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IRS pulls non-profit status from dozens of groups

■ IRS claims organizations failed to file taxes for three straight years.

BY CHRISTIAN BROWN,
STAFF WRITER

DOWNEY – Dozens of Downey organizations and charities are nonprofits no more. At least in the eyes of the Internal Revenue Service.

From social clubs and political associations to local churches and charitable foundations, more than 75 community organizations lost their non-profit status this month after allegedly failing to file taxes for three consecutive years.

Some of the organizations listed are small charities and clubs, such as the Break-A-Ways Square Dancing Club, the Universal Temple of Yoga and Inner Peace, and Downey Aquatic Boosters, but the list also includes several local affiliates of larger national organizations, like American Legion and women's fraternity Alpha Xi Delta. A few prominent Downey organizations are also mentioned including the Downey-Guadalajara Sister City Corporation, Bernabe Community Center and Lions Club of Downey.

According to the IRS, these organizations, along with thousands more nationwide, automatically lost tax-exempt status because they failed to file financial reports since 2008.

In 2007, the law changed, and all nonprofits were required to file financial information with the IRS, not just larger ones that bring in \$25,000 or more a year.

The IRS gave nonprofits three years to file their reports and launched outreach campaigns trying to reach the small nonprofits that may have been unaware of the recent changes.

Nonetheless, the IRS revoked the nonprofit status of thousands of charities and organizations across the country this month. Without the non-profit status, money donated to these organizations is no longer tax-deductible and all their income is now subject to tax.

According to the IRS, the vast majority of the organizations cited are probably now defunct, but existing organizations who neglected to file may apply for reinstatement.

The Patriot reached out to several Downey nonprofits on the list, but none were available to comment.

The Downey Patriot will be closed on Labor Day, Sept. 5.

The deadline for display advertising in the Sept. 8 issue is Sept. 2.

Deadlines for classified and legal notices remain the same.

For more information, call (562) 904-3668.



Rancho patients strut in NY-themed fashion show

■ Rancho patients show their sense of style at the rehab hospital's 13th annual fashion show.

BY GREG WASKUL,
RANCHO LOS AMIGOS FOUNDATION

DOWNEY – Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center patients gave their families and friends a thrill last Thursday as they strutted their style during the world-renowned hospital's 13th Annual Fashion Show.

The Fashion Show's theme, "A Night in New York", was brought to life by 18 current and former Rancho patients who graced the stage while modeling their finest fashion looks.

The show, which was funded by the Rancho Los Amigos Foundation, also featured spectacular opening and closing numbers by members of the Performing Arts of Rancho program. Hector "Juice" Duron emceed the show and also opened the festivities with a stirring version of "Empire State of Mind" accompanied by Carlos Ruiz on guitar. Charles Whitehead closed the show with a song he wrote especially for the event, entitled "The Show".

"The performing artists added so much to the show," Fashion Show team leader Rebecca "Becky" Bershtel said. "Hector's vibrant personality lit up the room during the opening song, and Charles got the crowd clapping and singing along with him to close the show. It was electric."

Former Rancho patient and Don Knabe Pediatric Arts Program member Jonathan Alvarenga created the graffiti art décor that accentuated the New York theme, while Becky made the New York photo booth backdrop and the New York skyline scene behind the stage that put everyone in a New York frame of mind.

Rancho volunteer Luis Villegas served as the event DJ, while the patient models' make up and hair were done by Jessica Hamilton, Melissa Sabatucci, LaChanda Foxx and Jann Williams. Rosalbina Davila and Rene Alvarez served as interpreters for the event.

When the Fashion Show participants hit the stage, many recalled the challenges they overcame during their Rancho rehabilitation experience.

"On December 2006, I went through a severe car accident, which resulted in a head injury and coma," said former Rancho patient Gerardo Garay. "I went to Rancho for my inpatient and outpatient care, and after two years of treatment at Rancho, I had a lot of progression and was able to go back to school and do well. Now I am closing in on my goal of getting a degree in Kinesiology and living independent-



PHOTO BY RYAN GABRIEL

Rancho patient Abe Anaya showed his style at a New York-themed fashion show last week. Anaya suffered a brain injury after a 32-ft. fall five years ago.

ly."

Rancho outpatient Webster Ware said, "I want to thank all my doctors and therapists at Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center. It is the greatest rehabilitation center in the USA!"

Fellow outpatient Katherine Robinson told the crowd, "I want to thank everyone at Rancho for their support and guidance through this difficult period. I also want to thank my family and friends for hanging with me and for their constant support and encouragement."

These were just a few of the current and former patients who commended their Rancho treatment teams and thanked those who organized the event. The Fashion Show was created by Rancho's Recreation and Occupational ABI/Neuro Therapy Departments.

In addition to Becky, Fashion Show Core Committee members included Jenny Francisco, Pablo Vega, Douglas Scott, Jennifer Weaver, Fatima Badawi, Natalia Fuentes, Heidi Dombish and Jenny Lee.

"I am here today, five-plus years after my accident where I fell 32 feet," said Rancho Wellness Program participant Abe Anaya. "Brain injury is an almost invisible disability. Sometimes I can't see it either, but then I remember the memory failing, the anxiety, panic, loud ringing in the ears and the vertigo, bumping into things as if I drank too much.

"I'm extremely grateful I'm part

of Rancho Wellness because every day I'm gaining knowledge, experience and strength physically, mentally and spiritually," he said. "Every day, in a lot of different ways, I am getting better and better."

"I'd like to give thanks to God for giving me the blessing to be in the show, and to all the Rancho staff for helping me recuperate, and finally to all my family and friends that have supported me through my illness," Rancho outpatient and Performing Arts of Rancho participant Omoze Osagiede said. "I hope I'm an inspiration to other patients and all people, to show them not to give up, and to stay focused on getting well and following your dreams."

The Fashion Show audience heard many stories of courageous, determined Rancho patients each of whom explained how they overcame seemingly insurmountable odds to make remarkable recoveries. The patients spoke eloquently about their faith and about the powerful roles that their families, friends and Rancho treatment teams played during their journeys to more independent and meaningful lives. Many tears of joy were shed and many hearts were touched.

It was truly a "Night" to remember.

For further information, call the Rancho Los Amigos Foundation at (562) 401-7053 or visit rancho.org, facebook.com/rancholosamigosrehab or twitter.com/ranchorehab.

City to pay \$1.3M to state to keep redevelopment agency

■ City Council agrees to pay the state \$1.3 million to avoid having its redevelopment agency discontinued.

BY CHRISTIAN BROWN,
STAFF WRITER

DOWNEY – Looking to preserve its redevelopment power and keep valuable funding off the chopping block, the City Council opted into a special redevelopment program on Tuesday, which allows the city to retain control over local redevelopment projects despite Gov. Jerry Brown's recent state budget, which seeks to eliminate all such agencies.

In a unanimous vote, the Council reluctantly approved an ordinance, affirming the city's participation in the program, which requires the city to pay nearly \$1.3 million to continue its redevelopment agency.

City officials, who use redevelopment funds to help spur local development and spruce up blighted areas, lambasted the payment, calling it an "illegal raid on city funds."

"I have the perfect word for this," said Councilman Mario Guerra Tuesday night. "It's extortion. They're trying to balance the state budget with this."

As part of his 2011-12 budget, Brown proposed eliminating redevelopment agencies effective Oct. 1 in order to redirect nearly \$1.7 billion into state allocation funds.

Brown's plan, however, allows municipalities to keep their redevelopment agencies if they opt "into an alternative voluntary redevelopment program that requires various payments in lieu of elimination," according to community development director Brian Saeki.

"For all intents and purposes, this is a ransom payment by the state," said assistant city manager Gilbert Livas.

A coalition of cities has sued to stop Brown, prompting the California Supreme Court to put a stay on parts of the new laws, but Downey and other local cities are joining the state program just in case the governor's budget is upheld in court.

According to Saeki, Downey



Gov. Jerry Brown, left, and Councilman Mario Guerra. Brown eliminated redevelopment agencies and instead created a similar but optional program that will cost cities millions to join. Guerra called it "extortion."

must pay the state more than \$1.28 million, but will not make the payment until the court resolves the lawsuit. The amount will be paid with existing redevelopment money, so city services will not be impacted, officials said.

Councilman Fernando Vasquez called the payment a "really unfortunate situation."

"It leaves a bad taste in my mouth," Vasquez said. "We're moving money around...due to the nonsense up in Sacramento."

"I think it sucks," added Councilman David Gafin bluntly.

In the past, the city has utilized redevelopment money to help subsidize construction of Porto's Bakery, Bob's Big Boy and other local development projects.

Currently, city officials are counting on the funds to help finance The View, the 50-unit, affordable housing complex, which will replace the old Verizon building on 2nd Street.

The city normally collects around \$5 million in taxpayer-funded redevelopment money each year.

The lawsuit challenging Brown's authority to eliminate redevelopment funds is expected to be heard by the state Supreme Court in January.

America concert tickets on sale

DOWNEY – Tickets are now on sale to see English-American folk rock band America perform at the Downey Theatre on Nov. 5.

The performance is jointly presented by the Downey Chamber of Commerce, Century 21 My Real Estate and the city of Downey.

A portion of the concert proceeds will be donated to Easter Seals, which has benefited from concerts in the past. For the past six years, the chamber has worked with My Real Estate for concerts that benefit Easter Seals.

America originally included members Gerry Beckley, Dewey Bunnell and Dan Peek, who were barely out of their teens when they became a musical sensation during 1972, scoring No. 1 hits and winning a Grammy for Best New Artist.

Their recording success stretched throughout the 70s; some of the band's best-known songs are "A Horse with No Name," "Sister Golden Hair," "Ventura Highway," "Tin Man," "Daisy Jane" and "Lonely People."

For information on sponsorships and advertising opportunities, call (562) 923-2191. To buy tickets, call the box office at (562) 861-8211.

Council enacts voluntary campaign spending limits

DOWNEY – After months of negotiations, City Council members reached an agreement this week on a new set of laws meant to regulate local campaign contributions and expenditures.

Under the new ordinance unanimously approved Tuesday, candidates for City Council in districts 1-4 can accept campaign contributions up to \$1,500 per person if they agree not to spend more than \$30,000 during the campaign.

Candidates who decline to follow the expenditure limit can only accept contributions of up to \$1,000 per person.

In the city-wide District 5, the voluntary spending cap is set at \$50,000. The individual contribution limit is \$2,000 or \$1,500.

The voluntary spending limits in all districts are subject to annual adjustments according to the Consumer Price Index, said city attorney Yvette Abich Garcia.

The ballot, ballot pamphlet and sample ballot will "prominently designate those candidates who voluntarily accept the expenditure limit," Abich Garcia added.

Council members also capped personal campaign loans at \$15,000.

The new rules are designed, in part, to discourage outsiders from moving into the city and "buying an election," council members have previously said.

"Since last year one of our objectives has been campaign finance reform," said Mayor Luis Marquez, who occupies the District 5 seat. "I think we've come a long way. This is a big moment for the city of Downey, this council and everyone involved in this."

Councilman Mario Guerra said the council could have gone further in reforming campaign spending.

"I'm happy we're setting boundaries, it's a good start," he said. "But I don't think we went far enough."

–Eric Pierce, city editor

DCLO releases schedule for next year

■ New season by Downey Civic Light Opera begins Sept. 29 with the opening of "Singin' in the Rain."

CONTRIBUTED BY THE DOWNEY CIVIC LIGHT OPERA

DOWNEY – The Downey Civic Light Opera continues its tradition of staging great Broadway musicals at low prices with the Sept. 29 opening of "Singin' in the Rain."

Adapted from one of the most exuberant movie musicals ever made, its songs include "You Stepped Out of a Dream," "All I Do is Dream of You," "You Are My Lucky Star" and a title song that made movie and stage immortality.

The production run ends Oct. 16.

When glamour, sophistication and chic characterized the good life, Cole Porter was there to give it musical accompaniment. "Red, Hot and Cole" includes a roster of songs that not only capture the tone of living well by living with class, but captures the universal experience of being in and out of love.

Conceived by Randy Strawderman, with book by Strawderman, James Bianchi and Muriel McAuley, "Red, Hot and Cole" takes us not just from Paris to New York, but to places in the heart that laughed to love ("Let's Do It") and in "What Is This Thing Called Love?" asked the question better than anyone else. Feb. 16 – March 4, 2012.

The history of labor relations in America has not exactly been characterized by song and dance, but the legendary George Abbott and author Richard Bissell showed us that romance is possible anywhere,



"Singin' in the Rain," produced by the Downey Civic Light Opera, opens Sept. 29 at the Downey Theatre. For tickets, call (562) 923-1714.

even in a pajama factory. Their collaboration on "The Pajama Game," with music and lyrics by Richard Adler and Jerry Ross, was a Broadway hit in 1954, in 2006, and is a dependable pick-me-up for audiences for high school and college theater departments.

"Hey There" and "Hernando's Hideaway" are two of its songs that swept the nation. May 31 – June 18, 2012.

The Downey Civic Light Opera is in its 56th year and still going

strong where most Southern California CLO's are faltering or have shuttered. Though some people travel from afar, part of that success is owed the loyal audiences of Downey. In its gratitude, the DCLO offers some of the lowest prices in the Southland. Group sales and good seats are available for the upcoming season, as well as further subscriber discounts.

Call (562) 923-1714 and get in on the fun.

Retired police officer to speak

DOWNEY – Retired police officer John Reed will be guest speaker at the Sept. 14 meeting of the Downey Christian Women's Club, which starts at 11:45 a.m. at Los Amigos Country Club.

Reed, a retired sergeant from the Santa Ana Police Department, is also a ventriloquist. His topic is "How Life Gets Better with Age."

Cost to attend is \$14 and includes a buffet lunch. Reservations are requested by calling Sonja at (562) 862-4347.

The meeting is open to the public, including men.

Masons hosting seminar on Constitution

DOWNEY – The Downey United Masonic Lodge will hold a free educational seminar on the U.S. Constitution on Sept. 15 starting at 7:30 p.m.

Lt. Cmdr. Matthew Waldron, from the San Pedro Coast Guard Station, will be the principle speaker. He will explain the mission of the U.S. Coast Guard in both inland and international waters, while working within the framework of the Constitution.

The event is free and open to the public. Guests can attend a 6:30 p.m. dinner for a nominal donation.

Reservations for the dinner are requested by calling (562) 862-4176. No reservations are required for the program.

For more information, call Howard Phillips at (562) 577-2959.

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Board of Education eager for new school year to start

■ School board members say they're anxious for start of new school year on Sept. 7.

BY HENRY VENERACION, STAFF WRITER

DOWNEY – DUSD board-member Willie Gutierrez voiced the sentiments of the rest of his colleagues when he expressed thanks to the community Tuesday for reposing its confidence in the board for yet another year of opportunity to shape the district's educational policy, even as he lauded the board and the administrative team in no uncertain terms for ensuring, by means of sound strategic policies, that the district remains in the top echelon of public school districts in the area.

Just returned from her summer vacation, boardmember Barbara Samperi noted the continued positive STAR test scores of the district, singled out curriculum, instruction and assessment director Denise Takano for praise in preparing the report, and said, "It's amazing how far we've gone with this." While boardmember D. Mark Morris echoed Gutierrez' anticipation of the new school year which starts on Sept. 7, right after the Labor Day weekend, boardmember Don LaPlante once again pointed out the tax revenue shortfall up in Sacramento that threatens to throw the whole sorry budget machinery still more out of whack.

He despaired, "Why doesn't the legislature decide once and for all to slash the budget instead of being wishy washy about it?"

In other action, the board:
 *Accepted with thanks cash and in-kind donations: 500 rubber playground balls and pumps valued at \$2,000 by the donor, American Line Haul, for use on the elementary school playgrounds; \$600 from Coca-Cola Refreshments in support of TLC Family Resource Center; and two rolls of Kraft paper and seven packages of specialty paper valued at \$135 by the donor, FedEx Office Print and Ship Center;

*Ratified other routine matters such as: payment of convention and conference attendance; general agreements with different outside entities for providing a variety of specialized services, including behavior consulting, youth crisis, health care, etc.; special education placements; purchases by the purchasing department; payments for hourly, overtime, and Civic Center work performed by classified personnel, Adult School and Food Services for the month of June 2011; payment of B warrants; and routine personnel items until subsequent action is taken by the Board of Education;

*Authorized a number of amended signatories for various



School board members Barbara Samperi and Donald LaPlante.

accounts, both in the district office and in the middle as well as high schools (incl. Columbus High), all taking effect starting July 1, 2011 and remaining in effect until subsequent action is taken by the Board of Education;

*Approved the agreement with Decision Insite, LLC, for consulting services for trustee area scenario compliance analysis and adjustment (includes digital mapping of trustee area, a preliminary and final analysis report (the latter based on the 2010 census);

*Approved the agreements with various firms/institutions which provide different services to the district, including advertising services promoting the Downey Adult School, consultant services involving storm water, the purchase of a stop loss insurance policy from Blue Shield of California, the renewal of refuse/recycling systems services with CALMET Services of Downey, and the furnishing of clinical experience to students enrolled in the ROP program by the Downey Regional Medical Center;

*Ratified the agreements between the Downey Adult School and the following facilities to fur-

nish practical experience to students enrolled in the various adult school programs: Acumedix; AME Medical Group, Farnaz Havavi, D.D.S., Inc.; Magic Dental Office; Med-Net; Miracle Mile Chiropractic; Mirna Chambi, M.D., Inc; Mission Urgent Care and Family Practice; Montano Family Dentistry, Inc.; Quach Thomas Tri, M.D.; Saturnina L. Mercado, M.D.; and Whittier Health Center;

*Awarded bids for the purchase of dry and refrigerated food as well as paper products for the Food Services Department to various vendors;

*Approved the establishment of two new positions (equivalent to senior instructional assistant position) assigned to Downey Adult School, and one new limited-term position (equivalent to senior assistant-behaviorally-challenged position for Alameda Elementary; and

*Approved the schedule for elementary school bus stops for the 2011-12 school year.

The next public meeting of the Downey Board of Education will be at 5 p.m. on Sept. 20 at the Gallegos Administration Center, 11627 Brookshire Ave.

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Aerobics class offered at Downey High

DOWNEY – A 14-week aerobics class offered by Downey Adult School starts Sept. 7.

The class meets Monday through Thursday from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at Downey High School. Cost is \$75 (\$65 for adults age 55 and older).

The class emphasizes cardio and uses exercise bands, core conditioning, and exercise and medicine balls, while utilizing the cardio and weight rooms.

Enrollment is accepted online at das.edu, in person at Downey Adult School or Downey High, or by calling (562) 940-6200.

Golf Classic to benefit Chamber

DOWNEY – The Downey Chamber of Commerce is now accepting registration and sponsorships for its 14th annual Golf Classic, taking place Sept. 21 at the Rio Hondo Golf Club.

Entry fees are \$150 per person or \$560 for a foursome, and includes green fees, golf carts, lunch, dinner and raffle tickets.

Additional dinners for anyone wanting to attend the awards ceremony are only \$30.

Downey Nissan is sponsoring a hole-in-one prize of a brand new electric Leaf.

Sponsorships start at \$100; proceeds from the tournament will benefit youth scholarships, officials said.

For more information, call (562) 923-2191.

DUI checkpoint Friday night

DOWNEY – The Downey Police Department will conduct a DUI checkpoint on Friday, Aug. 26, at an undisclosed location within the city from 8 p.m. to 3 a.m.

Officers will be checking drivers for signs of alcohol or drug impairment. Field sobriety tests will be conducted on anyone an officer suspects has been drinking or is impaired.

"If you fail, expect jail," authorities said.

Over the last three years, DUI collisions in Downey have claimed four lives and injured 117 people, said Sgt. Dan Murray of the Downey Police Department.

Statewide, overall traffic deaths have declined by 11.9 percent, from 3,081 in 2009, to 2,715 in 2010, according to state figures. Total traffic fatalities decreased for the fifth consecutive year and are at their lowest level in six decades, when the federal government began compiling figures.

DUI deaths dropped 16 percent, from 1,132 in 2007 to 950 in 2009, according to federal statistics.

Alcohol-impaired deaths still make up the largest category of overall vehicle fatalities in 2009, with 31 percent of all deaths caused by a drunk or impaired driver.

"Everyone in California should be heartened with these figures," said Christopher Murphy, director of the California Office of Traffic Safety. "But as encouraging as this is, we can't let up on the efforts to encourage and support traffic safety. You can help make your community safe; if you see a drunk driver, call 911."

The checkpoint in Downey is funded by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

Plans for Taste of Downey emerge

DOWNEY – The Downey City Council took formal action Tuesday to close portions of Civic Center Drive and 3rd Street on Sept. 30 to accommodate the planned Taste of Downey food festival.

The festival layout will be slightly different from last year's inaugural event, city officials said.

Food booths will still be set up in the roundabout area in front of City Hall but, to ease congestion, the stage and seating areas have been moved closer to 3rd Street.

Responding to a request for an art component from Councilman Fernando Vasquez, community development director Brian Saeki said the city has "engaged a local artist to put something together."

"I think the City Council will really enjoy it," he said.

Saeki offered few details but said the artist's work will be displayed on a 40-ft-long wall along Civic Center Drive near 3rd Street. A "guest band" will provide entertainment.

The City Council hired a professional event planner at a cost of \$65,000 last month to organize and market the festival, which attracted about 1,500 visitors last year.

For \$20, visitors receive a ticket which entitles them to 10 food samples from participating restaurants.

Tickets can be purchased starting Sept. 6 at the first floor Planning counter at City Hall, the Barbara J. Riley Community and Senior Center and the Downey Chamber of Commerce.

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S.M.A.R.T. Back-to-School Shopping

School supply lists seem to get longer each year, and when you have more than one child to shop for, it can really add up. So it's no surprise that just about everyone is looking for ways to shop smarter.

In the most recent Back-to-School Shopping Forecast survey from PriceGrabber, 95 percent of shoppers will be using money-saving techniques to get school supplies this year. The survey also found that:

- 69 percent will shop online or use comparison shopping websites.
- 52 percent plan to spend as much as they did last year, while 35 percent say they'll spend less.
- 55 percent will spread the cost of purchases over a longer period of time.

When you're ready to stock up on backpacks, notebooks and an endless supply of pens, use these tips to help you be a smart back-to-school shopper:

S – STREAMLINE YOUR SHOPPING.

Instead of driving all over town to get what you need, get as much as you can at one-stop-shops such as Office Depot. Picking up school supplies and classroom supplies – such as tissues, disinfectant wipes, etc. – saves you time and hassle. And it keeps you out of frustrating traffic.

Check the store's website before you go – make sure it will have the supplies you need so you don't waste time looking for something that's not there. If what you need isn't in-store, consider ordering online.

M – MAKE A LIST.

Work with your child to craft your shopping list before hitting the stores. Many retailers work with local PTAs and school districts to secure back-to-school shopping lists, making it easy to find exactly what your child needs.

Take an extra pen with you and have your child check off supplies as you get them.

A – ADS AND ALERTS.

To help you save money, pay attention to the weekly ad inserts in your local newspaper. Combining sale prices with coupons saves you even more. Keep an eye out for super savings, such as Office Depot's Penny Savers, when you can find many core supplies on sale for just a penny.

You can also sign up for special deal alerts through retailers' websites and Facebook pages, giving you the scoop on extra savings.

If you want to avoid overfilling your email inbox, set up a separate email account just for retail alerts.

R – REWARDS AND REBATES.

Many retailers have rewards programs that let you in on extra savings. Some retailers also



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have programs that help you earn school supplies for your school. For example, during the back to school season, parents and teachers can give back to communities through Office Depot's "5% Back to Schools" program, in which 5 percent of purchases goes, in the form of a credit, to a designated school to use towards supplies.

To take advantage of rebates, check manufacturer websites as well as retailer websites for the latest ways to get money back.


T – TECHNOLOGY TIPS.

Keep your computers up to date with the latest virus and malware protection. If your child will be doing online research for homework, you can put some parental controls in place to protect your child – check out Google SafeSearch, AOL Parent Controls or ATT Smart Controls, or with your current Internet provider.

You can see user and professional reviews of parental control software at consumersearch.com

Taking a little time to do your homework now will help you save time and money on school supplies when you're ready to start shopping. To get the latest in back-to-school savings, visit officedepot.com

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Arcadia

By Eric Pierce

There are few things to celebrate about the impending demise of Borders Express inside Stonewood Center, but the liquidation of assets has to be one of them.

Because for the first time in a long time, books were actually *affordable*.

The bad news, I was there this weekend and, unless you're a fan of gluten-free cookbooks or are looking to stock up on "Twilight: New Moon" 2012 calendars, pickings are slim.

One exception, however, was an entire shelf devoted to Arcadia Publishing and its line of local history books.

Copies of the two Downey books, "Downey's Aerospace History" by Gerald Blackburn and "Images of America: Downey" by Larry Latimer and the Downey Historical Society, were still available, as were a set of 15 postcards featuring historical images from Downey's past.

The books, originally \$21.99, are currently 40 percent off.

Never too early for Christmas shopping, right?

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Amid the demolition and construction currently underway in Downtown Downey is an upgrade not receiving nearly the attention it deserves.

The office building at Downey Avenue and Firestone Boulevard, formerly the Cardono Building and now owned by the Porto family, is having its windows replaced.

Gone are the awful gold panels. They have been replaced with modern glass windows that better complement Porto's Bakery next door. Intentional or not, the new windows also reduce the glare that plagued motorists every sunup and sundown.

It looks great.

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Speaking of things that look great: (gulp) Lakewood Boulevard. The construction job was horrendous and incredibly disrupting to residents and business owners, but the view is 1,000 times better without the ugly phone and cable lines.

Still, I'm not looking forward to the next phase of construction, from Florence Avenue to Telegraph Road.

County pushes community-based preparedness

The Los Angeles County Department of Public Health on Tuesday unveiled a new disaster-readiness campaign that urges neighborhoods and communities to "connect, prepare and respond."

The three elements of the campaign are designed to encourage residents to meet their neighbors, prepare disaster plans that include a neighborhood map and other resources, and to offer tips on responding appropriately to emergencies.

"While it is critical that every household in Los Angeles County have an emergency kit, sometimes that may not be enough. Surviving an emergency or a disaster that affects a large area should be a team effort," said Jonathan E. Fielding, MD, MPH, Director of Public Health and Health Officer. "In a disaster, it can take hours or even days for emergency responders to reach those that need help. Neighbors need to be ready, willing and able to help each other in times of need and that means taking time now to connect, prepare, and learn how to respond."

Connect: Neighbors are also encouraged to get acquainted and exchange contact information. "It is important that neighbors become aware of those on their street that are most vulnerable in times of crisis, such as the elderly, those that live alone, those with medical needs, and others who may need a little extra help," said Dr. Fielding.

Start a dialogue with your neighbors about resources that can be shared, such as tools or skills; identifying areas of concern, such as streets that may be closed if a mudslide were to occur; potential evacuation routes; and other disaster-readiness topics.

Prepare: Community-based disaster response plans should ideally include:

- A method of communication for all residents,
- A procedure to determine the status of every resident, such as a neighborhood telephone tree or Twitter account,
- A "neighbor inventory" to identify individuals who may need extra assistance,
- A neighborhood map with planned evacuation routes,
- And an emergency plan and survival kit for every household.

Respond: How one responds during a disaster could mean the difference between life and death. Everyone should stay informed and follow instructions from local officials through multiple sources, such as television and radio reports and, in some cases, through social media updates on Twitter or Facebook. Immediate steps to take in the event of a disaster include:

- Making sure the people in your household are safe.
- Activating your emergency plan.
- Getting information by turning on your television or radio or logging onto trusted internet sources.
- Checking on your neighbors, and organizing or providing help if needed.

For more information about developing a family and neighborhood emergency plan, visit prepare2respond.org.

Power plants still poisoning children

By Ben Lowe

It is often said that the safest place in the world is our mother's womb. Tragically, because of mercury poisoning, this may no longer be true. But now we can really do something about it.

700,000 American babies – one out of six – are born annually with harmful levels of mercury in their blood and begin their lives with mercury poisoning. Unlike other environmental problems, this one – caused mostly by emissions from coal-burning power plants – could be solved relatively easily and affordably.

Mercury is a neurotoxin that causes brain damage and serious developmental disabilities – especially in fetuses and infants – and leads to lowered intelligence and learning problems throughout life. Mercury poisoning is not just about the environment; it is also about the life and health of our children.

As an Evangelical Christian, I believe that each life is of infinite worth to God, and should be to us as well. Jesus taught us to love our neighbor and treat others as we would want to be treated. Protecting the unborn and children from mercury poisoning is in keeping with Jesus' commands.

The cause of mercury poisoning is you and me: our need for cheap energy. The mercury is emitted from coal-burning power plant smokestacks. It falls from the air, polluting waterways and contaminating fish. Expectant mothers eat the fish. The mercury accumulates in the mother's blood and circulates across the placenta to the unborn child. There are now mercury fish-catch warnings in all fifty states.

I live in a low-income community in Illinois and I love fishing, as do my neighbors who fish regularly to provide protein to their families. I remember catching a big fish in one of our local rivers. I was getting ready to throw it back when a man walked up and asked for it, to feed his family. I explained that a fish this big was full of toxic mercury, which would hurt his children. Its ok, he said, they need the food. I ended up giving him the fish but, no, it is not ok. Not in my community. Not in America. Not anywhere.

Why can't our families eat the fish from our own rivers and lakes without risking mercury poisoning? Is this the inheritance my generation and future generations are being left with? I understand that we live in a complicated world, but this is morally wrong. It is sinful.

So what can we do?

First, mothers can limit the amount of fish they eat during pregnancy. This does not solve the problem, but it does help protect children during their most vulnerable stages. Look online for your state's mercury guidelines.

Second, we can limit the domestic mercury pollution emitted by coal-fired power plants. Studies show that this has a measurable positive health impact. The more responsible energy utilities are already using cost-effective technologies to fully clean up mercury emissions.

In fact, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) finally issued preliminary new mercury standards this spring, ensuring that the rest of the energy industry follows suit and effectively reduces mercury emissions from coal-fired utilities by ninety percent.

The problem is that many in Congress are vigorously opposing the EPA on behalf of fossil fuel special interests that do not want to pay to clean up their pollution. This is inexcusable, and we must contact our elected officials and demand that they protect our unborn children by not opposing the EPA's efforts to limit mercury pollution. The Evangelical Environmental Network (www.creationcare.org/mercury) has been working with church leaders around the country to do just this. Please join in! Here is the bottom line: We have a responsibility to protect life, and that means getting serious about mercury poisoning. As a young Evangelical Christian, I am very grateful that the EPA and many in the energy and faith communities are working together to protect life and create a healthier country for me and for my children to inherit. They have my prayers.

Comment on this column at: blueridgepress.com. Ben Lowe is the author of Green Revolution: Coming Together to Care for Creation. He is Director of Young Adult Ministries for the Evangelical Environmental Network. He ran for Congress in 2010, and is from Glen Ellyn, Illinois © 2011 www.blueridgepress.com



CORRECTION

The lead paragraph of the report by staff writer Henry Veneracion titled "Construction Underway at Downey High" on page 3 of the Patriot's July 28, 2011 issue referred to the current construction of two buildings, to replace the old administration building along Brookshire Avenue as well as a career technology auto facility.

This was an inaccurate statement, which the reporter regrets. The school district estimates construction to begin in 2014-15 at an estimated cost of \$13 million.

According to assistant superintendent Kevin Condon, the school district expects to be reimbursed by the state \$8.5 million to help fund construction.

The Downey Patriot apologizes for the error.

Letters to the Editor:

Name change

Dear Editor:

I was shocked and disturbed to read in *The Downey Patriot* that residents and city officials pressured a business to change its name. ("Under Pressure, Grocery Store Changes Its Name," 8/18/11)

Forcing to change the store's name from El Valu Food to Fresh Mart reeks of racism. As a veteran, it reminds me of 1939 Poland and civil rights issues of the South in the '60s.

As stated by Ron Beach in the article, "their offer was the best offer we had. They plan to make it a Hispanic operation."

Modern Downey is 70.7 percent Hispanic, according to the 2010 Census. Fresh Mart does not imply it will be a Hispanic operation as El Valu Food would.

What is the reason to hide a Hispanic operation? A business that will pay taxes to the city of Downey. Like all cities, Downey is in dire need of revenue. Who had the power, who allowed these residents and city officials, to pressure a group to their demands in a free country? Would they have allowed a store called Mohammed's Market or Wing Lee Market?

This is unbelievable.

-- Vincent Diaz,
Downey

Fingerprinting

Dear Editor:

Fingerprints are used to catch illegal immigrants, but critics state that it victimizes illegal immigrants who are not convicted of any crime.

But isn't it a crime to be illegal?

--Mike Sandoval,
Downey

Local economies our last best help

By Karen O'Leary

With Washington failing to lead, states defaulting, and big corporations laying off, we may all soon be relying much more on our local economies and communities to get us through hard times. I see that as a good thing. Here are six reasons why:

1. We live here, dang it! Yes, I'd love to ride a Greenpeace ship and save the whales, but I've got responsibilities and so do you. So let's leave all that high-profile stuff to some celeb, and focus on our local lives: Clean up your yard and your neighborhood. Make your surroundings more pleasant, nurturing, and earth-friendly. Dorothy got it right. There's no place like home.

2. Buy local, strengthen your community: In uncertain times, local businesses are more than your neighbors. They're your lifeline. I remember as a child, running to the corner store for my mom to buy essentials. If she didn't have ready cash I was instructed to ask the grocer, "Joe, would you put it 'on the cuff'." Joe would always smile, nod, write down the amount in a loose-leaf book and ask if I wanted one of my favorite pears. Next time you're in Walmart, try doing the same with the cashier, and you'll quickly learn that economic security comes not from a box store, but from building personal relationships.

3. Eat local, eat well: With drought and deluge causing crop failures across America, it pays to support your local farmer. Also, it's a fact that the fresher food is – from iceberg lettuce to asparagus – the better it tastes and more nutrients it holds. I remember going to a farm for the first time and pulling a carrot from the soil. Dirt and all, it was tastier than the bitter roots on my dinner plate grown 1,500 miles away. Don't believe me? Do the taste test yourself with a hothouse supermarket tomato, and one locally grown. Eat local and your stomach, farmer, and community all thrive.

4. The new underground economy is us: Americans aren't dummies. We can read the labels on the goods we buy and know that the factories and jobs that produced them have moved overseas and

aren't coming back. As family savings dwindle, we must again turn to friends and neighbors for what we need. Community newspapers, pennysavers, and websites like Craigslist and Uncle Henry's are devoted to barter and the exchange of goods and services. Bargains at the local Goodwill store, yard sale, or recycle shed are replacing the shopaholic's dream of a sale at Barney's. As my mom fondly used to say, "It's not used, just perfectly broken in!"

5. Volunteer to help others and help yourself: Offering a couple hours per week to a local charity or civic group forges strong new interpersonal relationships. It's also good for the soul. So rather than writing a check to fight cancer, volunteer to drive a patient needing chemo to the clinic. You'll get out of the house, find out what's happening locally, make new friends and become part of a real solution. Plus, those new friends will likely be there when you're in need.

6. Plant a garden! You can't get more local than replacing your lawn with a vegetable garden. Don't have a lawn? Grow greens in a container or window box, and harvest your own lettuce at home next New Years Day. In my old community of Quincy, Massachusetts, immigrant Chinese use every scrap of space in tiny yards to grow the vegetables they love. It's become a joke on my old block that "keeping up with the Wu's" means creating an urban oasis that provides food, beauty, and community.

Recently, I saw a PBS documentary about the tree-planting women of Kenya who launched a national green revolution. The words of one toothless but dignified village elder grabbed me: "The little, little grassroots people make it all happen," she said. I knew then that our best hope abides not in an Act of Congress or a global initiative. It's here, it's now, and it's local! Reach out and grab it!

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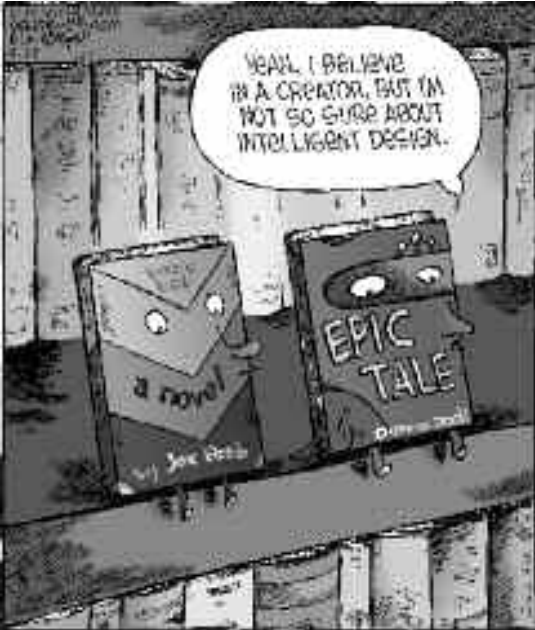
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Downey Community Calendar

Events For August/September

Sat. Aug. 27: Astronaut Al Worden, Columbia Memorial Space Center, 1 p.m.

City Meetings

- 1st Tuesday, 6:30 p.m.: Redevelopment Project Area Committee, Cormack Meeting Room at Downey Library.
- 1st & 3rd Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.: Planning Commission, Council Chamber at City Hall.
- 1st Tuesday, 4:00 p.m.: Recreation and Community Services Commission, Council Chamber, City Hall.
- 1st Tuesday, 6:00 p.m.: Emergency Preparedness Committee, at Fire Station No. 1, 12222 Paramount Blvd.
- 2nd & 4th Tuesday, 7:30 p.m.: City Council/Community Development Commission, Council Chamber.
- 3rd Tuesday, 6:30 p.m.: Library Advisory Board, at Downey City Library.

Regularly Scheduled Meetings

Mondays

- 7 p.m.: Boy Scout Troop 2, at Downey United Methodist Church, for information call 869-6478.
- 2nd Mon., 11 a.m.: American Legion Auxiliary #270, at United Methodist Church.
- 3rd Mon., 7 p.m.: American Legion Post #270, at Rio Hondo Event Center, for more info. call (626) 445-2582.
- 4th Mon., 7:30 p.m.: Downey Numismatists, at Downey Retirement Center, call 862-6666.

Tuesdays

- 9:30 a.m.: Downey Seniors Club, at Apollo Park, for information call Nadine Morris at 923-9422.
- 10 a.m.: Downey Bocce Club, at 7850 Quill Drive, for information call John Fiorenza at 652-4399.
- 12 p.m.: Rotary Club, at Rio Hondo, for information call Ingrid Martin at 413-4001.
- 6:00 p.m.: Toastmasters Club 587, at First Baptist Church, for info call John McAllister 869-0928.
- 1st Tues., 7:30 a.m.: Gangs Out of Downey, at City Hall training room.
- 2nd Tues., 3 p.m.: Keep Downey Beautiful, at City Hall, for more information call 904-7117.
- 2nd and 4th Tues., 6 p.m.: Sertoma Club, at Cafe 'N Stuff, for information call 927-6438.
- 2nd Tues., 6 p.m.: Downey Fly Fishers, at Apollo Park, for information call 425-7936.
- 3rd Tues., 6:30 p.m.: Community Emergency Response Team meeting, Fire station 1, 12222 Paramount.
- 3rd Tues., 7:30 p.m.: Writer's Workshop West, at at Downey High School library, for info call 862-3106.
- Tues., Thurs. & Sat., 10 a.m.: Downey Bocce Club, at 7850 Quill Drive, for info. call John Fiorenza 652-4399.

Wednesdays

- 7 a.m.: Kiwanis Club, at Rio Hondo Events Center. Call Steve Roberson at 927-2626.
- 1 p.m.: Women's Bocce Club, at 7850 Quill Drive, for information call Marie Puch at 869-4366.
- 7 p.m.: Out Post 132 Royal Rangers, at Desert Reign Church, for info call 928-8000.
- 1st Weds., 10 a.m.: Woman's Club of Downey, for information call Barbara Briley-Beard 869-7618.
- 1st Weds., 11:30 a.m.: Downey Coordinating Council, at Community Center, for information call 923-4357.
- 1st Weds., 7:30 p.m.: Downey Stamp Club, at Maude Price School cafeteria, for information call 928-3028.
- 2nd Weds., 11:30 a.m.: Christian Women's Club, at Los Amigos Country Club, call Sonja 862-4347.
- 2nd Weds., 7:30 p.m.: Downey Model A Club, at Gallatin School Cafeteria, for information call 928-4132.
- 2nd & 4th Weds., 11:30 a.m.: Downey AARP, at Barbara J. Riley Senior Center, for info. call Pearl Koday 633-4355.
- 2nd & 4th Weds., 5:30 p.m.: Lions Club, at Granata's, for information call 577-1104.
- 3rd Weds., - Downey Dog Obedience Club, at Apollo Park, for info. call Gina 869-5213 or Valerie 420-2972.
- 3rd Weds., 10 a.m.: Los Angeles County Quilters Guild, at Women's Club, for information call 426-2418.
- 3rd Weds., 6 p.m.: American Business Women's Association, Rio Hondo Country Club, Call Barbara Carlson 863-2192.
- 4th Weds., 12:00 noon: Retired Federal Employees, at Barbara J Riley Center, call 943-5513.
- Wed. & Fri., 10:15 a.m.: Senior Bingo, at Apollo Park, for information call 904-7223.

Thursdays

- 7:30 a.m.: Connections Networking, at Bob's Big Boy, for info., call Nick Smith, 861-5222.
- 7:30 a.m.: Soroptimist Int'l of Downey, for information, call Mia Vasquez, 806-3217.
- 12 p.m.: Kiwanis Club of Downey, at Rio Hondo Events Center, call Roy Jimenez 923-0971.
- 12:30 p.m.: Take off Pounds Sensibly, at First Christian Church, call (800) 932-8677.
- 6:30 p.m.: Downey United Masonic Lodge # 220, 8244 3rd St., Call 862-4176.
- 7 p.m.: Troop 351, Boy Scouts of America, at First Baptist Church, for information call 776-3388.
- 2nd Thurs., 7:30 p.m.: Beaming Rebel Foxes Collectors Club, for more information call Carl D. Jones at 923-2400.
- 3rd Thurs., 4 p.m.: Public Works Committee, at City Hall Training Room.
- 4th Thurs., 10 a.m.: Assistance League, at Casa De Parley Johnson. for information call 869-0232.
- 4th Thurs., 7:30 p.m.: Downey Historical Society programs, at Community Center. Call 862-2777.

Fridays

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

Saturdays

- 9 a.m.: Farmers Market, Second Street at New Avenue, for information call 904-7246.
- 2nd Sat., 12:30 p.m.: AAUW, Los Amigos Country Club.

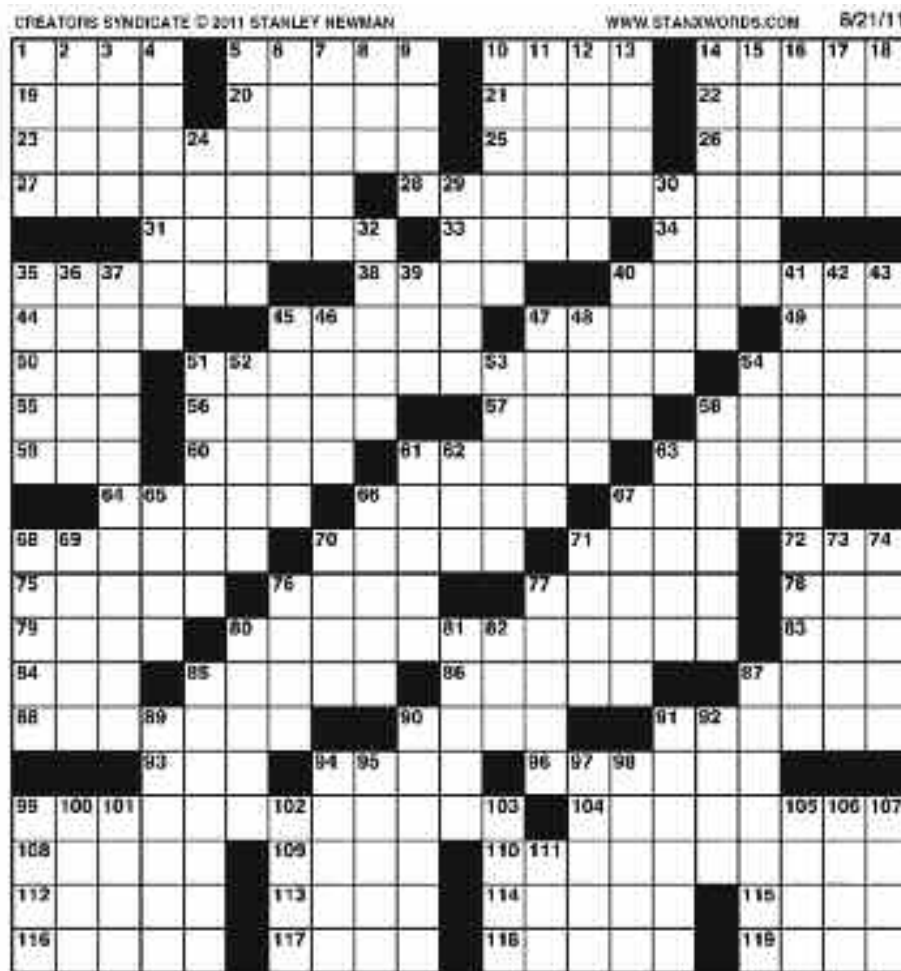
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Aug. 25, 1718: Hundreds of French colonists arrived in Louisiana, with some settling in present-day New Orleans.
1944: Paris was liberated by Allied forces after four years of Nazi occupation.
1950: President Harry S. Truman ordered the Army to seize control of the nation's railroads to avert a strike.
1997: The tobacco industry agreed to an \$11.3 billion settlement with the state of Florida.
2003: Tennis champion Pete Sampras announced his retirement.
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Paging Dr. Frischer...

By Dr. Alan Frischer



among exposed children, as are sudden infant death syndrome, attention deficit disorder and low birth weight among the children of women exposed to secondhand smoke during pregnancy. 11% of children under age seven are exposed to secondhand smoke on a regular basis, and their parents are responsible for 90% of that exposure. There is no level of exposure that is risk-free.

The most common health risks associated with secondhand smoke include lung and heart diseases, including cancer of the lungs as well as a multitude of other cancers that smokers themselves experience. Nonsmokers have a 20-30% increased risk of developing lung cancer from routine exposure to secondhand smoke at work or at home, and a 25-30% greater risk of developing heart disease. At particularly greatest risk are those who already have heart disease, and this group should take extra precautions to avoid even brief exposure to secondhand smoke.

I have been writing in *The Downey Patriot* for years about how we can improve our health through changing our lifestyle. When I see patients I listen carefully to their needs. I don't judge; I'm clear that none of us are perfect, but rather on our own particular journey of life and growth. When we decide to eat in a way that is detrimental to our health, or to lead a sedentary lifestyle, or to drink to excess, we do so because of our own complex needs at the time. Certainly, these day-to-day decisions hurt us, but they generally don't hurt others. In fact, in this country we pride ourselves on enjoying the freedom to do even what is not in our own best interest...because we can.

Where, then, is the line between enjoying our personal freedoms and infringing on those of others? One all too common activity that has been well proven to cause harm to others is...secondhand smoke. Most of us consider it extremely unfortunate when a smoker's spouse or child is exposed to harmful secondhand smoke, but we are hesitant to legislate what goes on in another's home. But what about out in our community? Does a government have an obligation to protect its citizens in public spaces? This is the very question that the Downey City Council will soon be addressing. You may wish to weigh in.

The Environmental Protection Agency estimates lung cancer deaths from secondhand smoke at approximately 3,000 per year. This is due to the thousands of harmful substances found in smoke, many of which are known carcinogens. They include benzene, carbon monoxide, chromium, cyanide, arsenic, cadmium, ethylene oxide, vinyl chloride, toluene, formaldehyde, lead, nickel, and polonium. These particles can linger in the air for hours. Breathing secondhand smoke for a short time can irritate the lungs and reduce the amount of oxygen in the blood. Prolonged or repeated exposure is all the more dangerous.

It isn't merely the smoke that's of concern. Smoke residue that clings to a smoker's hair and clothing, as well as cushions and carpeting - sometimes referred to as third hand smoke - can also pose risks, especially for children. Many studies focus on children, because they have the least control over their environment, are still developing physically, and suffer the greatest health consequences. Asthma, pneumonia, bronchitis, and middle ear infections are seen more frequently

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Botox is approved to treat urinary incontinence

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration this week approved Botox injection to treat urinary incontinence in people with neurologic conditions such as spinal cord injury and multiple sclerosis who have overactivity of the bladder.

Uninhibited urinary bladder contractions in people with some neurological conditions can lead to an inability to store urine. Current management of this condition includes medications to relax the bladder and use of a catheter to regularly empty the bladder.

The treatment consists of Botox being injected into the bladder resulting in relaxation of the bladder, an increase in its storage capacity and a decrease in urinary incontinence.

"Urinary incontinence associated with neurologic conditions can be difficult to manage," said George Benson, deputy director, Division of Reproductive and Urologic Products. "Botox offers another treatment option for these patients."

Injection of the bladder with Botox is performed using cystoscopy, a procedure that allows a doctor to visualize the interior of the bladder. Cystoscopy may require general anesthesia. The duration of the effect of Botox on urinary incontinence in patients with bladder overactivity associated with a neurologic condition is about nine months.

The effectiveness of Botox to treat this type of incontinence was demonstrated in two clinical studies involving 691 patients. The patients had urinary incontinence resulting from spinal cord injury or multiple sclerosis. Both studies showed statistically significant decreases in the weekly frequency of incontinence episodes in the Botox group compared with placebo.

In addition to its use to improve the appearance of facial frown lines, Botox also is FDA-approved to treat chronic migraine headaches, certain kinds of muscle stiffness and contraction, severe underarm sweating, abnormal twitch of the eyelid and a condition in which the eyes are not properly aligned.

The most common adverse reactions observed following injection of Botox into the bladder were urinary tract infection and urinary retention. Those who develop urinary retention after Botox treatment may require self-catheterization to empty the bladder.

Botox is marketed in the United States by Allergan Inc., of Irvine.

New drug treats late-stage skin cancer

■ Cancer-fighting drug Zelboraf gains approval from the FDA.

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration last week approved Zelboraf, a drug to treat patients with late-stage (metastatic) or unresectable (cannot be removed by surgery) melanoma, the most dangerous type of skin cancer.

Zelboraf is specifically indicated for the treatment of patients with melanoma whose tumors express a gene mutation called BRAF V600E. The drug has not been studied in patients whose melanoma tests negative for that mutation by an FDA approved diagnostic.

Zelboraf is being approved with a first-of-a-kind test called the cobas 4800 BRAF V600 Mutation Test, a companion diagnostic that will help determine if a patient's melanoma cells have the BRAF V600E mutation.

The BRAF protein is normally involved in regulating cell growth, but is mutated in about half of the patients with late-stage melanomas. Zelboraf is a BRAF inhibitor that is able to block the function of the V600E-mutated BRAF protein.

"This has been an important year for patients with late-stage melanoma. Zelboraf is the second new cancer drug approved that demonstrates an improvement in overall survival," said Richard Pazdur, M.D., director of the Office of Oncology Drug Products in the FDA's Center for Drug Evaluation and Research. "In March, we approved Yervoy (ipilimumab), another new treatment for late-stage melanoma that also showed patients live longer after receiving the drug."

Zelboraf was reviewed under the FDA's priority review program that provides for an expedited six-month review of drugs that may offer major advances in treatment or that provide a treatment when no adequate therapy exists. Zelboraf and the companion BRAF V600E test are being approved ahead of the drug's Oct. 28, 2011 goal date and the companion diagnostics' Nov. 12, 2011 goal date.

Zelboraf's safety and effectiveness were established in a single international trial of 675 patients with late-stage melanoma with the BRAF V600E mutation who had

not received prior therapy. Patients were assigned to receive either Zelboraf or dacarbazine, another anti-cancer therapy. The trial was designed to measure overall survival (the length of time between start of treatment and death of a patient).

The median survival (the length of time a patient lives after treatment) of patients receiving Zelboraf has not been reached (77 percent still living) while the median survival for those who received dacarbazine was 8 months (64 percent still living).

"Approval of Zelboraf and the cobas test is a great example of how companion diagnostics can be developed and used to ensure patients are exposed to highly effective, more personalized therapies in a safe manner," said Alberto Gutierrez, Ph.D., director of the Office of In Vitro Diagnostic Device Evaluation and Safety in the FDA's Center for Devices and Radiological Health.

The FDA's approval of the cobas 4800 BRAF V600 Mutation Test was based on data from the clinical study that also evaluated the safety and effectiveness of Zelboraf. Samples of a patient's melanoma tissue were collected to test for the mutation.

The most common side effects reported in patients receiving Zelboraf included joint pain, rash, hair loss, fatigue, nausea, and skin sensitivity when exposed to the sun. About 26 percent of patients developed a skin-related cancer called cutaneous squamous cell carcinoma, which was managed with surgery. Patients treated with Zelboraf should avoid sun exposure.

Melanoma is the leading cause of death from skin disease. The National Cancer Institute estimated that 68,130 new cases of melanoma were diagnosed in the United States during 2010; about 8,700 people died from the disease.

Zelboraf is marketed by South San Francisco based-Genentech, a member of the Roche Group. The cobas 4800 BRAF V600 Mutation Test is manufactured by Roche Molecular Systems in Pleasanton, Calif.

Study finds that healthy people live longer

People can live longer if they practice one or more healthy lifestyle behaviors - not smoking, eating a healthy diet, getting regular physical activity, and limiting alcohol - according to a study by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

During the study period, people who engaged in all four healthy behaviors were 63 percent less likely to die early, compared to people who did not practice any of the behaviors. Not smoking provided the most protection from dying from all of the causes examined.

"If you want to lead a longer life and feel better, you should adopt healthy behaviors- not smoking, getting regular physical activity, eating healthy, and avoiding excessive alcohol use," said CDC Director Thomas R. Frieden, M.D., M.P.H.

People who engaged in all four healthy behaviors were 66 percent less likely to die early from cancer, 65 percent less likely to die early from cardiovascular disease, and 57 percent less likely to die early from other causes compared to people who did not engage in any of the healthy behaviors.

The study, "Low Risk Lifestyle Behaviors and All-Cause Mortality: Findings from the National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey III Mortality Study," was published online by the American Journal of Public Health.

Researchers defined low-risk health behaviors as never smoking, eating a healthy diet, moderate intensity or vigorous intensity physical activity, and moderate alcohol consumption. According to the 2010 Dietary Guidelines for Americans, men should drink no more than two drinks per day; women, one drink per day.

Among people in the CDC study, 47.5 percent had never smoked, 51 percent were moderate drinkers, 39.3 percent had a healthy diet, and 40.2 percent were adequately physically active.

The percentage of people who reported low-risk behaviors did not differ significantly by gender. Mexican-Americans had more healthy behaviors compared to whites and African-Americans.

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Word of MOUTH
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Taking It On The Jaw

A serious potential consequence of periodontitis (advanced inflammation or infection of the gums) is tooth loss due to jaw-bone shrinkage and damage. The latest effort to counter this threat comes in the form of a drug called teriparatide, which has recently been proven to regrow bone in jaws. According to one study, patients with tissue damage caused by periodontitis developed nearly ten times more bone with teriparatide treatment than those receiving daily placebo injections. The significant gains in bone produced by the drug developed over a relatively short six-week period. These improvements were sustained, and even improved upon, over a succeeding 12-month period. This jaw-regrowing ability may also prove useful for potential tooth implant patients, who need more foundation bone. I invite you to ask for more details by calling (562) 923-3714, or Email me at SAZERDSS@aol.com

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ICT in Long Beach releases 5-show schedule

International City Theatre starting its first season under new artistic director.

LONG BEACH – New producing artistic director Caryn Desai [sic] has announced her first season of plays with International City Theatre, located in the Long Beach Performing Arts Center.

The 2012 schedule includes:
God of Carnage, Jan. 27 – Feb. 19: In this 2009 Tony Award-winner for Best Play by Yasmina Reza, a playground altercation between 11-year-old boys brings together two sets of Brooklyn parents for a meeting to resolve the matter. At first, diplomatic niceties are observed, but as the evening progresses and the rum flows, it quickly deteriorates into a finger-pointing, fur-flying, hilarious brawl, leaving the couples with more than just their liberal principles in tatters.

The Fix, April 27 – May 20: The West Coast premiere of a hard-edged, hard-boiled rock musical about the American political machine. A popular presidential candidate is dead, and his widow thrusts their son into the political spotlight. Her maniacal scheming is matched by that of her crippled brother-in-law, who will stop at nothing to see the boy elected. Together, the three of them make up one of the most dysfunctional almost-first families this side of real-life Washington politics. Nominated for London's 1998 Olivier Award for Best New Musical.

Leading Ladies, June 8 – July 1: A rollicking comedy about two down-on-their-luck actors who dress as women to con a dying



woman out of her millions. A cross between "Twelfth Night" and "Some Like It Hot," this comedy finds two actors, Leo Clark and Jack Gable, so down on their luck that they are performing "Scenes from Shakespeare" on the Moose Lodge circuit in the Amish country of Pennsylvania. When they hear that an old lady is about to die and leave her fortune to her two long lost English nephews, they resolve to pass themselves off as her beloved relatives and get the cash. Mayhem ensues when they find out that the relatives aren't nephews – but nieces!

Ghost Writers, Aug. 24 –

Sept. 16: Something mysterious is happening. In the West Coast premiere of an intimate spine-tingler from award-winning playwright Michael Hollinger, acclaimed novelist Franklin Woolsey has died. But his devoted secretary remains poised at her typewriter – waiting to channel the words that will complete his masterpiece. This ghost story of literary proportions questions where we draw the line between fact and fiction, between this life and beyond. Winner of the Edgerton Foundation New American Plays Award.

Ain't Misbehavin', Oct. 12 – Nov. 4: This Tony Award-winning musical review is based on the life of Thomas "Fats" Waller. Step back to the Golden Age of Jazz, when places like the Cotton Club and the Savoy Ballroom were havens where snappy swing music, snazzy jazz and the stride piano infused the energy of the country.

For more information on the theater schedule, or to purchase season tickets, call (562) 436-4610 or go online to InternationalCityTheatre.org.

Chinese acrobats in 1-night show

COSTA MESA – Tickets go on sale Sunday to see the National Acrobats of China at the Segerstrom Center for the Arts on Oct. 1.

Founded more than 50 years ago, the troupe has been one of the most influential acrobatic ensembles in the world, having won every important award in international competitions.

The troupe's trained performers use objects of daily life – bicycles, chairs, tables, poles, ladders, bowls, plates, bottles and jars – as props in their own shows that also feature eye-popping contortionism, drumming, dance and traditional music.

Tickets start at \$15 and go on sale Sunday online at scfta.org and by calling (714) 556-2787.

Dance company to perform at Long Beach Playhouse

LONG BEACH – Long Beach-based Domino Affect Dance Company will perform its production of "Shift, Block, Build" at the Long Beach Playhouse on Sept. 10 at 5 and 8 p.m.

"Shift, Block, Build" features five original contemporary modern dance pieces, three of which are world premieres, and a dance film focusing on "the progression of finding solutions to an idea."

"Each dance holds its own purpose, yet there is a continuous relationship that has emerged out of our collaboration as a company," said program manager Donica Schmidt.

"This show explores the movement of shifting ideas and the creation of concepts building upon each other one block at a time."

Tickets are \$20 general admission, \$15 for students and seniors. They can be purchased online at lbplayhouse.org or by calling (562) 494-1014, ext. 550.

Bellflower chorus in concert

BELLFLOWER – The Bellflower Civic Chorus will present its annual fall concert Sept. 16-18 at the William Bristol Auditorium in Bellflower.

This year's program is titled "I Love Music" and features encore performances of audience favorites from past shows.

The chorus will present songs of various genres, including jazz, folk, country, gospel, contemporary pop and more. Also included are specialty numbers, dancing and steel drum solos.

The chorus is under the director of Bill Jones and accompanist Hani Yang.

Shows are scheduled for 7 p.m. Sept. 16-17, and 2:30 p.m. on Sept. 18. Tickets are \$5.

The William Bristol Auditorium is at 16660 Civic Center Dr. in Bellflower. For more information, call (562) 866-4664.

'Shrek' opening in Costa Mesa

COSTA MESA – "Shrek the Musical," the story of a swamp-dwelling ogre who goes on a life-changing adventure to reclaim the deed to his land, opens at the Segerstrom Center for the Arts in Costa Mesa on Oct. 4 for a two-week engagement.

The musical is based on the story and characters from William Steig's book "Shrek!", as well as the DreamWorks animated film.

Tickets start at \$20 and can be purchased online at scfta.org or by calling (714) 556-2787.

Choir show in Monrovia

MONROVIA – The San Gabriel Valley Choral Company, under the direction of Tony Davis, will present "Cabaret Night" at First Presbyterian Church in Monrovia on Sept. 24.

The concert will feature an eclectic mix of jazz, old standards, Broadway, pop and more.

The concert starts at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$15 at the door, \$12 for students and seniors.

For more information, go to choralcompany.org or call (626) 579-2433.

West Hollywood Library sets opening date

WEST HOLLYWOOD – A dedication and grand opening celebration will be held Oct. 11 at 10 a.m. for the new West Hollywood Library, 625 N. San Vicente Blvd.

The library includes computer and technology areas, a career development center, children's theater area, teen and LGBT area, an international languages collection, assistive technology and large print collections, archive, and Friends of the Library bookstore.

The new library will include shelving for 150,000 books, movies and music.

Things to do this weekend:



B-Movies and Bad Science
When: Aug. 27, 8:30 p.m.
Where: National History Museum
How much: \$12 adults, \$5 children ages 5-12

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Sunset Junction Music Festival and Street Fair
When: Aug. 27-28, noon
Where: Sunset Boulevard in Silverlake
How much: \$20 if purchased online, \$25 at the door

Maybe. The festival was denied permits but is reportedly looking for another venue.



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Football season opens next week

DOWNEY – Downey and Warren football teams continue to prepare for their season openers next Friday with both teams shooting for a successful season.

This week, Downey is finishing up their preparations and annual summer hell week to get ready for their opener against Mayfair.

"I will let you know in a few weeks," said Downey head coach Jack Williams about the progress of his team. "Our young men are working hard and getting after it."

Downey will open their season at home and four of their five non-conference schedules will find them at the comfortable confines of Allen Layne Stadium. Their first four games will come against the likes of La Serna, Schurr, and Fountain Valley, all teams that they've had success against in the past.

But focusing on their home opener against Mayfair, they will be seeing a team that they haven't faced in over five years. Last year, Mayfair was 8-5 overall, 4-1 in league play, and made it to the third round of the CIF playoffs.

Last year, the Vikings fell in their first round game against Inglewood and finished with a 6-5 record.

Warren will be hosting Burbank at Justice Stadium, just down the street from Downey. Their non-conference schedule is more road tested with two of their five games on the road, but in result will have more home games during San Gabriel Valley League play.

Last year, the Bears faced off against Burbank and lost in a season opening shootout 41-39. Warren will have Santa Fe, Jordan, Marina, and La Serna filling out their non-conference schedule.

But one can't overlook the interesting SGVL opener that schedulers put together for both teams.

In the past years, Downey and Warren have faced off against each other in the final games of the season, but this year they will open up against each other in a mid-October match up of city rivals.

But first, they open up their seasons at home. Both games are scheduled for 7 p.m.

—Scott Cobos, staff writer

Vikings ranked No. 1 in poll

DOWNEY – The girls varsity volleyball team at Downey High School was ranked No. 1 in Division 2A in preseason rankings released by CIF this week.

The polls were voted on by a committee of local girls volleyball coaches.

Ranked behind Downey was Troy (2), Whittier Christian (3), Palm Springs (4), Bonita (5), Adolfo Camarillo (6), Diamond Bar (7), Arcadia (8), Walnut (9) and La Habra (10).

Preseason games start Monday and playoffs begin Nov. 7.

The CIF also released preseason rankings for boys water polo. No Downey schools were ranked.

Cheer clinic at Downey High

DOWNEY – Downey High School cheerleaders will host a cheer clinic Sept. 17 for boys and girls ages 5-13.

Participants will learn game-action cheers and perform during halftime of the varsity football game on Sept. 23 at Allen Layne Stadium.

Cost of the clinic is \$25 and includes a T-shirt, snacks and two admission tickets to the football game. The clinic is from 8:30 a.m. to noon in the Downey High gym.

To register, call Jan Guastella at (562) 923-8675 or Kelle Eiding at (562) 862-3940.

Who in Downey will reign in fantasy football?

So I set an Aug. 31 deadline for players in my fantasy football league to officially join. The invites have been sent, and as of right now, I have myself, and two others officially joined in. But what makes this fantasy football league so special that I'm writing about it right now? Ask some of the coaches at Warren and Downey High Schools.

As a matter of fact, ask head football coach Jack Williams at Downey, or the new athletic director at Warren, Russ Heicke. Or maybe you should ask the City of Downey's parks and recreation coordinator Kevin Ellis. What do all these people have in common? They're all involved in Downey sports in one way or another.

Official invites went out to Heicke, Williams, Ellis, Downey head basketball coach Larry Shelton, Warren baseball manager Paul Alvarez, PGA Apprentice Greg Lake, Warren football coach Gil Jimenez, Warren basketball head coach Ryan Hart, Warren softball manager Mary Starksen, Warren cross country coach Jay Waldron, Downey softball manager Micah Karzen, Downey baseball manager Jess Gonzalez, Downey AD Mark Rand, Warren girls basketball head coach Rachel Parmler, and Warren assistant softball coach Rob English.

Coaches, if you are thinking to yourself that you haven't heard anything, please check your Downey Unified School District emails, or your phones because I either emailed you, texted you, or called you officially inviting you.

I thought it would be entertaining for all the brighter sports minds in Downey to participate in fantasy football. Why fantasy football? It's the one sport that I feel everyone likes in one shape or form. Whether it be Tom Brady throwing a touchdown pass, Ray Lewis leveling a running back in the backfield, or Jay Feely kicking a 50-yard field goal, football has a little bit of something for everyone.

As of Wednesday afternoon according to ESPN's Fantasy Football website that we're using, myself, Lake, and our city editor Eric Pierce have all officially joined the league and are waiting for the draft that is set tentatively for Saturday, Sept. 3 at noon.

I received emails from Heicke, Alvarez, Rand, Williams, and Ellis saying they're in. Fellas, I'm still waiting for you to click on that link I sent you in an email to officially join the league. I know, I'm being impatient, but I'm excited. Can you blame me?

But then again, what is the hold up? I've historically been tough on Downey and Warren sports, and now I'm practically gift wrapping an opportunity for you guys to beat me into submission at my own game. The results of the league are going to be published every week, and I know one of you has already told me that whooping on me in public would be awesome.

In fact, Alvarez, I relish the opportunity to give you this chance. Start practicing your drafts in ESPN's mock draft lobby. I expect a challenge from you.

I know I'll be getting a challenge from Lake. He religiously does fantasy sports, and he has

SCOTT COBOS

already told me on multiple occasions that he can't wait to crush me. Greg, don't forget that you ask me for advice when it comes to your fantasy rosters. Whether or not you actually take the advice is immaterial. You still ask me.

Rand, Heicke, and Williams, I know you guys are sort of new at this, but I know you will do just fine. You guys have enough sports knowledge to keep up with everyone here. Just go easy on me when you smack me around in the weeks we play, okay? Thanks.

Ellis, I know enough about you to know that you're probably in the same league as Lake when it comes to fantasy sports. How do I know this? I'm actually guessing. But I'm guessing because when I sent out the email inviting everyone, you were the second person to respond. Also, you responded with a simple "I'm in." That worries me as far as how I will fair toe-to-toe with you.

Hart, you make me laugh. I know you and Justin Muller are contemplating joining the league as a team. Quit "pondering" and get your respective butts on the website and in the league! I expect a strong showing from you two. Why? Because two minds are better than one. But the excuse that you're waiting for Shelton to join isn't good enough. I bet Shelton is waiting for you to join before he commits. Or is he?

As for the rest of the coaches who were invited. You all have my email address. In fact, most of you have my cell phone number as well. If you can't find my email address, it's on our new website. Just click Contact Us on the top part of the screen, scroll over my name, and bam, there's my email address.

I'm challenging you all to come participate in some friendly competition in the world of fantasy sports. Use all the resources you want whether it be draft cheat sheets, teaming up with your husband or wife, asking your players on who to draft, or who to bench on week two, or skim the internet endlessly for information.

We're looking to crown the new king or queen of Downey fantasy sports, and while I'm sure there are countless amounts of our readers and your parents of players salivating at the opportunity to play and beat me, you were the ones that were invited to play.

On top of that, who wouldn't want to see Heicke versus Rand, Williams versus Jimenez, Alvarez versus Gonzalez, or Pierce versus myself? I'll sweeten the deal. I'll go buy a trophy for the winner to display. It'll be massive, gaudy, and with enough room to where we can do this at the beginning of every football season. How great would it be to have your name be the first engraved on such a beautiful thing?

You have to join first. It's free, doesn't take a load of time, and makes watching football more fun. City pride is also on the line. So what are you waiting for? Do you want a golfer like Lake to take this trophy? Or better yet, do you want me to get it? Let's do it!

The pre-swing routine

Hello again fellow golfers. This week, we will be talking about the very beginning of your golf shot. There is a lot of preparation a golfer does before they hit their shot.

You need to figure out what club you are using, how the wind might affect it, pick your target, and then get ready to hit. Well there is something called the pre-shot routine that is very important to the flow of any golf shot you hit. Someone's pre-shot routine is similar to their fingerprints because nobody has the same exact routine. If you watch golf on television a lot, you see all kinds of routines that incorporate one or two practice swings, some waggles, and some kind of process for lining up your shot.

It doesn't really matter what you decide to include in your pre-shot routine, but you need to have something you do every time before you swing.

My pre-shot routine goes like this: I stand behind my ball and take two practice swings while I am thinking about how I see the ball flying through the air after I hit. Golf is a lot about imagination and creating the shot in your head before you hit it. Next I will step into my shot and use a couple steps to make sure my alignment is correct. I have been using this same way to align my golf shots for over five years now and it has become second nature to me.

After I have taken my practice swings, I will stand behind my golf ball and imagine a straight line that goes through my ball and ends at my target. I will then follow that line back to my ball and look in the area that is a foot or two in front of my ball. I am looking for some object that stands out to my eye just in front of my ball and that is on

my target line. It can be a patch of grass, a broken tee, a leaf, anything you want. It is just important that it stands out to your eyes so that you can use it in the next step.

Next I will start building my stance to my shot. After taking my grip, I will walk into the shot with my right foot forward and place my club behind the ball. I am now trying to point my club through the ball and at that specific object I picked out earlier. This is the only fool-proof way to make sure you have the club pointed in the direction you want to hit it.

Now that your club is set correctly, next comes the feet. I will step up with my left foot and adjust my right foot to make sure I have a good stance. You want to make sure that your target line and the line created from the tips of your toes are parallel lines and thus creating the form of railroad tracks. If these two lines are not parallel it can really affect the way you start your swing and will cause bad swing habits if not corrected.

Your feet aren't the only line that should be parallel to your target line. You also have to be aware of your shoulder line. In my swing I unconsciously set my shoulders open to my target line which is not good at all. If you were to watch me swing you would notice that I make a quick move to square up my shoulders just before I start my swing. This move has become a permanent part of my pre-shot routine.

The last couple things I will do after my alignment is good are: Take one look out at my target, remind myself of one good swing thought, take a deep, quiet breath, and on exhale I will start my swing.

This may seem like a lot to think about before your swing but believe me it is worth it if you are



GREG LAKE

able to develop a consistent pre shot routine. I believe a pre-shot routine is important so that you are able to set yourself up in the best possible way to hit a quality golf shot. It is a great way to keep your nerves down when faced with a high pressure shot. Just pick your club and go through your own routine before those pressure packed shots and I know you won't feel as much nerves as normal.

Only thing I and fellow golfers ask is to keep this routine on the short side. You do not need to be taking five or more practice swings or standing over the ball for more than a couple seconds before you hit it.

Pick your target, go through your routine, and hit it down the middle!

I hope to see everyone out at Rio Hondo Golf Course soon practicing or playing. Until next time, keep it in the short grass!

Greg Lake is a PGA apprentice and golf instructor at Rio Hondo Golf Club, and a former Warren High School golf MVP. For lessons or more details, please contact the RHGC pro shop.

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Examining plastic bags and public health

■ Despite reports, reusable shopping bags are not unsafe after a single use.

BY LARS CLUTTERHAM, CONTRIBUTOR

DOWNEY – The relationship between plastic carryout bags and human health is neither as thoroughly documented nor as conclusive as other public health issues, such as clean air, clean water, vaccinations, smoking or overeating.

Though links to human health factors have been discovered in BPA, DEHP, DBP, and other acronym-ed chemical compounds used in the production of plastics, no definitive human health risks have been ascribed directly to plastic carryout bags.

Likewise in the fresh water supply current testing does not even include analysis for plastic content. This writer recently attended a symposium on the health of the San Gabriel River watershed, which of course runs through Downey, and the closest test parameter to any analysis for plastic content was for PCB's, used primarily in industrial manufacturing, and banned since 1979, though they still appear in fish.

It's a different story in the ocean, however, where in 1997 an amateur sailor from Long Beach made a spontaneous trip to the North Pacific Gyre -- a mostly windless ocean vortex about 1,000 miles off the coast of California -- and discovered to his chagrin a collection of plastic flotsam hundreds of miles wide.

This sailor, Captain Charles Moore, immediately devoted his life to researching the nature of what soon became known as the "North Pacific Garbage Patch."



Much of this plastic is not on the surface, but has photo-degraded into small particles about the size of plankton down to depths of 100 feet or more, characterized by Captain Moore as a sort of "plastic soup."

Estimates of the size of this body of water range as high as one and a half times the size of the continental United States. It continues to grow and has been encountered across the Pacific from as little as 500 miles off the coast of California to 200 miles off the coast of Japan. Eighty percent of this plastic pollution is land-based. Within the last two years similar accumulation of plastic has been discovered in the rest of the world's five ocean gyres.

Marine animals ingest plastic all the way up through the food chain, and tens of thousands of sea creatures, including fish, birds, turtles (who think plastic bags are jellyfish), and even whales, have died from eating plastic. There is no cleanup solution, even if one were possible on this scale, that wouldn't also kill the marine life that's

endangered. So the only way to begin to fix this problem is to vastly reduce the amount of plastic entering the ocean--on a global scale.

Now we have a moral question of global proportion, regardless of whether or not it has a proven direct impact on human health, and overriding any convenience the plastic carryout bag may provide. The scale of this problem also brings us back to the question of government intervention and regulation, which we will investigate next week.

But, before we close, it's appropriate here to lay to rest health claims made against the reusable grocery shopping bag, increasingly used as an alternative to plastic carryout bags. Many people think reusable shopping bags are dangerously unsafe, even after a single use. This claim is patently false, except in the most extreme cases of intentional or negligent misuse. Most of the press surrounding this issue has been generated by a single study paid for by the American Chemistry Council, an organization whose primary purpose is to promote the plastic bag manufacturing industry.

This writer has read the report, and the testing methodology is so narrow and biased as to make a layman blush, much less a scientist. Consumer Reports scientists reviewed it, and concluded, "a person eating an average bag of salad greens gets more exposure to these bacteria than if they had licked the insides of the dirtiest bag from this study."

Lars Clutterham is a Downey resident and charter member of the city of Downey's Green Task Force and Downey Chamber of Commerce's Green Committee.



Perry Miller, left, is congratulated by Police Chief Rick Esteves and Mayor Luis Marquez on his promotion to sergeant with the Downey Police Department. Miller was introduced to the community at Tuesday's City Council meeting.

Downey Police promotes new sergeant

DOWNEY – Newly-promoted Downey Police Sgt. Perry Miller was introduced at Tuesday's City Council meeting.

Police Chief Rick Esteves called Miller a "caring individual whose work ethic is second to none."

"I'm honored to present this promotion," Esteves said Tuesday. "It's a well-earned recognition."

Miller started his law enforcement career in Vernon before transferring to the Downey Police Department.

In Downey, Miller worked as an accident investigator, becoming one of the state's recognized leaders in accident reconstruction. He later became a motor officer and eventually a detective, working on fraud and forgery cases.

Miller, whose father is a retired sergeant from the La Habra Police Department, also became a "use of force" instructor, working with young officers to reduce incidents involving force.

Miller fought back tears as he thanked the city and his family.

"This is a special community," he said. "It's a real special place for me. That's why I'm here."

College offering safety courses

NORWALK – Cerritos College is now offering advanced safety technical courses to students needing to complete OSHA, environmental, and health and safety training.

The classes are designed for students working in construction, electrical/power line, oil rigging and excavation. The courses can also be helpful to wind technicians, solar panel installers, forklift operators, maintenance crews, safety managers, operations managers and safety instructors.

Students must have previous field experience before enrolling in the classes. The courses are designed for experienced personnel.

For more information, including fees and schedules, call (949-540-6800 or go to ehsinternational.org.

AltaMed earns 'Seal of Approval'

DOWNEY – AltaMed, which operates 43 medical and dental facilities throughout Southern California, including a senior center in Downey, has been awarded the "Gold Seal of Approval" from the Joint Commission accrediting body.

The Joint Commission issued the designation after finding that AltaMed met its standards for "Primary Care Medical Home" (PCMH).

Under the PCMH model, AltaMed primary care doctors work with an interdisciplinary team to support the patient and "ensure comprehensive and coordinated care, treatment and services."

To earn the designation, AltaMed underwent an unannounced, on-site survey the week of July 11. A team of Joint Commission surveyors evaluated AltaMed staff for compliance.

"Organizations that pursue the PCMH option from the Joint Commission are demonstrating the highest commitment to delivering primary care in a comprehensive, coordinated and accessible model," said Michael Kulczycki, executive director of the Ambulatory Care Accreditation Program at the Joint Commission.

AltaMed is the first organization to receive the "Gold Seal of Approval" in PCMH. The designation was enacted July 1 of this year.

Psychology students earn national award

NORWALK – Three Cerritos College psychology students traveled to Washington, D.C. earlier this month to attend the American Psychological Association's national convention.

Students Mallory Maranon, Edgar Perez and Steven Palacios – who were accompanied by Cerritos College psychology professors Dr. Kimberley Duff and Dr. Todd Gaffaney – were pleasantly surprised when the Cerritos College chapter of Psi Beta, a national honor's society in psychology, was recognized with the 2010-11 Chapter Excellence Award.

"This award challenges chapters to engage in activities reflecting Psi Beta's four-pronged mission of leadership, scholarship, community service and research," said Jerry Rudmann, Ph.D., executive director of Psi Beta National Honor Society. "Few of the nation's Psi Beta chapters achieve this level of distinction."

The Cerritos College chapter of Psi Beta, known as the Psychology Club on campus, had a successful school year – it inducted a record number of students into the national honor society of Psi Beta. The club also participated in the AIDS Walk, the NAMI walk, and volunteered at Metropolitan State Hospital in Norwalk.

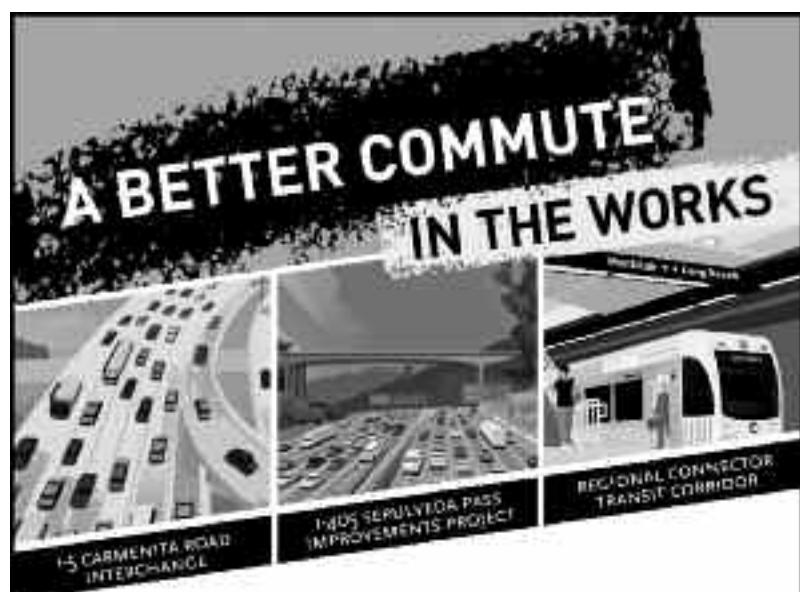
Twenty students also attended the Western Psychological Association conference and presented original research they conducted in class.

DVDs donated to youth club

BELL GARDENS – The Rio Hondo Boys & Girls Club in Bell Gardens received a donation of more than 1,000 DVDs from Twentieth Century Fox Home Entertainment.

The DVDs will be used as incentives for members, raffle items, and as birthday and holiday gifts.

Twentieth Century Fox donated 1 million DVDs to charities across the country.



Voter-approved Measure R is funding new transportation projects and programs and accelerating those already in the pipeline.

Here are updates on a few of the projects:

I-5 Carmenita Road Interchange

- Groundbreaking was held in June for the I-5 Carmenita Road Interchange project to replace the existing two-lane steel overpass with a ten-lane concrete structure and add two lanes in each direction.
- This project is the first of six, totaling \$1.34 billion, to improve the I-5 from the Orange County line to the I-605. For more information visit: metro.net/highwayprojects.

I-405 Sepulveda Pass Improvements Project

- Metro is building new on-and off-ramps to the I-405 at Wilshire Boulevard as part of the I-405 Sepulveda Pass Improvements Project between the I-10 and US 101 freeways.
- The project will add a 10-mile HOV lane, realign 27 on-and off-ramps, widen 13 existing underpasses and structures and construct 18 miles of retaining and sound walls. For more information visit: metro.net/i405.

Regional Connector Transit Corridor

- Metro has released a revised draft environmental report on the Regional Connector Transit Corridor light rail line for a 45-day public review.
- The two-mile, fully underground route will connect the Metro Gold Line, Metro Blue Line, and future Expo Line through Downtown L.A. For more information visit: metro.net/regionalconnector.



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STAR results reflect well on teachers



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DOWNEY – Ever since the state-mandated STAR (Standardized Testing and Reporting) program was initiated in 1997 to gauge the proficiency of all students in the state in grades 2 through 11 in English/language arts, math, science, and history/social science, it has been the practice to look more closely only on the scores for English/language arts and math; to include the analyses of the scores, per district and per school and per subject, of the other two main subjects—science and history/social science-- would be too unwieldy.

Besides, they figure that analysis of English/language arts and math scores should provide a reasonably good picture of how the students are progressing over time and from year to year. (All these figures are available at <http://star.cde.ca.gov>).

Furthermore, the main component of the STAR tests is the California Standards Tests (CSTs), which are administered in May and the results released in mid-August.

In any case, the whole point of the exercise is for every student (in the selected grades above) in the state to attain at least minimum proficiency (advanced being the ideal way to go) in the above subjects. The results go into the computation of the all-important year-end API (the state-administered Academic Performance Index) and AYP (the

federal Annual Yearly Progress report) which weigh heavily in education budget allocations, assuming of course that the federal government and the state have money left in their coffers.

AYP is subsumed in the federal No Child Left Behind Act which stipulates that all students in the country attain the proficiency level by the year 2014. This has of course everybody howling "This is utterly 'pie-in-the-sky'", "This is unrealistic!", "This is foul!"

The other sub-minimum competency levels are basic, below basic, and far below basic. Other indicators of student progress/success include: the Academic Performance Index (API), the CELDT (for English learners), CAHSEE (the California High School Exit Exam for grades 10, 11, and 12 as well as the Adult School, and required for graduation), and graduation rates.

DUSD scored very well with its 2010 graduation rate, registering an estimated area-leading 91.0 percent, easily beating L.A. County's 71.2 percent rate and the state average of 74.4 percent.

Extensive press coverage of this was acknowledged by the district's board in Tuesday's meeting, with both boardmembers Don LaPlante and D. Mark Morris pressing for just one single uniform graduation rate figure instead of a range of from 89.0 to 91.0 percent, as was the case recently. When asked about the unsettled figure, asst. superintendent/educational services Jerilyn King-Brown, tongue-in-cheek and exhibiting a bit of promotional flair, said, "[For now], print the highest figure."

The accompanying 2011 chart shows that proficient or advanced scores of DUSD students in English/language arts improved by almost 14 percent over a 5-year period (2007-11) as compared to a percentage state growth rate of only 11 percent.

At the same time, district 5-year

average math scores also exceeded the state's, 11 percent to almost 10 percent.

"This is due to the hard work by all whose common goal is student achievement," said curriculum, instruction, and assessment director Denise Takano in her report. She was referring of course to the contribution of teachers, administrators, school staff, and parents to the whole, absolutely vital educational enterprise.

"Teachers have been working collaboratively to analyze the ELA standards, assessments, data, instructional practices, and determining appropriate student interventions to meet the needs of students," she added.

The schools exhibiting the greatest percentage progress over the same five-year period in English/language arts are: Unsworth (27.2), Ward (26.4), Alameda (26.0), Carpenter (18.9), and West Middle (18.7). In addition to these schools, those that have improved at least 10 percentage points in the same time span are Gallatin, Gauldin, Old River, Price, Rio Hondo, East Middle, Griffiths Middle, Downey High, and Warren High.

In math, it's Unsworth again (30.2), West (26.0), Griffiths Middle (21.1), Ward (18.5), and Alameda (17.6), and showing at least 10 percent growth over the five years are Carpenter, Old River, Rio Hondo, Sussman Middle, and Downey High.

"The overall improvement in math," explained Takano, "could be attributed to a district-wide focus on math instruction throughout all of the grades. The elementary and middle schools adopted and implemented new math materials two years ago." This all-out effort includes the hiring of consultants to assist with professional (teacher/specialized staff) development, especially at the high school level, math pacing guides and benchmark assessments, to improve

instruction "to meet student needs."

She went on: "The district has also completed a full year of the California Math and Science Partnership (CaMSP) grant in collaboration with UCLA, with fifty-two (52) teachers in grades 3 through high school Algebra I taking part in the three-year math training program. The emphasis on building conceptual understanding and providing for student engagement and interaction is showing promising results. The goal, of course, is to have all students be successful in math."

She also emphasized that the district and school staffs will "continue to focus on professional development in math, reading, instructional delivery, student intervention, and data analysis, to inform instruction and increase student achievement."

She pointed out that Columbus continuation high school is not listed in the table because it is an alternative school accountability model (ASAM) serving high-risk student populations.

There is no shortage of ideas on how to improve education on the national, state, and local levels. The more interesting suggestions address better teacher preparation ("If you're going to teach a subject, learn it well") and "reinventing teaching, learning and assessment in the 21st century" by recognizing that better teachers result from better parenting (parents who turn off the TV and video games, make sure homework is completed, encourage reading and elevate learning as the most important life skill)—as suggested by the New York Times' Thomas Friedman.

Along this line, in talking about what makes a good great teacher, someone offered this sharp insight: "The mediocre teacher tells. The good teacher explains. The superior teacher demonstrates. The great teacher inspires."



Mr. and Mrs. John J. Flores, of Downey, have announced the engagement of their son, John Flores Jr., to Alma Andrade, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Francisco Andrade. John graduated from Downey High School in 2001 and graduated from Cal State Long Beach with a Bachelor in Fine Arts. Alma is currently employed at Aspire in Downey. They are both venturing in their own business providing life insurance. They plan to marry in May 2012.



The United States Tennis Association summer youth tennis program ended Aug. 11 at Independence Park. Children ages 8-17 who completed the L.A. 1984 USTA program are pictured above. Top row, from left: Coach Eric Ballesteros, Natania Fernoll, Salvador Cortes, Angel Granados, Joselyn Franco and instructor Chelsea Logan. Middle row: Eilani Aguilar, Arlin Aguilar, Michael Bonilla, Samantha Jreisat and Alejandro Muro. Bottom: Caroline Hernandez, Erik Venegas, Gabriela Brandan, Kayla Becerra and Adrianna Martinez. Photo by Nathalie Mora

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Hoffman specializes in all aspects of family law matters, including dissolutions of marriage, paternity, adoption, and related family law matters. Hoffman, who also handles landlord-tenant cases, has owned and managed his private practice for more than 39 years. He represents clients in Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, and San Bernardino counties. He has served as a temporary judge in family law, small claims, and unlawful detainer actions in several of the Los Angeles area superior courts.

Hoffman is also active with the American Cancer Society, serving as a member of the Downey/Rio Hondo Unit's board of directors since 1998. He was elected president for the 2002-2004 term and is, again serving as president through 2012. He served as chairman of the Advocacy Committee from 1998 to the present date and as vice president in charge of public issues from 1999 to 2001. He is currently a member of the Los Angeles Regional Counsel of the American Cancer Society and is chairman of the Los Angeles Region's Elected Officials Constituent Constituent.

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History professor featured on 'Deadliest Warrior'

■ Episode will air on Spike TV this Wednesday.

LONG BEACH – Andrew Jenks, an associate professor of history at Cal State Long Beach, brings his expertise on Russia's scariest czar, Ivan the Terrible, to Spike TV on Aug. 31 when he visits the popular cable series "Deadliest Warrior."

He will also appear on the series' website on Sept. 2 to answer questions in a segment called "Aftermath."

"Deadliest Warrior" offers information on historical or modern warriors and their weapons, which are used to determine who is the "deadliest" based on tests performed during each episode.

The show begins with the introduction of either two types of historical or contemporary warriors, or two historical individuals. Two teams of guests are brought onto the show to test weapons spotlighted as being used by each of the warriors.

The Aftermath, produced in a roundtable format, focuses on a specific match-up and debates the issues pertaining to the episode raised by viewers in Internet forums.

"My job is essentially to be Ivan's coach – I'm the 'brain' – along with an actor who plays the role of Ivan's warrior," explained Jenks, who noted that the warrior – the 'brawn' – is played by an ex-Russian special forces guy and stuntman trained in shooting, horseback and swordplay. "When I was asked to appear on the show, I'd never heard of it and asked my 12-year-old boy, Alex. He, of course, knew all about it."

In Jenks' episode, Ivan the Terrible faces off against the conqueror of Mexico, Hernan Cortes.

"They of course, have their team of experts," Jenks said. "Their brain is an actor and their brawn an expert marksman, fencer and stuntman."

The series, currently in its third season, is one of Spike TV's highest-rated shows with about 2.5 million viewers.

"The show features the experts



Andrew Jenks

talking trash against their opponents and making references to the historical record," Jenks pointed out. "Just give us more stories about torture' they kept saying. I must have heard that 100 times."

The show consists of gruesome tests using the weapons of each side. Then the experts evaluate damage and assess lethality using wonky gadget wizardly talk.

"I chime in with riffs on this or that battle, Ivan's traveling chamber of torture horrors, stories about horrific deaths and insanity, and just how blood-curdling it all is," he said.

Jenks doesn't recall much glamor from his stint in television. "We had a day of going over the script, which I tried to amend in the direction of historical perspective, then two days in the field on a production ranch north of Los Angeles, and then a day at the show's inside set in a warehouse in Los Angeles," Jenks recalled.

"It was grueling – hours and hours of set up, sun-up to sun-down, hundreds of takes," he added. "They seemed to like goofy and animated ways of explaining Ivan's terrible tendencies, and so they hired me. This will likely play a limited role in my promotion, but it was fun and will command the respect of my son (though not of my wife)."

For more information, visit the "Deadliest Warrior" website at spike.com/shows/deadliest-warrior.

CSULB students earn scholarships to study abroad

■ Scholarships will pay for students to pursue academic studies overseas.

LONG BEACH – California State University, Long Beach (CSULB) students Amy Smith and Amy Thomas have been awarded Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarships that will have them studying abroad during the 2011-12 academic year.

The Gilman International Scholarship Program offers grants for U.S. citizen undergraduate students of limited financial means to pursue academic studies abroad. Such international study is intended to better prepare U.S. students to assume significant roles in an increasingly global economy and interdependent world.

Smith, a senior majoring in international studies and geography at CSULB, will be spending the fall 2011 semester in Spain at the Universidad Carlos III de Madrid. Her four-and-a-half month study abroad excursion begins Sept. 1, and she is expecting to return to the states on Jan. 21, 2012.

"I was thrilled when I found out that I had received the Gilman Scholarship," Smith recalled. "Studying abroad is the last requirement I have to fulfill my international studies degree, and I have already completed my geography degree. So, I have a lot of freedom when it comes to which courses I will take. (More importantly,) living in Madrid will allow me to become fluent in Spanish and immerse myself in Spanish culture."

From an academic standpoint, Smith said Carlos III University offers many courses that interest her and will benefit her international studies major, including classes in international trade and international fiscal policy. She believes it will be interesting to take these courses abroad because the topics will have much less of an "America-centric" view and will be approached in a different way.

Smith also thinks that taking these courses abroad could help



Amy Smith

her gain admission into her first choice for a graduate school program—International Policy Studies at Stanford University.

"I believe that completing these courses abroad will give me even more of an edge because it will be taught from a different viewpoint than that of the United States," she stated. "As an international studies and geography double major and a member of the Model United Nations Club on campus, I understand the importance of international education."

"My long-term life goal is to become a program manager for USAID or a country program manager for a branch of the United Nations," she added. "While I am aware that it takes many years of experience to acquire these careers, I believe that studying international business abroad will enhance my chances of attaining my goal."

Thomas, also a senior and majoring in liberal studies (working toward a multiple subject teaching credential) and German, will be studying abroad in Germany for the entire 2011-12 academic year, and she will divide her study abroad year between two German universities.

She will spend the fall semester at the University of Tübingen, focusing on her German studies. Then, she will transfer in the spring to the University of Freiburg, where she will partici-



Amy Thomas

pate in the Teaching in Freiburg (TIF) program, designed for students considering teaching who would like to add an international component to their degrees.

Through the (TIF) Program, participants learn about education in Germany and observe students and teachers in schools at various levels. This gives students valuable experience with children in school settings while enhancing their understanding of German language and culture.

Thomas believes the TIF Program will be an "extremely valuable experience" for her, especially because she is toying with the idea of pursuing a master's degree in international education.

More than anything, Thomas said she expects to gain a good command of the German language during her yearlong study abroad experience.

"You can't go into (the study abroad year) knowing exactly what you're going to learn. I want to be surprised," she explained. "The great thing about studying abroad with other international students is that I will learn not only about the German culture, but a lot about many other cultures as well. Anything I learn abroad will be worthwhile."

Overall, Smith and Thomas were two of three CSULB students to receive a Gilman International Scholarship for the 2011-12 academic year. The other student received a scholarship for a summer study abroad program.

"We are proud to once again have exceptional students chosen for this scholarship," said Linda Olson Levy, CSULB's advisor for education abroad and international scholarships. "We are confident that they will represent Cal State Long Beach well overseas and will return home with a deeper understanding of the world in which we live."

Student to study overseas in Germany

LONG BEACH – Yanalte De Haro, a double major in German studies and studio art at California State University, Long Beach (CSULB), has been awarded an undergraduate scholarship from the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD).

DAAD is the German national agency for the support of international academic cooperation. It offers programs and funding for students, faculty, researchers and others in higher education, providing financial support to more than 50,000 individuals a year.

DAAD also represents the country's higher education system abroad, promoting Germany as an academic and research destination and helping to build ties between institutions around the world.

"I am very excited to have received the DAAD scholarship because without it I would not be able to live out my dreams of studying abroad," said De Haro, who plans to graduate from CSULB with her bachelor of arts degrees in spring 2013. "Ever since I first learned that I could study in another country I have been determined to make it happen. I am very thankful to the DAAD for selecting me as a recipient."

The Undergraduate Scholarship program is aimed at students who want to spend part of their third or fourth year of college in Germany. The grantees stay anywhere from a semester to a full academic year to study, perform an internship or conduct a senior thesis.

De Haro will spend the 2011-12 academic year in Germany but will divide up her study abroad experience between two different institutions. During the first semester, she will study German at the University of Tübingen and, during her second semester, she will transfer to the Academy of Art and Design in Stuttgart to study her other major, studio art.

She leaves for Germany on Aug. 31 and expects to return in July 2012.

De Haro believes one reason for her selection as a DAAD recipient was her project proposal. "It was very specific about what I wanted to do and learn while I was in Germany," she said. "I explained my reasons for learning German and my desire to immerse myself in another culture and learn about the art there. I think it helped that I had a good GPA and was active in clubs on campus like Campus Scouts."

De Haro first heard about the DAAD scholarship from her Hogan High School German teacher, Andrea Marek. "I remember looking at the guidelines and thinking I would never get this scholarship. It seemed too good, to be true," she explained.

After graduation in 2013, De Haro looks forward to travel and volunteer work abroad with thoughts of joining the Peace Corps or AmeriCorps.

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Lawmaker wants stiffer penalties for stadium fights

SACRAMENTO – Assemblyman Mike Gatto (D-Los Angeles) announced legislation this week that he said would deter fighting at sporting events.

In addition to sentencing enhancements for fighting at sporting events, Gatto wants to create a fund, paid into by California's major sports franchises, that would pay for rewards in certain instances.

"I know a lot of parents who are afraid to take their kids to a ballgame," Gatto said. "That's not the California I know."

Since the deadline for introducing bills in the 2011 legislative session has passed, Gatto said he has not decided whether to insert his proposals into the provisions of an existing bill, or to get his bill heard as part of a special session later this year.

Gatto said he will ask the Assembly's Arts, Entertainment, Sports, Tourism and Internet Media Committee, on which he sits, to convene a special proceeding to vet his proposal and hear testimony from sports security experts, law enforcement and others.

Gatto's proposals come on the heels of recent assaults at California sporting events.

Bryan Stow, a paramedic and father of two, was attacked from behind in the Dodger Stadium parking lot on March 31, and is in a medically induced coma because of the extensive brain damage he suffered.

This past weekend, two men were shot during a game at Candlestick Park between the San Francisco 49ers and Oakland Raiders. A man was also beaten in a stadium bathroom, leaving the victim unconscious.

"There are many things worth fighting for," said Gatto. "The fact that someone wore a rival sports franchise's jersey to a game isn't one of them."

Lara joins board to improve college success

SACRAMENTO – Assemblyman Ricardo Lara has accepted a nomination to serve on the College Board's National Legislative Hispanic Advisory Committee for College Completion, the first of its kind.


The advisory committee, made up of state legislators and staff from across the country, will develop recommendations for policy experts and lawmakers nationwide to help increase Latino college attainment and completion rates.

The committee will also work to advanced the "55 by 2025 Initiative," which seeks to attain a 55 percent college completion rate across the nation by 2025. Ensuring Latino success will be crucial to meeting that goal, officials said.

"By 2020, one in five college-age adults will be Latino. It is imperative that we identify and implement strategies for supporting not only Latino enrollment in higher education, but completion as well," said Lara. "The fastest growing jobs will soon require a post-secondary degree and I want to make sure Latinos are well-equipped to fill those future jobs."

The first Hispanic Advisory Committee meeting takes place Friday in New York City.

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Congresswoman calls for jobs in Latino community

LOS ANGELES – Rep. Lucille Roybal-Allard (D-34), speaking at the conference of the Council of Mexican Federations, urged a call to action to create more jobs in the Latino community.

Following her remarks, the congresswoman signed a pledge to "support urgent legislation to create good jobs."

"With a weak and vulnerable economy, a nine percent unemployment rate at the national level, 15 to 23 percent in my district alone, and millions of families struggling to keep their homes, we cannot reduce our deficit or strengthen America's standing in the world," Roybal-Allard said, speaking in Spanish. "Today's call to action is the first step to making sure our community's voices are heard loud and clear by our nation's leaders in Washington that American families want jobs and they want them now or they will pay the price at the ballot box in the next election."

Roybal-Allard welcomes consul general of Mexico

LYNWOOD – Rep. Lucille Roybal-Allard presented David Ortega with a certificate of congressional recognition last week in honor of his new appointment as Consul General of Mexico in Los Angeles.

Ortega took office on April 25. Roybal-Allard recognized him during a meeting at La Huasteca Restaurant in Plaza Mexico in Lynwood.

"I am very happy to welcome our new Consul General of Mexico, David Figueroa Ortega of Los Angeles," Roybal-Allard said during her opening remarks. "I know that the position of a Consul General is not new to you, but I also know that the Mexican and Latino communities in the Southeast are the most welcoming in the state."

"My office had a great relationship with our last Consul General, Juan Marcos Gutierrez Gonzalez, and I know that we will continue that partnership with your administration. We look forward to continuing to work together to provide the services that our constituents need from both of our offices."

The son of a bracero, Ortega migrated at a young age to the border town of Agua Prieta, Sonora. At 24, he served as secretary of the city of Agua Prieta from 1994-97.

In 2003, he was elected mayor of Agua Prieta where he was a strong advocate of the human rights of migrants on the border.

Ortega previously served as Consul General of Mexico in San Jose, Calif., and as a federal congressman for the state of Sonora in the Chamber of Deputies, Mexico's house of representatives.

Astronaut to speak and sign books at space center

DOWNEY – Astronaut Al Worden will be at the Columbia Memorial Space Center this Saturday from 1-3 p.m.

"The city of Downey is proud to have an Apollo astronaut reunited with an Apollo spacecraft in the city where it was made," space center officials said.

Worden will give a talk relating his fascinating moon-travel experiences, and then sign copies of his new book "Falling To Earth: An Apollo 15 Astronaut's Journey to the Moon."

The book includes tales of his days working in Downey on the Apollo spacecraft constructed here that flew to the moon and back.

Worden will only be signing his new book, so visitors should not bring outside memorabilia.

Admission to the space center is \$5; children 3 and younger are free.

For more information, call (562) 231-1200.

ABWA ambassador to speak

DOWNEY – JoAnn Osby of the American Business Women's Association will be the guest speaker when the Downey Coordinating Council meets Sept. 7 at the Barbara J. Riley and Community Center.

Osby's topic is "Getting to Know Your Organization."

Osby is a longtime member and past national officer of the ABWA. She currently serves as an ambassador for the group, in addition to teaching environmental and occupational safety classes for USC Medical Center.

Students study technology at workshops

NORWALK – Cerritos College's Pathway Programs hosted middle school and high school students from several school districts in summer workshops.

Students were introduced to careers in science, technology, engineering and math.

"This is the second year that we taught robotics to middle and high school students on the Cerritos College campus," said Sandra Bruesch, who helps students in the robotics class.

Since June, workshops covering topics such as robotics, solid-works and career exploration have been offered at no cost to students.

The robotics workshop held an in-class competition on July 13, where President Dr. Linda Lacy and board of trustees member Bob Arthur joined to see what students were learning.

Participating students will compete at the VEX Robotics competition later this year, according to Bruesch.

How do courts calculate child support?

STEVE LOPEZ
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Both parents have a legal duty to provide financial support for their child. The court may order one or both parents to make regular payments to cover the child's living and medical expenses. This payment is called child support.

California child support laws dictate how much child support will be paid to the parent that the child lives with. Child support laws in California are similar to those in other states, however, each state has its differences, and California child support laws are no exception. One thing which California has in common with all other states is that they do not take lightly failure to pay child support once there is a court order.

According to the Federal Child Support Enforcement Act, each state has developed guidelines to calculate a range of child support to be paid, based on the parents' respective incomes and expenses. These guidelines vary considerably from state to state, which means that in virtually identical situations the child support ordered in one state may be far more or less than that ordered in another state.

Some states allow their judges considerable leeway in setting the actual amount, as long as the general state guidelines are followed. Others have very strict guidelines that leave the judges very little leeway.

Regardless of how much latitude judges are given, the guidelines in effect in most states specify factors that must be considered in determining who pays how much child support. These factors usually include:

- the needs of the child -- including health insurance, education, day care, and special needs
- the income and needs of the parent which the child lives with, and
- the paying parent's ability to pay.

In California, child support is determined using guidelines established in the state law. Child support guidelines are based on factors mentioned above, including monthly net income of both parents and the amount of time the child spends with each parent.

The court reviews child support agreements to make sure the guidelines are applied correctly and the child support amounts are appropriate. In some specific cases, the court may decide not to use the income guidelines to determine the amount of child support.

To determine the parent's income the court requires each parent to fill out and submit to the court an income and expense declaration. The income and expense declaration is an official court form that is four pages long and includes information such as a gross



monthly income, educational background, employment history and monthly expenses.

The court takes the number from the income and expense declaration and plugs it in to an algebraic formula.

The algebraic formula for calculating guideline child support is found in California law. The amount of child support determined by the formula is presumed to be the correct amount of child support to be ordered. However, in child support cases, the court is not just supposed to punch numbers into a computer and award the parties the computer's result without considering circumstances in a particular case, which would make that order unjust or unfair. In California, the court has the ability to exercise discretion to achieve fairness.

Before a court can exercise any discretion, it must calculate child support based on the following guideline formula: $CS = K [HN - (H\%)(TN)]$. The components of the formula are:

- CS = child support amount;
- K = amount of both parents' income to be allocated for child support
- HN = high earner's net monthly disposable income;

•H% = the approximate percentage of time that the high earner has or will have primary physical responsibility for the children compared to the other parent; in cases in which the parents have different time-sharing arrangements for different children, H% equals the average of the approximate percentages of time the high earner parent spends with each child; and

•TN = total net monthly disposable income of both parties.

If you can't recall your high school algebra don't be alarmed, there are many calculators online that will do the calculation for you, one such calculator can be found by going to the website cse.ca.gov/ChildSupport/cse/guidelineCalculator.

And remember, your child's financial needs are solely the responsibility of you and your partner. Arming yourself with how child support is calculated will educate you and your partner in the process and will hopefully lessen the frustrations that usually accompany such proceedings.

The purpose of this column is to provide general information on the law, which is subject to change. It is not legal advice. Consult a lawyer if you have a specific legal problem.

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Darlene Lohwasser passes away

DOWNEY – Darlene R. Lohwasser (Davis) passed away Aug. 9 after a long struggle with Parkinson's disease.



She was born in Los Angeles in 1934 and lived in South Gate, attending South Gate High School. For many years she worked as a secretary for a California Federal Savings branch in Los Angeles.

She married Walter Lohwasser in 1963 and moved to Downey in 1965.

She was a graduate of Cerritos College, earning a journalism degree in 1979 after serving as campus editor for Talon Marks newspaper and Wings magazine.

She is survived by her husband, Walter; two sons, Scott Davis and Jon Lohwasser, and two grandsons, Jered and Collin Davis.

Interment was at Inglewood Park Cemetery on Aug. 16.

Crime Report

Thursday, Aug. 18

A residential burglary occurred in the 11000 block of Benfield. The residents returned home at about 8:00 p.m. and noticed the front door had been kicked open. The suspects fled the scene with the loss. Detectives are investigating.

At 9:00 p.m., officers responded to a burglary at Spencer Middle School. An employee heard glass breaking and observed two suspects entering the building. Officers arrested two juveniles as they attempted to flee the scene. Both suspects are facing burglary charges.

Saturday, Aug. 20

An Arson occurred in the 9400 block of Stewart & Gray Road at about midnight. When officers arrived, they discovered a vehicle fully engulfed in flames. Downey Fire responded to put out the flames. A records check revealed the vehicle had been stolen from the city of Norwalk.

At about 5:28 a.m., officers responded to the 9000 block of Lemoran regarding a call of an assault that occurred at a party when a fight broke out. As the victim tried to stop one of the combatants, he sliced her wrist with a knife and fled the scene. The victim was treated for her injury. When apprehended, the suspect is facing a charge of assault with a deadly weapon.

Sunday, Aug. 21

A strong armed robbery occurred in the area of Paramount and Irwingrove at around 4:45 p.m. The victim told officers he was struck by a vehicle, then while lying on the ground, two suspects removed his wallet from his pants. The vehicle was described as a white compact 2-door. The victim was treated for his injuries. Detectives are investigating.

Tuesday, Aug. 31

A strong arm robbery occurred in the 9900 block of Horley at around 5:00 p.m. The victim was walking south on Horley when the suspect approached her and asked her for the time. When the victim looked down at her watch, he grabbed the chain from around her neck then ran to a black SUV and drove out of sight. Detectives are investigating.

Information provided by Downey Police Department.

Recent grad designs portable microwave

■ Matthew Schwartz's design lands him in semifinals of prestigious design competition.

LONG BEACH – Matthew Schwartz, a 2011 design graduate from California State University, Long Beach (CSULB), has been recognized as one of 25 semifinalists for Design Lab 2011, an annual design competition sponsored by Electrolux, for his conception of an Onda Portable Microwave.

Founded in 2002, the design contest is open to design students from around the world who submit ideas for future appliances based on a certain theme. This year's theme was "Intelligent Mobility."

Electrolux received more than 1,300 entries in 2011 and chose 25 concept appliances as their semifinalists from 14 countries – three each from Australia, New Zealand, and Poland; and two each from Canada, the Czech Republic, France, South Korea and the

United States.

"I am very excited to have been selected as a semi-finalist and that my idea was so well-received and stood out among the 1,300-plus submissions," said Schwartz, who graduated from CSULB with his industrial design degree in May. "I am proud of my idea and I hope to go even further in the competition."

Electrolux will narrow the field from 25 to eight finalists later this month. The eight finalists will present their concept appliances to a jury of expert designers, who'll choose the winners based on the criteria of intuitive design, innovation and consumer insight. First prize is a six-month paid internship at an Electrolux global design center and 5,000 euros (approximately \$7,100). Second prize is 3,000 euros (approximately \$4,300), and third prize is 2,000 euros (approximately \$2,850).

Schwartz described the Onda

Portable Microwave as small device used in conjunction with pre-packaged meals that transmits microwaves directly into the sealed food package to heat and cook the contained food. The device slides onto the packaging of prepared meals. As the seal of the packaging is broken, the handheld oven creates a circuit connection. Paper batteries produce the energy needed to cook the food.

"When the device is attached to the dish, they seal together and the enclosed food container acts as the cooking chamber which contains all of the microwaves safely inside," he said. "Power-paper batteries produce steady and eco-friendly power for efficient cooking and allow it to be used virtually anywhere. It is perfect for use at home, in the office, for outdoor use, and could be easily adapted for military personnel or natural disaster relief as well."

Schwartz feels one reason for his recognition was his design's convenience and practicality. "Traditional microwaves limit users to the confines of the kitchen, but the Onda Portable Microwave solves that problem," he said. "It is a smart step in the evolution of a common product, which hasn't seen much change since its creation half a century ago."

Competition judges praised Schwartz's design for its lateral thinking and creativity, which he believes refers to the configuration of the product.

"Instead of having a big box that permanently sits on the counter top, you have a product or system comprised of two separate

pieces, that when joined together create a device that works in a very similar way but on a much smaller and more convenient scale," he noted. "It is essentially taking the components of a traditional microwave and repackaging them in a whole new way."

Schwartz thanked the Design Department for its help, including Professor Max Beach and his 23 classmates who critiqued his work during class and offered suggestions as he made progress on the project throughout his last semester. He feels his recognition in this competition is a positive reflection on the CSULB Design Department.

"It is evidence that CSULB has an excellent Design Department that teaches its students how to become successful designers, not only by teaching them how to draw and use the necessary tools, but also how to think as a designer and sell our ideas," said Schwartz, who chose CSULB because of its industrial design as a major. "Industrial design is a great way to have a positive impact on people's lives and the planet through products that are used every day, and CSULB is a great place to begin. My years at CSULB have been full of wonderful experiences and amazing people."

While waiting to see if he will move forward in the competition, Schwartz is still making his post-graduate career plans. "I am currently looking for a full-time job in the product design industry," he said, "and I hope to begin my career doing something that I love."

Subaru donates engine to auto students

NORWALK – Subaru has donated a high-performance engine to Cerritos College's Center for Advanced Transportation Technology.

The 2.5 liter H4 Boxer engine came from a 2008 Impreza STI that starred alongside Vin Diesel in the 2009 film "Fast and Furious 4."

Don Heck, Subaru's field service training manager, and Dan Page, district parts and service manager, presented the engine to the college's automotive instructor Leonard Glick on Aug. 12.

"Having late model high-performance engines such as this is essential in providing our students with hands-on training in latest technology," said Glick, an instructor in the college's Import Technician Training Program. "With each new training part and vehicle, our students develop further expertise and marketability as new employees within the industry. We are grateful to Subaru who support our program many ways."

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YOUR PET AND THE BACK-TO-SCHOOL BLUES

Our humans aren't the only ones who can suffer from separation anxiety. Our beloved dogs, cats and other pets can also feel the blues, especially during the fall months as we start a new academic year. Pets around the country may need a little help to adjust from a free-wheeling summer of fun and a house full of people to lonely days waiting for children to return from school or adults to come home from work. Many behaviors can signal a pet's anxiety or sadness, here's a list of behaviors to look for, as well as solutions to help alleviate the back-to-school blues:

- Excessive pacing, barking or meowing.
- Urinating or defecating in the house or in unapproved areas.
- Escape attempts.
- Destruction of furniture or toys.
- Unusual chewing, digging or other frantic behavior.

If you notice your pet acting up you can take specific measures to help. Here are a few strategies to consider:

- Introduce short separations to help your pet become accustomed to the upcoming schedule change.
- Foster your pet's independence by helping him or her play alone with toys and other activities.
- When your pet is alone, leave her or him an interactive toy via a food dispenser, such as the Kong.
- Do not punish or scold your pet for unusual behavior during the adjustment period (the behavior could be rooted in fear, and punishment could exacerbate that insecurity).
- If the behavior does not improve create your best efforts then it may be time to seek the help of an animal behaviorist or your local veterinarian.

We have many wonderful pets available at SEARCA. We are located at 9777 SEARCA Street in Downey. To inquire about any featured pet, please call us at 562-853-3301 or visit www.searca.org.

Eric is really energetic because of his very cool markings. He is fun with back flips on his ears. He gets along well with other dogs and will sniff on a leash. He's a handsome 10 year old with a little something to spruce up his look. He will be one proud dad!
ID: 12-03223

Jackie is an affectionate baby that loves to be cuddled and cuddled. She was turned in by her owners because they were moving and couldn't keep her any longer. She makes a wonderful apartment pet!
ID: 12-04975

Jerry would make a perfect apartment/city dog. He gets along with other dogs and came in as part of a litter. When we took him out for pictures, he just stretched out and relaxed in the flowers ready for his close up!
ID: 12-03894

Sebastian This sweet little white wire mesh dog is a very happy pup. He is full of energy and loves. Sebastian is ready for his new forever family. When his valley!
ID: 12-03515

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VS058995

NOTICE TO DEFENDANT (AVISO AL DEMANDADO): YOLIVETH ECHIVERRIA, an individual; and DOES 1 through 100, Inclusive

YOU ARE BEING SUED BY PLAINTIFF (LO ESTA DEMANDANDO EL DEMANDANTE): ROBERT SARAIVA, an individual. NOTICE! You have been sued. The court may decide against you without your being heard unless you respond within 30 days. Read the information below. You have 30 CALENDAR DAYS after this summons and legal papers are served on you to file a written response at this court and have a copy served on the plaintiff. A letter or phone call will not protect you. Your written response must be in proper legal form. If you want the court to hear your case, there may be a court form that you can use for your response. You can find these court forms and more information at the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), your county law library, or the courthouse nearest you. If you cannot pay the filing fee, ask the court clerk for a fee waiver form. If you do not file your response on time, you may lose the case by default, and your wages, money and property may be taken without further warning from the court. There are other legal requirements. You may want to call an attorney right away. If you do not know an attorney, you may want to call an attorney referral service. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may be eligible for free legal services from a nonprofit legal services program. You can locate these nonprofit groups at the California Legal Services Web site (www.lawhelpcalifornia.org), the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), or by contacting your local court or county bar association.

NOTE: The court has a statutory lien for waived fees and costs on any settlement or arbitration award of \$10,000 or more in a civil case. The court's lien must be paid before the court will dismiss the case.

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The Downey Patriot 8/25/11, 9/1/11, 9/8/11, 9/15/11

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2011072519
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) TITO'S AUTO REPAIR, 13142 TELEGRAPH RD., SANTA FE SPRINGS, CA 90670, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
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This business is conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 6/22/10. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) S/ESPERANZA LOPEZ, owner This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on JULY 28, 2011 NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A New Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (see Section 14411 et. seq., Business Professions Code).

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2011068940
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) TRIUNFO REALTY, 10238 LAKEWOOD BLVD., DOWNEY, CA 90241, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) ORALIA ALVARADO, 10238 LAKEWOOD BLVD, DOWNEY, CA 90241 State of Incorporation: N/A

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File Number 2011084330
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) MAD SEXY CHIC, 10626 OLD RIVER SCHOOL RD., DOWNEY, CA 90241, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) XOCHITL URBINA, 10626 OLD RIVER SCHOOL RD, DOWNEY, CA 90241 (2) JORGE MARMOLEJO, 2615 ARTESIA BLVD, #3, REDONDO BEACH, CA 90278 State of Incorporation: N/A

This business is conducted by a General Partnership. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) S/XOCHITL URBINA

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The Downey Patriot 8/25/11, 9/1/11, 9/8/11, 9/15/11

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2011061226
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) ADOPT & SHOP, 353 Lakewood Center Mall, Lakewood, CA 90712, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, (2) P.O. Box 86370, Los Angeles, CA 90056
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: C2813135 REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) Found Animals Foundation, Inc., 4079 Redwood Avenue, Suite C, Los Angeles, CA 90066 State of Incorporation: California This business is conducted by a Corporation

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 4/12/11. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) S/Rabeca Cross, Secretary, Found Animals Foundation, Inc. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on JULY 11, 2011

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The Downey Patriot 8/11/11, 8/18/11, 8/25/11, 9/1/11

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2011073961

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) DAN-YENIZ PHOTOGRAPHY, 11113 PARAMOUNT BLVD., SUITE C, DOWNEY, CA 90241, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) ISABEL PINON, 8650 5TH ST., APTO. D, DOWNEY, CA 90241 State of Incorporation: N/A

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Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (see Section 14411 et. seq., Business Professions Code).

The Downey Patriot 8/18/11, 8/25/11, 9/1/11, 9/8/11

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2011085649

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) DEW FOR A CHANGE, 9371 FLORENCE AVE., DOWNEY, CA 90240, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) ROMAN VAZQUEZ, 9371 FLORENCE AVE., DOWNEY, CA 90240 (2) YOLANDA VAZQUEZ, 9371 FLORENCE AVE., DOWNEY, CA 90240 State of Incorporation: N/A

This business is conducted by a Husband and Wife. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A

I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) S/ROMAN VAZQUEZ, Owner This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on AUGUST 22, 2011

NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A New Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (see Section 14411 et. seq., Business Professions Code).

The Downey Patriot 8/25/11, 9/1/11, 9/8/11, 9/15/11

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2011068992

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) BEST TIRE AND AUTOMOTIVE, 16607 S. VERMONT AVE., GARDENA, CA 90247, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) CARLOS J. PEREZ, 8325 DINSDALE ST., DOWNEY, CA

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90240
State of Incorporation: N/A
This business is conducted by an Individual
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 07/2004
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.)
S/CARLOS J. PEREZ, OWNER
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on JULY 21, 2011
NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A New Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration.
The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (see Section 14411 et. seq., Business Professions Code).

The Downey Patriot
8/18/11, 8/25/11, 9/1/11, 9/8/11

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2011080972
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) **UNIQUELY ENHANCED SPACES, 4443 IROQUOIS AVE., LAKEWOOD, CA 90713, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES**
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #0N: N/A
REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) DIANA CARLOS, 4443 IROQUOIS AVE., LAKEWOOD, CA 90713
State of Incorporation: N/A
This business is conducted by an Individual
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.)
S/DIANA CARLOS
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on AUGUST 12, 2011
NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A New Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration.
The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (see Section 14411 et. seq., Business Professions Code).

The Downey Patriot
8/18/11, 8/25/11, 9/1/11, 9/8/11

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2011082068
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) **JCPOL SERVICE27, 8719 KILNEADE AVE., PICO RIVERA, CA 90660, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES**
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #0N: N/A
REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) JUAN CARLOS ESTRADA, 8719 KILNEADE AVE., PICO RIVERA, CA 90660
State of Incorporation: CA
This business is conducted by an Individual
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.)
S/JUAN CARLOS ESTRADA
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on AUGUST 15, 2011
NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A New Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration.
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REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) JUAN CARLOS ESTRADA, 8719 KILNEADE AVE., PICO RIVERA, CA 90660
State of Incorporation: CA
This business is conducted by an Individual
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.)
S/JUAN CARLOS ESTRADA
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8/18/11, 8/25/11, 9/1/11, 9/8/11

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2011078931
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) **CERVANTES RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT, 11108 MARBEL AVE., DOWNEY, CA 90241, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES**
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #0N: N/A
REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) JONATHAN CERVANTES, 11108 MARBEL AVE., DOWNEY, CA 90241
State of Incorporation: N/A
This business is conducted by an Individual
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.)
S/JONATHAN CERVANTES, Owner
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on AUGUST 9, 2011
NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A New Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration.
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REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) JONATHAN CERVANTES, 11108 MARBEL AVE., DOWNEY, CA 90241
State of Incorporation: N/A
This business is conducted by an Individual
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.)
S/JONATHAN CERVANTES, Owner
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State of Incorporation: N/A
This business is conducted by an Individual
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S/JONATHAN CERVANTES, Owner
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GOVERNMENT

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON A PROPOSED CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT

PLN-11-00181

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held before the CITY PLANNING COMMISSION on the 7th day of September, 2011, at 6:30 p.m., in the Council Chamber of the Downey City Hall, 11111 Brookshire Avenue, Downey, California. At that time and place, consideration will be given to PLN-11-00181 (Conditional Use Permit). A request to provide two (2) parking spaces at the Downey Memorial Christian Church (8441 Florence Avenue) to meet the parking requirements for a new dental office, on property zoned C-P (Professional Office)

LOCATED AT: 8350 Florence Avenue

At that time and place all persons interested in this matter may be present to give testimony for or against such proposed case. Any further information may be obtained by contacting the Office of the City Planning Division, Downey, California, Telephone # 562-904-7154.

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

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

The Downey Patriot
8/25/11

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON A PROPOSED REVISION OF CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT

PLN-11-00131

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held before the CITY PLANNING COMMISSION on the 7th day of September, 2011, at 6:30 p.m., in the Council Chamber of the Downey City Hall, 11111 Brookshire Avenue, Downey, California. At that time and place, consideration will be given to PLN-11-00131: A request for Revision "A" to a Conditional Use Permit (PLN-10-08048), thereby allowing the expansion of a K-5 private elementary school/daycare by converting existing office space into three (3) additional classrooms (3,950 sq. ft.) without increasing enrollment and allowing for the temporary closure of seven parking stalls from 9:30 am to 2:30 pm Monday-Friday for use as an outdoor playground on property zoned C-1 (Neighborhood Commercial)

LOCATED AT: 10441 Lakewood Boulevard

At that time and place all persons interested in this matter may be present to give testimony for or against such proposed case. Any further information may be obtained by contacting the Office of the City Planning Division, Downey, California, Telephone # 562-904-7154.

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

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

The Downey Patriot
8/25/11

CITY OF DOWNEY SUMMARY OF ORDINANCES INTRODUCED

On August 23, 2011, the City Council introduced an Ordinance relating to the City and Community Development Commission's participation in the voluntary Alternative Redevelopment Program pursuant to Part 1.9 of Division 24 of the California Health and Safety Code in order to permit the continued existence and operation of the Community Development Commission of the City of Downey; and an Ordinance relating to local Campaign Finance Reform Regulations.

SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE ADOPTED

On August 23, 2011, the City Council adopted Ordinance No. 11-1289, an Urgency Ordinance relating to the City and Community Development Commission's participation in the voluntary Alternative Redevelopment Program pursuant to Part 1.9 of Division 24 of the California Health and Safety Code in order to permit the continued existence and operation of the Community Development Commission of the City of Downey. The vote was unanimous.

Copies of the full texts are available in the office of the City Clerk.

Joyce E. Doyle, Interim City Clerk
Date: August 25, 2011

The Downey Patriot
8/25/11

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON A PROPOSED SPECIAL EVENT

PLN-11-00207

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held before the CITY PLANNING COMMISSION on the 7th day of September, 2011, at 6:30 p.m., in the Council Chamber of the Downey City Hall, 11111 Brookshire Avenue, Downey, California. At that time and place, consideration will be given to PLN-11-00207: A requested Special Event for a wedding ceremony and reception on Sept. 10, 2011 from 3pm - 12am on the front lawn and first floor of the building (Rives Mansion), 2000 S. Downtown Downey Specific Plan (DDSP)

LOCATED AT: 10921-33 Paramount Boulevard

At that time and place all persons interested in this matter may be present to give testimony for or against such proposed case. Any further information may be obtained by contacting the Office of the City Planning Division, Downey, California, Telephone # 562-904-7154.

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

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

The Downey Patriot
8/25/11

PROBATE

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF PHILLIP E. SHERIDAN aka PHILLIP SHERIDAN

Case No. BP130086

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of PHILLIP E. SHERIDAN aka PHILLIP SHERIDAN

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Los Angeles County Public Administrator in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that Los Angeles County Public Administrator be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

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

A HEARING on the petition will be held on Sept. 23, 2011 at 8:30 AM in Dept. No. 9 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 deceased, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within four months from the date of first issuance of letters as provided in Probate Code section 9100. The time for filing claims will not expire before four months from the hearing date noticed above.

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

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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF DOROTHY N. WASHINGTON

Case No. VP013878

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of DOROTHY N. WASHINGTON

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Sonya Coleman in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that Sonya Coleman be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

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

A HEARING on the petition will be held on Sept. 20, 2011 at 8:30 AM in Dept. No. B located at 12720 Norwalk Bl., Norwalk, CA 90650.

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 deceased, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within four months from the date of first issuance of letters as provided in Probate Code section 9100. The time for filing claims will not expire before four months from the hearing date noticed above.

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

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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF VERA MAE DAUS aka VERA M. DAUS

Case No. VP013924

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of VERA MAE DAUS aka VERA M. DAUS

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Richard L. Daus in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that Richard L. Daus be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

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

A HEARING on the petition will be held on Sept. 27, 2011 at 8:30 AM in Dept. No. B located at 12720 Norwalk Bl., Norwalk, CA 90650.

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 deceased, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within four months from the date of first issuance of letters as provided in Probate Code section 9100. The time for filing claims will not expire before four months from the hearing date noticed above.

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

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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF BILLIE J. LIGHT aka BILLIE H. LIGHT aka BILLIE LIGHT

Case No. BP130143

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of BILLIE J. LIGHT aka BILLIE H. LIGHT aka BILLIE LIGHT

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Linda S. Fisher in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that Linda S. Fisher 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 Sept. 15, 2011 at 8:30 AM in Dept. No. 5 located at 111 N. Hill St., Los Angeles, CA 90012.

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the deceased, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within four months from the date of first issuance of letters as provided in Probate Code section 9100. The time for filing claims will not expire before four months from the hearing date noticed above.

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

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TRUSTEE SALES

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE Trustee Sale No. 250606CA Loan No. 3062752807 Title Order No. 836099 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 06/21/2011 UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 06/21/2011, 08/21/2011, IN THE CITY OF DOWNEY, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AS PER MAP RECORDED IN BOOK 45, PAGE(S) 13 TO 17 OF MAPS, IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$409,716.23 (estimated) Street address and other common designation of the real property: 12842 MORNING AVENUE DOWNEY, CA 90242 APN Number: 8245-026-008. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. The property heretofore described is being sold "as is". In compliance with California Civil Code 2923.5(c) the mortgagee, trustee, beneficiary, or authorized agent declares: that it has contacted the borrower(s) to assess their financial situation and to explore options to avoid foreclosure by one of the following methods: by telephone; by United States mail; either 1st class or certified; by overnight delivery; by personal delivery; by e-mail; by facsimile. DATE: 08-19-2011 CALIFORNIA RECONVEYANCE COMPANY, as Trustee CASEY KEALOHA, ASSISTANT SECRETARY CALIFORNIA RECONVEYANCE COMPANY IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. California Reconveyance Company 9200 Oakdale Avenue Mail Stop: CA2-4379 Chatsworth, CA 91311 800-892-6902 For Sales Information: (714) 730-2727 or www.lpsasap.com (714) 573-1965 or www.priorityposting.com ASAP# 4061241 08/18/2011, 08/25/2011, 09/01/2011

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8/25/11, 9/1/11, 9/8/11

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TS No. 11-0044032 Title Order No. 11-0034668 Investor/Insurer No. 181821116 APN No. 808-003-002 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 10/25/2007 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 PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. Notice is hereby given that RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A., as duly appointed trustee pursuant to the Deed of Trust executed by JOSEFINA PEREZ, AN UNMARRIED WOMAN, dated 10/25/2007 and recorded 11/01/07, as Instrument No. 20072466067, in Book , Page , of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Los Angeles County, State of California, will sell on 09/15/2011 at 10:30 AM, At The West side of the Los Angeles County Courthouse, directly facing Norwalk Blvd., 12720 Norwalk Blvd., Norwalk, CA 90650 at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash or check as described below, payable in full at time of sale, all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust, in the property situated in said County and State and as more fully described in the above referenced Deed of Trust. The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 12321 SPROUL STREET, NORWALK, CA, 90650. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. The total amount of the unpaid balance with interest thereon of the obligation secured by the property to be sold plus reasonable estimated costs

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appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust Recorded 06-23-2006, Book N/A, Page N/A, Instrument 06-1306336 of official records in the Office of the Recorder of LOS ANGELES County, California, executed by: SANDRA V ENOJADO A MARRIED WOMAN, as Trustor, MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., (MERS), SOLELY AS NOMINEE FOR LENDER, UNITED FINANCIAL MORTGAGE CORP., as SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS, as Beneficiary, will sell at public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn by a state or national bank, a cashier's check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a cashier's 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. Sale will be held by the duly appointed trustee as shown below, of all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by the trustee in the hereinafter described property under and pursuant to the Deed of Trust. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, estimated fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. Place of Sale: AT THE WEST SIDE OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY COURTHOUSE, DIRECTLY FACING NORWALK BOULEVARD, 12720 NORWALK BLVD., NORWALK, CA Legal Description: PARCEL 1: LOT 48 OF TRACT NO. 51689 IN THE CITY OF LA MIRADA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AS PER MAP RECORDED IN BOOK 1215, PAGES 38 TO 50 OF MAPS, IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY. EXCEPT THEREFROM ALL OIL, GAS, MINERALS AND OTHER HYDROCARBONS SUBSTANCES LYING BELOW A DEPTH OF 500 FEET BUT WITH NO RIGHT OF SURFACE ENTRY AS RECORDED IN INSTRUMENTS OF RECORD. PARCEL 2: NONEXCLUSIVE EASEMENTS FOR ACCESS, INGRESS, EGRESS, USE AND ENJOYMENT, DRAINAGE, ENCROACHMENT, SUPPORT, MAINTENANCE, REPAIRS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES ALL AS DESCRIBED IN THE MASTER DECLARATION. Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$753,284.61 (estimated) Street address and other common designation of the real property: 16345 BROOKSTONE CIRCLE LA MIRADA, CA 90638 APN Number: 8037-022-104 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. The property heretofore described is being sold "as is". In compliance with California Civil Code 2923.5(c) the mortgagee, trustee, beneficiary, or authorized agent declares: that it has contacted the borrower(s) to assess their financial situation and to explore options to avoid foreclosure by one of the following methods: by telephone; by United States mail; either 1st class or certified; by overnight delivery; by personal delivery; by e-mail; by face to face meeting. DATE: 08-18-2011 CALIFORNIA RECONVEYANCE COMPANY, as TRUSTEE, MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., (MERS), ASSISTANT SECRETARY CALIFORNIA RECONVEYANCE COMPANY IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. California Reconveyance Company 9200 Oakdale Avenue Mail Stop: CA2-4379 Chatsworth, CA 91311 800-892-6902 For Sales Information: (714) 730-2727 or www.lpsasap.com (714) 573-1965 or www.priorityposting.com ASAP# 4063889 08/18/2011, 08/25/2011, 09/01/2011

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE Trustee Sale No. 250533CA Loan No. 3017393285 Title Order No. 832695 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 04-18-2007. 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 08-18-2011 at 10:30 AM, CALIFORNIA RECONVEYANCE COMPANY as the duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust Recorded 04-25-2007, Book N/A, Page N/A, Instrument 20070994597, of official records in the Office of the Recorder of LOS ANGELES County, California, executed by: KEVIN JAE LEE AN UNMARRIED MAN, as Trustor, WASHINGTON MUTUAL BANK, F.A. as Beneficiary, will sell at public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn by a state or national bank, a cashier's check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a cashier's 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. Sale will be held by the duly appointed trustee as shown below, of all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by the trustee in the hereinafter described property under and pursuant to the Deed of Trust. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, estimated fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. Place of Sale: AT THE WEST SIDE OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY COURTHOUSE, DIRECTLY FACING NORWALK BOULEVARD, 12720 NORWALK BLVD., NORWALK, CA Legal Description: PARCEL 1: LOT 130 OF TRACT NO. 51689, IN THE CITY OF LA MIRADA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AS PER MAP RECORDED IN BOOK 1215, PAGES 38 TO 50 INCLUSIVE OF MAPS, IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY. EXCEPTING THEREFROM: ALL OIL, OIL RIGHTS, NATURAL GAS RIGHTS, MINERAL RIGHTS, AND OTHER HYDROCARBON SUBSTANCES, WHATEVER NAME KNOWN, AND ALL WATER, CLAIMS OR RIGHTS TO WATER, TOGETHER WITH APPURTENANT RIGHTS THERETO, WITHOUT, HOWEVER, ANY RIGHT TO ENTER UPON THE SURFACE OF SAID LAND NOR ANY PORTION OF THE SURFACE LIVING ABOVE A DEPTH OF 500 FEET, AS RESERVED OR RESERVED BY DEED RECORDED DECEMBER 4, 1992 AS INSTRUMENT NO. 92-2270773, OF OFFICIAL RECORDS. PARCEL 2: NONEXCLUSIVE EASEMENTS FOR ACCESS, INGRESS, EGRESS, USE AND ENJOYMENT, DRAINAGE, ENCROACHMENT, SUPPORT, MAINTENANCE, REPAIRS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, ALL AS DESCRIBED IN THE MASTER DECLARATION. Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$741,308.35 (estimated) Street address and other common designation of the real property: 16312 JUTEWOOD CT LA MIRADA, CA 90638 APN Number: 8037-048-005 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. The property heretofore described is being sold "as is". In compliance with California Civil Code 2923.5(c) the mortgagee, trustee, beneficiary, or authorized agent declares: that it has contacted the borrower(s) to assess their financial situation and to explore options to avoid foreclosure; or that it has made efforts to contact the borrower(s) to assess their financial situation and to explore options to avoid foreclosure by one of the following methods: by telephone; by United States mail; either 1st class or certified; by overnight delivery; by personal delivery; by e-mail; by face to face meeting. DATE: 08-18-2011 CALIFORNIA RECONVEYANCE COMPANY, as Trustee MARIA MAYORGA, ASSISTANT SECRETARY CALIFORNIA RECONVEYANCE COMPANY IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL

BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. California Reconveyance Company 9200 Oakdale Avenue Mail Stop: CA2-4379 Chatsworth, CA 91311 800-892-6902 For Sales Information: (714) 730-2727 or www.lpsasap.com (714) 573-1965 or www.priorityposting.com ASAP# 4065568 08/11/2011, 08/18/2011, 08/25/2011

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE T.S. No GM-260976-C Loan No 0713303022 Insurer No. 116166152 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 08/09/2007. 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 PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank 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, will be held by the duly appointed trustee. The sale will be made; but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to satisfy the unpaid balance (including accrued and unpaid interest) and reasonable estimated costs, expenses, and advances at the time of initial publication of this notice. Executive Trustee Dated: 08/11/2011. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the property address or other common designation, if any, shown herein. TRUSTOR: "GUADALUPE ORTIZ," A MARRIED WOMAN, AS HER SOLE AND SEPARATE PROPERTY. Recorded 08/15/2007 as Instrument No. 20071911241 in Book 1029/212 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 PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. NDEX WEST, LLC, as duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust Recorded on 10/26/2006 as Instrument No. 06 2378076 of official records in the office of the County Recorder of Los Angeles County, State of California, EXECUTED BY: JEAN CALMA, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH, CASHIER'S CHECK/CASH EQUIVALENT OR OTHER FORM OF PAYMENT AUTHORIZED BY 2924(h), (payable at time of sale in lawful money of the United States). DATE OF SALE: 08/31/2011 TIME OF SALE: 9:00 AM PLACE OF SALE: AT THE WEST SIDE OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY COURTHOUSE, DIRECTLY FACING NORWALK BLVD., 12720 NORWALK BLVD., NORWALK, CA. STREET ADDRESS and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 14732 GAGELY DR, LA MIRADA, CA 90638 APN#: 8041 019-019 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 title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said note(s), advances, under the terms of said Deed of Trust, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is \$398,458.78. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written Declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located. FOR TRUSTEE SALE INFORMATION PLEASE CALL: AGENCY SALES & POSTING 3210 EL CAMINO REAL, SUITE 200 IRVINE, CA 92602 714-730-2727 www.lpsasap.com NDEX WEST, L.L.C. as Trustee Dated: 08/04/2011 NDEX West, L.L.C. 15000 Surveyor and Tax Collector, Irvine, California, (949) 9013 Telephone: (866) 795-1852 Telecopier: (972) 661-7800 NDEX West, L.L.C. MAY BE ACTING AS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. ASAP# 4055243 08/11/2011, 08/18/2011, 08/25/2011

The Downey Patriot 8/25/11, 9/1/11, 9/8/11

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE Trustee Sale No. : 20110015002788 Title Order No.: 110237978 FHA/VA/PMI No.: YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 10/13/2006. 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 PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. NDEX WEST, LLC, as duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust Recorded on 10/26/2006 as Instrument No. 06 2378076 of official records in the office of the County Recorder of Los Angeles County, State of California, EXECUTED BY: JEAN CALMA, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH, CASHIER'S CHECK/CASH EQUIVALENT OR OTHER FORM OF PAYMENT AUTHORIZED BY 2924(h), (payable at time of sale in lawful money of the United States). DATE OF SALE: 08/31/2011 TIME OF SALE: 9:00 AM PLACE OF SALE: AT THE WEST SIDE OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY COURTHOUSE, DIRECTLY FACING NORWALK BLVD., 12720 NORWALK BLVD., NORWALK, CA. STREET ADDRESS and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 14732 GAGELY DR, LA MIRADA, CA 90638 APN#: 8041 019-019 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 title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said note(s), advances, under the terms of said Deed of Trust, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is \$398,458.78. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written Declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located. FOR TRUSTEE SALE INFORMATION PLEASE CALL: AGENCY SALES & POSTING 3210 EL CAMINO REAL, SUITE 200 IRVINE, CA 92602 714-730-2727 www.lpsasap.com NDEX WEST, L.L.C. as Trustee Dated: 08/04/2011 NDEX West, L.L.C. 15000 Surveyor and Tax Collector, Irvine, California, (949) 9013 Telephone: (866) 795-1852 Telecopier: (972) 661-7800 NDEX West, L.L.C. MAY BE ACTING AS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. ASAP# 4055243 08/11/2011, 08/18/2011, 08/25/2011

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE T.S. No. 11-0044213 Title Order No. 11-0034813 Investor/Insurer No. 94806973 APN No. 6258-002-042 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 07/01/2005. 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 PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER." Notice is hereby given that RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A., as duly appointed trustee pursuant to the Deed of Trust executed by: MARIO D. TORRES, A MARRIED MAN AS HIS SOLE AND SEPARATE PROPERTY., dated 07/01/2005 and recorded 07/07/05, as Instrument No. 05 1592238, in Book , Page), of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Los Angeles County, State of California, will sell on 09/15/2011 at 10:30AM, At the West side of the Los Angeles County Courthouse, directly facing Norwalk Blvd., 12720 Norwalk Blvd., Norwalk, CA 90650 at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash or check as described below, payable in full at time of sale, all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust, in the property situated in said County and State and as more fully described in the above referenced Deed of Trust. The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 8433 CAVEL STREET, DOWNEY, CA, 90242. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. The total amount of the unpaid balance with interest thereon of the obligation secured by the property to be sold plus reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is \$585,060.23. It is possible that at the time of sale the opening bid may be less than the total indebtedness due. In addition to cash, the Trustee will accept cashier's checks drawn on 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. Sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances, to satisfy the indebtedness secured by said Deed of Trust, advances thereunder, with interest as provided, and the unpaid principal of the Note secured by said Deed of Trust with interest thereon as provided

in said Note, plus fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. DATED: 08/24/2011 RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A. 1800 Tapo Canyon Rd., CA6-914-01-94 SIMI VALLEY, CA 93063 Phone: (800) 281 8219, Sale Information (626) 927-4399 By Trustee's Sale Officer RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A. is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for that purpose. ASAP# 4065975 08/25/2011, 09/01/2011, 09/08/2011

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE T.S. No. 11-0041829 Title Order No. 11-0033145 Investor/Insurer No. N/A APN No. 8018-002-022 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 06/22/2006. 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 PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER." Notice is hereby given that RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A., as duly appointed trustee pursuant to the Deed of Trust executed by: WALTER PHILLIPS JR, AND CYNTHIA ELAINE PHILLIPS, HUSBAND AND WIFE AS JOINT TENANTS, dated 06/22/2006 and recorded 06/30/06, as Instrument No. 06 1473445, in Book , Page) of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Los Angeles County, State of California, will sell on 09/15/2011 at 10:30AM, At the West side of the Los Angeles County Courthouse, directly facing Norwalk Blvd., 12720 Norwalk Blvd., Norwalk, CA 90650 at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash or check as described below, payable in full at time of sale, all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust, in the property situated in said County and State and as more fully described in the above referenced Deed of Trust. The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 1425 SMOYER AVENUE, NORWALK, CA, 90650. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. The total amount of the unpaid balance with interest thereon of the obligation secured by the property to be sold plus reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is \$448,621.57. It is possible that at the time of sale the opening bid may be less than the total indebtedness due. In addition to cash, the Trustee will accept cashier's checks drawn on 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. Said sale will be made, in an "AS IS" condition, but without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances, to satisfy the indebtedness secured by said Deed of Trust, advances thereunder, with interest as provided, and the unpaid principal of the Note secured by said Deed of Trust with interest thereon as provided in said Note, plus fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. DATED: 08/20/2011 RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A. 1800 Tapo Canyon Rd., CA6-914-01-94 SIMI VALLEY, CA 93063 Phone: (800) 281 8219, Sale Information (626) 927-4399 By Trustee's Sale Officer RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A. is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for that purpose. ASAP# 4065628 08/25/2011, 09/01/2011, 09/08/2011

The Downey Patriot 8/25/11, 9/1/11, 9/8/11

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE Trustee Sale No. : 20110015002788 Title Order No.: 110237978 FHA/VA/PMI No.: YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 10/13/2006. 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 PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. NDEX WEST, LLC, as duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust Recorded on 10/26/2006 as Instrument No. 06 2378076 of official records in the office of the County Recorder of Los Angeles County, State of California, EXECUTED BY: JEAN CALMA, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH, CASHIER'S CHECK/CASH EQUIVALENT OR OTHER FORM OF PAYMENT AUTHORIZED BY 2924(h), (payable at time of sale in lawful money of the United States). DATE OF SALE: 08/31/2011 TIME OF SALE: 9:00 AM PLACE OF SALE: AT THE WEST SIDE OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY COURTHOUSE, DIRECTLY FACING NORWALK BLVD., 12720 NORWALK BLVD., NORWALK, CA. STREET ADDRESS and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 14732 GAGELY DR, LA MIRADA, CA 90638 APN#: 8041 019-019 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 title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said note(s), advances, under the terms of said Deed of Trust, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is \$398,458.78. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written Declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located. FOR TRUSTEE SALE INFORMATION PLEASE CALL: AGENCY SALES & POSTING 3210 EL CAMINO REAL, SUITE 200 IRVINE, CA 92602 714-730-2727 www.lpsasap.com NDEX WEST, L.L.C. as Trustee Dated: 08/04/2011 NDEX West, L.L.C. 15000 Surveyor and Tax Collector, Irvine, California, (949) 9013 Telephone: (866) 795-1852 Telecopier: (972) 661-7800 NDEX West, L.L.C. MAY BE ACTING AS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. ASAP# 4055243 08/11/2011, 08/18/2011, 08/25/2011

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Trustee Sale No. : 20110169803570 Title Order No. : 110249998 FHA/VA/PMI No.: NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 08/18/2007. 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 PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. NDEX WEST, LLC, as duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust Recorded on 11/16/2002 as Instrument No. 02 2685520 of official records in the office of the County Recorder of LOS ANGELES County, State of California, EXECUTED BY: MARCO R. ERDMENGER, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH, CASHIER'S CHECK/CASH EQUIVALENT OR OTHER FORM OF PAYMENT AUTHORIZED BY 2924(h), (payable at time of sale in lawful money of the United States). DATE OF SALE: 09/16/2011 TIME OF SALE: 9:00 AM PLACE OF SALE: SHERATON LOS ANGELES DOWNTOWN HOTEL 711 SOUTH HOPE STREET LOS ANGELES, CA 90017 CALIFORNIA BALLROOM. STREET ADDRESS and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 9218 JALEDON AVENUE DOWNEY, CALIFORNIA 90240-2931 APN#: 6389-005-018 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 title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said note(s), advances, under the terms of said Deed of Trust, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is \$271,983.57. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written Declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located. FOR TRUSTEE SALE INFORMATION PLEASE CALL: AUCTION.COM, LLC ONE MAUCHLY IRVINE, CA 92618 800-280-2832 Auction.com, LLC NDEX West, L.L.C. as Trustee Dated: 8/25/2011. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. P866306 8/25, 9/1, 09/08/2011

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Trustee Sale No. 250824CA Loan No. 0697572741 Title Order No. 842694 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 02-06-2006. 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 09-15-2011 at 10:30 AM, CALIFORNIA RECONVEYANCE COMPANY as the duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust Recorded 02-24-2006, of Book N/A, Page N/A, of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Los Angeles County, State of California, will sell on 09/07/2011 at 9:00AM, Sheraton Los Angeles Downtown Hotel 711 South Hope Street, Los Angeles, CA 90017 California Ballroom at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash or check as described below, payable in full at time of sale, all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust, in the property situated in said County and State and as more fully described in the above referenced Deed of Trust. The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 11511 FAIRFOUR AVE, NORWALK, CA, 90650. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. The total amount of the unpaid balance with interest thereon of the obligation secured by the property to be sold plus reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is \$206,060.11. It is possible that at the time of sale the opening bid may be less than the total indebtedness due. In addition to cash, the Trustee will accept cashier's checks drawn on 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. Said sale will be made, in an "AS IS" condition, but without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances, to satisfy the indebtedness secured by said Deed of Trust, advances thereunder, with interest as provided, and the unpaid principal of the Note secured by said Deed of Trust with interest thereon as provided in said Note, plus fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. DATED: 08/04/2011 RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A. 1800 Tapo Canyon Rd., CA6-914-01-94 SIMI VALLEY, CA 93063 Phone: (800) 281 8219, Sale Information (626) 927-4399 By Trustee's Sale Officer RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A. is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for that purpose. ASAP# FNMA4047755 08/11/2011, 08/18/2011, 08/25/2011

by the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, estimated fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. Place of Sale: THE FRONT ENTRANCE TO THE POMONA SUPERIOR COURTS BUILDING, 350 WEST MISSION BOULEVARD, POMONA, CA Legal Description: AS MORE FULLY DESCRIBED IN SAID DEED OF TRUST AMOUNT OF UNPAID BALANCE AND OTHER CHARGES: \$659,381.88 (estimated) Street address and other common designation of the real property: 13247 & 13249 BARLIN AVENUE DOWNEY, CA 90242 APN Number: 6266-007-003 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. The property heretofore described is being sold "as is". In compliance with California Civil Code 2923.5(c) the mortgagee, trustee, beneficiary, or authorized agent declares: that it has contacted the borrower(s) to assess their financial situation and to explore options to avoid foreclosure; or that it has made efforts to contact the borrower(s) to assess their financial situation and to explore options to avoid foreclosure by one of the following methods: by telephone; by United States mail; either 1st class or certified; by overnight delivery; by personal delivery; by e-mail; by face to face meeting. DATE: 8/22/2011 CALIFORNIA RECONVEYANCE COMPANY, as Trustee DEREK WEAR-RENEE, ASSISTANT SECRETARY CALIFORNIA RECONVEYANCE COMPANY IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. California Reconveyance Company 9200 Oakdale Avenue Mail Stop: CA2-4379 Chatsworth, CA 91311 800-892-6902 For Sales Information: (714) 730-2727 or www.lpsasap.com (714) 573-1965 or www.priorityposting.com P867388 8/25, 9/1, 09/08/2011

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE T.S. No. 11-0042270 Title Order No. 11-0033665 Investor/Insurer No. 1703887457 APN No. 8075-010-013 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 05/03/2007. 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 PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER." Notice is hereby given that RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A., as duly appointed trustee pursuant to the Deed of Trust executed by: DANY BENITEZ, AND MARIA ELENA RAMIREZ, HUSBAND AND WIFE AS JOINT TENANTS, dated 05/30/2007 and recorded 06/04/07, as Instrument No. 20071341350, in Book , Page), of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Los Angeles County, State of California, will sell on 09/16/2011 at 9:00AM, Sheraton Los Angeles Downtown Hotel 711 South Hope Street, Los Angeles, CA 90017 California Ballroom at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash or check as described below, payable in full at time of sale, all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust, in the property situated in said County and State and as more fully described in the above referenced Deed of Trust. The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 14532 STUDEBAKER RD, NORWALK, CA, 906504772. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. The total amount of the unpaid balance with interest thereon of the obligation secured by the property to be sold plus reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is \$243,777.13. It is possible that at the time of sale the opening bid may be less than the total indebtedness due. In addition to cash, the Trustee will accept cashier's checks drawn on 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. Said sale will be made, in an "AS IS" condition, but without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances, to satisfy the indebtedness secured by said Deed of Trust, advances thereunder, with interest as provided, and the unpaid principal of the Note secured by said Deed of Trust with interest thereon as provided in said Note, plus fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. DATED: 08/18/2011 RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A. 1800 Tapo Canyon Rd., CA6-914-01-94 SIMI VALLEY, CA 93063 Phone: (800) 281 8219, Sale Information (626) 927-4399 By Trustee's Sale Officer RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A. is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for that purpose. ASAP# FNMA4047769 08/25/2011, 09/01/2011, 09/08/2011

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE T.S. No. 11-0038407 Title Order No. 11-0030059 Investor/Insurer No. 1694127641 APN No. 8022-002-002 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 03/21/2003. 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 PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. Notice is hereby given that RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A., as duly appointed trustee pursuant to the Deed of Trust executed by JOSE A. RUIZ, AN UNMARRIED MAN, AND DINA C. BRIONES A WIDOW AS JOINT TENANTS, dated 03/21/2003 and recorded 03/28/03, as Instrument No. 2003-0875466, in Book , Page) of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Los Angeles County, State of California, will sell on 09/07/2011 at 9:00AM, Sheraton Los Angeles Downtown Hotel 711 South Hope Street, Los Angeles, CA 90017 California Ballroom at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash or check as described below, payable in full at time of sale, all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust, in the property situated in said County and State and as more fully described in the above referenced Deed of Trust. The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 11511 FAIRFOUR AVE, NORWALK, CA, 90650. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. The total amount of the unpaid balance with interest thereon of the obligation secured by the property to be sold plus reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is \$206,060.11. It is possible that at the time of sale the opening bid may be less than the total indebtedness due. In addition to cash, the Trustee will accept cashier's checks drawn on 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. Said sale will be made, in an "AS IS" condition, but without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances, to satisfy the indebtedness secured by said Deed of Trust, advances thereunder, with interest as provided, and the unpaid principal of the Note secured by said Deed of Trust with interest thereon as provided in said Note, plus fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. DATED: 08/04/2011 RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A. 1800 Tapo Canyon Rd., CA6-914-01-94 SIMI VALLEY, CA 93063 Phone: (800) 281 8219, Sale Information (626) 927-4399 By Trustee's Sale Officer RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A. is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for that purpose. ASAP# FNMA4047755 08/11/2011, 08/18/2011, 08/25/2011

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE T.S. No. 11-0039367 Title Order No. 11-0030918 Investor/Insurer No. 1703045236 APN No.

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YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER.

A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 to the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state, will be held by duly appointed trustee. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with the interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. **BENEFICIARY MAY ELECT TO BID LESS THAN THE TOTAL AMOUNT DUE.** Trustor(s): **MARIO ALVARADO** Recorded: **4/25/2007** as Instrument No. **20070995492** in book **XXX**, page **XXX**. If Official Records in the office of the Recorder of **LOS ANGELES** County, California; Date of Sale: **9/15/2011 at 10:30:00 AM** Place of Sale: **At the front entrance to the Pomona Superior Courts Building, 350 West Mission Blvd., Pomona CA** Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: **\$149,926.88** The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the property address or other common designation, if any, shown herein. If no street address or other common designation is shown, please refer to the referenced legal description for property location. In the event no common address or common designation of the property is provided herein directions to the location of the property may be obtained within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale by sending a written request to **Bank of America 475 Crosspoint Parkway Getzville NY 14068** Pursuant to California Civil Code Section 2923.54 the undersigned, on behalf of the beneficiary, loan servicer or authorized agent, declares as follows: [1] The mortgage loan servicer has obtained from the commissioner a final or temporary order of exemption pursuant to Section 2923.53 that is current and valid on the date the notice of sale is filed; [2] The timeframe for giving notice of sale specified in subdivision (a) of Section 2923.52 does not apply pursuant to Section 2923.52. **If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee, or the Mortgagee's Attorney.** Date: **Quality Loan Service Corp. 2141 5th Avenue San Diego, CA 92101 619-645-7711** For NON SALE information only Sale Line: **714-573-1965** or Login to: **www.priorityposting.com** Reinstatement Line: **619-645-7711** Quality Loan Service, Corp. If you have previously been discharged through bankruptcy, you may have been released of personal liability for this loan in which case this letter is intended to exercise title, note holders, rights in this state, your purpose only. **THIS NOTICE IS SENT FOR THE PURPOSE OF COLLECTING A DEBT. THIS FIRM IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT ON BEHALF OF THE HOLDER AND OWNER OF THE NOTE. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED BY OR PROVIDED TO THIS FIRM OR THE CREDITOR WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.** As required by law, you are hereby notified that a negative credit report reflecting on your credit record may be submitted to a credit report agency if you fail to fulfill the terms of your credit obligations. IDSPub #0009371 8/25/2011 9/1/2011 9/8/2011

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE T.S. NO. GM-252413-C Loan No 0654949765 Insurer No. 1695781326 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 04/19/2004. 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 PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state, will be held by the duly appointed trustee. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the property address or other common designation, if any, shown herein. TRUSTOR: ERIC E BROOKS A SINGLE MAN AND JACK T BROOKS A SINGLE MAN AS JOINT TENANTS Recorded 08/27/2004 at the office of the County Recorder of Los Angeles County, California. Book, page of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Los Angeles County, California, Date of Sale: 09/12/2011 at 10:30 A.M. Place of Sale: At the West side of the Los Angeles County Courthouse, directly facing Norwalk Blvd., 12720 Norwalk Blvd., Norwalk, CA 90650 Property Address is purported to be: 1324 BLUEFIELD AVENUE, RANCHO CA 90638 APN#: 8038-023-009 The total amount secured by said instrument as of the time of initial publication of this notice is \$411,710.92, which includes the total amount of the unpaid balance (including accrued and unpaid interest) and reasonable estimated costs, expenses, and advances at the time of initial publication of this notice. Date: 08/15/2011 Executive Trustee Services, LLC dba ETS Services, LLC 2255 North Ontario Street, Suite 400 Burbank, CA 91504-3120 Sale Line: 714-730-2727 llanna Petersen, TRUSTEE SALE OFFICER ASAP# 4071193 08/18/2011, 08/25/2011, 09/01/2011

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE Trustee Sale No. 1: 20100015001191 Title Order No.: 100120859 FHA/VA/PMI No.: YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 10/16/2006. 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 PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. NDEX WEST, L.L.C. as duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust Recorded on 10/31/2006 as Instrument No. 06 2411045 of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Los Angeles County, California. EXECUTED BY: HOMER MCCALL, JR. AND LATONA K. MCCALL, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH, CASHIER'S CHECK/CASH EQUIVALENT (or other form of payment authorized by 2924(b)), (payable at time of sale to be delivered to the Trustee). DATE OF SALE: 09/14/2011 TIME OF SALE: 10:30 AM PLACE OF SALE: AT THE WEST SIDE OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY COURTHOUSE, DIRECTLY FACING NORWALK BLVD., 12720 NORWALK BLVD., NORWALK, CA. STREET ADDRESS and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 14517 GRIDLEY RD, NORWALK, CALIFORNIA 90650 APN#: 8070-023-036 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 title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said note(s), advances, under the terms of said Deed of Trust, fees, charges and

expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is \$394,702.77. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written Declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located. FOR TRUSTEE SALE INFORMATION PLEASE CALL: AGENCY SALES & POST # 32101 714-730-2727 SUITE 200 IRVINE, CA 92602 714-730-2727 www.lpsasap.com NDEX West, L.L.C. MAY BE ACTING AS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. NDEX WEST, L.L.C. as Trustee Dated: 08/19/2011 ASAP# 4072350 08/25/2011, 09/01/2011, 09/08/2011

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE T.S. NO. 09-02659-US-CA YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 04/24/2007. 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 PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash (cashier's check(s) must be made payable to National Default Servicing Corporation), drawn on a state or federal 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; will be held by the duly appointed trustee as shown below, of all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by the trustee in the hereinbefore described property under and pursuant to a Deed of Trust described below. The sale will be made in an "as is" condition, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. Trustor: IRMA MARQUEZ, A MARRIED WOMAN AS HER SOLE AND SEPARATE PROPERTY. Duly Appointed Trustee: NATIONAL DEFAULT SERVICING CORPORATION Recorded 05/03/2007 as Instrument No. 20071073562 of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Los Angeles County, California. Date of Sale: 09/15/2011 at 10:30 A.M. Place of Sale: At the west side of the Los Angeles County Courthouse, directly facing Norwalk Blvd., 12720 Norwalk Blvd., Norwalk, CA Estimated amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$406,653.01 Street Address or other common designation of real property: 9228 ELM VISTA DRIVE UNIT A, DOWNEY, CA 90244 P.N.I.: 6284-022-026 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address or other common designation, if any, shown above. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the commissioner of the State of California. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. The undersigned mortgagee, beneficiary or creditor, agent for the mortgagee or beneficiary pursuant to California Civil Code 2923.5(b) declares that the mortgagee, beneficiary or the mortgagee's or beneficiary's authorized agent has either contacted the borrower or tried with due diligence to contact the borrower as required by California Civil Code 2923.5. Page 2 Notice of Trustee's Sale T.S. NO. 09-02659-US-CA Regarding the property that is the subject of this Notice of Sale, the "mortgage loan servicer" as defined in California Civil Code Section 2923.53 (k) (3) declares that it has obtained from the Commissioner a final or temporary order of exemption pursuant to California Civil Code Section 2923.53 and that the exemption is current and valid on the date the Notice of Sale is recorded. The timeframe for giving a Notice of Sale specified in Subdivision (a) Section 2923.52 does not apply to this notice of Sale pursuant to California Civil Code Sections 2923.52 or 2923.55. Date: 08/19/2011 NATIONAL DEFAULT SERVICING CORPORATION 7720 N. 16th Street, Suite 300 Phoenix, AZ 85020 602-264-6101 Sales Line: 714-730-2727 Sales Website: www.ndscorp.com/Trustee Nichole Alford, TRUSTEE SALES REPRESENTATIVE ASAP# 4071768 08/25/2011, 09/01/2011, 09/08/2011

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TS NO. 08-0056135 Title Order No. 08-8-210218 Investor/Insurer No. 112522565 APN No. 8074-004-022 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 05/23/2006. 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 PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER." Notice is hereby given that RECONTRUST COMPANY, as duly appointed trustee pursuant to the Deed of Trust executed by GERARDO MEDINA PROHENSER, A MARRIED MAN AS HIS SOLE AND SEPARATE PROPERTY, dated 05/23/2006 and recorded 06/02/06, as Instrument No. 06 1210895, in Book , Page), of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Los Angeles County, State of California, will sell on 09/15/2011 at 10:30AM, At the West side of the Los Angeles County Courthouse, directly facing Norwalk Blvd., 12720 Norwalk Blvd., Norwalk, CA 90650 a public auction, to the highest bidder for cash or check as described below, payable in full at time of sale, all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust, in the property situated in said County and State and as more fully described in the above referenced Deed of Trust. The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 14517 GRIDLEY RD, NORWALK, CA, 90650. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. The total amount of the unpaid balance secured by the property to be sold plus reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is \$549,199.55. It is possible that at the time of sale the opening bid may be less than the total indebtedness due. In addition to cash, the Trustee will accept cashier's checks drawn on 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. Said sale will be made, in an "AS IS" condition, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to satisfy the indebtedness secured by said Deed of Trust, advances thereunder, with interest as provided, and the unpaid principal of the Note secured by said Deed of Trust with interest thereon as provided in said Note, plus fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. **BENEFICIARY MAY ELECT TO BID LESS THAN THE TOTAL AMOUNT DUE.** Trustor(s): **PYONG S KIM, A MARRIED MAN AS HIS SOLE & SEPARATE PROPERTY** Recorded: **5/31/2007** as Instrument No. **20071315217** in book **xxx**, page **xxx** of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of **LOS ANGELES** County,

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TS NO. 09-0154688 Title Order No. 09-8-470634 Investor/Insurer No. 105685427 APN No. 6366-029-005 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 09/09/2005. 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 PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER." Notice is hereby given that RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A., as duly appointed trustee pursuant to the Deed of Trust executed by NANCY HUNTER, A MARRIED MAN, AS HIS SOLE AND SEPARATE PROPERTY, dated 09/09/2005 and recorded 09/14/05, as Instrument No. 05 2209624, in Book , Page), of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Los Angeles County, State of California, will sell on 09/15/2011 at 10:30AM, At the West side of the Los Angeles County Courthouse, directly facing Norwalk Blvd., 12720 Norwalk Blvd., Norwalk, CA 90650 at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash or check as described below, payable in full at time of sale, all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust, in the property situated in said County and State and as more fully described in the above referenced Deed of Trust. The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 7612 CLAMCREST DRIVE, DOWNEY, CA, 90240. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. The total amount of the unpaid balance secured by the property to be sold plus reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is \$586,504.73. It is possible that at the time of sale the opening bid may be less than the total indebtedness due. In addition to cash, the Trustee will accept cashier's checks drawn on 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. Said sale will be made, in an "AS IS" condition, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances, to satisfy the indebtedness secured by said Deed of Trust, advances thereunder, with interest as provided, and the unpaid principal of the Note secured by said Deed of Trust with interest thereon as provided in said Note, plus fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. DATED: 01/22/2010 RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A. 1800 Tappo Canyon Rd., CA-619-414-01-94 SIMI VALLEY, CA 93063 Phone: (800) 281 8219, Sale Information (626) 927-4399 By: Trustee's Sale Officer RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A. is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for that purpose. ASAP# 4062965 08/11/2011, 08/18/2011, 08/25/2011

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Assessors Parcel No.: 6249-010-025 Title Order No. 5394897 IMPORTANT NOTICE NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED APRIL 22, 2008. 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 PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On September 2, 2011 at 10:30 a.m. GREGORY BEAM & ASSOCIATES, INC., as the duly appointed or substituted Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust recorded May 1, 2008 as Document No. 20080766081 of Official Records of LOS ANGELES COUNTY, State of California, will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash or check as specified in Civil Code Section 2924a (payable in full at the time of sale to Ronald G. Minekime and Julie L. Minekime, Co Trustees of the Minekime Living Trust dated Nov. 20, 2007) at the Front Entrance to the Pomona Superior Courts Building, 350 W. Mission Blvd., Pomona, California, all right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County and State described as: completely described in said Deed of Trust. The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 7422 Via Amorita, Downey, CA 90241. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale of property will be made in "as is" condition without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession, condition or encumbrances, including fees, charges, expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust, to pay the remaining principal sums of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is \$582,293.32. Accrued interest, costs and advance charges, if any, may increase this figure prior to sale. It is also possible that at the time of sale, the opening bid may be less than the amount stated. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written declaration of Default and Demand for Sale and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located. For sales information: (949) 588-5881 dated August 2, 2011 GREGORY BEAM & ASSOCIATES, INC. Trustee By: Gregory B. Beam, Esq. 23113 Plaza Pointe Dr., Suite 100 Laguna Hills, California 92653 (949) 588-5880 P866995 8/11, 8/18, 08/25/2011

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TS # CA-10-395720-VF Order #: 100632301-CA-GT-10 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 5/25/2007. 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 PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state, will be held by duly appointed trustee. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. **BENEFICIARY MAY ELECT TO BID LESS THAN THE TOTAL AMOUNT DUE.** Trustor(s): **PYONG S KIM, A MARRIED MAN AS HIS SOLE & SEPARATE PROPERTY** Recorded: **5/31/2007** as Instrument No. **20071315217** in book **xxx**, page **xxx** of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of **LOS ANGELES** County,

California; Date of Sale: **9/15/2011 at 10:30:00 AM** Place of Sale: **At the front entrance to the Pomona Superior Courts Building, 350 West Mission Blvd., Pomona CA** Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: **\$392,489.39** The purported property address is: **10330 DOWNEY AVE UNIT 14 DOWNEY, CA 90241** Assessor's Parcel No. **6252-020-039** The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the property address or other common designation, if any, shown herein. If no street address or other common designation is shown, please refer to the referenced legal description for property location. In the event no common address or common designation of the property is provided herein directions to the location of the property may be obtained within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale by sending a written request to **Bank of America 475 Crosspoint Parkway Getzville NY 14068** Pursuant to California Civil Code Section 2923.54 the undersigned, on behalf of the beneficiary, loan servicer or authorized agent, declares as follows: [1] The mortgage loan servicer has obtained from the commissioner a final or temporary order of exemption pursuant to Section 2923.53 that is current and valid on the date the notice of sale is filed; [2] The timeframe for giving notice of sale specified in subdivision (a) of Section 2923.52 does not apply pursuant to Section 2923.52. **If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee, or the Mortgagee's Attorney.** Date: **Quality Loan Service Corp. 2141 5th Avenue San Diego, CA 92101 619-645-7711** For NON SALE information only Sale Line: **714-573-1965** or Login to: **www.priorityposting.com** Reinstatement Line: **619-645-7711** Quality Loan Service, Corp. If you have previously been discharged through bankruptcy, you may have been released of personal liability for this loan in which case this letter is intended to exercise the note holders right's against the real property only. **THIS NOTICE IS SENT FOR THE PURPOSE OF COLLECTING A DEBT. THIS FIRM IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT ON BEHALF OF THE HOLDER AND OWNER OF THE NOTE. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED BY OR PROVIDED TO THIS FIRM OR THE CREDITOR WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.** As required by law, you are hereby notified that a negative credit report reflecting on your credit record may be submitted to a credit report agency if you fail to fulfill the terms of your credit obligations. IDSPub #0010045 8/25/2011 9/1/2011 9/8/2011

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TS # CA-08-213948-BL Order #: 080084300-CA-DCI YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 11/14/2006. 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 PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 to the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state, will be held by duly appointed trustee. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. **BENEFICIARY MAY ELECT TO BID LESS THAN THE TOTAL AMOUNT DUE.** Trustor(s): **MARGARITA RAMIREZ AND MARGARITA RAMIREZ, HUSBAND AND WIFE AS JOINT TENANTS** Recorded: 12/1/2006 as Instrument No. 06-2665057 in book xxx, page xxx of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of LOS ANGELES County, California; Date of Sale: 9/19/2011 at 10:30 AM Place of Sale: At the West side of the Los Angeles County Courthouse, directly facing Norwalk Blvd., 12720 Norwalk Blvd., Norwalk, CA 90650 Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$510,515.75 The purported property address is: 12337 HORKLEY AVE DOWNEY, CA 90242 Assessor's Parcel No. 6245-008-004 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. If no street address or other common designation is shown, please refer to the referenced legal description for property location. In the event no common address or common designation of the property is provided herein directions to the location of the property may be obtained within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale by sending a written request to Select Portfolio Servicing, Inc. 3815 S.W. Temple Salt Lake City UT 84115-4412 Pursuant to California Civil Code 2923.54 the undersigned, on behalf of the beneficiary, loan servicer or authorized agent, declares as follows: [1] The mortgage loan servicer has obtained from the commissioner a final or temporary order of exemption pursuant to Section 2923.53 that is current and valid on the date the notice of sale is filed; [2] The timeframe for giving notice of sale specified in subdivision (a) of Section 2923.52 does not apply pursuant to Section 2923.52. **If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee, or the Mortgagee's Attorney.** Date: **Quality Loan Service Corp. 2141 5th Avenue San Diego, CA 92101 619-645-7711** For NON SALE information only Sale Line: 714-730-2727 or Login to: www.fidelitytasap.com Reinstatement Line: 619-645-7711 Quality Loan Service, Corp. If you have previously been discharged through bankruptcy, you may have been released of personal liability for this loan in which case this letter is intended to exercise the note holders right's against the real property only. **THIS NOTICE IS SENT FOR THE PURPOSE OF COLLECTING A DEBT. THIS FIRM IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT ON BEHALF OF THE HOLDER AND OWNER OF THE NOTE. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED BY OR PROVIDED TO THIS FIRM OR THE CREDITOR WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.** As required by law, you are hereby notified that a negative credit report reflecting on your credit record may be submitted to a credit report agency if you fail to fulfill the terms of your credit obligations. IDSPub #07272 08/25/2011 09/01/2011, 09/08/2011

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TS NO. 11-0041989 Title Order No. 11-0033276 Investor/Insurer No. 6094942106 APN No. 7005-017-031 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 05/23/2007. 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 PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER." Notice is hereby given that RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A., as duly appointed trustee pursuant to the Deed of Trust executed by PANIUDA POOMPAN, TRUSTEE AND/OR SUCCESSOR IN TRUST OF PANIUDA POOMPAN, LIVING TRUST (REVOCABLE) DATED NOVEMBER 4, 2005, dated 05/23/2007 and recorded 05/31/07 as Instrument No. 20071314516, in Book , Page of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Los Angeles County, State of California, will sell on 09/15/2011 at 10:30AM, At the West side of the Los Angeles County Courthouse, directly facing Norwalk Blvd., 12720 Norwalk Blvd., Norwalk, CA 90650 at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash or check as described below, payable in full at time of sale, all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust, in the property situated in said County and State and as more fully described in the above referenced Deed of Trust. The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 12001 PORTUGAL COURT, NORWALK, CA, 90650. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. The total amount of the unpaid balance secured by the property to be sold plus reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is \$485,388.41. It is possible that at the time of sale the opening bid may be less than the total indebtedness due. In addition to cash, the Trustee will accept cashier's checks drawn on 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. Said sale will be made, in an "AS IS" condition, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances, to satisfy the indebtedness secured by said Deed of Trust, advances thereunder, with interest as provided, and the unpaid principal of the Note secured by said Deed of Trust with interest thereon as provided in said Note, plus fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. DATED: 08/21/2010 RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A. 1800 Tappo Canyon Rd., CA-619-414-01-94 SIMI VALLEY, CA 93063 Phone: (800) 281 8219, Sale Information (626) 927-4399 By: Trustee's Sale Officer RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A. is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for that purpose. ASAP# 4067561 08/11/2011, 08/18/2011, 08/25/2011

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TS NO. 10-0042016 Title Order No. 10-8-166643 Investor/Insurer No. 113049540 APN No. 6390-024-009 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 08/26/2005. 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 PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER." Notice is hereby given that RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A., as duly appointed trustee pursuant to the Deed of Trust executed by NELSON SANCHEZ, A MARRIED MAN AS HIS SOLE & SEPARATE PROPERTY, dated 08/26/2005 and recorded 09/02/05, as Instrument No. 05 2128319, in Book , Page), of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Los Angeles County, State of California, will sell on 09/12/2011 at 10:30AM, At the West side of

the Los Angeles County Courthouse, directly facing Norwalk Blvd., 12720 Norwalk Blvd., Norwalk, CA 90650 at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash or check as described below, payable in full at time of sale, all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust, in the property situated in said County and State and as more fully described in the above referenced Deed of Trust. The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 9632 LEMORAN AVENUE, DOWNEY, CA, 902403006. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. The total amount of the unpaid balance with interest thereon of the obligation secured by the property to be sold plus reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is \$1,066,961.87. It is possible that at the time of sale the opening bid may be less than the total indebtedness due. In addition to cash, the Trustee will accept cashier's checks drawn on 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. Said sale will be made, in an "AS IS" condition, but without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances, to satisfy the indebtedness secured by said Deed of Trust, advances thereunder, with interest as provided, and the unpaid principal of the Note secured by said Deed of Trust with interest thereon as provided in said Note, plus fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. DATED: 07/01/2010 RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A. 1800 Tappo Canyon Rd., CA-619-414-01-94 SIMI VALLEY, CA 93063 Phone: (800) 281 8219, Sale Information (626) 927-4399 By: Trustee's Sale Officer RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A. is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for that purpose. ASAP# 4070371 08/18/2011, 08/25/2011, 09/01/2011

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TS NO. 08-000195 Title Order No. 09-8-001454 Investor/Insurer No. 114812797 APN No. 8024-003-021 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 11/01/2005. 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 PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER." Notice is hereby given that RECONTRUST COMPANY, as duly appointed trustee pursuant to the Deed of Trust executed by RAFAEL CORTES, AND LEIDY CORTES, HUSBAND AND WIFE AS JOINT TENANTS, dated 11/01/2005 and recorded 11/08/05, as Instrument No. 05 268177, in Book , Page), of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Los Angeles County, State of California, will sell on 09/15/2011 at 10:30AM, At the West side of the Los Angeles County Courthouse, directly facing Norwalk Blvd., 12720 Norwalk Blvd., Norwalk, CA 90650 at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash or check as described below, payable in full at time of sale, all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust, in the property situated in said County and State and as more fully described in the above referenced Deed of Trust. The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 10834 OFFLEY AVENUE, Downey, CA, 902413152. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. The total amount of the unpaid balance with interest thereon of

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appointed trustee. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to satisfy the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the property address or other common designation, if any, shown herein. Trustor(s): RODOLFO RODRIGUEZ, EVELYN ARIAS RODRIGUEZ, HUSBAND & WIFE Recorded: 05/23/05, as Instrument No. 05 1197320 of Official Records of LOS ANGELES COUNTY, California. Date of Sale: 09/07/11 at 1:00 PM Place of Sale: At the front entrance to the Pomona Superior Courts Building, 350 West Mission Blvd., Pomona, CA. The purported property address is: 11633 MITLA AVE DOWNEY, CA 90241 Assessor's Parcel No. 6231-008-040 SEE "EXHIBIT A" THE LAND REFERRED TO IN THIS GUARANTEE IS SITUATED IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA, CITY OF DOWNEY, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, AND IS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: LOT 50 OF TRACT NO. 15475, IN THE CITY OF DOWNEY, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES STATE OF CALIFORNIA AS PER MAP RECORDED IN BOOK 356 PAGE(S) 10 TO 12 INCLUSIVE OF MAPS, IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY. EXCEPT THEREFROM THAT PORTION OF SAID LOT LYING WITHIN THAT CERTAIN STRIP OF LAND 120.00 FEET IN WIDTH, THE SIDELINES BEING PARALLEL WITH AND DISTANT 60.00 FEET MEASURED AT RIGHT ANGLES ON EACH SIDE OF A CENTERLINE DESCRIBED IN DEED RECORDED IN BOOK 14029 PAGE 389 OFFICIAL RECORDS OF SAID COUNTY. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is \$256,020.86. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid, plus interest. The purchaser shall have no further recourse against the beneficiary, the Trustor or the trustee. Date: August 16, 2011 NORTHWEST TRUSTEE SERVICES, INC., as Trustee Julian Ojeda, Authorized Signatory 1241 E. Dyer Road, Suite 250, Santa Ana, CA 92705 Sale Info website: www.USA-Foreclosure.com or www.Auction.com Automated Sales Line: 714-277-4845 or 800-230-2932. Reinstatement and Pay-Off Requests: (866) 387-NWTS THIS OFFICE IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE FEI # 1002.200906 08/18/2011, 08/25/2011, 09/01/2011

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TS #: CA-09-261795-ED Order #: 090191278-CA-DCI YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 6/27/2007. 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 PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state, will be held by duly appointed trustee. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. BENEFICIARY MAY ELECT TO BUY THE PROPERTY AT THE TOTAL AMOUNT DUE. Trustor(s): RAUL GARCIA, A SINGLE MAN Recorded: 6/29/2007 as Instrument No. 20071564918 in book xxx, page xxx of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of LOS ANGELES County, California; Date of Sale: 9/6/2011 at 10:30 AM Place of Sale: At the West side of the Los Angeles County Courthouse, directly facing Norwalk Blvd., 12720 Norwalk Blvd., Norwalk, CA 90650 Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$1,214,303.64 The purported property address is: 9080 FARM ST DOWNEY, CA 90241 Assessor's Parcel No. 6285-010-010 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the property address or other common designation, if any, shown herein, if no street address or other common designation is shown, please refer to the referenced legal description for property location. In the event no common address or common designation of the property is provided herein directions to the location of the property may be obtained within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale by sending a written request to JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. 7301 Baymeadows Way Jacksonville FL 32256 Pursuant to California Civil Code 2923.54 the undersigned, on behalf of the beneficiary, loan servicer or authorized agent, declares as follows: [1] The mortgage loan servicer has obtained from the commissioner a final or temporary order of exemption pursuant to Section 2923.53 that is current and valid on the date the notice of sale is filed; [2] The timeframe for giving notice of sale specified in subdivision (a) of Section 2923.52 does not apply pursuant to Section 2923.52. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagee, or the Mortgagee, or the Mortgagee's Attorney. Date: Quality Loan Service Corp., 2141 5th Avenue San Diego, CA 92101 619-645-7711 For NON SALE information only Sale Line: 714-730-2727 or Login to: www.fidelitysap.com Reinstatement Line: 619-645-7711 Quality Loan Service, Corp. If you have previously been discharged through bankruptcy, you may have been released of personal liability for your loan, but this letter is intended to exercise the note holders right's against the real property only. THIS NOTICE IS SENT FOR THE PURPOSE OF COLLECTING A DEBT. THIS FIRM IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT ON BEHALF OF THE HOLDER AND OWNER OF THE NOTE. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED BY OR PROVIDED TO THIS FIRM OR THE CREDITOR WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. As required by law, you are hereby notified that a negative credit report reflecting on your credit record may be submitted to a credit report agency if you fail to fulfill the terms of your credit obligations. ASAP# 4064815 08/11/2011, 08/18/2011, 08/25/2011

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TS No. 11-000479 Title Order No. 11-0032354 Investor/Insurer No. 116910134 APN No. 8061-028-015 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 12/20/2005. 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 PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER." Notice is hereby given that RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A., as duly appointed trustee pursuant to the Deed of Trust executed by DAVID HOLGUIN AND MIREYA HOLGUIN, HUSBAND AND WIFE AS JOINT TENANTS, dated 12/20/2005 and recorded 12/29/05, as Instrument No. 05-3208667, in Book , Page), of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Los Angeles County, State of California, will sell on 09/08/2011 at 10:30AM, At the West side of the Los Angeles County Courthouse, directly facing Norwalk Blvd., 12720 Norwalk Blvd., Norwalk, CA 90650 at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash or check as described below, payable in full at time of sale, all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust, in the property situated in said County and State and as more

fully described in the above referenced Deed of Trust. The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 14325 SAN ESTEBAN DRIVE, LA MIRADA, CA, 90638. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. The total amount of the unpaid balance with interest thereon of the obligation secured by the property to be sold plus reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is \$662,560.91. It is possible that at the time of sale the opening bid may be less than the total indebtedness due. In addition to cash, the Trustee will accept cashier's checks drawn on a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state. Said sale will be made, in an "AS IS" condition, but without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances, to satisfy the indebtedness secured by said Deed of Trust, advances thereunder, with interest as provided, and the unpaid principal of the Note secured by said Deed of Trust with interest thereon as provided in said Note, plus fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust, DATED: 08/17/2011 RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A., 1800 Tapo Canyon Rd., CA6-914-01-94 SIMI VALLEY, CA 93063 Phone: (800) 281 8219, Sale Information (626) 927-4399 By: Trustee's Sale Officer RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A. is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for that purpose. ASAP# 4061052 08/18/2011, 08/25/2011, 09/01/2011

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TS No. 08-0092095 Title Order No. 08-8-337733 Investor/Insurer No. 0011104489 APN No. 6367-002-015 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 12/09/2004. 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 PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER." Notice is hereby given that RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A., as duly appointed trustee pursuant to the Deed of Trust executed by RODOLFO G. GONZALEZ AND SUSANA ESCOBAR, HUSBAND AND WIFE, AS JOINT TENANTS., dated 12/09/2004 and recorded 12/23/04, as Instrument No. 04 3331458, in Book , Page), of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Los Angeles County, State of California, will sell on 09/08/2011 at 10:30AM, At the West side of the Los Angeles County Courthouse, directly facing Norwalk Blvd., 12720 Norwalk Blvd., Norwalk, CA 90650 at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash or check as described below, payable in full at time of sale, all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust, in the property situated in said County and State and as more fully described in the above referenced Deed of Trust. The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 8541 RIVES AVE, DOWNEY, CA, 90240. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. The total amount of the unpaid balance with interest thereon of the obligation secured by the property to be sold plus reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is \$382,027.95. It is possible that at the time of sale the opening bid may be less than the total indebtedness due. In addition to cash, the Trustee will accept cashier's checks drawn on 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. Said sale will be made, in an "AS IS" condition, but without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances, to satisfy the indebtedness secured by said Deed of Trust, advances thereunder, with interest as provided, and the unpaid principal of the Note secured by said Deed of Trust with interest thereon as provided in said Note, plus fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust, DATED: 11/27/2008 RECONTRUST COMPANY 1800 Tapo Canyon Rd., SV2-202 SIMI VALLEY, CA 93063 Phone: (800) 281 8219, Sale Information (626) 927-4399 By: Trustee's Sale Officer RECONTRUST COMPANY is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for that purpose. ASAP# 4068749 08/18/2011, 08/25/2011, 09/01/2011

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TS No. 09-0053646 Title Order No. 09-8-166660 Investor/Insurer No. 188677532 APN No. 6365-004-007 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 01/26/2008. 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 PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER." Notice is hereby given that RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A., as duly appointed trustee pursuant to the Deed of Trust executed by RENATA RODRIGUEZ, A SINGLE WOMAN, AND JOE G MACIARI, A SINGLE MAN, ALL AS JOINT TENANTS, dated 01/26/2008 and

recorded 02/04/08, as Instrument No. 20080204728, in Book , Page), of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Los Angeles County, State of California, will sell on 09/08/2011 at 10:30AM, At the West side of the Los Angeles County Courthouse, directly facing Norwalk Blvd., 12720 Norwalk Blvd., Norwalk, CA 90650 at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash or check as described below, payable in full at time of sale, all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust, in the property situated in said County and State and as more fully described in the above referenced Deed of Trust. The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 7743 BOTANY STREET, DOWNEY, CA, 90240. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. The total amount of the unpaid balance with interest thereon of the obligation secured by the property to be sold plus reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is \$711,743.26. It is possible that at the time of sale the opening bid may be less than the total indebtedness due. In addition to cash, the Trustee will accept cashier's checks drawn on 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. Said sale will be made, in an "AS IS" condition, but without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances, to satisfy the indebtedness secured by said Deed of Trust, advances thereunder, with interest as provided, and the unpaid principal of the Note secured by said Deed of Trust with interest thereon as provided in said Note, plus fees, charges and expenses

of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust, DATED: 08/06/2009 RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A., 1800 Tapo Canyon Rd., CA6-914-01-94 SIMI VALLEY, CA 93063 Phone: (800) 281 8219, Sale Information (626) 927-4399 By: Trustee's Sale Officer RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A. is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for that purpose. ASAP# 4069473 08/18/2011, 08/25/2011, 09/01/2011

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TS No. 09-0054571 Title Order No. 09-8-169561 Investor/Insurer No. 509130429 APN No. 6255-013-003 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 04/21/2008. 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 PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER." Notice is hereby given that RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A., as duly appointed trustee pursuant to the Deed of Trust executed by MANUEL A. SANCHEZ, A MARRIED MAN AS HIS SOLE AND SEPARATE PROPERTY, dated 04/21/2008 and recorded 05/02/08, as Instrument No. 20080775659, in Book , Page), of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Los Angeles County, State of California, will sell on 09/08/2011 at 10:30AM, At the West side of the Los Angeles County Courthouse, directly facing Norwalk Blvd., 12720 Norwalk Blvd., Norwalk, CA 90650 at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash or check as described below, payable in full at time of sale, all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust, in the property situated in said County and State and as more fully described

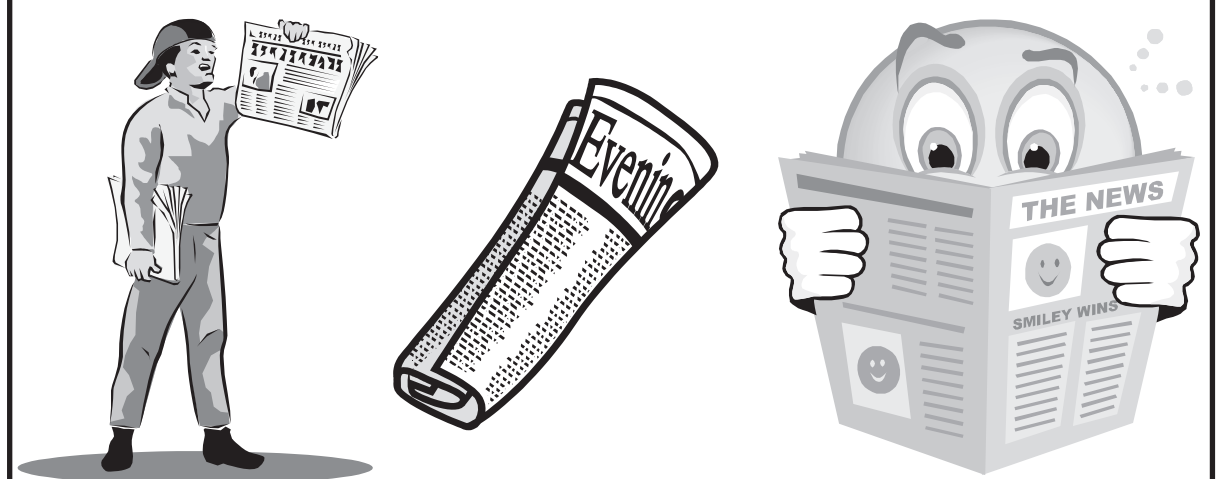
in the above referenced Deed of Trust. The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 11612 GURLEY AVENUE, DOWNEY, CA, 90241. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. The total amount of the unpaid balance with interest thereon of the obligation secured by the property to be sold plus reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is \$500,446.94. It is possible that at the time of sale the opening bid may be less than the total indebtedness due. In addition to cash, the Trustee will accept cashier's checks drawn on 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. Said sale will be made, in an "AS IS" condition, but without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances, to satisfy the indebtedness secured by said Deed of Trust, advances thereunder, with interest as provided, and the unpaid principal of the Note secured by said Deed of Trust with interest thereon as provided in said Note, plus fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust, DATED: 08/07/2009 RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A., 1800 Tapo Canyon Rd., CA6-914-01-94 SIMI VALLEY, CA 93063 Phone: (800) 281 8219, Sale Information (626) 927-4399 By: Trustee's Sale Officer RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A. is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for that purpose. ASAP# 4069568 08/18/2011, 08/25/2011, 09/01/2011

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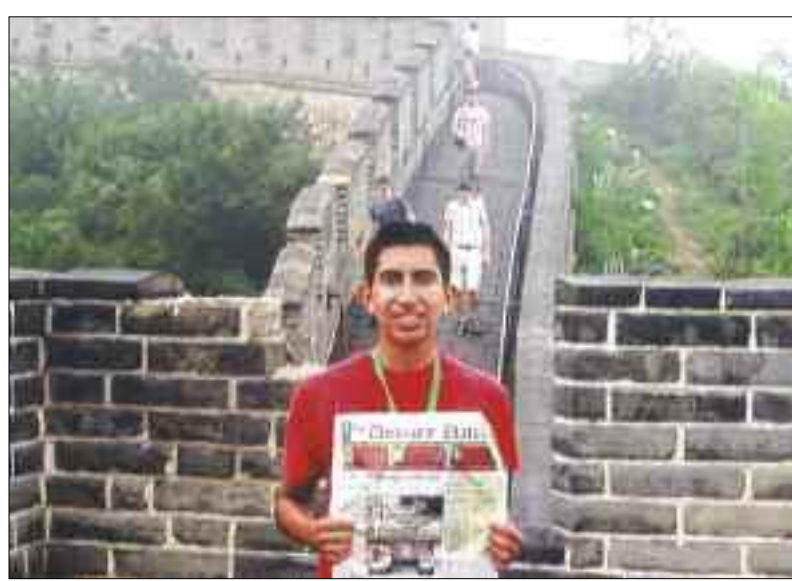


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Downey Adult School will hold registration Sept. 2 for Mommy/Daddy & Me preschool, a program designed to equip children to enter kindergarten with confidence. Parents participate in their child's activities as well as weekly discussion sessions intended to strengthen their parenting skills. Guest speakers and field trips are part of the program. Registration is from 9-11 a.m. in the parent/child classroom at Downey Adult School. School begins Sept. 7. For more information, call (562) 940-6200.



Jacob Quiroz, a Downey resident and senior at Servite High School, traveled to China for 11 days to represent his school. Quiroz went with a group called "The Legends of China" and visited three cities. The program is normally for college students but was opened to allow high school students this year. Quiroz is pictured above at the Great Wall of China.



John Vincent, longtime community volunteer and president of the Downey Historical Society, celebrated his 90th birthday with a party Sunday at the Rio Hondo Event Center. Dozens of residents and local officials attended, and Lorine Parks read a poem she had written in his honor.



Matthew Barger was presented with the rank of Eagle Scout by Troop 441 and the Old River Men's Club at a Court of Honor ceremony held Aug. 14 at Downey First Baptist Church. Barger attained the rank by completing an Eagle project earlier in the year in which he planned, organized and helped build push carts and shelves for the Downey Council PTA HELPS room. In addition to the project, Barger earned 24 merit badges and held several leadership positions in the troop including senior patrol leader.



Longtime Downey residents Bruce, Tina and Deanna Durflinger recently enjoyed a family trip to Yellowstone National Park in Wyoming, but didn't leave home without the Patriot. "It is wonderful to have such treasures in our national parks," the family said. "We had the best time." Bruce is a math teacher at La Puente High School, and Tina is the secretary/editor for Downey Memorial Christian Church. "We are so proud to be part of the Downey community," they said.



The 10u Gold "Fearless" All-Star team from Downey Ponytail tied for seventh place at this year's ASA Western Nationals Tournament held in Clovis, Calif. Bottom row, left to right: Kailyn Lorberter, Linda Gaspar, Lauren Amezcua and Coach Elvin Collazo. Middle row: Kayla Chavez, Sophia Collazo, Amber Vasquez, Miranda Padilla, Analise Garcia, Jasmine Apodaca, Kenia Lira, Brooklyn Sepulveda and Coach Manny Sepulveda. Back row: Coach Chris Apodaca, Giselle Chavez and Coach Ed Garcia.

Free fishing day Sept. 3

SACRAMENTO – Residents are invited to fish California's waters at no cost, and without a license, on Sept. 3.

The state's Department of Fish and Game authorizes two "Free Fishing Days" each year to encourage people to try fishing.

Although no fishing license is required on this day, all other fishing regulations, such as bag and size limits, gear restrictions, report card requirements, fishing hours and stream closures remain in effect.

Every angler must have an appropriate report card if they are fishing for abalone, steelhead, surgeon or spiny lobster anywhere in the state, or salmon specifically in the Smith and Klamath-Trinity River systems.

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WOW! This custom North Downey home has it all. The property features 5 bedrooms, 4 bathrooms, bronzed dual pane windows, marble entry and a wet bar. French doors in the master suite, walk-in closets, granite in the kitchen and a large basement make this home a must see. Call today for more information!

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This Downey pool home is in excellent condition! The property features 4 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms and copper plumbing throughout. The 2 car attached garage and 5300 sq.ft. lot make this property a great opportunity. Priced at an amazing \$305,000

Pride of Ownership
This is a very clean property! This cute and cozy Downey home features a formal dining room for entertaining, fresh interior paint and central air & heat. The updated bathroom has a separate shower and tub. This home also includes copper plumbing, new carpet in the bedrooms and dual pane windows. Priced to sell at \$339,000

Investors Wanted!
Great income property! This property features 2 large units. Each unit has 3 bedroom and 1 bath. Both units have been recently upgraded with carpet, paint, kitchens and floors. The back unit has a private balcony and garden. Call for more information today!

Need More Space?
Beautiful Downey home built in 2003. This property features 5 bedrooms, 5 bathrooms, 3291 sq.ft. of living space with central air & heat. The kitchen has granite counter tops and an island for convenience. The backyard setup for entertaining completes this master piece. Call today for more information!

Another Satisfied Customer!
Immaculate condition. This 3 bedroom, 2 bathroom North Downey home has an open floor plan. This property also features inside laundry, central air & heat, a large family room with a fireplace. The kitchen was remodeled 2 years ago and shows like new. Priced right at \$359,900!

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This is an adorable 3 bedroom, 2 bathroom pool home. This property features central air and heat, a fireplace in the living room and a 2 car garage. Close to freeways and shopping make this one an excellent opportunity. Priced right at \$379,000!

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