuesday, September 20

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**Griffiths Middle School**  
9633 Tweedy Lane  
Wednesday, September 21

★ **OPEN HOUSE EVENTS | 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM**

Ribbon Cutting at Doty, Griffiths and Sussman at 6:15 pm  
Coffee and desserts available while supplies last

**RSVP Today!** [web.dusd.net/openhouses](http://web.dusd.net/openhouses)



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SCHOOL DISTRICT