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Jazz party raising funds for orchestra

■ Sunday's event will feature live music by a USC jazz trio, plus food, champagne, and live and silent auctions.

By **Lorine Parks**
Society Editor

DOWNEY – The Downey Symphonic Society is planning an afternoon party, and everyone's invited.

And the theme is Jazzy. "I love jazz," said Pat Gil, organizer of the party. "It's a great American art form that we should be proud of. A soloist jazz sax player will be entertaining us during cocktail hour, and then he'll join a soft jazz trio during our dinner."

"The colors will be black, white and gold," said Pat, "and I want it to be elegant and timeless. It will be our usual of 10 per table, with a bottle of white wine and red wine at each table. Cocktail hour is from 3:30pm to 4:30pm, there will be champagne, fruit, cheese and crackers."

Sunday, Sept. 25, is the date and the Woman's Club on Paramount and Lubec is the place, from 3:30 to 7:30 pm. For your \$75 donation, expect a delicious buffet dinner, chicken with your choice of three kinds of sauces.

Silent auction items include tickets to Laugh Factory, jewelry, art work, a spa basket, a "Salute to the Queen" basket, and one for Dia De Los Muertos.

"The live auction features a basket full of spirits, Downey Theater tickets with dinner," said Pat, "and the prize most eagerly bid for each year, rehearsal dinner with Sharon Lavery, our music director. There will be a \$300 Disneyland gift card that is good for Disneyland tickets, and as a raffle item, a treasure chest full of gift cards worth hundreds of dollars."

Donations raised will go towards funding orchestra salaries and the Downey Symphonic Society's outreach program, Music in the Schools. That brings third and fifth graders to the Downey Theatre each for their own morning of rich symphonic music, in programs written by the late Dr. Tom Osborn and narrated and emceed by Sharon Lavery. The kids love her.

For reservations, contact Pat Gil, at patgill031@gmail.com or text her at (562) 879-3029.

Legaspi appointed to appeals board

DOWNEY – Downey-based commercial real estate broker Gil Legaspi has been appointed by Supervisor Janice Hahn to the Los Angeles County Tax Assessment Appeals Board.

The LA County Tax Assessment Appeals Board is a three-member panel created to hear and settle property tax assessment disputes between taxpayers and the County Assessor's Office.

Acting in a quasi-judicial capacity, the Board is charged with making impartial decisions to settle these disputes as well as equalize the county's property tax roll.

"The Tax Assessment Appeals Board has an important role as an impartial arbiter that settles disagreements between taxpayers and the Assessor's Office," said Hahn. "As my appointee to this Board, Gil Legaspi needs to not only understand tax law, he needs to be someone that the taxpayers can trust to make a fair decision."

Recall proponents turn in 4,500 signatures

■ Opponents of Mayor Pro Tem Catherine Alvarez are waiting to hear if they collected enough signatures to trigger a recall election.

By **Alex Dominguez**
Staff Writer

DOWNEY – Members of the recall campaign against Mayor Pro Tem Catherine Alvarez have submitted more than 4,500 signatures to the City Clerk in a second attempt to oust the Downey council member.

The Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder's office has up to 30 working days to verify the signatures, which must come from registered voters in Downey's District 3.

At least 3,471 verified signatures are required to trigger a recall election.

Recall proponents say they collected more than 4,500 signatures and personally verified 4,210.

An attempt to recall Alvarez last year came up 35 signatures short.

"We have it; trust me, we have it," said volunteer Lissette Rivera. "We triple, quadruple checked. We worked late nights, meetings, we went above and beyond because we care for this community, and it's not a personal matter, it's about what's right."

Alvarez was elected to the city council in 2020 but did not disclose her criminal record, which includes



Volunteers with the campaign to recall Mayor Pro Tem Catherine Alvarez submitted over 4,500 signatures to the city clerk.

convictions for welfare fraud.

She was also arrested for shoplifting from the Michael's store at Downey Landing.

Recall proponents said Alvarez likely would not have been elected had voters known about her criminal past.

"In all the different cities that

have issues with council people, this is a key component to being honest and transparent so that we don't jeopardize having somebody making bad decisions or anything in line with representing us," said Dorothy Pemberton, who is helping lead the recall effort.

"Let them have a revote. If they still feel she is the right one for this

position, so be it; but let's have a revote."

The most recent batch of signatures are expected to be either validated or rejected by mid-October.

A special election to recall Alvarez would likely take place early next year.

Do the candidates support recalling Catherine Alvarez?

■ Six candidates are running for Downey city council this November. We asked for their opinions on the recall attempt.

By **Alex Dominguez**
Staff Writer

DOWNEY – With the Downey city council potentially headed towards a major shakeup over the course of the next six months, candidates were asked if they supported the recall of Mayor Pro Tem Catherine Alvarez.

Below are their responses.

DISTRICT 4 CANDIDATES: JOAQUIN BELTRAN,

CLAUDIA FROMETA, JUAN MARTINEZ

Joaquin Beltran characterized recalls as "tough things politically."

"I think councilmember Alvarez will have to make the case to voters and lay out all the facts and the residents will either support the recall or support her to stay in office," said Beltran. "For the councilmember, I think it's an opportunity to reintroduce herself to her district, share her story and the work she's done on the council, and have confidence in the electoral process that the voters will make the best choice in the end."

Councilwoman Claudia M.

Frometa said she was "embarrassed for our city," adding that "Downey's future stability hangs in the balance."

"With 4,500 plus gathered signatures of registered voters in District 3, we can see residents feel strongly about electing individuals who represent their values. Councilwoman Alvarez's history of lawsuits, lying under oath, stealing, and welfare fraud are indicative people in D-3 who signed the recall desire to have someone with character in office," said Frometa.

"We are seeing the democratic process take place, and the residents of this city holding

their elected officials accountable and desiring ethical, transparent representation."

Juan Martinez did not provide a response.

DISTRICT 2 CANDIDATES: DR. ANTHONY FELIX, ART MONTOYA, HECTOR SOSA

Art Montoya called the recall a "democratic tool that can be used by voters to remove an elected official from office if they feel that elected official's positions or policies are not in line with the community."

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Downey community leaders gathered at the Downey YMCA last week to accept a \$3 million check from Assemblymember Cristina Garcia in support of the Y's fundraising campaign to build a new Y.

The new 20,000 sq. ft. facility will be constructed at the site of the current YMCA on Downey Avenue and Arnett Street.

The cost to build the new YMCA is estimated at \$14 million, said Steve Roberson, who is helping the YMCA raise the funds.

Fundraising is expected to take about two years. Downey Los Amigos Kiwanis committed \$200,000 to the capital campaign, and other service clubs are expected to donate as well, in addition to private benefactors.



Weekend at a Glance

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THINGS TO DO



The Local Group Show IV

Friday, 7-9 pm
Stay Gallery

Join Stay Gallery for the closing reception of its fourth annual installation of The Local Group Show, a group exhibition featuring 52 artists from Los Angeles County. Refreshments, fine art prints, tees, and locally made goods will be available for purchase.

ON THIS DAY

1692: In what was to be the last executions during the Salem witch trials, eight people were hanged.

1776: American officer Nathan Hale was hanged by the British for spying during the American Revolution.

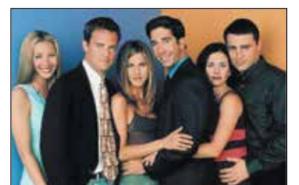
1888: The first issue of National Geographic Magazine was published, and it became famous for its richly illustrated articles on the various geographic regions of the world.

1927: Gene Tunney successfully defended his world heavyweight boxing title by defeating Jack Dempsey after the controversial "long count" in the seventh round.

1980: The Iran-Iraq War began when Iraqi armed forces invaded western Iran along the countries' joint border; fighting continued until 1988, and a formal peace agreement was signed in 1990.

1989: American composer Irving Berlin, who was perhaps the greatest and most enduring of American songwriters, died in New York City.

1994: The first episode of Friends aired on NBC, and the show became one of the most popular sitcoms in the United States.



1999: The dramatic series The West Wing, which was created by Aaron Sorkin, debuted on American television.

2015: American baseball player, manager, and coach Yogi Berra died at age 90.

Birthdays

Rock singer **Joan Jett** (64), opera singer **Andrea Bocelli** (64), "Charles in Charge" actor **Scott Baio** (62), retired soccer star **Ronaldo** (46), and "Harry Potter" actor **Tom Felton** (35).

Memories of early Downey

■ Part II in a multi-part series written by a pioneering Downey family.

By Bobbi Bruce
Downey Historical Society

DOWNEY – With the 150th anniversary of Downey next year, I am continuing the family story given to the Downey Historical Society by Box Knox so the Downey community can see what it was like to live in the Downey area in the late 1800s and early 1900s. I hope you enjoy reading this story.

My Hometown.

We always called Bell our hometown. It was a friendly town where we went to buy groceries at the Piggly Wiggly store on Gage Avenue. Joe Page was the manager, a friendly, good-natured man who greeted us cheerfully.

Pendergast's on Atlantic Avenue was another grocery store we shopped at but less frequently. My mother bought furniture at Pete Gibson's Furniture Store and household linens and clothing from the J.C. Penney store and the People's Department Store, owned and operated by the Louis Weiss family. Clerks at these stores knew us by name. Other businesses on Gage Avenue were (Dorothy) Shirley's Photo Studio, Pop's Ice Cream Parlor and Candy Shop, and (Mrs. Sieber's) Fashion Shoppe, all popular spots.

Gage Avenue was named Baker Street when we first lived in the area. The name was changed to honor former Governor Gage of California.

The city of Bell had an annual event, "Flapjack Days," during which pancakes were served out of doors and a parade followed. One year, we decided to ride our horses in the parade. While getting

saddled up and ready to go, we were relaxing in our backyard. I sat on one of the horses letting it graze on the green lawn, with reins hanging down. The horse stepped on one of the reins and suddenly threw its head back and banged me right between the eyes. I sported two swollen black eyes for a long time.

The community known as Cudady, to the south of and adjacent to Bell, was the former Cudahy Ranch, owned by the meat-packing Cudahy family. Streets were named for the Cudahy family's daughters: Florence, Mary (now called Live Oak), Santa Ana (for Ana) and Elizabeth.

My Parents.

My father, Robert "Earl" Dimmitt, was a farmer - a good farmer. He came by it naturally; his father, Robert Cassel Dimmitt, was a farmer in Iowa. It was on the Iowa farm, at Dahlonga, Wapello County, near Ottumwa, where my father was born, June 19, 1890. The family, with the exception of the oldest son of eight children, Howard Gilbert, moved to California when my father was a young boy. They settled in the Downey area.

Dad raised alfalfa, corn, sugar beets and, occasionally, potatoes. He farmed with machinery drawn by a team of dapple gray horses - Ned and Molly - they were called. His farm machinery included a sickle mower, hay rake, plough, cultivator, harrow, "fresno" (used for moving and leveling dirt) and a flatbed wagon. Later, he used a Fordson tractor for some of the farmwork.

Dad had a deep water well, located on the northeast corner of his property. It supplied irrigation water for his crops as well as for neighboring farmers. Dad would go to see the farmers to schedule a time for them to receive irrigation water. He would come home with a variety of fresh vegetables - gifts from the Japanese farmers.

It was not a close relationship between my dad and me. He was a hardworking man, arose early to begin his farming labor and went

to bed early to get enough rest for the next day. We spent little time with him. As Daddy went about his farmwork and daily chores, it would seem he was not paying attention to us kids. However, he was quick to notice the first time I wore lipstick on my lips. It was Tangee, a very light makeup, suitable for a young girl to wear. But Daddy noticed, saying "Your lips are awfully red today."

A tender moment lingers in my memory when I was baptized at Randolph Street Christian Church in Bell at twelve years of age. As we were getting into the family car to return home, Daddy came to me and said, "Let that always be your way of life."

In 1931, Eastman Kodak Company gave a free box camera to all children born in 1918. Daddy called attention to this and had Mother take me to Los Angeles to the Eastman Kodak Store to receive the free camera. A birth certificate was required for proof of birth. Mother didn't have one. However, a postcard sent to some friends announcing my birth served the purpose.

Daddy wore blue denim bib overalls, a blue chambray work shirt, and a straw hat and was often seen smoking his pipe full of Prince Albert tobacco. His favorite pipe was a Meerschaum.

Daddy carried a small notebook in a pocket of his bib overalls. Such gems of knowledge he entered there! He would often share with us an item of interest or refer to his notes to jog his memory.

One of Dad's ongoing chores was to milk the cow twice daily. We always had plenty of fresh milk, cream as thick as thin butter, homemade cottage cheese, and butter. The cow was checked annually for tuberculosis.

There weren't many chores about the farm we children could help with. However, I remember one time my brother and I wanted to earn some money. Dad gave us the job of suckering the tiny corn plants. As I recall, we didn't last long at that tedious job. One chore we could do but didn't relish was to chop kindling and carry wood into the house for the stove used for heating.

The exact year is gone from my memory but it was in the late 20s when Daddy took us to see "Lindy" at Vail Field. I believe it was after he flew his world famous solo flight across the Atlantic Ocean. The occasion was a refueling stop for the flying machine of the famous Charles A. Lindbergh. Somehow, Daddy got the word that Lindy would be landing at Vail Field (located in the Bandini District of East L.A.). Daddy came to our school and got us excited long enough to go see Lindy wave to the people.

Daddy could yodel a little. He and another farmer, a mile away, often would exchange yodels. And he played the harmonica. I have fond recollections of the hours we spent, Dad and his harmonica, and me, at the piano. We played by ear and would go from one familiar song to another. They were old-time favorite songs: "Red River Valley," "Home on the Range," "Springtime in the Rockies," "Lil Brown Jug" and "Comin' Round the Mountain," to name a few.

When Dad was raising sugar beets, big trucks from Holly Sugar Company in Santa Ana came to haul the beets to the sugar mill. One time, Daddy got special permission and took my brother and me to see the process of refining beets to sugar. The beets were cooked, beaten and mashed in large vats, eventually being spun at high speed to become dry sugar.

Irrigating his crops was a big project. Often the water would run through the night. Daddy had a miner's cap with carbide light attached to wear at night to go into the fields to check the water and change direction of the flow when necessary.

Dad had a drive-on commercial scale located at the roadside where farmers came to weigh their harvest loads. It was checked periodically by the Department of Weights and Measures to assure accuracy. A written record was kept of each load weighed. He charged 50 cents for the use of the scale.

As I recall, alfalfa could not be raised year after year in the same soil as it drew too much nitrogen from the ground. Dad rotated his crops: alfalfa, corn and sugar beets.

There is nothing to compare to the sweet, fresh aroma of newly-mown alfalfa. Dad would mow it early evening and allow it to lie in the fields to dry. The breeze picked up the sweet fragrance and blew it around. The hay had to be turned every day to allow for even drying so it could be baled and stored.

When corn was ready to be picked, Dad would take the corn sled, drawn by one of his horses, up and down the rows, filling the sled with fresh-picked corn. There was a cork-elm tree near the scale out front. It was in the shade of this tree where we packed corn and sold it by the roadside. The going rate was 35 cents per dozen or \$1 per lug of three dozen plus.

Daddy enjoyed farming. There were few days that he was not in the field. On rainy days, a familiar sight was Daddy stretched out on the floor, in front of the wood stove, catching a little nap and some well-deserved rest.

One thing he took delight in was to entertain the relatives from the East who came once in a while to visit the folks in California. He made time from his busy farming activities to show them some of the sights. The drive over the Palos Verdes Hills was a highlight. We usually went to see the ocean, a novelty for them, and stayed to have a weiner roast on the beach in the evening.

When he gave up farming and sold the land off in parcels, it left a void in his life. Although he was occupied with tending the water pumps, installing water mains and service lines to accommodate the new residents of the area, he was lost without his farmwork.

Daddy died Nov. 2, 1942 as the result of injuries from a fall from one of the water tanks.

My mother, Bertha Viola (Porter) Dimmitt, was born April 20, 1894, in Prairie Grove, near Little Rock, Arkansas, one of eight children. She never talked much about her life there. She was only six years old when the family moved to California (about

1900) and settled in Downey. They lived in hilly country in Arkansas and I remember hearing her tell of having to carry water up a hill from the stream below. Her mother's poor health prompted the family's move to California and a more healthful climate.

My mother attended Alameda Grammar School and graduated from Downey High School. She told of having to wash her feet on arriving at school after walking the dusty or muddy roads. She lived with her family on the property farmed by her father on Clark Avenue, just south of Imperial Highway, until her marriage to my father on Jan. 1, 1912, in Downey.

My father rode a motorcycle in courting days. Mother suffered a broken ankle in an accident they had. Even in those "good old days," he was a show off. Mother tells how he would come barreling at break-neck speed down the long driveway from the street to the backyard of their home.

She was "only a farmer's wife" but one who extended herself in loving care to all around her, including her children. If she knew of someone in need, she would give all she possibly could to help. She was good at caring for the sick. She had a few home remedies. When one of us would step on a rusty nail, she would take her bottle of kerosene and turn it upside down on the skin puncture, filling it with kerosene. We never had tetanus shots and we never had blood poisoning.

Another standby was the "mule medicine." It was a concoction formulated by Ira Walton to use for healing wounds on his mules. It was a conglomeration of various ingredients. It was most effective and would heal the worst kind of sore.

We always had tasty, healthful meals: breakfast, dinner and supper. Mother was a good cook and wanted to please her family. Lacking a fondness for cooked carrots, I remember being told to "eat those carrots, they're good for you." Almost daily, a breakfast treat was shredded wheat biscuits spread with thick cream and sprinkled with sugar. Mother made scrapple of ground pork and beer, pre-cooked, shaped into a loaf with corn meal and baked. She would fry the slices to a toasty brown and serve it with syrup for breakfast. The city relatives loved to come to the "country" for her wonderful fried chicken dinners, complete with mashed potatoes and country gravy, corn on the cob, fresh vegetable salad and dessert of peach cobbler or apple pie.

Her social life was minimal. She would meet occasionally with the other farmers' wives and early settlers, a group calling themselves "The Pioneer Club." She was active in the lives of her children. During our school days, she served on the Board of Trustees of Laguna Grammar School and was honored in later years by the Montebello Unified School District for her many years of service.

Often, on Sunday evenings, a select few of the neighboring farmers and their families would get together at our house for homemade enchiladas, salad and homemade ice cream.

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The Cerritos Community College District Board of Trustees invites applications from interested candidates who reside in Trustee Area #2 to fill a Board vacancy. Area #2 includes portions of the cities of Bellflower, Downey, and South Gate.

Those interested may submit an application package directly to Dr. Jose Fierro, president/superintendent, Cerritos Community College District, 11110 Alondra Boulevard, Norwalk, California 90650-6298 **no later than 4 p.m. on Thursday, October 6, 2022.**

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DOWNEY HAPPENINGS

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.

Girls in STEM Fair, 10 am to 1 pm. Girl Scout Troop 1521, in partnership with the Girls in STEM Club, present a Girls in STEM Fair, with free hands-on science activities, demonstrations, giveaways, and more. Columbia Memorial Space Center, 12400 Columbia Way

"Lightyear" Screening, 2:30 pm. A special screening of the Disney and Pixar animated film "Lightyear" at the Columbia Memorial Space Center. Light snacks, beverages and gift bags will be provided. Free but RSVP is required. A link to sign up is available on the Space Center's Instagram page.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

Garden Party, 3:30-7:30 pm. A jazzy garden party fundraiser to benefit the Downey Symphony Orchestra. Live jazz music provided by USC musicians, plus champagne, wine and a three-course dinner. Live and silent auction prizes include original artworks, Disneyland tickets, and more. \$75. Downey Women's Club, 9813 Paramount Blvd.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1

Observe the Moon Night, 6:30 pm. Local astronomers will have telescopes available for viewing the moon, planets and other celestial objects in the night sky. Several lunar-related STEM activities will be offered as well. Free. Columbia Memorial Space Center, 12400 Columbia Way

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.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 5

Catholic High School Information Night, 6-7:30 pm. A free event where the public can learn about local Catholic high schools. Participating schools include Rosary Academy, St. Pius X-St. Matthias Academy, St. John Bosco, Cathedral High, Cantwell-Sacred Heart of Mary, Servite High, St. Anthony High, Bishop Conaty Our Lady of Loretto, Immaculate Heart High, St. Paul High, Mayfield Senior School, and Bosco Tech. Hosted by Our Lady of Perpetual Help School, 10441 Downey Ave.

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

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 14

Video Shoot, 3-6 pm. The Downey Historical Society is shooting video for its "Downey Then and Now" series at Bob's Big Boy. Paying customers are needed to fill the restaurant. Classic cars are also needed. Bob's Big Boy, 7447 Firestone Blvd.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15

Keep Downey Beautiful Clean-Up, 9 am. Join other volunteers in a one-hour neighborhood cleanup. Gloves, safety vests, litter sticks and trash bags provided. Wear old clothes and close-toed shoes. Meet behind St. Pius X-St. Matthias Academy, near Paramount Boulevard and Consuelo Street

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 22

Spooky Science Night, 5-9 pm. Spooky-themed science activities, a costume parade, and more. \$5 admission. Columbia Memorial Space Center, 12400 Columbia Way

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 27

State of the City, 12 pm. The Downey Chamber of Commerce hosts its annual State of the City Luncheon. \$50 lunch. Rio Hondo Event Center, 10627 Old River School Rd.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 28

Ribbon Cutting, 11 am. A ribbon cutting ceremony for the newest Downey Chamber of Commerce member. Honey Greens Cafe, 10407 Lakewood Blvd.

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 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.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 16

"Foster Boy" Film Screening, 6 pm. "Foster Boy" is a true story about children caught in an often failing foster care system. Presented by Father Con. \$10. LOOK Dine-In Cinema, 8200 3rd St.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 19

Keep Downey Beautiful Clean-Up, 9 am. Join other volunteers in a one-hour neighborhood cleanup. Gloves, safety vests, litter sticks and trash bags provided. Wear old clothes and close-toed shoes. Meet in the See's Candy parking lot, 9839 Paramount 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

Keep Downey Beautiful Clean-Up, 3 pm. Join other volunteers in helping clean up the streets after the Downey Christmas Parade. Meet in front of the Downey City Library

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

Keep Downey Beautiful Clean-Up, 9 am. Join other volunteers in a one-hour neighborhood cleanup. Gloves, safety vests, litter sticks and trash bags provided. Wear old clothes and close-toed shoes. Meet at Big Lots, 9020 Firestone Blvd.

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.

Teen turns hobby into growing business

■ Cristian Magallon, 17, sells custom pins that he designs himself.

By Alex Dominguez
Staff Writer

DOWNEY – Combining a love of art and a little bit of entrepreneurial spirit, one Warren High School senior has turned custom pins and hat accessories into a successful side-hustle.

Cristian Magallon, 17, has been into art from an early age, fancying himself a graphic designer.

"I've been drawing my whole life, since I was like in third or fourth grade. I just slowly got better," said Magallon. "I would borrow a friend's iPad, and I would just draw and go crazy."

"Not 'till maybe like four months ago, I bought my own iPad. I just started drawing, and I started posting it."

Originally, Magallon used his talents to design custom shoes but that business never took off.

It wasn't until Magallon attended a pop-up event that he would be struck with the inspiration for Quiero Pins.

"I went to a pop-up, like a convention, and they had their pins. I was like, 'How do you make them? How do you start?' and they were like, 'Oh, we hire a graphic designer,'" said Magallon. "Myself, I'm a graphic designer, so I was like, 'I could do it myself.' It'll be easier for me; less money."

Since then, Magallon has done more research, finding affordable, quality manufacturers to produce his products. He used money he earned from a job working with his uncle to fund his first run of merchandise, to the tune of around \$1,200.

Magallon sells his pins and hat clips – also known as "blips" for the way they are worn on the brim of a cap – for anywhere from \$5-15.

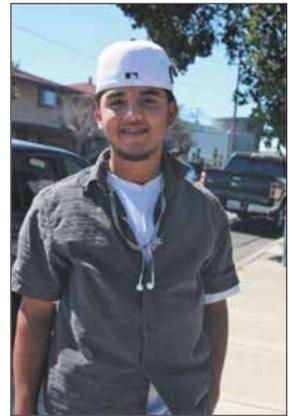
The business is only six months old. Still, Magallon has grown a humble following in that short time, with several different designs and more than 1,000 followers on Instagram. Some of his designs can even be seen worn around Warren by other students, staff, and even some teachers.

"It feels cool seeing other people wearing them," said Magallon.

Magallon does accept design requests and commissions, though most of his pins are of his own creation.

"Sometimes they just come to my head, and I'm like, 'That would look good on a hat,'" said Magallon. "I think of it like, basically, I'm trying to represent myself in a business...I just try to make it into me, that people would like."

Quiero Pins can be found on Instagram at @quieropinss, or at quieropinss.myshopify.com.



Cristian Magallon, 17, is a student at Warren High School who also operates a custom pin business.



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LA County moves forward on gun control

LOS ANGELES — The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors Tuesday directed its attorneys to draft a series of ordinances aimed at regulating gun sales and possession in the county, including a ban on the sale of .50-caliber handguns and

ammunition in unincorporated areas.

Another proposed ordinance would require "buffer zones" between gun/ammunition dealers and "sensitive areas" such as schools, day care centers and parks in unincorporated areas. Another

would ban the possession of firearms on all county property.

The board also directed county staff to draft within 90 days a series of other regulations, including requiring ammunition dealers to obtain a county business license; restricting minors' access to gun

and ammunition stores; requiring such stores to submit annual sales reports to the county licensing agency and to submit weekly reports on inventory. The rules would also require weapons and ammunition stores to maintain a fingerprint log, install security cameras and notify all of its customers about "gun owner responsibilities and gun laws along with options for nearby gun safety classes," according to the motion.

The proposals were the result of a confidential report that was presented to the board last month

on possible gun regulations that could be imposed locally. The board voted unanimously in June to request the report, with Supervisor Janice Hahn saying there is "a gun violence epidemic in our nation."

The board asked its attorneys to explore an array of possible regulations, and the proposals approved by the board Tuesday are a result of that report, according to the motion introduced by Hahn and Supervisor Hilda Solis.

"We need to do whatever we can in our own jurisdictions to keep our own communities safe," Hahn said

Tuesday.

She called the proposed ordinances -- which will be drafted over the next three months and return to the board for another vote -- "common sense gun regulations" that are part of an attempt "to reduce gun violence in our communities." But she called the measures "just one piece of the puzzle."

"If we move forward with implementing these four common-sense gun regulations, I hope others in our county will follow suit," Hahn said.

Post-lockdown, animal shelters reach capacity

DOWNY — Downey-based SEAAACA is joining animal welfare organizations across the nation to ask for help as animal shelters and rescues deal with a backlog of adoptable animals.

More animals are entering shelters than leaving, creating a "crisis of existential proportions," SEAAACA officials said in a news release.

The newly-launched Share the Care campaign illustrates how the community can help by adopting, fostering, volunteering, donating or sharing adoptable animals on social media.

SEAAACA highlighted the case of Charlie, a two-year-old border collie mix who was received by SEAAACA as a stray on July 6. Charlie loves playing with toys and going on walks but has spent more than two months in the shelter without being adopted.

Charlie isn't alone. Animal shelters across the country are packed with dogs and cats who have nowhere to go. It's a drastically different situation than in 2020, when shelters and rescues saw overwhelming demand for adoptable pets.

For the past 18 months, the number of pets leaving shelters has steadily dropped, bringing shelters to or near full capacity.

SEAAACA has dropped the adoption fee for small and medium dogs to \$25 through Sept. 30. Dogs over 35 lbs. are \$45.

Cats ages 5 years and older are \$20, and young cats are \$40. Rabbits can be adopted for \$5.

Fees include the first set of vaccinations, spay/neuter, flea treatment, and microchip ID.

Paging Dr. Frischer...

By Dr. Alan Frischer

In my job, I interact with a LOT of people, and I am confident that my patients would not want to be examined by someone with dirty hair, a body odor, or bad breath.



Perhaps I am overly diligent about maintaining my personal hygiene -- what does science have to say about it?

Hygiene is a range of practices that keep us and those around us clean, in order to prevent and reduce the risk of infection and illness. The fact that one germ can multiply into more than eight million in a single day can be a great motivation, and when we throw a pandemic into the mix, that motivation grows.

80% of contagious diseases are transmitted by touch; just think about how many things we touch every day. We then touch our faces an average of 16 times per hour, and certain viruses can survive for up to 24 hours. Here are some examples: surveys tell us that one in ten employees never clean their keyboards, and the keyboard I am using as I write this may have some 7,500 bacteria living on it. A University of Arizona study concluded that more than 90,000 deaths per year were due to infections acquired in the hospital. Staph infections from the remote-control devices in patients' rooms are among the biggest culprits.

So, what can we do to ensure our own good hygiene?

- Wash our hands: Only 20% of people do so before preparing food, and only 39% before eating. Just half of adults in the U.S. say they always wash their hands with soap and water after going to the bathroom. Another 25% say they wash most of the time. In general, women do so more than men. These numbers fall even further when younger people are surveyed. Good hygiene begins with hand washing. It takes 40-60 seconds to do an adequate job using soap and water, and of course, this needs to happen multiple times every day. Did you know that we are far more likely to spread bacteria with wet or damp hands? Don't rush out of the bathroom before thoroughly drying them.
- Germ particles are ejected by sneezing at speeds of up to 80 miles per hour. This means a sneeze can spread germs up to ten feet, and move them faster than most cars. We may not be able to prevent a sneeze or a cough, but we certainly can turn away, sneeze into an armpit, and wash afterwards.
- Body odors are caused

by a number of factors, including the chemicals or waste excreted in our sweat (like metabolites of alcohol), the bacteria that live on our skin, and of course by any unwashed clothing like underwear, socks, and shirts.

- In addition to inadequate brushing and flossing, bad breath can be caused by oral infections, diseases of the teeth or gums, or eating certain foods (like garlic and onions). Although it is possible to mask some odors with gum, mouthwash, and even parsley, it is critical to address any underlying cause.
- You may choose to shower or bathe daily, although note that too much water can dry out the skin, which serves as our natural defensive barrier, and wash off protective bacteria and oils. Two-three times per week may be enough for many people, although personally, I don't like going to bed feeling hot, sticky or dirty. Too little bathing can lead to body odor, skin infections or rashes, or acne.
- My daughters have long nagged me to always flush the toilet with the lid down. I found it disturbing to discover that they are absolutely right: Germs dislodged from the agitation of a toilet flush can travel up to six feet.
- Staph bacteria were found on 60% of desks in offices. Worse yet, some 90% of office mugs may harbor germs and bacteria in quantities that could cause illness. In one study, some 20% of those mugs had traces of fecal matter. You may wish to avoid sharing office supplies, including mugs. During these pandemic times in particular, I urge you to stay home if you feel ill.
- Some cell phones carry ten times more bacteria than toilet seats. Think about it. Where do you set yours down? Do you pick it up after using the toilet, but before washing your hands? Clean your cell phone often.

So, given what I just wrote, why don't we get sick all of the time? Fortunately, even though our immune system is being constantly challenged, we are able to fight off most attacks. Let's keep our resistance strong by eating well, exercising, getting proper sleep, avoiding unhealthy habits, and controlling stress. Those measures, along with practicing good hygiene, will significantly reduce our risk of illness.

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.

In Memory of



Patti (Jurgensen) Miles

June 24, 1950 - July 25, 2022

Patti (Jurgensen) Miles passed away peacefully at home in Los Alamitos, CA on July 25, 2022, with her husband Brad at her side.

Patti was born to Leonard and Esther Jurgensen in Green Bay, WI on June 24, 1950. Her family moved to Appleton, WI where she spent her childhood and school years. Patti graduated from Beloit College in 1972. It was there that she met her husband Brad Miles, and they were married on August 12th of that year.

After their wedding, Patti and Brad moved to Southern California, where Patti began her life-long career as an elementary school teacher. She taught for 39 years at Downey Unified School District, until she retired in 2010. Patti was so proud to have been a teacher to over a thousand children, helping them to read and learn about the world, and sharing with them her passion for whales. Patti often remarked how she became a better, more empathetic teacher after the births of her own children, Joshua and Brittany, as they helped her to know the great honor it was to be entrusted by parents to teach their own children.

Patti was a bright light of love and generosity to her family and friends. She loved demonstrating her care and affection for them through her wonderful talents of cooking and entertaining in her home, choosing the perfect gift for that special person, sharing her beautiful words in cards and letters, reading books to the children in her life, and so much more.

Her family was her most important treasure. Brad, Josh and Brittany filled the biggest part of her heart. Her heart made room for a new son when Brittany married Nick Bender, and a new daughter when Josh married Colleen Corcoran-then filled to overflowing with the birth of their children, her grandchildren, Jane Marie in 2018 and Nolan Corcoran in 2021.

In 2014 Patti was diagnosed with neuroendocrine cancer. However, neither her cancer nor her treatments stopped her from living her best life for these past eight years, enjoying holidays, special occasions, and vacations with family and friends. She very often would remark on what a wonderful life she had, and wanted people to know of that, and the importance of each and every one in her life.

Patti was predeceased by her beloved parents, Lenny Jurgensen in 1979 and Esther Jurgensen in 2022, her eldest brother Dwayne Jurgensen in 1993, and her brother-in-law Jon Jansen in 2017. She is survived by her loving husband Brad; her beloved children Josh (Colleen) and Brittany (Nick); her two beautiful grandchildren Jane and Nolan Miles; her sister Kay Jansen, her two brothers Dennis Jurgensen (Ginny) and Nick Jurgensen; and her life-long best friend and "sister" Jan Dutcher. Patti was loved by so many and will be deeply missed by her family and those that knew her.

A Celebration of Patti's Wonderful Life is planned on Sunday, November 6, 2022 at the Old Ranch Country Club located at 3901 Lampson Avenue, Seal Beach, CA 90740 from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM. For those unable to attend in person, a zoom link will be available. Please contact Brad's office at (562) 498-3395 for details.

In Memory of



Joyce B. Sherwin

Nee Baumgartner, Formerly Joyce Waddell

June 5, 1928 - September 5, 2022

This was one special lady. She was F-U-N, FUN! Joyce (Baumgartner Waddell) Sherwin died of natural causes at her home in Downey, California on September 5, 2022. She was 94 years young. For her 94th natal day in June, she treated herself and her family to parasailing (her 8th time) because that's what she wanted to do!

She was vibrant, full of life, kind, silly, and generous, with an easy laugh and a clever sense of humor. She loved animals (especially pet dogs and cats), classical music, word games, unabridged dictionaries, Etruscan horses, African meerkats, the Greek trireme, and taking long baths. Her favorite colors were pink and green, together. When writing cursive, she dotted her letter i's with a circle. She was chased by a bear in Yosemite. She flew in an ultralight aircraft over Kauai. She conducted "Seventy-Six Trombones" at a performance with the Downey Symphony Orchestra. She completed difficult crossword puzzles in pen.

Joyce called Downey home for 59 years. "Downey has lost a true pillar of the community," said her dear friends Barbara and Richard Sterling. They are right: she contributed many newspaper articles published in the Downey Patriot, served on the Downey Symphony Guild's Board of Directors, volunteered for ESL classes, and played piano or served as Reader for the First Church of Christ, Scientist, Downey. She was an excellent hostess, often holding meetings for the church or the symphony guild at her home.

While being handed an ice-cream cone at a counter, 10-year-old daughter Linden whispered to Joyce, "Mommy, did you see that lady's long fingernails?" The reply was, "No dear, I was looking into her soul." That was Joyce (who preferred nicknames Jerce or Opsie). She was also a long-time supporter of Hidden Valley Music Seminars, an Institute of the Arts in Carmel Valley, California. HVMS recently dedicated 'Jerce Circle' in her honor.

Born June 5, 1928 in Hampton, Iowa to Ralph W. Baumgartner, an insurance salesman, and Winifred (nee) Inglis, a homemaker, Joyce was raised in Mason City, Iowa. Their family residence was just down the alley from Meredith Willson's boyhood home (creator of The Music Man). She and older brother Stan and eldest sister Jean especially loved visiting The Outing Club at nearby Clear Lake. Joyce studied piano, enjoyed singing, and was a good student.

Her family moved from Mason City when she was a sophomore in high school to Santa Monica, California, and she finished school as Salutatorian at Santa Monica High.

At Occidental College in Los Angeles, California, Joyce was a proud English major who earned her Bachelor of Arts Degree (Class of 1950). She was very musical, playing piano and singing alto. While at Oxy, she performed in the Glee Club where she met John Storer Waddell Jr., who became her first husband. John was a music major studying under Howard Swan. He earned his Master of Arts Degree and became a renowned educator and choral conductor. They had 3 children, settled in Downey, and were amicably divorced after 17 years.

Next Joyce melded her English skills, crackerjack shorthand and love of music at Los Angeles City College as Secretary for the Head of the Music Department, a position she held for 16 years. When under a deadline at her busy job (and not to be disturbed) she wore a black paper handlebar mustache to warn everyone to 'stay clear.' She enjoyed sporting various silly mustaches her whole life, most recently printed on her favorite Covid mask.

In 1991 she married Amos G. Sherwin and together they bought a home in Downey and a vacation home in Big Bear, CA. They were very active in the Christian Science Churches in Downey and later Whittier, and enjoyed traveling within the Continental United States, to Hawaii and Alaska, and internationally to Tahiti, Turkey, The Holy Land, Greece, England, Scotland, and Wales. Amos predeceased Joyce in 2003.

Joyce is survived by son Laird Alexander Waddell (wife Elisabeth Feole), daughter Linden Elizabeth Waddell (husband Paul Tzanetopoulos), daughter Mariana (Pinky) Victoria Lee Sales (husband Kevin Sales); step-son Ron Sherwin (wife Leslie Sherwin); grandchildren Kristen Sales, Colin Sales, Caitlin Sales, Dartanyan Tzanetopoulos, Eden Tzanetopoulos; step-grandson John Feole, step-granddaughter Meredith Sherwin (husband Matthew Talley); nieces and nephews Melanie Sanders, Robert Sanders, Scott Vadney, Dawn Siglin and Kit Dailey, and many grandnieces and nephews.

How does one gauge a life well-lived? If it were to treat every living creature with love and respect, to cherish rightfulness, decency and honesty, to delight in goodness and optimism, to bring fun to every event, to make an acquaintance feel heard, to practice silliness daily, and to wear a red clown nose when waving goodbye to your company, then Joyce B. Sherwin hit it out of the park (even if she never played baseball).

Joyce did not want a funeral service, but a Celebration of Life event will be planned. She wished to be buried with a difficult crossword puzzle, a Bic pen, and a picture of a bathtub. Joyce B. Sherwin rests at Rose Hills Memorial Park, Whittier, California, with those items (and a red clown nose, too). Visit the Joyce B. Sherwin listing at www.Legacy.com.

Why are prisoners paid a pittance to make glasses I prescribe for poor kids?

By Julius Oatts

Near the beginning of the pandemic, I performed eye surgery for an infant born with cataracts. To prevent irreversible blindness, it is necessary for children to start wearing eyeglasses immediately after surgery. For this child, I was told that the glasses would take at least six weeks to arrive — a serious and vision-threatening delay.

The reason for the delay? Coronavirus-related shutdowns of an optical shop in a nearby prison, staffed by incarcerated people, who in California are generally paid between 8 cents and 37 cents per hour. I grappled with conflicted feelings: Alarm over the delay in obtaining eyeglasses for my patient and concern about the welfare of the people making them — because of standard prison health care and the scandalously low wages.

This child, like many of my patients, was insured by Medi-Cal, California's Medicaid health insurance program serving low-income children, families and seniors, typically those making below 138 percent of the federal poverty level (currently \$38,295 annual income for a family of four). In the current fiscal year, the California Department of Health Care Services, which oversees Medi-Cal, agreed to pay up to \$37.9 million for optical services for adults and children run by the California Prison Industry Authority, a semiautonomous prison labor agency under the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation. The arrangement dates to the 1980s.

The California penal code requires that the state purchase products, such as eyeglasses, made by imprisoned people overseen by the prison industry authority. Colleagues and I recently published an article in the American Journal of Public Health examining the relationship between taxpayer-funded health care and prison labor in California. We found, through a public-records request and confirmed with the California Prison Industry

Authority, that the state's Medicaid contracts account for up to 74 percent of the authority's approximately \$13 million annual revenue from optical services.

Thus do taxpayers and a state health-care program for poor children help subsidize an agency overseeing prison labor. The practice is not unique to California; other states using it include New York and Pennsylvania.

Prison labor is often uncompensated or minimally compensated. The 13th Amendment allows the government to compel incarcerated people to work without compensation — which many critics today view as a modern-day extension of slavery. I'm among them.

I recognize that prison labor, in particular the manufacturing of eyeglasses, teaches job skills that can theoretically help with reintegration after leaving prison. What I object to is the minuscule compensation paid to the imprisoned workers — typically a political sop to companies and labor unions worried about competition.

In recent years, Colorado, Nebraska and Utah have banned "involuntary servitude," opening the way to improving prison pay and working conditions. Paying prison workers the minimum wage seems like it would be the minimally acceptable policy, but an effort in June by California legislators on that front failed amid concerns about the estimated \$1.6 billion cost. That is not a small sum, but it represents less than 1 percent of California's \$110.4 billion budget for 2022-2023.

The state Senate attempted last spring to target the prison-made eyewear arrangement, unhappy over reports of long waits by Medi-Cal recipients for eyeglasses. (The state attributed the delays, like the one I experienced, to pandemic-related illness and lockdowns, but an industry association says the delays persist.) A bill proposed to allow Medi-Cal to pay for eyeglasses

obtained from private optical labs, but the legislation was derailed in committee. In any case, some legislators were prepared to bless paying what a state analysis found would be a 141 percent premium to private-sector sources above the rate for prison-made eyewear.

Earlier this year, California "employed" 295 incarcerated people in optical programs at three prisons, with that number set to rise to 420 over the summer as another operation fully opened. Fairly compensating them — and even expanding their number to meet demand or speed delivery times, if needed — seems eminently preferable to paying a bonus to private labs.

If incarcerated people were being paid the minimum wage for producing eyeglasses, I'd still feel conflicted, but would be relieved of the sense that simply through prescribing sight-preserving glasses to my state-insured patients, I am an involuntary participant in an exploitive system.

As for that infant who had cataract surgery and whose urgently needed eyeglasses were delayed, I ultimately was able to obtain them in a more timely way through a philanthropic organization that allows families to bypass the prison-based optical labs contracted by Medi-Cal. Such workarounds can help children avoid preventable vision loss, thankfully, but they're not a long-term solution. Eventually, the current arrangement's fundamental inequities will need to be addressed.

In medical school, I took an oath to "do no harm." Since then, I've had the chance to reflect on the meaning of harm and when it can occur far from the doctor's office doors.

Julius Oatts is a pediatric ophthalmologist and assistant professor at the University of California at San Francisco.

Gavin Newsom is working hard to be presidential material

By Dan Schnur

Gavin Newsom says that he is not running for president. But you may want to judge for yourself.

The California governor has purchased ads for his reelection campaign in the Republican strongholds of Florida and Texas. Newsom rented billboards in seven pro-life states to advertise California's abortion services. He even signed up for an account on Truth Social, Donald Trump's social media platform, where he has promised to be active "calling out Republican lies." Last week, Newsom challenged Ron DeSantis, the Republican governor of Florida, to a debate with a taunt that was guaranteed to draw outside media coverage: "I'll bring my hair gel. You bring your hairspray."

These steps can mean only two things, either that he is preparing a run for 2024 Democratic nomination or that he simply enjoys trolling out-of-state GOP targets in his free time. California has the fifth biggest economy in the world and faces epic housing shortages, wildfires, and daunting energy, education and homelessness challenges. It's not as if his day job doesn't keep him busy.

No, what is going on is that Newsom is working hard to get lucky. If health or some other factor leads Joe Biden to call a stop after one term, Newsom might as well get in line. If Biden does run, Newsom simply puts his nascent campaign on hold for another day. Either way, at least in theory, a heightened national profile rarely hurts an ambitious politician.

Newsom got busy earlier this summer, when Biden's poll numbers seemed stuck at historic lows and his legislative agenda was going nowhere. At a time when many Democrats were frustrated by Biden's refusal to take on his Republican detractors, Newsom's combative behavior toward conservatives was precisely what the blue base craved. Soon, Newsom was

cracking double digits in early primary state presidential polling.

Biden has since managed to put together a string of legislative successes and his poll numbers have edged upward. But Newsom is still spoiling for a fight: Last month, he donated \$100,000 to Democratic candidate Charlie Crist's campaign against DeSantis and has been trading barbs with Texas Gov. Greg Abbott, who drives liberals to distraction with his performative confrontations on issues such as immigration, abortion and guns.

On one level, Newsom is not that special: The Democratic Party has no shortage of fighters in its ranks. But most of its loudest combatants — Sen. Bernie Sanders, Sen. Elizabeth Warren and Rep. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez — launch their attacks from the progressive wing of the party. What sets Newsom apart is that he is comfortable working from the center-left. His distance from Biden is less ideological than attitudinal — he can launch a strike against Republicans without alienating swing voters in the process.

Which is what makes Newsom's recent decision to veto legislation that would have allowed government-supervised injection sites for drug users so interesting. Advocates for such an approach have long called for providing safer and more hygienic places for addicts to get clean, but opponents shudder at the idea of government-facilitated drug use.

Four years ago, during his first campaign for governor, Newsom said that he was "very, very open" to a safe injection pilot program. But that door appears to have closed.

Newsom has been known throughout his career for pushing ahead of public opinion on social issues such as same-sex marriage, cannabis legislation and curtailment of the death penalty. But the governor's well-calibrated political antenna may have told him that 2024 might be a little soon for swing-state voters to get on board with government-sanctioned drug

use.

Newsom did leave himself an escape hatch. In his veto message, he cited his concern about an "unlimited number" of injection sites the bill would authorize and directed his appointees to undertake a study to examine a more limited program.

In the past few weeks, he has hopped between measures designed to please progressives and then win the attention of centrists. Just days after Newsom vetoed the injection-site bill, his administration began to move forward on a plan to ban the sale of gasoline-powered vehicles in the state by 2035. That met with widespread applause from his California audience; it was quickly labeled as absurd by politicians in swing states that Democrats need to win presidential elections.

Newsom sent another strong message to progressives by signing legislation to raise the minimum wage for fast food workers, a move that has been harshly criticized by California's business community but praised by labor leaders across the country. As organized labor enjoys a political renaissance inside the Democratic Party, that's a trade that Newsom is happy to make.

From this point forward, every decision he makes will be judged by two different audiences — the mostly progressive voters of his own state and a more centrist electorate that picks presidents. It's a balancing act worthy of Simone Biles, especially if Newsom opts to keep it up for two — or six — more years.

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U.S. poised to lead in emission reductions

By Gina McCarthy

This week, as the world's leaders gather in New York for the U.N. General Assembly, the United States will deliver a message many thought was not possible: We are going to cut greenhouse gas emissions in half by 2030, and zero them out by 2050.

Over the past 20 months as America's first-ever national climate adviser, I have witnessed a paradigm shift: The private sector no longer sees climate action as a source of job losses, but rather as an opportunity for job creation and economic revitalization.

It's a striking shift after four years of the Trump administration, which threw science out the window and backed out of the Paris climate agreement. In 2020 the future seemed grim. But today, states and companies are running toward a clean energy future. How did what was once considered impossible become not just feasible, but at the core of America's

manufacturing and economic resurgence?

In my early days as administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency under President Barack Obama, auto dealers were predicting that shifting to cleaner cars meant vehicle costs would skyrocket and sales would drop, while the autoworkers and steelworkers talked about plant closings and layoffs. Even very early on in the Biden administration, when labor was fully engaged and squarely at the table, the old paradigm that cleaner standards meant job loss was hard to break. And unions worried that a big shift to electric vehicles could pose a fundamental threat to their workers.

But quickly the conversation shifted to one of long-term capital investments in E.V. technologies, expanding domestic manufacturing, adding more union jobs and building an E.V. market that would reach 50 percent of new U.S. car sales by 2030. Just a short time ago this shift would have been dismissed as a fairy tale. Not anymore.

What helped change the conversation were the voices of young leaders as the effects of climate change worsened. Severe wildfires are burning down homes, floods are sweeping through wide areas and extreme heat is threatening lives and livelihoods, especially for low-income communities.

Public and private investments in research and development have also fueled the growth of clean technologies, driving down the costs and attracting industry. Since 2010, the cost of solar energy has decreased by 85 percent, wind energy by 59 percent onshore and 71 percent offshore, and lithium-ion batteries by 89 percent. It's projected that by 2030, over 120,000 wind turbines will provide clean energy to America's homes, businesses and communities, and nearly a billion solar panels will be operating here.

As technologies advanced and companies saw the potential to profit, the private sector looked to the government for clear signals and sound policies. In time, governors of blue and red states, and mayors of cities across the country, started running toward clean energy goals with benchmarks for clean power.

When President Biden came into office, he signed executive orders that created timetables and milestones for every sector of the economy and mobilized his entire administration toward this goal. The president sent clear signals to the private sector that clean energy was the future, and they needed to be all in. Autoworkers, steelworkers and the automakers were now ready to come to the table, alongside climate advocates, farmers, workers, environmental justice activists, and more.

Then, we secured the historic Inflation Reduction Act — the most aggressive action on climate in U.S. history. When Mr. Obama took office, there were 500 charging stations nationwide. Now, thanks to President Biden's Bipartisan Infrastructure Law, we plan to install 500,000 chargers

across the country. Every major automaker signed on to the president's goal of achieving 50 percent E.V. sales nationwide by 2030, a goal considered laughable just two years ago.

The United States is now becoming a magnet for clean energy innovation and investment. Since President Biden took office, companies have invested nearly \$85 billion in manufacturing of electric vehicles, batteries and E.V. chargers in the United States. The United States is now on track to triple domestic solar manufacturing capacity by 2024, and in 2021 alone, investors announced \$2.2 billion in new funding for offshore wind supply chains.

But make no mistake: We have a long way to go. The task of completely reshaping our economy is daunting, especially in a country as vast and complex as ours.

Take the U.S. manufacturing sector, which produces materials like steel and cement, which are critical to rebuilding our nation's infrastructure. It has relied on a fossil-fuel based system for nearly 200 years, so reshaping the system means ensuring that these industrial workers get the training and resources to build the clean energy economy.

Now, we have a "Buy Clean" initiative, which includes the support of the steelworkers union, to leverage the federal government's procurement power for low-carbon steel, concrete, asphalt and glass. The challenge before us is aligning these huge supply chains, from the buyers to the sellers, in a way that allows us to run faster.

While America has made tremendous progress, we need a harmonized global effort to confront climate change. When I see one-third of Pakistan submerged by extreme flooding, or over 700 million people globally without access to power, I am alarmed by how these basic challenges to human health and wellness will make the transition away from fossil fuels hard. The shift in America is not easily replicated in many parts of the world. And to get where we need to go, we need the entire world to run together.

The road is still long, and progress will be uneven. But as I leave my post in the White House, I am optimistic that America is now poised to lead this decisive decade.

Gina McCarthy is the departing national climate adviser and a former administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency.

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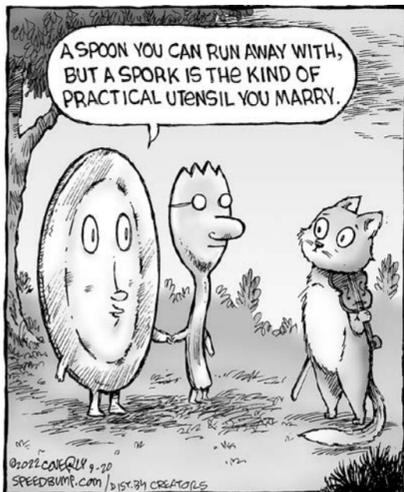
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Downey Community Calendar

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, Community Center, call Bobbi Bruce 440-5416.
 1st Wed., 7:30 pm: Downey Stamp Club, at Maude Price School cafeteria, call 928-3028.
 2nd Wed., 11:30 am: Christian Women's Club, call Marilyn 928-2623.
 2nd Wed., 3:30 pm: Keep Downey Beautiful, at City Hall, call 904-7102.
 2nd Wed., 7 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 Rio Hondo Events Center, 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.

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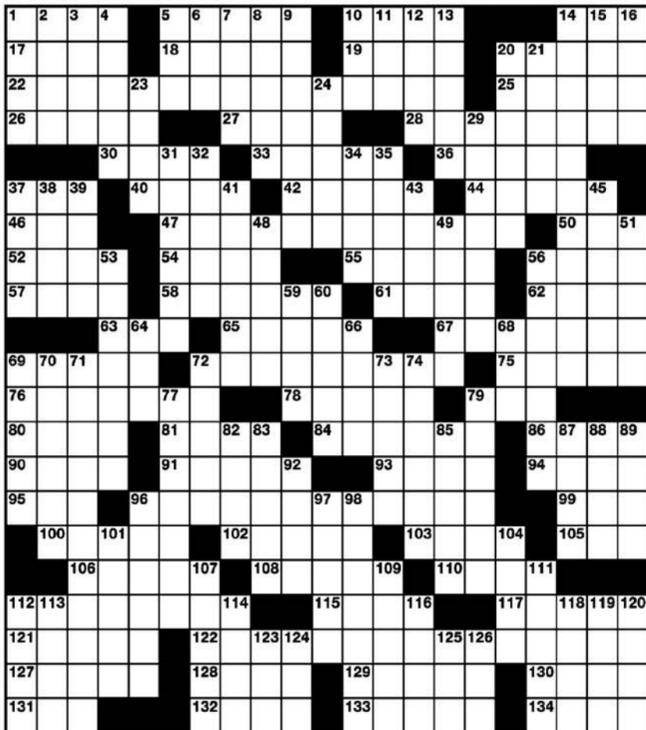
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Keion Andrew scores 4 touchdowns to lead Downey past St. Paul

■ Andrew racked up 231 total yards in Downey's 44-23 victory.

By John M. Sherrard
Contributor

DOWNEY – In the last preseason game of 2022, the Downey Vikings defeated host St. Paul, 44-23, last Friday night (September 16), as senior running back Keion Andrew of Downey scored four touchdowns to lead the Vikings.

With the win, Downey improves to 4-1 overall, while St. Paul slips to 2-3.

Leading the way for the Vikings was Andrew with 96 yards on eight carries and three scores. The touchdown runs were for 3, 4 and 55 yards.

Andrew also scored on an 87-yard punt return and had 231 all-purpose yards.

Downey senior quarterback Aidan Chiles was 22 for 29 for 290 yards, one interception and a touchdown, while senior wide receiver Bryant Carey caught nine passes for 128 yards and a TD. Chiles also carried the ball three times for 26 yards.

"We started off slow (Friday) and it could have been way better," said Chiles, who missed multiple games last year with an injury. "We went back into halftime and game-planned and came back out strong and put up what we needed to put up. It was a hard-fought win.

"The defense balled out (Friday) and saved us a lot and had our back the whole game."

Chiles, who has committed to Oregon State, was asked what he had to look forward to for the rest of the season.

He simply answered – "Week eight, week eight, that's it. That's the rivalry game against Warren."

One of the biggest cross-town rivalry games in all of Southern California will take place Friday, October 14 at Warren.

Vikings sophomore Caleb Jauregui also carried the ball six times for 21 yards and caught two passes for 22 yards.

The leading receiver for Downey was senior Bryant Carey with nine catches for 128 yards and a touchdown. Junior Manuel Albidrez (5 catches for 61 yards) and junior Ian Hernandez (3 catches, 54 yards) were also among six receivers for Chiles.

As a defense, the Vikings

sacked St. Paul quarterback Andrew Maushardt four times for 10 yards.

Senior defensive lineman Anthony Irons led the way for the Vikings with two sacks, while freshman defensive lineman Oscar Aguilar and senior linebacker Pedro Debora had seven and five tackles, respectively.

Downey freshman free safety Xavier Rivas also had a 25-yard interception.

Maushardt led the way at quarterback for the Swordsmen, passing for 214 yards (15 for 33, 1 Int.) and carried the ball seven times for 24 yards.

Junior running back Christian Melendez rushed for 105 yards on 16 carries and a touchdown, his second of the season.

Senior wide receiver Aidan Bravo led St. Paul with three catches for 101 yards and junior Orlando Zepeda (150 all-purpose yards) had four catches for 63 yards.

Downey, which starts its first season in the newly revised Suburban Valley Conference, Gateway League, will host Paramount Friday (September 30) after a bye this week.

At that Paramount game, the 10-year anniversary of the 2012 CIF Championship team will be honored. Downey defeated La Serna that year, 33-25.

"I thought we started off slow," said Downey Football coach Jack Williams, who was losing his voice. "I thought our kids fought back. It's something good to lead into during league. Being able to be down and come back in the second half and do a good job.

"We came out kind of overlooking St. Paul. In the first half St. Paul did a good job. They did a really good job smacking us in the mouth."

The Vikings opened the scoring in the first quarter with a 27-yard field goal by senior kicker Isaac Madrid to lead 3-0.

The Vikings extended their lead to 10-0 with two minutes left in the quarter with a 3-yard touchdown run by senior Jaylen Crutchfield and Madrid added the extra point.

On the ensuing kickoff, St. Paul junior wide receiver Orlando Zepeda ran back the return 90 yards, dodging tacklers and outran the defense down the sidelines for the score.

The Swordsmen trailed Downey, 10-7.



Downey's Keion Andrew (4) runs the ball for a touchdown during their non-league game at St. Paul High School in Santa Fe Springs on Friday.

Downey defeated St. Paul, 44-23. (Photo by Keith Durlfinger)

St. Paul took its only lead of the game midway through the second quarter on a 19-yard run by junior running back Christian Melendez, giving the Swordsmen a 14-10 lead.

"The game started out good and we came out with enthusiasm in the first half and played well and the second half we just came out flat," Melendez said. "It was just downhill from there.

"I felt like, personally, the line was doing well actually and the holes were there and I was hitting them and I felt like we had a pretty good rushing game. We have weapons everywhere and we just have to utilize them."

Downey answered with a 15-yard touchdown pass to Carey from Chiles to re-take the lead, 17-14, with less than a minute in the half. The TD reception by Carey was his seventh of the season and 10th for Chiles, who has thrown for 1,120 total yards passing with only 2

Interceptions.

"It was a great first half, competitive attack and both teams getting after each other and then we imploded," St. Paul Football coach Rick Zepeda said. "We've done it almost for three weeks now. We're learning, we're young, but we got to keep going, that's all there is to it.

"When I think back to the first half, we did a lot of great things. We've got a young squad and I naturally felt like we were going to learn this year. But I didn't think we were going to make as many mistakes that we have.

Zepeda praised his team about the job they did in the opening half.

"The quarterback had a great first half and some great things from our receivers, special teams have been consistent and the defense played well," he said. "We have things to grow on and we just

got to get over the whole ego thing and our pride was hurt and we got to be ready for Loyola in two weeks (Friday September 30)."

The second half was nearly all Downey, as they outscored the Swordsmen, 27-9.

The Vikings scored two more touchdowns for the 30-14 lead, both by Andrew, who has five TDs on the season. The first was a 3-yard score, followed by an 87-yard punt return.

St. Paul opened the fourth quarter with a 31-yard field goal from freshman kicker Jesse Riperto, with nine minutes left in the game to trail, 30-17.

On the next drive, Andrew scored his second touchdown of the

game with a 55-yard burst up the middle.

Andrew finished off his big night with his third score, a 4-yard TD run for the 44-17 advantage with three minutes left.

Junior running back Anthony Osorio finished the scoring for St. Paul with a short run with seconds left in the game.

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Mayor Pro Tem Catherine Alvarez at Downey's Havana Nights concert in 2021.

Memories of early Downey

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Someone had to go into Los Angeles to the "Spanish Kitchen" to buy the tortillas since they were not available locally.

Mother took care of the milk from the family cow. She would put it in pans or crocks in the icebox. By morning, the cream had risen — thick, yellow cream. She would skim it off and use it to make butter. The butter churn was a hand turned paddle-type and we children took turns at churning. When the cream turned to butter, Mother would take out, rinse it with cold water, put a little salt in it, and mold it on a plate. Mother also made cottage cheese by heating clabbered milk to boiling, then putting it in a cloth bag to drain. Often we would have homemade ice cream, even in cold weather, when we would stand by the wood stove to keep warm.

Mother loved to collect pretty rocks. She had a fish pond with live goldfish and water lilies in it. The rocks were piled up and placed around the edge of the pond. Mixed in with the rocks were large chunks of colored glass she had salvaged from the public dump across the river. The glass was colored pale green, pale purple and white. It was so unique and attractive it was taken, piece by piece, by admiring passersby.

Mother kept chickens to have fresh eggs and chicken for frying. She also raised canaries and had an aviary full of them. She sold the canaries for \$1 each.

Mother was an excellent seamstress, self-taught. She made most of our clothes, pretty school dresses and fancy dresses, often from hand me downs. She utilized the soft cloth bags in which sugar and flour were packaged to make underwear (called teddy bear suits) for us girls. She was a stickler for even hems on skirts. She would stand us up on the dining room table and carefully measure with a yardstick all around the edge of the skirt. She made her own dresses, as well and extended her expertise well into her 80s.

We didn't question Mother's authority. There were some things we didn't even think of doing and words we didn't think of saying. We knew what the consequences would be. Her reinforcing weapons were a fly swatter and "thimble pie." A significant tap on the head with the thimble on her finger (thimble pie) made the point.

She not only worked to keep her house clean and attractive, she often worked with my father in the field. She could drive a team of horses to

pull the hay mower or rake, help put hay in the barn, pick corn, or change the water during irrigation time...among other things.

Mother was the one who saw to it that we had music lessons. My sister and I both took piano lessons and my brother cornet lessons. I am thankful to my mother for this as music has been a rewarding part of my life.

When the Gepharts built their new home in Downey in the early 20s, their upright Knabe piano was to be replaced by a grand piano. Mother wanted to buy the Knabe piano but my father refused. He insisted that they buy a player piano so "when you want music, you'll have it." However, Mother won and did buy the Knabe piano. She told me, "Anytime your dad wants you to play the piano, do it." And I did.

Mother lived an active life until a few years before her death. She owned a rustic mountain cabin at Strawberry Flats, near Blue Jay and Lake Arrowhead in the San Bernardino Mountains. She went there often, taking along some guests or to wait for invited guests to arrive. She loved the mountain atmosphere and the scenery. It was there she slipped on some loose gravel and fell, breaking her leg. Fortunately, Dr. Richard A. Steere, our family doctor, was nearby at the time, enjoying a stay in his mountain home. Mother knew this and it didn't matter to her that he was there for rest and relaxation. She had someone look him up and "fix her leg." She was taken home by ambulance to recover.

Following my father's death, Mother concentrated on continuing the water business. She was a capable, intelligent woman and with the help of a good friend, Ernest Reed, bought some loans at discount, giving her financial security.

Mother loved her children and grandchildren and loved having family get-togethers. She could cook for and feed them all - all at the same time. She would fill her living/dining room with tables placed together in one long table to accommodate crowds. No one left there hungry.

During World War II, Mother opened her home to select young men who were in the military. Everett Dimmitt, son of my father's cousin, came from Iowa on his motorcycle. Each time he went home for a visit, he would bring another Iowa friend. As the young men joined the military and were stationed at California bases, they would "come home" to our house for the weekend for some "mothering" and good home cooked food. Mother extended her warm hospitality to several young fellows who considered her a second mother and who kept in touch even long after the war ended.

After she sold the water business, she concentrated on bringing pleasure to her children and grandchildren and having more time for a social life.

Mother did some traveling. On a flight to Michigan to meet my brother and wife, she was singled out as an honored guest of Continental Airlines on the maiden flight of the new Viscount. She was presented a bouquet of roses and was featured on the evening news on television. Another time she was honored while visiting the popular television show, "Breakfast in Hollywood." She was interviewed by Tom Brenneman, the host.

She lived alone 46 years taking care of herself and continuing to extend herself to helping others. When she fell one evening and laid on the dining room floor all night unable to get up, she agreed to having a live-in companion. Her final days were in a nursing home where she received treatment and therapy for a badly-skinned arm and where she died April 23, 1988, at 94 years of age.

Candidates weigh in on recall

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However, Montoya stayed neutral on the topic of Alvarez, for which he previously served as planning commissioner and currently represents on the Public Works Committee.

"If the recall effort gathers the necessary number of signatures and the signatures from the voters in District 3 are valid, then it is the will of the voters to initiate the process of removing Mayor Pro Tem Alvarez from office, and that is something we must respect from the voters," he said.

Hector Sosa said that voters "have the right to know who they're voting for; the good and the bad."

"Ms. Alvarez should have disclosed her criminal history in 2020 when she decided to run for public office. Holding public office is a noble responsibility that needs to be taken very seriously," said Sosa. "Nothing personal, but I wouldn't want someone with a long criminal record to represent me anywhere and I don't know anyone who would."

"Give her constituents a fair chance to vote again now knowing all the facts."

Dr. Anthony Felix did not respond to requests for comment.

Candidate says he was assaulted on campaign trail

DOWNEY — City Council District 2 candidate Dr. Anthony Felix claimed in a social media post that he has been attacked and held at gunpoint while out campaigning.

Felix made the claims in a Facebook post on his official campaign profile last week, saying he was "saddened by these events."

"I have been campaigning for just under a week and in that time I have been physically attacked once and had guns pulled on me twice by residents," Felix wrote. "Their conduct cannot deter me from the mission. I will continue down this road unphased."

Felix did not elaborate on the alleged incidents and did not return several messages from the Downey Patriot.

Calls to the Downey Police Department Detective Bureau were not returned.

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The collage displays several pages from 'The Downey Patriot' newspaper. The central page is the main news page, dated Thursday, May 25, 2017, Vol. 16 No. 7. The headline reads 'City Council agrees to continue Stay Gallery financial support'. Below the headline is a photograph of the Stay Gallery building. To the right of the main article is a 'Weekend at a Glance' weather forecast showing Friday 70°, Saturday 71°, and Sunday 76°. Other pages visible include a calendar for May 2017, a 'FROM OUR FACEBOOK' section, and various news snippets such as 'Taking tetanus serious', 'Perfect attendance', 'Commencement speaker', and 'Gang member sentenced'. At the bottom of the collage, there is a small advertisement for 'Downey Patriot wins 5 journalism awards'.

Lynwood Unified School District
Purchasing Department, 2nd Floor
11321 Bullis Road
Lynwood, CA 90262

For answer to questions regarding the RFQ documents and to receive a RFQ package contact:

• Request by email to: Porfiria Mora, Buyer at pmora@mylud.org and CC: Maria F. Camacho, Secretary at mfcamacho@mylud.org

** Phone calls for information concerning this RFQ will not be accepted

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CITY OF DOWNEY NOTICE CALLING FOR BIDS

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT NO. 23-26 FIRE STATION NO. 4 FIRE DAMAGE REPAIR AND RECONSTRUCTION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that sealed bids will be received at the office of the City Clerk of the City of Downey until 11:00 AM on Thursday, October 6, 2022, which hour the proposed bids will be publicly opened and read in the City Hall at 11111 Brookshire Ave, Downey, California for Capital Improvement Project No. 23-26 – Fire Station No. 4 Fire Damage Repair and Reconstruction.

Mandatory Pre-Bid Walk shall be required for all contractors bidding on this Project. Failure to attend mandatory pre-bid walk and formally sign the Attendance Sheet shall render the bidder non-responsive and its bid shall be returned unopened. The **MANDATORY PRE-BID WALK is scheduled for Thursday, September 22, 2022, at 10:00 AM at Fire Station No. 4 located at 9349 Florence Avenue, Downey, CA 90240.**

The work to be performed under this Contract generally consists of the restoration of the Fire Station No. 4 building to its original condition. The work shall include repair and reconstruction of fire damaged interior and exterior improvements and finishes including demolition, framing, drywall, insulation, flooring, tile, plumbing and fixtures, electrical fixtures, paint, roofing, siding, etc. and all appurtenant work thereto necessary for the proper construction of the contemplated improvements, in accordance to Plans and Specification entitled **Capital Improvement Project No. 23-26.**

Plans and Specifications for this project are on file in the office of the City Cashier at 11111 Brookshire Ave., Downey, California, where they may be examined and copies obtained at a cost of **\$50.00 per set**. The cost of said Plans and Specifications is **non-refundable** and purchased Plans and Specifications need not be returned. Plans and Specifications may be mailed for an additional charge of \$20 via Overnight courier.

BIDS MUST BE MADE ON THE PROPOSAL FORM INCLUDED IN THE PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT NO. 23-26. Each bid shall be accompanied by cash, a certified or cashier's check or by a corporate surety bond issued by a surety company, admitted to do business in the State of California, on the form furnished by the City as guarantee that bidder will, if an award is made to him or her in accordance with the terms of his bid, promptly secure Workers' Compensation insurance, and liability insurance, execute a contract in the required form, and furnish satisfactory bonds for the faithful performance of the Contract ("Performance Bond") and for the payment of claims of materialmen and laborers thereunder ("Payment Bond"). Said cash, check or bidder's bond shall be in an amount of not less than ten percent (10%) of the amount of the bid. The Performance and Payment Bond shall be not less than one hundred percent (100%) of the total amount of the bid price named in the contract. Only bonds issued by companies admitted to do business in the State of California will be accepted in accordance with the Code of Civil Procedure Section 995.311. Failure to submit acceptable Payment and Performance Bonds as required shall result in a rejection of the bid and a forfeiture of the proposal guarantee.

The Contractor shall abide by the provisions of the California Labor Code § 1770-1781, et seq. In accordance with the provisions of the California Labor Code § 1773, the general prevailing rates of per diem wages and holiday and overtime work in the locality in which the work is to be performed has been obtained from the Director of the Department of Industrial Relations, a copy of which is on file in the office of the City Clerk of the City of Downey and will be made available to any interested party upon request. The Contractor shall post a copy of the prevailing rate of per diem wages at the job site. The Contractor, and any Subcontractor under him, shall pay not less than the specified prevailing rates of wages to all workers employed in the execution of the contract.

All projects require the successful bidder to possess a valid State of California Contractor's License at the time of Contract Award, in accordance with Section 20103.5 of the Public Contract Code. Pursuant to Section 3300 of the Public Contract Code, the City has determined that the Contractor to whom the subject contract is awarded shall possess a valid State of California Contractor's License in the Classification of B, "General Building Contractor".

In accordance with California Labor Code Section 1771.1, no Contractor or Subcontractor shall be qualified to (a) bid on or be listed in a bid proposal on or after March 1, 2015, or (b) engage in the performance of this Work after April 1, 2015, unless registered and qualified to perform the Work pursuant to Labor Code Section 1725.5.

Contractor's performance of the Work described in this Notice Inviting Bids is subject to compliance monitoring and enforcement by the California Department of Industrial Relations.

Each Contractor submitting a proposal or bid for his or her other work shall complete and submit with the proposal all of the forms included therein, including but not limited to the Bidder's Qualifications Statement, Designation of Subcontractors, the Non-Collusion Affidavit, the Pre-Bid Site Inspection Certification and the Signature Page. Failure to include any of these documents with the proposal may disqualify the proposal.

The City of Downey reserves the right, after opening bids, to reject any or all bids, to waive any informality in any bid received, and to be the sole judge of the merits of the respective bids

received. The award of the Contract, if it is awarded, will be to the lowest responsible Bidder whose bid complies with all the requirements prescribed.

Pursuant to California Public Contract Code § 22300, the Contractor at his or her sole cost and expense, may substitute authorized securities for any monies withheld by the City to ensure performance under the Contract.

All requests for information (RFI) shall be in written form and shall be directed to:

Mr. Desi Gutierrez,
Principal Civil Engineer
E-Mail: dgutier@downeyca.org
Tel: (562) 904-7110
Fax: (562) 904-7296

No inquiries will be accepted later than seven (7) business days prior to the bid opening date as this would not allow time to respond to all plan holders. Phone inquiries will not be accepted.

NO LATE BIDS WILL BE ACCEPTED.

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

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County of Los Angeles
Department of the
Treasurer and
Tax Collector

Notice of Divided
Publication

Pursuant to Revenue and Taxation Code (R&TC) Sections 3702, 3381, and 3382, the Los Angeles County Treasurer and Tax Collector is publishing in divided distribution, the Notice of Sale of Tax-Defaulted Property Subject to the Tax Collector's Power to Sell in and for the County of Los Angeles, State of California, to various newspapers of general circulation published in the County. A portion of the list appears in each of such newspapers.

Notice of Online Public Auction of Tax-Defaulted Property Subject to the Tax Collector's Power to Sell (Sale No. 2022B)

Whereas, on Tuesday, August 9, 2022, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles directed the County of Los Angeles Treasurer and Tax Collector (TTC) to sell at online public auction certain tax-defaulted properties.

The TTC does hereby give public notice, that unless said properties are redeemed, prior to the close of business on the last business day prior to the first day of the online public auction, or Friday, October 21, 2022, at 5:00 p.m. Pacific Time, the TTC will offer for sale and sell said properties on Saturday, October 22, 2022, beginning at 3:00 p.m. Pacific Time, through Tuesday, October 25, 2022, at 12:00 p.m. Pacific Time, to the highest bidder, for not less than the minimum bid, at online public auction at www.bid4assets.com/losangeles.

The minimum bid for each parcel is the total amount necessary to redeem, plus costs, as required by R&TC Section 3698.5.

If a property does not sell during the online public auction, the right of redemption will revive and remain until Friday, November 18, 2022, at 5:00 p.m. Pacific Time.

The TTC will re-offer any properties that did not sell or were not redeemed prior to Friday, November 18, 2022, at 5:00 p.m. Pacific Time, for sale at online public auction at www.bid4assets.com/losangeles beginning Saturday, November 19, 2022, at 3:00 p.m. Pacific Time, through Tuesday, November 22, 2022, at 12:00 p.m. Pacific Time.

Prospective bidders should obtain detailed information of this sale from the TTC at ttc.lacounty.gov. Bidders are required to pre-register at www.bid4assets.com/losangeles and submit a refundable \$5,000 deposit in the form of wire transfer, electronic check, cashier's check or bank-issued money order at the time of registration. Registration will begin on Friday, September 16, 2022, at 8:00 a.m. Pacific Time and end on Tuesday, October 18, 2022, at 5:00 p.m. Pacific Time.

Pursuant to R&TC Section 3692.3, the TTC sells all property "as is" and the County and its employees are not liable for any known or unknown conditions of the property, including, but not limited to, errors in the records of the Office of the Assessor (Assessor) pertaining to improvement of the property.

If the TTC sells a property, parties of interest, as defined by R&TC Section 4675, have a right to file a claim with the County for any proceeds from the sale, which are in excess of the liens and costs required to be paid from the proceeds. If there are any excess proceeds after the application of the minimum bid, the TTC will send notice to all parties of interest, pursuant to law.

Please direct requests for information concerning redemption of tax-defaulted property to the Treasurer and Tax Collector, at 225 North Hill Street, Room 130, Los Angeles, California 90012. You may also call (213) 974-2045, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Pacific Time, visit our website at ttc.lacounty.gov or email us at auction@ttc.lacounty.gov.

The Assessor's Identification Number (AIN) in this publication refers to the Assessor's Map Book, the Map Page, and the individual Parcel Number on the Map Page. If a change in the AIN occurred, the publication will show both prior and current AINs. An explanation of the parcel numbering system and the referenced maps are available at the Office of the Assessor located at 500 West Temple Street, Room 225, Los Angeles, California 90012, or at asses-sor.lacounty.gov.

I certify under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed at Los Angeles, California, on August 30, 2022.

Elizabeth Buenostro Ginsberg
Chief Deputy Treasurer and Tax Collector
County of Los Angeles
State of California

The real property that is subject to this notice is situated in the County of Los Angeles, State of California, and is described as follows:

PUBLIC AUCTION NOTICE OF SALE OF TAX-DEFAULTED PROPERTY SUBJECT TO THE POWER OF SALE (SALE NO. 2022B)

3367 AIN 6358-019-006 JAND S CHROME PLATING CO LOCATION COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES \$11,745.00
CN990135 595 Sep 22,29, Oct 6, 2022

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CITY OF DOWNEY NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON A SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT PLN-22-00117

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held before

the DOWNEY CITY PLANNING COMMISSION on the 5th day of October, 2022, at 6:30 p.m. to consider the following item:

(PLN-22-00117) Special Event Permit: A request by the Desert Reign Church to hold their annual one-day "Harvest Festival" at the church's parking lot. The event includes carnival games, jumpers, live entertainment, and activity booths. The event will take place on Monday, October 31, 2022, from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at 11610 Lakewood Boulevard, zoned C-P (Professional Office).

All interested parties are invited to submit written comments and/or 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'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 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.

If you have any questions concerning this application, please contact Project Planner Steven D. Fowler at (562) 904-7154, or at sfowler@downeyca.org.

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NOTICES

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

CASE NUMBER: 22NWCPO0364
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: 22NWCPO0354
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 M 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 PARADEZ DE CONTRERAS
9129 MAPLESDIE STREET
BELLFLOWER, CA 90706
562-299-4767
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: 22NWCPO0368
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
6367 GOTHAM ST., APT B
BELL GARDENS, CA 90201
323-598-3987
RONQUICHELYS@GMAIL.COM

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

CASE NUMBER: 22NWCPO0346
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

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

CASE NUMBER: 22NWCPO0362
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner GISELA VALDEZ AND ROBERT JR LEMUS ON BEHALF OF XAVIER JUAN LEMUS filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

Present name (1) XAVIER JUAN LEMUS to Proposed name (1) LUCA JUAN LEMUS
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
KAVEH ARDALAN, ATTORNEY AT LAW
SBN 188775
2100 N BROADWAY SUITE 200
SANTA ANA CA 92706
(714) 273-2526
(714) 242-2037

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NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE VELASQUEZ, NADINE VS JACOBO/PRO 1 HOLDINGS CASE NO: 95TPB08047

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:

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RELIGIOUS RECORD New family member sacred trust PROCLAMATION

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CITY OF DOWNEY NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held before the DOWNEY CITY PLANNING COMMISSION on the 5th day of October, 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:

The City of Downey has prepared an update to the City's Housing Element (6th Cycle) to reflect direction from the Department of Housing and Community Development. This is a required element of the City's General Plan, and an Initial Study and Negative Declaration were proposed in conjunction with the amendment. The Housing Element Update includes citywide goals, objectives and policies for housing within the jurisdiction. As required by state law, the document shows how the City can accommodate demand for housing in all income levels, including through future rezoning of properties consistent with a future adopted Land Use Element of the General Plan.

Project Location: Citywide
Application Type: General Plan Amendment (PLN-21-00139)

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 Boards and Commission Meetings webpage of the City's website (<http://www.downeyca.org>) on the Friday prior to the public hearing.

Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and State CEQA Guidelines, the City, as Lead Agency, prepared an Initial Study/Negative Declaration (IS/ND) to identify and assess the significance of the physical effects on the environment due to potential future development guided by the goals and policies of the 2021-2029 Housing Element Update. Findings of the IS support the adoption of an ND and through determinations indicate that the environmental impacts of the programs for accommodating housing pursuant to the Housing Element Update, in accordance with the governing land use planning policies and zoning standards, will be less than significant and that an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) is not required. The Notice of Completion and the environmental document was made available for public review beginning on November 1, 2021 and ending November 30, 2021.

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 HEupdate@downeyca.org.

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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 MICHAEL SHULTZ
Judge of the Superior Court
Petitioner or Attorney for Petitioner
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14806 ORIZABA AVE
PARAMOUNT, CA 90723
(562) 313-7846
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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

CASE NUMBER: 22NWCPO0341
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner HAYWARD CARL RANDALL JR filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

Present name (1) HAYWARD CARL RANDALL JR to Proposed name (1) CAMERON CARLOS ALI BRYANT
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 31, 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 NEWSPAPER SEPTEMBER 19, 2022
JUDGE MARGARET M. BERNAL
Judge of the Superior Court
Petitioner or Attorney for Petitioner
HAYWARD CARL RANDALL JR
16131 EUCALYPTUS AVE APT B1
BELLFLOWER CA 90706
(213) 551-5264

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

CASE NUMBER: 22NWCPO0362
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner GISELA VALDEZ AND ROBERT JR LEMUS ON BEHALF OF XAVIER JUAN LEMUS filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

Present name (1) XAVIER JUAN LEMUS to Proposed name (1) LUCA JUAN LEMUS
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.

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SBN 164875
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SUMMONS AMENDED (CITACION JUDICIAL)
CASE NUMBER: (Numero del Caso):
30-2021-0123822-CU-FIN-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 COMPANY; S&S GLOBAL INVESTMENTS, INC., A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION; ELITE REO BROKERS, A CALIFORNIA DBA; AND DOES 1 THROUGH 10, INCLUSIVE
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TRUSTEE SALES

Title Order No.: 2133797 Trustee Sale No.: 85876 Loan No.: 9160066690 APN: 6315-007-028 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 1/23/2006. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDINGS AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. ON 10/12/2022 at 10:30 AM, CALIFORNIA TD SPECIALISTS, AS TRUSTEE as the duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust Recorded on 1/27/2006 as Instrument No. 06 0200376 in book IIII, page IIII of official records in the Office of the Recorder of Los Angeles County, California, executed by: JACK ALBA AND TERESITA A. ALBA, HUSBAND AND WIFE as Trustor WORLD SAVINGS BANK, FSB, ITS SUCCESSORS AND/OR ASSIGNEES, as Beneficiary WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH (payable at time of sale in lawful money of the United States), by cash, a cashier's check drawn by a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association, or savings bank specified in section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state). At: Behind the fountain located in Civic Center Plaza located at 400 Civic Center Plaza, Pomona, CA 91766, NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE – continued all right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County, California describing the land therein: The East 50 feet of North 95 feet of Lot 2070 of Tract 4766, in the City of Maywood, County of Los Angeles, State of California, as per Map recorded in Book 51 Page 29 of Mpps, in the Office of the County Recorder of said County. The property heretofore described is being sold "as is". The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 5030 EAST 60TH PL MAYWOOD, CA 90270-3514. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding

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PROBATE

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF BERNARD GRANADOS Case No. 22STPB09264

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of BERNARD GRANADOS
A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Joshua Bernard Granados in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.
THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that Joshua Bernard Granados be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.
THE PETITION requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.
THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.
A HEARING on the petition will be held on Oct. 24, 2022 at 8:30 AM in Dept. No. 2D 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

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Villanueva, Luna spar in L.A. County sheriff debate

■ Luna accused the sheriff of employing deputy gang members; Villanueva called Luna a puppet for the Board of Supervisors.

By City News Service

LOS ANGELES — Los Angeles County Sheriff Alex Villanueva and challenger Robert Luna traded barbs Wednesday during their heated televised debate for sheriff at the Skirball Cultural Center.

Villanueva called Luna a puppet candidate for the Board of Supervisors. Luna said Villanueva was wrong to investigate his enemies, and criticized the sheriff for not doing enough to address alleged deputy gangs in his department and defying subpoenas from the civilian oversight commission.

Villanueva defended his record from criticism by Luna, the former Long Beach Police Department chief. The election for Los Angeles County Sheriff is less than two months away in November.

Since taking office in 2018, Villanueva has drawn criticism for ignoring and dismissing alleged deputy gangs in the sheriff's department, defying subpoenas from the civilian oversight commission and most recently signing off on a search by deputies at the home of Supervisor Sheila Kuehl last week.

Luna painted himself as a sheriff who would collaborate with other elected officials. He began criticizing Villanueva from the start of the debate for having what he described as an "us vs. them" mentality. Villanueva has repeatedly clashed with the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors, all five of whom have endorsed Luna.

"Part of governing is not agreeing with people," Luna said. "It's the way you handle it. I work with people. I don't work for people. That's the contrast between myself and my opponent."

Villanueva accused Luna of being a "puppet" for the Board of Supervisors, which is in charge of the sheriff's budget.

"When you're working with



people, that doesn't mean you're a puppet," Luna said. "When you are consistently putting down the people who manage your budget, you're not serving our residents to the best of your ability."

Villanueva defended the search of Kuehl's home in connection with a corruption investigation by claiming his office alerted the FBI and state Attorney General's office and that "the authority of the sheriff is to investigate crime, period."

But Luna said Villanueva was wrong to "investigate your political opponents or enemies," claiming that it has led to the erosion of public trust in the sheriff.

"You can't do this," Luna said.

Villanueva responded by claiming Luna wouldn't touch corruption "with a 10-foot pole because his job as puppet is to look the other way."

Luna rejected that statement, and added that no jury would believe Villanueva during a trial because he "consistently gets up in front of a camera and demeans the five" supervisors

Villanueva also defended his work on eradicating alleged deputy

gangs within the department, claiming that he has taken "all the action we could legally" without violating the rights of his employees.

Villanueva challenged Luna to "name a single deputy gang member."

Luna responded: "You just heard. He doesn't acknowledge they exist. You can't fix a problem you don't know exists."

Luna said deputy gangs have been one of the top issues he's heard about on the campaign trail. He believed there needed to be federal and state intervention to address the problem. He criticized Villanueva for defying a subpoena to testify in front of a civilian oversight commission regarding deputy gangs.

"We have got to show the public that they can trust us and right now, they do not," Luna said.

The most recent poll conducted in August by the UC Berkeley Institute of Governmental Studies had Luna slightly ahead of Villanueva.

Luna served as chief of the Long Beach Police Department from 2014- 2021, capping off a 36-year

career at the department.

Villanueva, who promised to reform the department in his first campaign, has seen his political base shift during his tenure. He has complained about efforts to "defund" law enforcement, claiming he lacks resources as sheriff.

The two differed over whether they would work with Los Angeles District Attorney George Gascón. Villanueva has been critical of Gascón's progressive policies, calling him a "second public defender."

"And that is jeopardizing the safety of every man and woman here in Los Angeles County," Villanueva said.

Villanueva claimed that Gascón wasn't filing cases and that he wasn't going to "play pretend that we're going to work together and have this wonderful relationship."

Luna used the rift as another example of what he described as the sheriff's failures to be collaborative. He said that the sheriff had a responsibility to work with those that he didn't get along with.

"This nonsense has got to stop," Luna said. "We've got to start acting like adults and work with people for the benefit of the residents of this county."

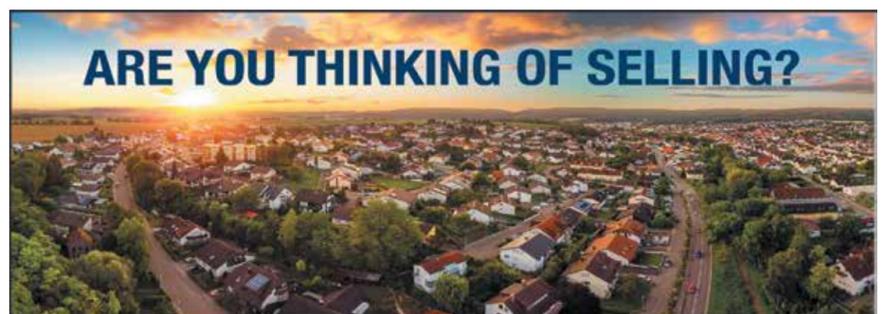
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Vespers (End of August)

End of August. Heat like a tent over John's garden. And some things have the nerve to be getting started, clusters of tomatoes, stands of late lilies—optimism of the great stalks—imperial gold and silver: but why start anything so close to the end? Tomatoes that will never ripen, lilies winter will kill, that won't come back in spring. Or are you thinking I spend too much time looking ahead, like an old woman wearing sweaters in summer; are you saying I can flourish, having no hope of enduring? Blaze of the red cheek, glory of the open throat, white, spotted with crimson.

Louise Glück, *The Wild Iris*, Ecco Press, 1992

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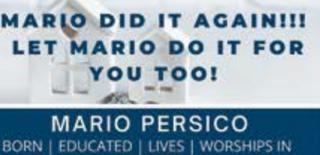
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